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Fr. Mariusz Fuks, Pastor



## WELCOME, VISITORS!

We extend a warm welcome to the individuals and families who are celebrating with us today. We invite you to register with our Parish Family. You can fill out a registration form online or find one in the narthex.

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### OUR LADY STAR OF THE SEA WEEKLY SCHEDULE

**Mondays** No Daily Mass  
**Tuesdays** 5:00 pm Rosary & Adoration,  
5:30 pm Daily Mass  
**Wednesdays** 7:30 am Rosary, 8:00 am Daily Mass  
**Thursdays** 7:30 am Rosary, 8:00 am Daily Mass  
**Fridays** 7:30 am Rosary, 8:00 am Daily Mass  
**Saturdays** 4:30 pm Rosary, 5:00 pm Mass  
(except on Holy Saturday)  
**Sundays** 10:30 am Rosary, 11:00 am Mass  
**Confessions**  
Saturday 3:30 pm to 4:30 pm or by Appointment  
1st Fridays 8:00 am Mass @ Historic Chapel  
9:00 am - 9:00 pm Adoration of  
the Blessed Sacrament  
1st Saturdays 10:00 am Adoration, Rosary, Mass

### SAINT FRANCIS OF ASSISI WEEKLY SCHEDULE

Wednesdays 6:00 pm Daily Mass  
Sundays 8:30 am Mass  
Confessions 30 minutes before Mass or by Appointment

### PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK

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## How close can we get to God?

Moses is hands-down the greatest figure in the Hebrew story. But his outsized significance is not as well appreciated in Christian circles as in Jewish ones. Before Moses, God looms in scripture as creator and judge and absolute authority - a distant Almighty figure who might share a few words with one of his creatures but was otherwise unapproachable. So God spoke to Adam and Eve, Cain, Noah, and Abraham and Sarah. Most of the time, however, God remained behind the scenes and patently unknowable. God sent a representative to wrestle with Jacob and sent dreams to guide Jacob's son Joseph, rather than mixing it up personally with these fellows. We get the sense that the original intimacy God had in mind with humanity had been so thwarted by sin that chumming up with us was frankly impossible.

Then came Moses, and the rules changed. God not only spoke with Moses but was revealed to him in a burning bush. God's radiance left the mark of glory reflected on Moses' face when he came from the divine presence, so that he had to cover himself with a veil. God presented Moses not simply with words spoken into air but also those carved into stone for safekeeping. And when it was time for Moses to move on from the sacred meeting ground of Sinai, God decided to go with him. That is, the Lord determined not simply to watch over Moses from the distant remove of heaven but to travel along and companion him in the Tent of Meeting. Israel's God would live inside their camp. This would require something from the nation never before asked of mortals: to become a priestly, holy people capable of living with Divinity night and day. A consecrated community might dare to carry the sacred vessel of the Ark of the Covenant at the center of their assembly. Moses would become the teacher of this vast congregation called to holiness. For he, more than any person who'd ever lived, knew the mind of God and shared the divine purposes.

## Seeing God face to face

Did Moses actually see God? This is a point debated within scripture. Some passages, such as his death scene on Mt. Nebo in Deuteronomy, suggest that he had a visual experience of the Lord. Exodus records that Moses asked to see God's "glory," and God agreed to show him the divine "beauty"—but not the Holy Face. The New Testament appears to be of several opinions: that God cannot be seen by human beings, period (John's gospel and 1 Tim.);

that God can be seen only "as in a mirror" (2 Cor.); or that one who has seen Jesus has already seen the Father (also John's gospel).

When God does grant Moses a personal epiphany, we are told that God stands with Moses and speaks the divine name. Once again, it is through the name of God and not by some visual cue that Moses most perfectly apprehends who God is. What Moses actually saw with his eyes is not recorded to satisfy our curiosity. It may have been unrecordable. Even the great writer of cosmic reality, Dante, found it hard to speak of the beatific vision, calling it "one dimension and three different colors" of light.

