

June 21, 2026

**Our Lady
Star of the Sea**
CATHOLIC CHURCH

106 East Dillingham Street
Saint Marys, Georgia 31558

*Saint
Francis of Assisi
Catholic Mission*

700 Kingsland Drive
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12th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

"Therefore do not be afraid of them. Nothing is concealed that will not be revealed, nor secret that will not be known. What I say to you in the darkness, speak in the light; what you hear whispered, proclaim on the housetops. And do not be afraid of those who kill the body but cannot kill the soul; rather, be afraid of the one who can destroy both soul and body in

Gehenna. *Matthew 10:26-28*

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OLSS SUNDAY MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday 5:00 PM
(except on Holy Saturday)
Sunday 11:00 AM

OLSS DAILY MASS SCHEDULE

Monday No Service
Tuesday 5:30 PM
Wednesday - Friday 8:00 AM

SFOA SUNDAY MASS SCHEDULE

Sunday 8:30 AM

SFOA DAILY MASS SCHEDULE

Wednesday.....5:00 PM

OLSS CONFESSIONS

Saturdays 3:30 PM - 4:30 PM
or by appointment

SFOA CONFESSIONS

30 minutes before Mass
or by appointment

Holy Rosary

30 minutes prior to Mass

First Fridays Mass

8:00 AM at Historic Chapel

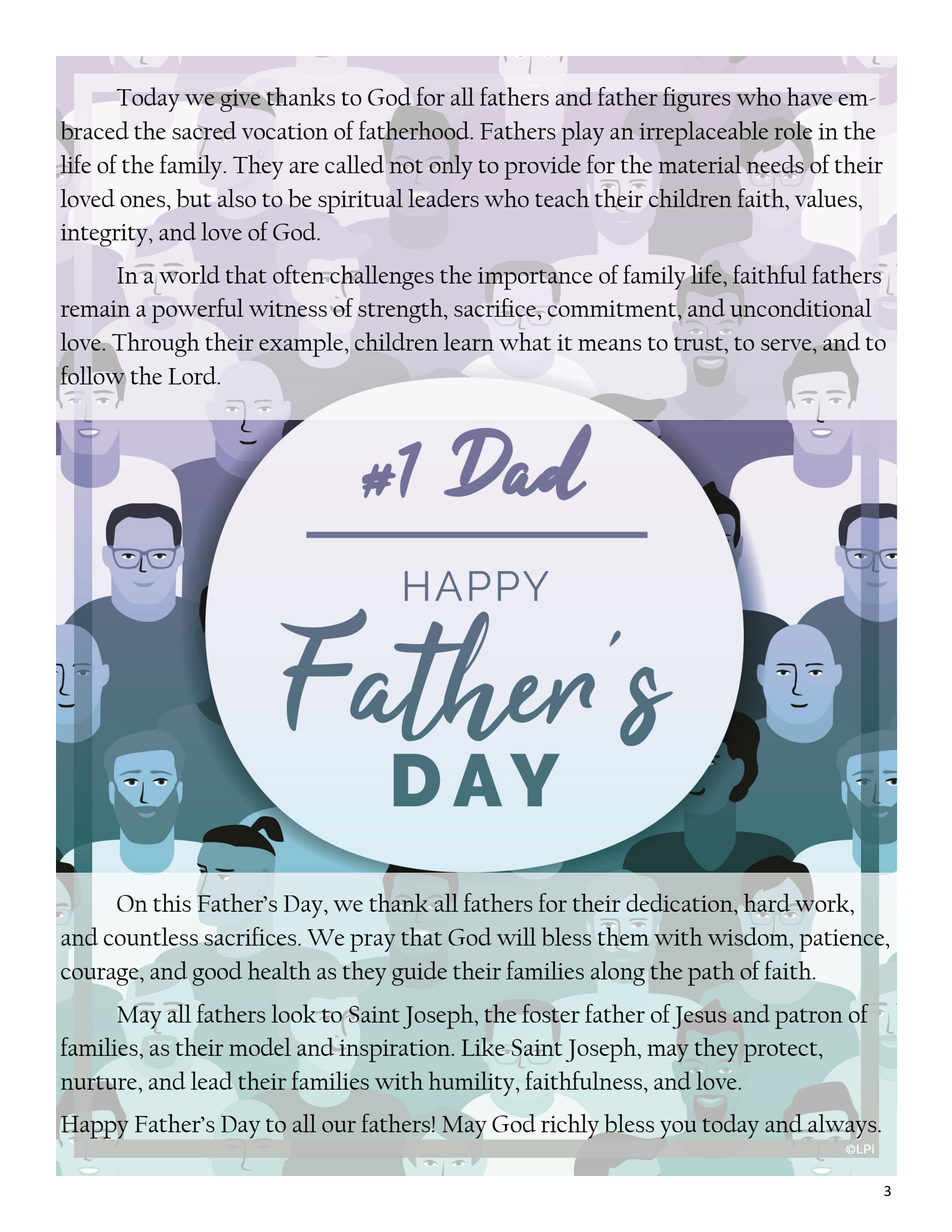
Fridays Eucharistic Adoration

5:00 PM to 6:30 PM



WHAT'S GOING ON ?

