Mineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

August 8, 2021

Calendar

Saturday, August 7th

4:00pm Vigil Vincent Boudreaux Sr, Lionel Lopez, Vetter Amadeo Taylor, and the Burch & Pfister Families

Sunday, August 8th

8:00am Mass For all parishioners

10:30am Mass Micaela "Kelly" Bennett, Lili Madan Gamble, Joy Nalty Hodges, Lionel Lopez, Deacon Paul Nalty, Michael J. Rapier, and the Burch & Pfister Families Families

5:00pm Mass Teresa DeArmas

Monday, August 9th

St Teresia Benedicta of the Cross, virgin and martyr 6:30am Mass Joan Carroll Cruz

7:00pm Mass Mission to the Holy Spirit

Tuesday, August 10th
St Lawrence, deacon and martyr
6:30am Mass William Joseph Allen
7:00pm Mass Mission to the Holy Spirit

Wednesday, August 11th

St Clare, virgin

6:30am Mass The Right Reverend Patrick Regan, OSB

6:00pm Rosary (@ Our Lady of Good Counsel)

7:00pm Mass Mission to the Holy Spirit

Thursday, August 12th
St Jane Frances de Chantal, Religious
6:30am Mass Armando Medina
7:00pm Mass Mission to the Holy Spirit

Friday, August 13th

SS Pontian, Pope, and Hippolytus, priest, martyrs

6:30am Mass Intentions of the Reverend Monsignor

Christopher H. Nalty

7:00pm Mass Mission to the Holy Spirit

Saturday, August 14th

St Maximilian Kolbe, priest and martyr

10:00am Rosary (@ the Church of St Henry)

The Sanctuary Lamp in St Stephen Church will burn this week for the repose of the soul of Vetter Amadeo Taylor.

The Sanctuary Lamp in the rectory chapel will burn this week for the Intentions of the Pope.



I AM THE LIVING BREAD THAT CAME DOWN FROM HEAVEN; 'HOEVER EATS THIS BREAD WILL LIVE FOREVER.

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Mass Setting

Our Mass setting is the Gregorian *Missa jubilate Deo* and is found in the *Seasonal Missalette* from number 176.



Banns of Matrimony

Madeleine Clark Roy & William Eric Salzer

Danielle Marie Sizemore & Christopher Miller Richmond

Lay-minister Schedule August 15th

4:00 pm

Lector: Douglas Kariker

 ${\tt Extraordinary \, Eucharistic \, Ministers: \, \, Sarah \, \, Newton}$

and Rebecca Stahr

8:00 am

Lector: Linda Tufton

Extraordinary Eucharistic Ministers: Raymond

Bankston and Dana D'Anzi

10:30 am

Lector: TBA

Extraordinary Eucharistic Ministers: Christine Cooper, Deacon Richard Eason, and Bob Vaughn

Apostolates & Volunteer Groups

Altar Society

Cindy Gainsburgh, @ 899-2637

CCD (Confraternity of Christian Doctrine) Phillip Bellini, @ 227-3795

Center of Jesus the Lord (Charismatic) The Center, @ 529-1636

The Good Shepherd Choir

Brian Morgan, @ 227-3793

Event Planning

Rectory Office, @ 899-1378

Friends of Our Lady of Good Counsel

Barbara Fortigr, @ barbarafi3@aol.com

Friends of St Henry

Alden Hagordorn, @ 891-3410

Knights of Columbus

Patrick Guise, @ 812-6941

Life Apostolate

Kathy Fayard, @ 905-7676

Mass Volunteers

Brian Plauché, @ 289-6799 Phillip Bellini, @ 227-3793

Rectory Volunteers

Collection Report

lvy Rohr, @ 227-3792

Society of St Vincent de Paul

Laura Finnegan, @ 343-2601

July 18th & 25th

July 1st-July 25th

Conection Report	july 10 th 20	july 1 july 20
Total Collections	\$11,193.00	\$24,090.00
Budget	<u>\$3,236.42</u>	<u>\$28,858.84</u>
Surplus/(Deficit)	\$3,236.42	\$4,768.84
Second Collections/Miscellaneous Donations		
St Stephen Restoration Fund		\$343.42
Our Lady of Good Counsel Building Fund		\$60.00
Black and Indian Mission Collection		\$1,347.00