Perhaps Moses simply saw what was most important to see: God's will etched clearly upon the future as if in stone. If Moses radiated God's glory it's because he first apprehended the beauty of God's purposes and was prepared to reflect that back to the community with bold words, actions, and leadership. Alone among the patriarchs, Moses did not count his progeny among his signal achievements. His inheritance was Israel, and his descendants were the sons of Aaron and the prophets to come. Later visionaries like Isaiah and Ezekiel seemed to come closest to seeing the will of God as Moses did, though they reported their revelations in terms of dreams or apparitions.

## How ought we to see the Lord

The best way to describe God might be to take the Lord at his word. When God calls out the Name to Moses, it comes complete with the phrase: "A merciful and gracious God, slow to anger and rich in kindness and fidelity." Do those who come through our religious education programs, RCIA formation, and Sunday liturgies know this as the one true face of God revealed to humanity? Merciful, gracious, patient, kind, and faithful: That is the Lord of Moses' acquaintance. No wonder he was anxious to keep God in his company during those long desert years. More Christians might seek the close companionship of God if they thought of the divine in less legal (and lethal) terms than the ultimate judge and jury.

In the mystical tradition of the Johannine community, God becomes much more than a Name and a litany of loving attributes. When Philip dares to voice his desire to see God face to face, Jesus tells him frankly that his wish has already been granted.

Though Moses was favored with the divine name and companionship, the disciples knew the holy Presence as a person with whom they shared the intimacy of their meals. And we who are disciples today are equally favored. Moses saw God's hand in the gift of manna; Jesus is the manna that we take and eat. God gave Moses water from a rock; Jesus is the living water that takes away our thirst. Moses lifted the bronze serpent to heal the people at God's command; Jesus is the healing authority of God lifted up on the cross for the sake of a suffering world. Moses perceived the presence of God indwelling in the midst of the nation. We know that the Spirit of God dwells in us, as we become temples of grace and blessing.

## The Holy Kiss

Saint Paul was another great God lover who internalized the divine purpose intimately. He could hardly imagine the meeting of two Christians not resulting in a kiss, so complete is their love in Christ. Grace, love, and fellowship were an early expression of Trinity in Paul's writings. These elements reflected the gift of Jesus Christ, the boundless heart of the Creator who so loved the world, and the community inspired by the Holy Spirit. To Paul's mind, these were inseparable realities. In the same way, the writer of John's Gospel could not separate the Incarnation of Jesus from the saving motivation of God. The One who sent the Son into the world could not intend its condemnation. If you have seen the face of Jesus, in the crib or on the cross, you already know this.

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## Related scripture links

Talking with God: *Gen. 2-3; 4:6-15; 6:5-9:17; 12:1-3; 15:1-21; 17:1-22; 22:1-2*

Indirect dealings: *Gen. 18; 22:15-18; 28:10-15; 32:23-31; 37:5-10, 40-41*

God goes with Moses and the nation: *Exod. 33:12-17; Deut. 4:32-40*

Priestly holy people: *Exod. 19:5-6; Isa. 61:6; 1 Pet. 2:9; Rev. 1:6; 5:10; 20:6*

Seeing God: *Gen. 32:31; Exod. 33:18-23; Deut.*

*34:10; John 1:18; 14:8-11; 1 Cor. 13:12; 1 Tim. 6:16*

Moses' descendants are spiritual, not biological: *Num. 3:1-4; see also Exod. 2:21-22; 4:20; 18:2-6*



## MASS INTENTIONS

Offering Mass for a special Intention is a long-standing tradition in the Catholic Church. It is usually considered that special graces are obtained for whom the Mass is said. Masses are offered for many reasons: for the souls in purgatory, in remembrance for someone who is deceased, or in honor of a birthday or anniversary. If you would like to have a Mass said for someone, go to the Parish Office to get on the schedule. Cards are then given to you so that you can mail them to whomever you choose to so they may also participate in the Mass. The stipend or offering given, (\$10 or more) signifies the sacrificial nature of giving of something of yourself to associate more intimately with Christ who offers himself in the Eucharist.