Mon 06/22	OLSS - Knights of Columbus - 6:00 PM - RE Double Room
Tue 06/23	SFOA - Ladies Cursillo - 9:30 AM - Social Hall OLSS - Homily Continued - 6:00 PM - Social Hall
Wed 06/24	SFOA Men's Cursillo - 4:30 PM - Social Hall OLSS - Legion of Mary - 5:30 PM - RE Room #8 OLSS - Men's Bible Study - 6:30 PM - RE Double Room
Thu 06/25	OLSS - Ladies Cursillo - 5:30 PM - RE Room #5 OLSS - Men's Cursillo - 5:30 PM - Room #8
Fri 06/26	OLSS Adoration - 5:00 PM - Main Church
Sat. 06/27	
Sun 06/28	



Today we give thanks to God for all fathers and father figures who have embraced the sacred vocation of fatherhood. Fathers play an irreplaceable role in the life of the family. They are called not only to provide for the material needs of their loved ones, but also to be spiritual leaders who teach their children faith, values, integrity, and love of God.

In a world that often challenges the importance of family life, faithful fathers remain a powerful witness of strength, sacrifice, commitment, and unconditional love. Through their example, children learn what it means to trust, to serve, and to follow the Lord.

#1 Dad

HAPPY
Father's
DAY

On this Father's Day, we thank all fathers for their dedication, hard work, and countless sacrifices. We pray that God will bless them with wisdom, patience, courage, and good health as they guide their families along the path of faith.

May all fathers look to Saint Joseph, the foster father of Jesus and patron of families, as their model and inspiration. Like Saint Joseph, may they protect, nurture, and lead their families with humility, faithfulness, and love.

Happy Father's Day to all our fathers! May God richly bless you today and always.

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.

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.

WEEKLY MASS SCHEDULE

06/20/26 - Saturday Vigil 5:00 PM Mass
+ *Ron King*

06/21/26 - XII SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
8:30 AM - (St. Francis Mission)
Pro Populo / For the People
11:00 AM - (Our Lady Star of the Sea)
+ *David Bliton*

06/22/26 - Monday: NO MASS

06/23/26 - Tuesday: 5:00 PM - Adoration, Rosary & Mass

06/24/26 - Wednesday:
8:00 AM Mass at OLSS
+ *Julie Grenga*
5:00 PM Mass at SFOA

06/25/26 - Thursday: 8:00 AM Mass
+ *Dawson McLemore*

06/26/26 - Friday: 8:00 AM Mass
+ *William Simms*

06/27/26 - Saturday Vigil 5:00 PM Mass
Pro Populo / For the People

06/28/26 - XIII SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
8:30 AM (St. Francis Mission)
For God's Blessing for Ania & Wladek
11:00 AM (Our Lady Star of the Sea)
+ *Andrew Whitlock*

OUR ADDICTION TO FEAR

"Fear no one," Jesus says. Not long after, he nuances this command: Fear only the one who can destroy the soul along with the body. Soul killing may sound esoteric, but it's pretty common nowadays. At times it feels like someone has murdered the soul of America while no one was looking. We are a nation shuddering in an environmental soup of crisis. We live in fear that's stoked by every news crawl, renewed with each banner headline. And as Pope Francis pointed out, fear makes us cruel. The pope says fear is what drives a community to build walls, deny the other, and abandon the poor. What are we so afraid of - we who are still arguably the most powerful and secure nation on Earth - that we should surrender our better natures?

The list of what folks around us live in dread of is long. Whites are afraid of what blacks may do, and vice versa. The undocumented worker fears the citizen, just as the citizen blames the newcomer for his misfortunes. Native Americans fear the destruction of land and water, the desecration of Mother Earth, which they hold to be their primary stewardship. Muslims (and those mistaken for Muslims because of their foreign-seeming dress or speech) are wary of sudden violence or exclusion from the American story altogether. Blue-collar workers are hostile to professionals who appear to denigrate their contribution or forget them altogether. Business and church both fear government, with its power to legislate away their values. In fact, anyone who doesn't fit a 19th-century definition of "belonging" on the American landscape has reason to suspect his or her safety is in doubt. These days, nearly all of us have been in conversations that end badly, because of our deep divisions. There may be family members we don't talk to, friends who don't come around. I've sat at more than one table where someone had to physically stand between two others to prevent an escalating conflict. As I move around the church, in every state I've visited I hear people report how tired they are. I feel the same weariness, which comes from shifting anxiety from the front burner to the back every few hours. I'm reminded that Jesus not only says, "Fear no one," but elsewhere he declares, "Fear is useless" (Luke 8:50, 1970 NAB translation). To which he appends the important dictum: "What is needed is faith."

