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Aug 27, 2023

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TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME

MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday: 4:00 PM

Sunday: 10:00 AM

Daily Mass: Monday - Thursday 8:00 AM

Adoration: Thursdays after 8am Mass to 6pm

OFFICE HOURS

Monday - Thursday

8:30 am to 1:30 pm

Friday, Saturday, Sunday - Closed
(Office is closed on all Civic Holidays)

MASS INTENTIONS

Having a Mass celebrated for a person or a specific request has a long history in the Catholic Church. Requesting a Mass is not only a sign of your own faith, but of your heart for those who say these Masses. The offering you make when requesting a Mass will go to support the work of our church.

Saturday August 26, 2023 4pm - For the St. Joseph's Parish Family
Sunday August 27, 2023 10am - Louise Silva, requested by Shirley Freeman
Monday August 28, 2023 8am - Michael Hogan (Healing), requested Lorraine Beaudoin
Tuesday August 29, 2023 8am - Rev. Stan Azaro
Wednesday August 30, 2023 8am - Alice Schlenker, requested by Anonymous
Thursday August 31, 2023 8am - Rev. Maurice Brindamour (Healing)
Friday September 1, 2023 - No Mass

Tabernacle Lamp - Aug. 27th to Sept. 2nd
No Intention

Saturday September 2, 2023 4pm - No Intention
Sunday September 3, 2023 10am - No Intention
Monday September 4, 2023 8am - No Intention
Tuesday September 5, 2023 8am - Kathleen & Sharon Martin,
requested by Dennis Martin
Wednesday September 6, 2023 8am - No Intention
Thursday September 7, 2023 8am - No Intention
Friday September 8, 2023 - No Mass

Tabernacle Lamp - Sept. 3rd to Sept. 9th
No Intention

WEEKLY OFFERING WEEKEND Aug 20th

Mass & Mail-In Budgets: \$1260.00

Online Collection: \$489.00

Building Maintenance: \$80.00

Assumption: \$130.00

Total: \$1959.00

READINGS & OBSERVANCES 2023

21 ST SUNDAY ORDINARY TIME Aug 27	Is 22:19-23/Ps 138:1-2, 2-3, 6, 8/Rom 11:33-36/ Mt 16:13-20
MONDAY Aug 28	<i>Saint Augustine, Bishop and Doctor of the Church</i> 1 Thes 1:1-5, 8b-10/Ps 149:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6a+9b/ Mt 23:13-22
TUESDAY Aug 29	<i>The Passion of Saint John the Baptist</i> 1 Thes 2:1-8/Ps 139:1-3, 4-6/Mk 6:17-29
WEDNESDAY Aug 30	1 Thes 2:9-13/Ps 139:7-8, 9-10, 11-12ab/Mt 23:27-32
THURSDAY Aug 31	1 Thes 3:7-13/Ps 90:3-5a, 12-13, 14+17/Mt 24:42-51
FRIDAY Sept 1	1 Thes 4:1-8/Ps 97:1+2b, 5-6, 10, 11-12/Mt 25:1-13
SATURDAY Sept 2	1 Thes 4:9-11/Ps 98:1, 7-8, 9/Mt 25:14-30
22 ND SUNDAY ORDINARY TIME Sept 3	Jer 20:7-9/Ps 63:2, 3-4, 5-6, 8-9/Rom 12:1-2/ Mt 16:21-27



VOLUNTEERS NEEDED WE NEED YOUR HELP!

God calls each of us to serve one another according to the gifts He has given us. We can answer that call in many ways.

One way to offer our gifts is to serve in the context of the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass

Lector: Ministry of the Word. God speaks to us through the readers, who proclaim Scriptures at our liturgies.

Ministry of Altar Server: Become an integral part of our worship by participating in the Ministry. People of every age can become an Altar Server!

Ministry of Sacristan: A sacristan performs various duties; among them the preparation of the Altar and Communion vessels.

Our experienced Lectors, Altar Servers and Sacristans are enthusiastic about training all new volunteers and welcome your participation.

Team up with a friend or your spouse and train together for one of our Liturgical Ministries!

Please call Sue in the office at 401-421-9137 and she will provide additional information and make arrangements for instruction and training.

Thank you

Journey OF Faith

21ST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

In Word & Deed

*M*any people claim to be spiritual, but not religious. They acknowledge a spiritual reality, but it is often non-personal and non-specific. It does not involve church or community and resembles a 'feel good' pep talk rather than anything with the power to transform, change and bless. Being spiritual is noncommittal and easy; being religious requires something more personal and committed.

Jesus is not one to tiptoe around the question of faith and commitment. He does not suggest that discipleship is about feeling good or being happy. To follow Him, you pick up a cross. You sacrifice yourself for the sake of others. You follow Him wherever He goes. All this is done with hope in His promise of

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AND SO I SAY TO YOU, YOU ARE PETER, AND
UPON THIS ROCK I WILL BUILD MY CHURCH...

MATTHEW 16:18

TO WALK AS ONE



The threat of identity theft has people taking extra precautions when they discard bills, personal papers and credit card receipts. Losing your identity can be costly, difficult to correct and cause a slew of problems. Restoring your good name, your credit and your bank account can take a very long time. Our soul, our spiritual identity can also be threatened by sin, apathy and pride. Losing your spiritual identity can be costly, difficult to correct and painful to restore. We need to take precautions to protect our souls from harm.