## MASS SCHEDULE AND INTENTIONS

**06/03/23 - 5:00 pm Saturday Vigil**

*For the response of the soul of  
James Hughes*

**06/04/23 - THE MOST HOLY TRINITY SUNDAY**

**8:30 AM - (St. Francis)**

**11:00 AM (Our Lady Star of the Sea)**

*For the repose of soul of Ernesto Bautista*

**06/05/23 - Monday: NO MASS**

**06/06/23 - Tuesday: 5:30 PM**

*For successful surgery & healing for  
Evelyn Meaux*

**06/07/23 - Wednesday: 8:00 AM**

*Healing for Cathy Mulcahy*

**06/07/23 - Wednesday in SFOA 6:00 PM**

**06/08/23 - Thursday: 8:00 AM**

*For the repose of the soul of  
Kathleen Geary*

**06/09/23 - Friday: 8:00 AM**

*For the repose of the soul of  
Judith Garza*

**06/10/23 - Saturday Vigil: 5:00 PM**

*For the repose of the souls of Leon Jordan*

**06/11/23 - CORPUS CHRISTI**

**8:30 AM - (St. Francis Mission)**

*For the repose of the souls of William  
Joseph, and Ann O'Brian*

**11:00 AM - (Our Lady Star of the Sea)**

*For the repose of the soul of  
Barney Panfill*

One of our Ukrainian families is in need of finding an inexpensive car. If you have one to sell or donate please let us know.

## From the first letter to Serapion by Saint Athanasius, bishop

(Ep. 1 ad Serapionem 28-30: PG 26, 594-95. 599)

*Light, radiance and grace are in the Trinity and from the Trinity*

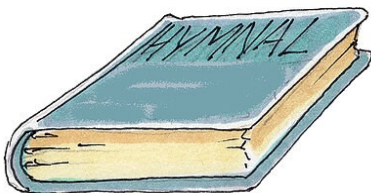
It will not be out of place to consider the ancient tradition, teaching and faith of the Catholic Church, which was revealed by the Lord, proclaimed by the apostles and guarded by the fathers. For upon this faith the Church is built, and if anyone were to lapse from it, he would no longer be a Christian either in fact or in name.

We acknowledge the Trinity, holy and perfect, to consist of the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit. In this Trinity there is no intrusion of any alien element or of anything from outside, nor is the Trinity a blend of creative and created being. It is a wholly creative and energizing reality, self-consistent and undivided in its active power, for the Father makes all things through the Word and in the Holy Spirit, and in this way the unity of the holy Trinity is preserved. Accordingly, in the Church, one God is preached, one God who is *above all things and through all things and in all things. God is above all things as Father, for he is principle and source; he is through all things through the Word; and he is in all things in the Holy Spirit.*

Writing to the Corinthians about spiritual matters, Paul traces all reality back to one God, the Father, saying: *Now there are varieties of gifts, but the same Spirit; and varieties of service, but the same Lord; and there are varieties of working, but it is the same God who inspires them all in everyone.*

Even the gifts that the Spirit dispenses to individuals are given by the Father through the Word. For all that belongs to the Father belongs also to the Son, and so the graces given by the Son in the Spirit are true gifts of the Father. Similarly, when the Spirit dwells in us, the Word who bestows the Spirit is in us too, and the Father is present in the Word. This is the meaning of the text: *My Father and I will come to him and make our home with him. For where the light is, there also is the radiance; and where the radiance is, there too are its power and its resplendent grace.*

This is also Paul's teaching in his second letter to the Corinthians: *The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all. For grace and the gift of the Trinity are given by the Father through the Son in the Holy Spirit. Just as grace is given from the Father through the Son, so there could be no communication of the gift to us except in the Holy Spirit. But when we share in the Spirit, we possess the love of the Father, the grace of the Son and the fellowship of the Spirit himself.*



We will be replacing our Credo and Word and Eucharist books. Many of you dedicated these books in Memory Of or In Honor Of. If you would like those books back, please let the office know so that we can separate them from the others when the time comes..

### Homeschool Mass of Thanksgiving



Welcoming all Catholic homeschoolers in the Diocese of Savannah for a Homeschool Mass celebrated by Bishop Parkes.



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