Will the anxieties of this present season be enough to kill our souls, to rob us of the capacity for compassion or empathy? Will fear triumph over virtues like love, kindness, generosity, and biblical hospitality to the marginalized? Will "securing ours" prevail over the mandate for the common good, which assures everyone gets what they need? If what is needed is faith, then, O Lord, increase our faith!

JOHN MICHAEL HOPKINS



We are excited to introduce the Altar Servers to our community. These dedicated young men work tirelessly and faithfully, serving our Lord at the Altar. Over the next few months, we will be showcasing one every week.

Why do you like altar serving, and what about altar serving makes you closer to Christ?

"I like serving because I like being close to Jesus and serving gets me close to Him. It is a special privilege. You can grow closer to Christ as you pray while you serve. You are close to Christ on the altar."

What hobbies do you have and what does the future look for you?

I like to hike. I love to play sports. I swim on the swim team. A priest! I want to be a Servant Priest of the Home of the Mother.

ARE YOU INTERESTED?

We are pleased to announce that we are organizing a bus trip to Savannah for the Beatification of the Georgia Martyrs on October 31st. We will be securing a bus similar to the arrangements made for Father Jared's ordination. If you are interested in attending, please notify the parish office. As with previous trips, a refundable \$50 deposit will be required to secure your seat.



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2026 ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL

I ask you to prayerfully consider your participation in the 2026 Annual Catholic Appeal. In doing so, you participate in the Church's evangelization efforts, advance Catholic Education, and provide for the formation of our future priests, among many worthy activities. As a Church firmly rooted in our Eucharistic belief, it is our great privilege to assist in strengthening families, faith, vocations, and formation for future generations.

Bishop Stephen D. Parkes

Parish	Targets	Pledge	Paid on Pledge	Pledge Balance	One-Time	Total Given	% of Target	# of Families	# of Donors
OLSS	\$ 43,968.00	\$ 7,094.50	\$ 2,913.30	\$ 4,181.20	\$ 23,150.59	\$ 26,063.89	59.28	480	96

Parish	Targets	Pledge	Paid on Pledge	Pledge Balance	One-Time	Total Given	% of Target	# of Families	# of Donors
SFOA	\$ 4,824.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$0.00	\$ 4,886.00	\$ 4,866.00	101.29	38	17

OFFERTORY UPDATE

OLSS COMPARISON FROM LAST YEAR

JUNE 14, 2026	JUNE 15, 2025
COLLECTION - \$ 10,839.00	COLLECTION - \$ 9,278.00
MAINTENANCE - \$ 4,379.00	MAINTENANCE - \$ 505.00

SFOA COMPARISON FROM LAST YEAR

JUNE 14, 2026	JUNE 15, 2025
COLLECTION - \$ 1,059.00	COLLECTION - \$ 932.00
MAINTENANCE - \$ 826.00	MAINTENANCE - \$ 601.00

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM IN OLSS

A newborn child should be baptized within the first few months of life. A child who has reached the age of kindergarten should receive some basic instruction/preparation before reception of the Sacrament. In order to have a child baptized at Our Lady Star of the Sea, at least one parent must be a practicing Catholic, and registered in the OLSS Parish for at least four months. A child to be baptized should normally have two Godparents, a male and a female. In order to serve as a Godparent, a person must be a practicing Roman Catholic, fully initiated, and at least sixteen years of age. A Godparent must supply a letter from his/her proper pastor indicating suitability to serve as a Godparent for Baptism. Parents are asked to attend a Baptism Preparation Class which lasts approximately one hour.

SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE IN OLSS

Those preparing for the Sacrament of Marriage need to contact the church office for a list of instructions at least six months in advance of the anticipated wedding date. Definite plans for a particular date should not be made until such contact has been completed. Only when a priest or deacon has decided that he will officiate at the marriage, will a definite date be set. There is a requirement for marriage preparation classes. Options for these will be discussed when you meet with the priest or deacon you have chosen as your celebrant

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK

All the names of the sick we receive will be entered on the prayer list for one month, and then removed. If you would like your loved one to remain on the prayer list longer, please let us know, and we will happily oblige.

