

WHAT THE CATHOLIC CELEBRATE IN JULY

The month of July is dedicated to The Precious Blood of Jesus. This month falls within the liturgical season of Ordinary Time, which is represented by the liturgical color green. The feast of the Precious Blood of our Lord was instituted in 1849 by Pius IX, but the devotion is as old as Christianity. "The Precious Blood which we worship is the Blood which the Savior shed for us on Calvary and reassumed at His glorious Resurrection; it is the Blood which courses through the veins of His risen, glorified, living body at the right hand of God the Father in heaven; it is the Blood made present on our altars by the words of Consecration; it is the Blood which merited sanctifying grace for us and through it washes and beautifies our soul and inaugurates the beginning of eternal life in it." Devotion to the Precious Blood is a spiritual obligation for every follower of Christ. Devotion to the Precious Blood of Christ, is first veneration on our part, which is a composite of knowledge, love and adoration. Says Pope Clement: "Let us fix our gaze on the Blood of Christ and realize how truly precious It is, seeing that it was poured out for our salvation and brought the grace of conversion to the whole world." To understand the meaning of the Precious Blood we must get some comprehension of the gravity of sin, of the awfulness of offending God, because it required the Blood of the Son of God to forgive that sin. This veneration of the Precious Blood, means that we have a deep sensitivity to the awfulness of sin. Sin must be terrible. It must be awful. It must be the most dreadful thing in the universe. Why? Because it cost the living God in human form the shedding of His Blood. Our Lord's blood poured out on the Cross purchased our salvation, washed clean the robes of the martyrs, and gave birth to the Church as it flowed from his wounded side. The Precious Blood of Christ — now pulsing through his Mystical Body — continues its salvific work, preserving and purifying, repairing and providing nourishment for regeneration and renewal of its members.

July's longer and warmer days provide us with the opportunity for renewal, both interior and exterior. Schedules relax and pressures ease, inviting travel. But, whether we travel or not, like the missionary, St. Junipero Serra (July 1), we preach to others — by our conduct, our speech, even the clothes we wear. May we be modest in everything we do, imitating St. Maria Goretti, the young martyr for purity (July 6), and "preaching" Christ to everyone we meet. Let's pray this to the Precious Blood of Jesus to bless us and fill our hearts with his love and peace. *As we pray: "Almighty, and everlasting God, who hast appointed Thine only-begotten Son to be the Redeemer of the world, and hast been pleased to be reconciled unto us by His Blood, grant us, we beseech Thee, so to venerate with solemn worship the price of our salvation, that the power thereof may here on earth keep us from all things hurtful, and the fruit of the same may gladden us forever hereafter in heaven. Through the same Christ our Lord. Amen."*

ONGOING EVENTS

STUDY THE BIBLE

Sunday morning after 10:30 Mass until 1:00 pm Probe the Scripture Readings of the day. Question; share insights; consider applications for living in today's world. Everyone is welcome to attend and participate!

EARN MONEY FOR OUR PARISH

Food Lion gift cards in various amounts are available every Sunday after Mass and in the church office during the week. The cards can be used when you do your regular shopping or given as gifts. They are as easy to use as a debit card- just swipe, go, and St. Joseph gets money! **Go to Smile.amazon.com** and designate St. Joseph as your charity and shop through Amazon as usual!

If you shop at Kroger — register your rewards card online at www.kroger.com/communityrewards and enter St. Joseph #82116 and the number on your card. The church gets money back based on how much you spend.

There is no cost to you for any of these programs! Kroger rewards need to be renewed after a year. You should receive an email with instructions. See Steve Ogilbee for more information about gift cards or call the church office about Amazon.

HELP THE COMMUNITY

Community Storehouse is still in need of Chef Boyardee microwave meals for the children's backpack program.

The Women's Guild meets every second Tuesday of the month at 7:00 PM in the Social Hall. Contact Stephanie Bailey for details: (276) 732-6441.

EVENTS / HANDOUTS / FUNDRAISER POLICY

If you would like to post or donate, flyers, pamphlets, books, magazines, or other materials, please bring them to the church office. **DO NOT put items on the bulletin board or tables.** Items needs to be approved and posted by office staff.

Activities held on church property must be preapproved by the appropriate committee and Father Carlos. Please come to the church office during the week for an activities form.

SACRAMENTS / SACRAMENTOS:

Baptism: Call parish office to register for preparation classes. Expectant parents are encouraged to attend.

Bautismo: Llenar el formulario, después padres y padrinos asistir a dos pláticas de preparación. Mas información llamar a la oficina de la iglesia al numero (276) 638-4779.

Reconciliation: Tuesday/Wednesday at 12:30 pm and Wednesday 6:00-7:00 PM or by appointment.