The Monthly Prayer-request for Priests

August

1 st	The Reverend Father James Carter, SJ
₂ nd	The Reverend Francis Ferrié
$3^{\rm rd}$	The Reverend Pedro Felix Nuñez
4 th	The Reverend Father Sam Anthony Morello, OCD
5 th	The Reverend Father Thomas T. Pham, CSsR
$6^{ ext{th}}$	The Reverend Father Leo Nicoll, SJ
$7^{ ext{th}}$	The Reverend Douglas Brougher
8 th	The Reverend Father Scott O'Brien, OP
$9^{ ext{th}}$	The Reverend James Jeanfreau, Jr
10 th	The Reverend Father Eduardo J. Gabriel, OP
11	Pope-Emeritus Benedict XVI
₁₂ th	The Reverend Father Etido Jerome, SSJ
₁₃ th	The Reverend Daniel Darmanin
14 th	The Reverend Bac-Hai Viet Tran
₁₅ th	The Reverend Damjan Zablocki
16 th	The Reverend Father Michael Burke, OP
$_{17}^{ ext{th}}$	The Reverend Denzil Perera
18 th	The Reverend Andrew Gutierrez
19 th	The Reverend Jeffrey Montz
₂₀ th	The Reverend Patrick Collum
21 st	The Reverend Kenneth Allen
$_{22}$ nd	The Reverend Father Gregory Ross, OCD
₂₃ rd	The Reverend Father David Begany, SSJ
₂₄ th	The Reverend Salvador Galvez
$_{25}$ th	The Reverend Paul Clark
$_{26}^{ m th}$	Pope Francis
₂₇ th	The Reverend Garrett M. O'Brien
28 th	The Reverend Monsignor Christopher H. Nalty
₂₉ th	The Very Reverend Luis F. Rodriguez, VF
30 th	The Reverend Monsignor Lanaux J. Rareshide
31^{st}	The Reverend Father Fred Kaddu, SSJ

† deceased

Are you unable to attend Mass regularly for health reasons? Do you have a family member who can no longer drive or walk to church?

Watch our parish Mass at 4:00 pm every Saturday on WLAE



A televised Mass does not meet the Sunday obligation for those who are able to attend.

Lightning Apologetics

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by Phillip Bellini, DRE

Answering the New Paganism

The late Reverend Father John Hardon, SJ, told the Marian Catechists (of which I am a consecrated member) before he died that there is no natural way of converting the new pagans. The work can only be of extraordinary work of extraordinary grace to be merited by those who do not believe that God became man to redeem a sinful human race. In other words, if we are going to re-evangelize or convert our nation from this self-idolatry, which has become the religion of our own nation, we must live utterly, absolutely self-less lives ourselves. Never has the world been in more need of saints than today, and I don't mean the football team. A saint is one who practices heroic virtue. There are four virtues which need to be practiced heroically: heroic faith, heroic patience, heroic chastity and heroic charity.

Ever since I was a child I have always been fascinated by the lives of the martyrs when my Mom read their stories to me. I was inspired by their heroic action. In America today we must have the faith of the martyrs. We can't get away with anything less. Only heroic bishops, heroic priests, heroic religious and heroic mothers and fathers will survive the onslaught against the faith. We need heroic laity! Many of the rest will become further casualties of the mounting pile of new pagans who conform to the world in which they live and have let the Catholic Faith be chipped away at and have given up, one after another, of what their Catholic Faith tells them to believe.

What is heroic Patience? It is the willing endurance of extraordinary suffering patiently endured by those that believe in Christ as the God-Man who died on the Cross to redeem the world. We must be willing to offer up sacrifices for those that don't believe and pray and sacrifice for poor sinners in most need, as Our Blessed Mother told us at Fatima in 1917. If not, we will not be successful in converting fellow pagans and this new trinity of Me, Myself and I, in the modern world. "We must never run away from the Cross," as St Louis de Montfort said. Why? Because that is how the new paganism and new trinity came into existence. Paganism is Christianity without the Cross. We've allowed the Christian name to be hijacked today! Many call themselves Christian who don't accept crosses, deny the Resurrection, and believe in a morality contrary to Christ's teaching and so on. We must accept and endure the crosses Our Lord sends us out of love, not only for our own good but for the good of others.