A strong family, a religious community and a daily dose of prayer can protect us from all evil because in them we are joined more closely to the Lord. It helps us keep focused on who we are and what

we are about.

It reminds us of our spiritual heritage in which God shares with us His endless wisdom, creative power and redeeming work. It calls us to be witnesses to and bearers of the Gospel message of love, hope, joy and peace. With and for each other, we remain committed to the Lord, His mission and His Church. There is no losing our identity, nor being confused for something or someone else. We know who He is and He knows who we are.

-Jim Gaffney

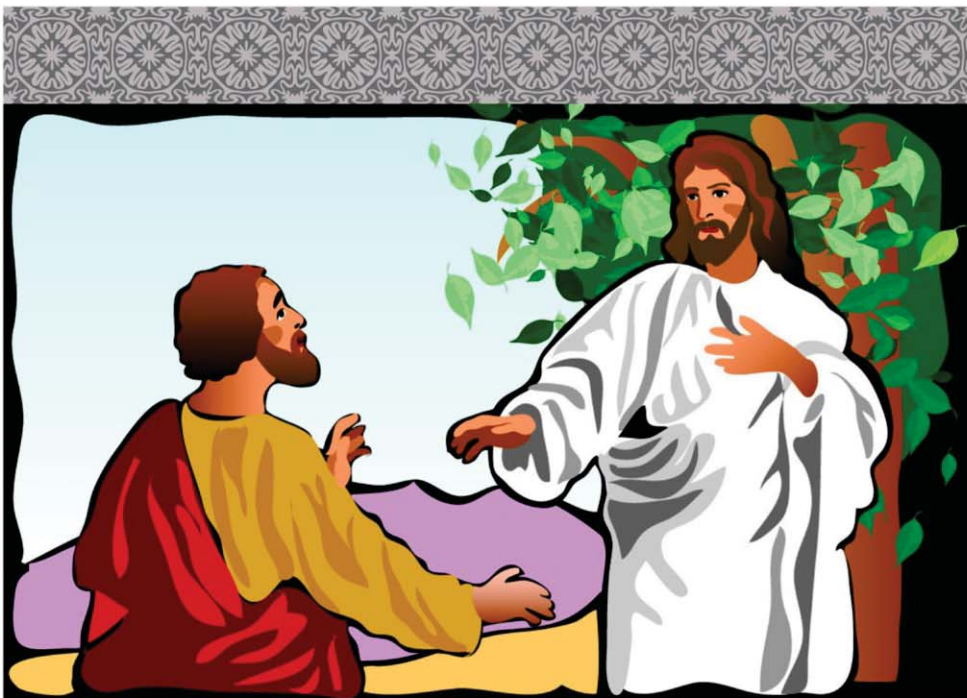
In Word & Deed

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life and grace.

The quick way to decide if you are spiritual or religious is to answer the question that Jesus asks: Who do you say that I am? If you say He is a nice guy who preached about love, you are spiritual. If you say he is the Son of God who died for our sakes and rose from the dead and sits at the right hand of the Father, and He guides and directs my life through the Holy Spirit and through the Church, then you are religious. Look at the cross, and decide what your answer will be.

-Jim Gaffney



*He said to them, "But who do you say that I am?"
Simon Peter said in reply,
"You are the Messiah, the Son of the living God."*

Matthew 16:15-16



Experience God's Mercy

CONFESSION SCHEDULE

Sunday 9:15 am to 9:55 am

Thursday 5:30 pm to 6:00 pm

Reconciliation (also known as Confession or Penance) is a sacrament instituted by Jesus Christ in his love and mercy to offer sinners forgiveness for offenses committed against God. In Reconciliation, we acknowledge our sins before God and his Church. We express our sorrow in a meaningful way, receive the forgiveness of Christ and his Church, make reparation for what we have done, and resolve to do better in the future.

*"Every time we go to confession, God embraces us."
- Pope Francis -*

IMPORTANT NOTICE

Very important information for those that use on-line giving to make their contributions.

We have **ended** our services with the current on-line giving platform. If you have your contributions set up as an auto-pay you must go into your account and deactivate it. Once you have deactivated your account please register with our new provider by going to the link provided below. For those that do not have their account setup as auto-pay you will simply go to the link below to begin on-line giving with our new provider.

Our new platform for on-line giving is provided through "Our Sunday Visitor (OSV)"

You will use the following link to register with our new provider:

www.osvhub.com/st-joseph-providence/giving/funds

If you have questions call Sue at the office: 401-421-9137



THE BEST TIME YOU WILL SPEND ON EARTH.

Eucharistic Adoration

THURSDAYS FOLLOWING 8AM MASS TO 12PM

Answer Christ's invitation to "spend an hour with Him" by becoming a Scheduled Weekly Adorer or Substitute.

If you become a scheduled adorer, you will have a set hour period that you will be present at the chapel. If you are unable to make your scheduled hour in a given week, you are free to call the coordinators to find a substitute.

If you aren't sure whether you can commit to an hour a week, consider teaming up with a friend or family member to share the hour with or be each other's dedicated substitute and go every other week.

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