Confesión: Martes/Miercoles a la 12:30 pm y Miercoles de 6:00 a 7:00 pm o llamar a la oficina para hacer una cita.

Marriage: Call or email for an appointment at least 6 months prior to wedding.

Matrimonio: Llamar a la oficina y hacer cita por lo menos 6 meses antes de las fecha de la boda.

Ministry with the Elderly: Homebound parishioners who would like to receive communion at their home, contact the parish office.

Ministerio con los ancianos: Feligreses que no pueden salir y quisieran recibir la comunión en sus casa, llamar a la oficina.

Religious Education and Youth Ministry: Call Sandra Ruiz at (276) 638-4779 Tuesday –Friday 9:00 am-4:00 pm

Religion Education: Adults (RCIA). More information contact Stephanie Bailey at ssiddle13@gmail.com or call church office at 276-638-4779



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OFFICE HOURS: TUESDAY- FRIDAY 9:00AM – 4:00PM

Parish Mission Statement: To foster and deepen faith in the Holy Trinity through the celebration of the Eucharist and the Word of God & to be active disciples of our Savior, Jesus Christ, in our community and throughout the world.

Declaración de la Misión Parroquial: Queremos fomentar y profundizar la fe en la Santísima Trinidad a través de la celebración de la Eucaristía y la Palabra de Dios y ser discípulos activos de nuestro Salvador, Jesucristo, en nuestra comunidad y en todo el mundo.

JULY 10TH, 2022 ~ 15TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME ~



[Christ Jesus] is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation. For in him were created all things in heaven and on earth.

COLOSSIANS 1:15-16

PARISH OFFICES: (CLUSTER)

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Phone/ Teléfono: (276) 638-4779 Fax: (276) 638-2218.

Office Hours / Horario de Oficina:

Tuesday-Friday 9:00 am-4:00 pm.

St. Francis of Assisi, Rocky Mount:

15 Glennwood Dr. Rocky Mount, VA. Phone: (540) 483-9591.

Parish Pastoral Council Members:

Suzanne Steele –Chair; Irma Harrison - 1st Vice Chair; Christy Hall -2nd vice Chair, Jesus Sanchez, Maria Ruiz, Thea Gutierrez, (Sandra Ruiz staff).

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Steve Ogilbee - Chair, Ethan Dobbins - Secretary, Ben Bailey, Sandra Ruiz, Cora Harris, (Pat Prillaman staff).

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FATHER CARLOS' REFLECTION

FIFTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

As Jesus continues his journey to Jerusalem, he is confronted by a scholar of the law who wants to test him. Jesus is asked about the greatest commandment. In Luke's Gospel, the lawyer asks what we must do to inherit eternal life. Love of God and love of neighbor are what is required for eternal life. Jesus' response is simple, "Do this and you will live."

Having been shown up by Jesus, the lawyer tries another question: Who is my neighbor whom I must love like myself? Jesus has demolished all boundary expectations. It is not social definitions such as class, religion, gender, or ethnicity that determines who is our neighbor. A neighbor is a person who acts with compassion toward another. The point becomes not who deserves to be loved as I love myself, but that I become a person who treats everyone with compassion.

When Jesus asks the lawyer who was the neighbor in the story, the lawyer can't bring himself to say it was the Samaritan. All he says is that it was "the one who treated him with mercy." Jesus' response was similar to that of the first discussion: "Go and do likewise." The lawyer, and we, know what is right. The key is to do it.

The Parable of the Good Samaritan shows an example who is your neighbor and who is not? Unfortunately, in nowadays in our culture and our society to identify who is our neighbor, it is a manner of Christ's command and love.

What is the greatest challenge do you find yourself in this parable? Why it is so difficult to love your neighbor? How the example of the Samaritan can inspire you to do the same? Who is your neighbor in your family, friends, work and Church?

Let's pray for one another, nation, community and family that all can love their neighbor as the Samaritan do it. As we pray: O God, who show the light of your truth to those who go astray, so that they may return to the right path, give all who for the faith they profess are accounted Christians the grace to reject whatever is contrary to the name of Christ and strive after all does it honor. Through Christ, our Lord. Amen.