We need to live heroic Chastity! Our reproductive powers are to be used according to His will! The pleasure God has associated with those powers may not be enjoyed outside of the Sacrament of Matrimony. Do you see this teaching much defended any longer?

We need to practice heroic Charity! It's hard but we have to love those who don't love us! This is not easy at times as this writer can ascribe to. God may have designs on putting such people in our lives for a reason. There is no coincidence when it comes to God and the people He places in our lives. "Be not afraid" to spread the Faith!

Unless we who have the Faith realize it is up to us to be so faithful in following the God-Man's example that we, too, should live heroic lives so that by our patient and loving endurance of our crosses and pain, God may render graces of converting this new-pagan world where God has placed us for a reason, and by our heroism we might bring those, who except for us, would never reach Heaven for which they were made.

So, offer sacrifices for your family and of for poor sinners who have no one to pray for them. Pray the Rosary every day for souls and for true peace in the world. Take time out every day to learn more about your Catholic Faith. Build for yourself a nice Catholic book and video library. This will help deepen your knowledge and love of God so you can be an instrument in bringing Christ out of those who do not believe and who have placed themselves at the center of the universe. Be faithful to Sunday Mass (and holy days of obligation). Make frequent visits (if you are able) to Christ in the most Blessed Sacrament. Have devotion to the Sacred Heart of Jesus and the Immaculate Heart of Mary. Have pictures of them in your home along with a crucifix. Have your homes enthroned to the Sacred Heart of Jesus and the Immaculate Heart of Mary. Pray to St Joseph for your temporal needs.

Our Lord called each of us to become Saints no matter what our job or vocation may be in this life. We have a crisis of Saints! Remember, it does not take much time to become a Saint, only much love! God bless each of you and let's pray for one another.

News

Pray for the Sick

Ron Behler, Lois Boboa, Robin Burmeister, Rachael Burns, Beverly Couch, the Honorable Martin Feldman, Marta Fernandez, Ellie Fogarty, David Forly, Virginia Hamrick, Hilda Heidingsfelder, Janet Hopkins, Michael Lucas, Mario Martinez, Donna Mesatter, Helen Mullins, Bill Paine, Pearl Paul, Frederick Henry Taylor Sr, Gerald Toups, and Angela Villanueva.

Pray for the Dead

Anthony Charles Amadeo, Beverly Bellini, Sister M. Angela Bergeron CIC, Alma Champagne, Deacon Henry Aloysius Garon, Alethea Gernard, Joan Glynn, F. Henri Lapeyre Jr, George Rohr Sr, Cynthia Kropog Sciortino, Theodore H. Sorina Jr, and Vetter Amadeo Taylor.

The Monthly Food Pantry Request for "Love Thy Neighbor" (a project of our Society of St Vincent de Paul) for August is canned red-beans.

This week-end, we will have a Second Collection, for the St Stephen Restoration Fund.

The Reverend Father Jose Kattekara, CMI, will be presenting a Mission Appeal at our parish this weekend.

"Journey is a Friday-morning faith-group for men. From 6:00 am to 6:55 am, we gather, pray, read, and discuss. We dive into topics relevant to our lives and to our call to love God and neighbor. It's a place where men have authentic, open, and deep discussions about life and our invitation to be the men Jesus desires each of us to be. The group starts in the Adoration Chapel (6220 La Salle Place) for silent prayer at 6:00 am, and then moves to a neighboring conference-room for spiritual reading and prayerful discussion from 6:15 am to 6:55 am. Coffee is provided.... Feel free to join us any Friday that works for your schedule. In you want more information, call or e-mail Dan Jens at 228-1415, dnljens@yahoo.com.... For those who would rather participate from home, we also have a Zoom link."

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