



Dear Parishioners,

This week we are given the passage from Matthew 16. 13-20 for our meditation. Last week, through the Canaanite woman, the foreigners expressed "great faith" in Jesus. Now it is the time for the Apostles who have followed Him to acknowledge the identity of Jesus who called them and led them in His mission to the world.

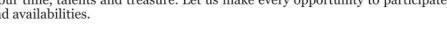
Peter speaks for the disciples and certainly for us, announcing that Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of the living God. Jesus confirms this confession by Peter as a mark of God's blessing and as "rock" upon which he will build his Church (Mt. 16. 15-18).

This story recognizes Peter's central role as a representative of the disciple community blessed in its confession of faith. Here for the first time, the Gospel of Matthew combined the titles of Messiah and Son of God in acknowledgement of Jesus' identity.

Names are significant for Matthew. At His birth, Jesus' name is interpreted as signifying that "He will save his people from their sins". Now in the same way, the confessor's name is given significance. Jesus says, his name is Peter, and it is on this rock that he will build His Church. Discipleship is named, founded and commissioned in this confession. Master and disciples are bound together in identity. At the end of the Gospel, Jesus will commission these disciples as representative of a new community to go in His name and make disciples of all nations.

"On this "rock" I will build my Church". And Church is the new community which Jesus envisaged. Church is the intimate union of the community of disciples and the kingdom of God. Matthew uniquely calls attention to the central mission of this community. This community is entrusted with the promise of a rich gift, the 'Keys' of the kingdom: to exercise the power of forgiveness in the binding and loosing of sin in the name of God.

So, as a witnessing community, let us join with Peter and other apostles, and their successors, our Pope and Bishops, to building up of this 'New Community' with our time, talents and treasure. Let us make every opportunity to participate in this building process with our abilities and availabilities.



SENIOR SAINTS



We have Precinct 4 bus trips planned for the next couple months: The Texas Czech Heritage Cultural Center and Rohan Meandry in La Grange on Wednesday, September 27th, and the George H. W. Bush Presidential Library and Museum in College Station on Tuesday, October 31st. Come to the meetings to learn more about these events and sign up to attend.

The Travel Committee is meeting next week to decide on trips for November 2017 thru April 2018. We will have more details on these trips at the October meeting.

Don't forget! The Saint Edward Fall Festival is Sunday, October 8th. We will need volunteers to help sell tickets at the festival.

WEEKLY READINGS

Monday Col 1:24—2:3; Ps 62:6-7, 9; Lk 6:6-11

Tuesday The Most Holy Name of Mary

Col 2:6-15; Ps 145:1b-2, 8-9, 10-11; Lk 6:12-19

Wednesday Saint John Chrysostom, Bishop and

Doctor of the Church

Col 3:1-11; Ps 145:2-3, 10-11, 12-13ab;

Lk 6:20-26

Thursday The Exaltation of the Holy Cross

Nm 21:4b-9; Ps 78:1bc-2, 34-35, 36-37, 38;

Phil 2:6-11; Jn 3:13-17

Friday Our Lady of Sorrows

1 Tm 1:1-2, 12-14; Ps 16:1b-2a and 5, 7-8, 11;

Jn 19:25-27 or Lk 2:33-35

Saturday Saints Cornelius, Pope, and Cyprian,

Bishop, Martyrs

1 Tm 1:15-17; Ps 113:1b-2, 3-4, 5a and 6-7;

Lk 6:43-49

Sunday Twenty-Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sir 27:30-28:7; Ps 103:1-2, 3-4, 9-10, 11-12;

Rom 14:7-9; Mt 18:21-35

Did you know
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Public Safety & Awareness Event

Monday, October 16 7-9:00 p.m.

> Sacred Heart Catholic Church, Gymnasium 109 North Frazier Conroe, TX 77301

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"Human trafficking is an open wound on the body of contemporary society, a scourge upon the body of Christ...It is a crime against humanity." - Pope Francis

Houston ranks number one in the nation for victims of human trafficking referred to by US Homeland Security as a form of modern-day-slovery. Persons from every demographic are potentially at risk. 20 million people have been victimized worldwide including 5.5 million children.

Awareness and education is the key to prevention and stopping human trafficking.