Father C. Lerma

7/10 15th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Readings: 972
 Processional 715 [God Is Love](#)
 Psalm R&A [114](#)
 Gospel R&A [115](#)
 Offertory 717 [Christians Let Us Love One Another](#)
 Comm 644 [Your Words are Spirit and Life](#)
 Recessional 815 [God has Chosen Me](#)

Liturgical Minister Schedule

July 17.
Lectors:
 Barbara Kurtz-1
 Gerry Lawicki-2
 Dan Van Nostrand - Int
Minister:
 Barbara Helmick

Daily Mass Readings

Readings for the week of July 10:

Sunday: Dt 30:10-14; Ps 69:14, 17, 30-31, 33-34, 36, 37; Col1:15-20; Lk 10:25-37

Monday: IS 1:10-17; PS 50:8-9, 16BC-17, 21 AND 23; MT 10:34-11:1

Tuesday: IS 7:1-9; PS 48:2-3A, 3B-4, 5-6, 7-8; MT 11:20-24

Wednesday: IS 10:5-7, 13B-16; PS 94:5-6, 7-8, 9-10, 14-15; MT 11:25-27

Thursday: IS 26:7-9, 12, 16-19; PS 102:13-14AB AND 15, 16-18, 19-21; MT 11:28-30

Friday: IS 38:1-6, 21-22, 7-8; IS 38:10, 11, 12ABCD, 16; MT 12:1-8

Saturday: MI 2:1-5; PS 10:1-2, 3-4, 7-8, 14; MT 12:14-21

Or visit daily readings at www.usccb.org

MASS Intentions

Sunday, July 10: Angelita & Epifanio Guerra+

Tue, July 12: Jesus Rivera+ y Maria Robles

Wed, July 13: Altigracia Becerra+

+ Indicates the Mass Intention is for the repose of the soul of the person(s) listed.

Prayer Requests

Carolyn Eanes, Mike Kelly, Lewis Drane, Teresa Biggs, Ricky East, Mark Szulecki, Theresa McGarry, Jim Tobin, Ed Cozzete, Margaret Cunningham, Tim Hollingsworth, Lena Martin, Ruth Weaver, Doo Lie Toppled, Lauren Teresa, Mike Harris, Ann White, Bridget Johnson, Betty Gillispie, Anna Towarnicki, Marie-Bernice Downey, Tia Jessup, Larry Wylie, Nancy Edelen and David Hall.

If you want to send a get well card please do it, they are going to appreciate it.

Nancy Edelen

The Moravian Hall Square
 Apt. 2210
 175 W North St.
 Nazareth, PA 18064

Marie-Bernice Downey

Mulberry Creek Rehab
 Room #220
 300 Blue Ridge Street
 Martinsville, VA 24112

(To add or remove prayer requests, please call the church office.

Para quitar o poner una petición, por favor llame a la oficina de la iglesia)

unless otherwise requested, names will remain on the prayer list for 4 weeks.

If you would like to add a name to the prayer network phone chain, please call Betty Gillispie or Ann Gunter.

Sick, homebound, hospitalized? If you, or someone you know, would like to receive Communion or anointing of the sick, please call the office.

Outside of office hours, please call Barbara Kurtz (276) 647-1906

¿Enfermo, Confinado en casa u hospitalizado? Si usted o alguien que usted conoce quisiera recibir el Sacramento de la Communion tendremos a Rosa Aguirre, Maribel Ortega, Anselmo Diaz, y Miguel Ruiz que seran los encargados de este ministerio por favor llamar a la oficina para agendar la visita al (276) 638-4779.

MASS INTENTIONS

If you would like a Mass offered for a loved one, please call the church office or fill out a Mass intention envelope completely and place it in the offertory basket. Make checks payable to St. Joseph Catholic Church. Specific dates may not be available. Please include a contact number to arrange an alternate date if necessary.

INTENCIONES PARA MISA

Si usted quiere ofrecer una misa a un ser querido por favor lléne el sobre correspondiente para la intención y deposítelo en la canasta de la colecta. Haga el cheque a nombre St. Joseph Catholic Church. Quizas algunas fechas no esten disponibles incluya su número de teléfono para ofrecerle opciones.

Grace network food Partner assignment July- Sept, 2022, we have committed to helping Grace Network with stocking their food pantry for those in need. Our item for this quarter is:



Assorted canned VEGGIES (Spinach, potatoes, Veg-all). Thanks.

Collections/ Colectas 06/26/2022

Budget Amt. / Presupuesto \$ 4,154.00

Collection/ Colecta: 2,407.00

Surplus/Deficit - 1,747.00

Grocery Card Income 4th quarter:

FOOD LION : \$256.50, Kroger : \$ 102.61, amazonSmile : \$ 11.38

Reminder! Grocery shopping can earn money for our parish! Register your Kroger card and/or purchase a Food Lion gift card! See the back cover for details.

The second collection for July 17th will be for Catholic Virginia.

La segunda colecta para el 17 de Julio sera para Virginia Catolica.