Mike Perry

John Morrissey, Rod Clark, Larry Mallard

Frank Willis Jr. Ludwika Glod,
Maria Klikuszowian

Charlie Broad, Clarence Taylor

God our Father, your Son accepted our sufferings to teach us the virtue of patience in human illness. Hear the prayers we offer for our sick brothers and sisters. May all who suffer pain, illness, or disease realize that they have been chosen to be saints and know that they are joined to Christ in his suffering for the salvation of the world. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen

MINISTRY SCHEDULE

	Lectors	Altar Servers	Ushers
Sat 06/20	1. Gene Niksa 2. Richard Foy	Waylon Wilkins Colton Wilkins Landon Wilkins	Ken Sylvester Dante Russo David Bowman Saul Capulong
Sun 06/21	1. Carline Neff 2. Greg Lockhart	Evan Gomez Samuel Dominici Joaquin Gomez Dean Sjostedt	John Nevins Carl Boria Mike Recore Clyde Miller
Tue 06/23	Karen Hill		
Wed 06/24	Richard Foy		
Thu 06/25	Bonnie Carr		
Fri 06/26	Elisabeth Sepulveda		
Sat 06/27	1. Elisabeth Sepulveda 2. Mary Ann Moore	Colton Wilkins Waylon Wilkins Landon Wilkins	Greg Glaz Dave Bowman Ken Sylvester Don Petrine
Sun 06/28	1. Hunt Thornhill 2. Judy Buchanan	John M. Hopkins Evan Gomez Joaquin Gomez Dean Sjostedt	Keith Danos Colleen Danos Clyde Miller Robert Capello

SFOA LECTOR SCHEDULE

Sunday 06/21	Butch Crews, Jennifer Pfeffer
Sunday 06/28	Lawanda Jones, Art Fouraker

COUNTERS SCHEDULE

Sunday 06/21	Sun, 6/21 - Pauline Wentworth, Larry White, Kathy White, Richard Foy, Renee Gentle
Sunday 06/28	Sun, 6/28 - Dennis Conlon, Roberto Garza, Patty Sullivan, Robert Cappello, Bill Tobias





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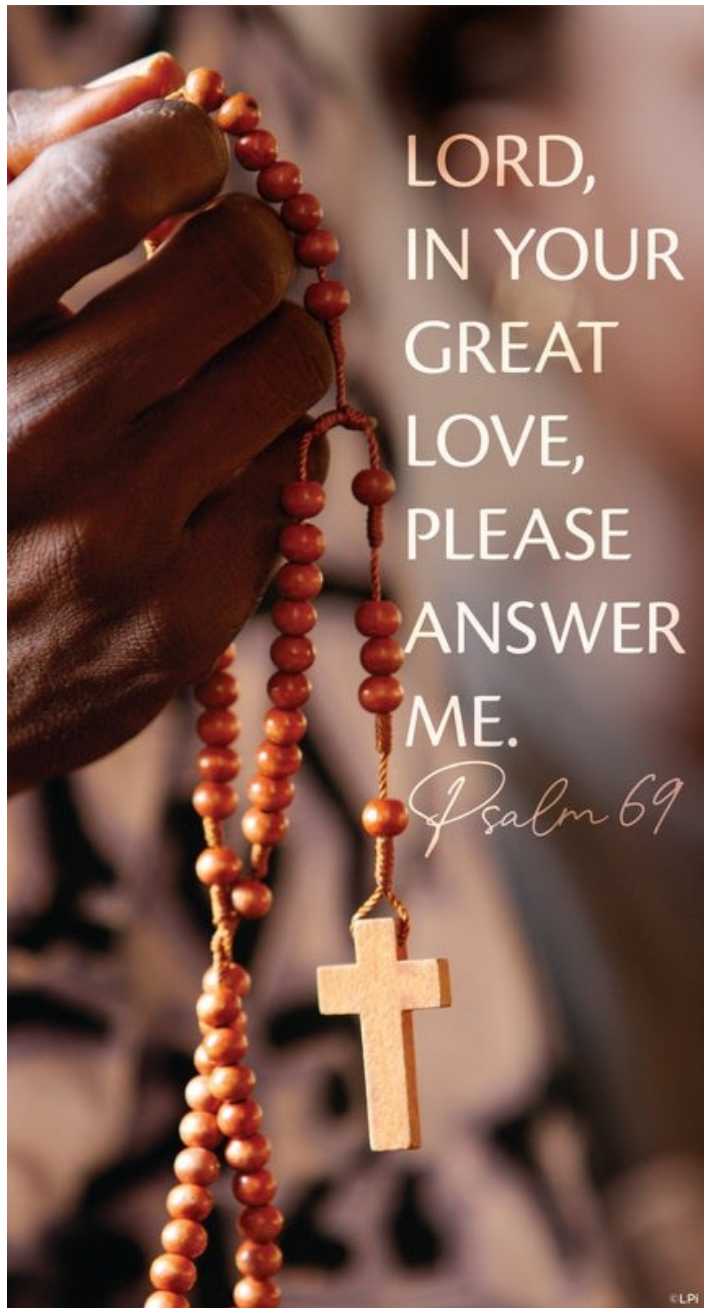
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