Join us for a panel discussion followed by Q&A. You will learn:

- The realities of human trafficking in our area,
- How victims are being rescued and rehabilitated,
 Testimonies from three survivors of human trafficking
- Undercover and law enforcement agents will explain how children
- are being targeted, and what you can do to keep them safe,
- Warning signs from a mom whose daughter was trafficked,
 Important infomation parents need to be aware of,
- Be a part of the solution: be observant, be informed, spread the word.





For information call Patty Schulze 936.537.5451, or email pattyae/19@consolidated.net



Parishioners Kathleen Gissler and Susan Arent will once again host the festival bake sale. In order to make it another successful event, they're asking for baked good donations. They'll be in the Parish Life Center on Saturday, Oct. 7th, from 11:00-2:00 accepting baked items, as well as Sunday morning before the festivities begin.

If you need to contact Kathleen with questions, please do so at kat gissler@sbcglobal.net Thank you!





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DSF SUMMARY REPORT—2017		
Parish Goal	\$170,000	
Total Amount Pledged	\$ 146,138	
Pledged Under Goal	\$ 23,862	

THE WEEK AHEAD

MON., SEPTEMBER 11

K of C Meeting, Annex, 6:30pm

Baptism Class, PLC, 7:00pm

Boy Scouts, Youth Room, 7:00pm

Cub Scout Pack 1665 Meeting, Gym, 7:00pm

TUES., SEPTEMBER 12

Booster Club Meeting, PLC, 5:30pm

Catholic Daughters Meeting, Annex, 6:30pm

PTO Meeting, PLC, 6:30pm

Men's CRHP Team 1, SEEC Building, 7:00pm

WED., SEPTEMBER 13

Adult Bible Study, PLC, 9:30am

1st CCE Class/Parent Meeting, Elementary Bldg., 6:00pm

Blue army Group, Church, 6:30pm

H.S. Bible Study, Youth Room, 7:00pm

K of C Chili Cookoff Meeting, Annex, 7:00pm

Live Christ, Share Christ, PLC, 7:00pm

Quince Prep Class, Parish Ministry Bldg., 7:00pm

THUR., SEPTEMBER 14

Confessions, Church, 6:30pm

Eucharistic Holy Hour, Chapel, 7:00pm

RCIA Pre-Catechumenate, SEEC Building, 7:00pm

FRI., SEPTEMBER 15

Homeroom Parent Meeting, PLC., 7:50am

Tiger Den Meeting, Elementary Bldg., 6:30pm

SAT., SEPTEMBER 16

That man Is You, PLC, 6:30am

Festival Committee Meeting, Parish Grounds, 9:00am

Lector Training, SEEC Building, 9:30am

EMCH Training, SEEC Building, 12:00pm

EMCH Training, Church, 2:00pm

Confessions, Church, 4:00pm

Sun., SEPTEMBER 17

RCIA Catechumenate, SEEC Bldg., 10:00am

RCIC, SEEC Bldg., 10:30am

Confirmation Prep-Opening Mass/Reception, PLC, 11:30am

SPARC, Youth Room, 3:30pm

Adult Faith Formation, PLC, 5:30pm

CCE, Parish Grounds, 5:30pm

Youth Group, Youth Room, 7:00pm

Frassati Catholic High School is searching for part-time activity bus drivers for the 2017-2018 school year. Most trips will involve athletics and will take place during the week and after school hours. Buses will be used for off campus practices and games for various sports throughout the year. Some trips will occur during school hours. Drivers must have a current class B CDL or be willing to obtain a valid class B CDL. Prior bus driving experience is preferred. If interested, please send a letter of interest and list of related qualifications to Chris Meredith at c.meredith@frassaticatholic.org. For questions, or more information, call 832-616-3222



Late registration for religious education and sacrament preparation is happening NOW

Download registration forms at www.saintedward.org/ evangelization-and-catechesis

Religious education classes will begin September 10 (Sunday session) & September 13 (Wednesday session) Families who register during late registration will begin classes one week later to allow time for their paperwork to be processed.