The first collection is for payment of St. Joseph's daily expenses which include office supplies, salaries, sacramental materials, etc. **If absent, please make up your contribution.**

La primera colecta se utiliza para para el pago de los gastos diarios de San José. **Si estuvo ausente por favor, haga su donación.**

Thank you for your generous support of our parish

EL CREDO RETIRO DE JOVENES
 ...HERMANAS DOMINICAS DE LA DOCTRINA CRISTIANA-MISION DE EVANGELIZANDO A LAS COMUNIDADES
 Middle-High School
 Viernes Julio 15, 2022
 Iglesia Santo Niño
 Reidsville, NC
 5:00pm-10:00pm

Retiro para mujeres
 Sabado Julio 16
 9am-4pm misa 5pm
 Iglesia Catolica Santa Ino - 1042 Freeway Dr., Reidsville NC 27320

Retiro para servidores
 VIRTUDES BENDICIONES / Servidores
 Mateo 20: 25-28
 Domingo Julio 17
 Misa 12pm Retiro 2-6pm
 Iglesia Catolica Santo Niño
 1042 Freeway Dr., Reidsville, NC 27320

Registrate por texto: (336) 254 - 0789

DeColores everyone!!

This message is for all Cursillistas, young or old, male or female. Nelson Ayala and his team are now meeting in preparation for the men's weekend on October 20-23. While they are preparing it is time for us to get busy recruiting candidates to attend. We will need a minimum of 12 candidates with a maximum of 24. Any male or female Cursillista can sponsor a candidate so if you know someone you would like to invite, just do it! The key to success in recruiting candidates is follow-up. If you plant a seed with a candidate that seed will likely need to be nurtured before you get a "YES". Does "Make a friend, be a friend, bring a friend to Christ" sound familiar?? You can find other Cursillo information by visiting www.olphsalem.org or www.stmva.org. Don't forget, I am counting on Christ and Christ is counting on YOU!! Jim Birkmeyer 434-941-5748

IMPORTANT!!!

The Usher Ministry is in need of more volunteers for each of our weekend masses. The primary responsibilities include welcoming parishioners, escorting them to seating at select masses, taking up the collection and providing a goodbye salutation and distributing bulletins at the conclusion of Mass. Please look for us or contact Steve Ogilbee at (276) 224-8089/ogilbee@gmail.com

Financial Education Class



3 Steps To Financial Freedom

- 01: GET THE BOOK: SAVING YOUR FUTURE
- 02: ATTEND FREE FINANCIAL LITERACY WORKSHOPS
- 03: CREATE YOUR PERSONALIZED FINANCIAL STRATEGY WITH HELP FROM OUR CAMPAIGNERS

WHATEVER YOU DO - TAKE ACTION
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<https://www.nationalfinancialliteracycampaign.com/>

Interested? Sign up on the sheet on the round table

Clase de Educación Financiera

3 pasos hacia la libertad financiera

- 01: CONSIGUE EL LIBRO: SALVANDO TU FUTURO
- 02: ASISTIR A TALLERES GRATUITOS DE ALFABETIZACIÓN FINANCIERA
- 03: CREA TU ESTRATEGIA FINANCIERA PERSONALIZADA CON LA AYUDA DE NUESTROS ENTRENADORES

HAGAS LO QUE HAGAS - ACTÚA

LA PROCRASTINACIÓN NO ES UNA ESTRATEGIA

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Interesado? Firme su number en la hoja en la mesa redonda

Are you interested in attending a *Women's Casual Weekend With Jesus*, centered around Jesus, food, and fun?

The enjoyable, faith filled weekend of July 23, 2022 is in the works! Hope you will plan to attend a weekend of bonding with our Sisters in Christ while having fun and sharing our faith! We were thinking of starting with 4pm Mass on Saturday July 23, 2022 at Saint Joseph's, after Mass, a Pot Luck dinner at St. Clare of Assisi Retreat Center.....Plan to stay overnight and enjoy more time of fellowship and Jesus until approximately 2pm Sunday.

Some possible ideas include a paint night, a movie, games, themed charcuterie boards (for pot luck dinner), white elephant gift exchange, to name a few. More details to follow soon as planning coincides with level of interest.

Contact Debbie Reaves at dmreaves@prismce.com if you have suggestions to be included in the weekend.

Breakfast and lunch served on Sunday. Cost: \$20

Use this link to sign up:

<https://form.jotform.com/221585433514151>



COUNCIL # 6538

KOVAR FUNDRAISER

Don't forget to bring all your empty cans in bags to the church drop off. This is a Knights of Columbus fundraiser for KOVAR who help people with intellectual disabilities in the State of Virginia. There will be a location behind the dumpster. CANS ONLY PLEASE!

ATTENTION!!

We have two wheelchairs and two canes available to donate, if you or anyone need it, please see Steve Ogilbee