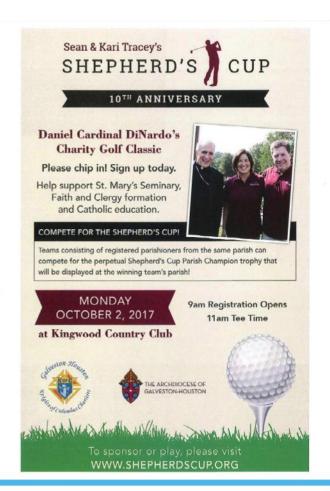
Questions? Frances Bernardic fbernardic@saintedward.org / 281-353-9774 x807





Still need to register your high school sophomore for Confirmation? There is a final registration orientation meeting on Tuesday, September 12th at 7pm in the youth room! We will overview the program and have registration forms available to get your teen registered and answer any questions for the Confirmation program.

Questions? Contact Dan Konkel: dkonkel@saintedward.org



NORTHEAST CATHOLIC SINGLES, A MINISTRY FOR SINGLES AGE 40 and older, will gather on Wednesday, September 13, to talk/eat/drink at 7:00 P.M. at Dickey's BBQ Pit, 9759 FM 1960 Bypass West in Humble. For more info, contact Elizabeth Schields (281-441-2552 or elizabeths2@peoplepc.com) or Peggy Broyles (281-359-4560 or peggybmom4@gmail.com) or subscribe to us on Flocknote at St. Martha's or St. Mary Magdalene's website.



You are invited to join the Senior Saints for a gaming trip to Coushatta

Casino on September 21, 2017. We will leave from

St. Edward at 8 a.m. and return at about 8 p.m. Cost is \$20 and includes driver's tip, snacks, prizes and a movie on the bus. You must be at least 21 years old to join this trip. Call Pete or Kathy @ 281-350-9512 for more information and to sign-up.



Join us for our 4th Annual Candy Bar Bingo Night!

When: Saturday, September 23rd, after the 5:30pm Mass

Where: PLC

Who: Anyone who wants to play Candy Bar Bingo! Adults, kids, singles, couples, families

everyone in the parish is invited.

What to bring: A dessert to share, a suggested \$10 donation to cover the cost of food and drinks for the evening (pizza, lemonade, and water will be provided)

Also, we will be collecting the following items for **Hurricane Harvey** relief:

Toilet paper, paper towels, paper plates, plastic silverware, napkins, and any cleaning supplies.

Please RSVP by Monday, September 18th to

saintedwardfamilyministry@gmail.com or text/call Diane at 954-609-6596 **Please include # of attendees in your RSVP and breakout of adults/children. Thank you!!**



PRAYER LIST FOR THE SICK Please keep the following people in your thoughts and prayers this week as we wish them a return to good health:

Week 1 Gloria Castro Martha Yocum Mary Muhlherr Bobbi Jenkins Sean & Brenda Jenkins Dorothy Karas David E. Johnston

Week 2 Kim Bean Jose Rebolledo Beverly Canales

Week 3 Sandra & Richard Nowak

Robert Nichols Tristan Massiate

Gene Hyman

Mary Ogrodowicz Kolbie Guyton

Steve Hutchens

Ava Stone Mary Mobley

Week4

Anthony Choo Choo Villarreal Danny Mendez

> Shannon Buzek Mary Coffey

Paul Duprey

Week 5

William Byers Dara Behan

Janet Blake

Christopher Busa

Mel Pollock Ann Doepke

Rau & Bruce Bruner Denise Hancock

Marvelia Novakoski

Norma Portier Bishop George Sheltz Jackie Langwell Richard Linden Week 6

> Oberdick Family Parsons Family Rocco Family

> Traewick Family Roy Cason

James Jenkins Bette Lowe

Frank Carrabine

Yogi Ybarra Carolyn Wawrykow

George Wawrykow Tania Wawrykow

Our Troops

To make a request for someone to be on our prayer list, please call the parish office at 281-353-9774. Your loved one's name will appear on our prayer list for

MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, September 11 8:30am † Vicente Panimdim Tuesday, September 12 8:30am † Joy & Ed Kohl Wednesday, September 13 6:30am † Gary Keffer 8:30am LV Henthorn & Barr **Families**

Thursday, September 14 6:30am † Karl Fernandes 8:30am † Stephen Matus Friday, September 15 8:30am † Faviola Ruelo 12:10pm † Robert Castiglione Saturday, September 16

8:30am † Rick Fahrenthold 5:30pm † Lawrence Malek Sunday, September 17

7:30am People of St. Edward 9:30am † Copia Westbrook

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six consecutive Sundays. If a longer period of time is needed, please call to renew your request.

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