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Worship Schedule

Saturday Vigil: 4:00 PM

Sunday Masses:

8:00 AM, 10:30 AM and 5:00 PM

Spanish Mass: 2:00 PM

Weekday Masses:

Monday—Friday 7:00 AM

Weekday Adoration:

Every Friday following Mass

7:30 AM-8:30 AM

Holy Days:

Vigil Mass: 6:00 PM

Holy Day: 7:00 AM and 12:00 PM

Confession:

30 minutes before Vigil Mass

And anytime by request

all the other Masses

First Friday Adoration

7 AM - 5 PM

Mass, Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and Benediction

First Saturday Devotion

8:00 AM—9:30 AM

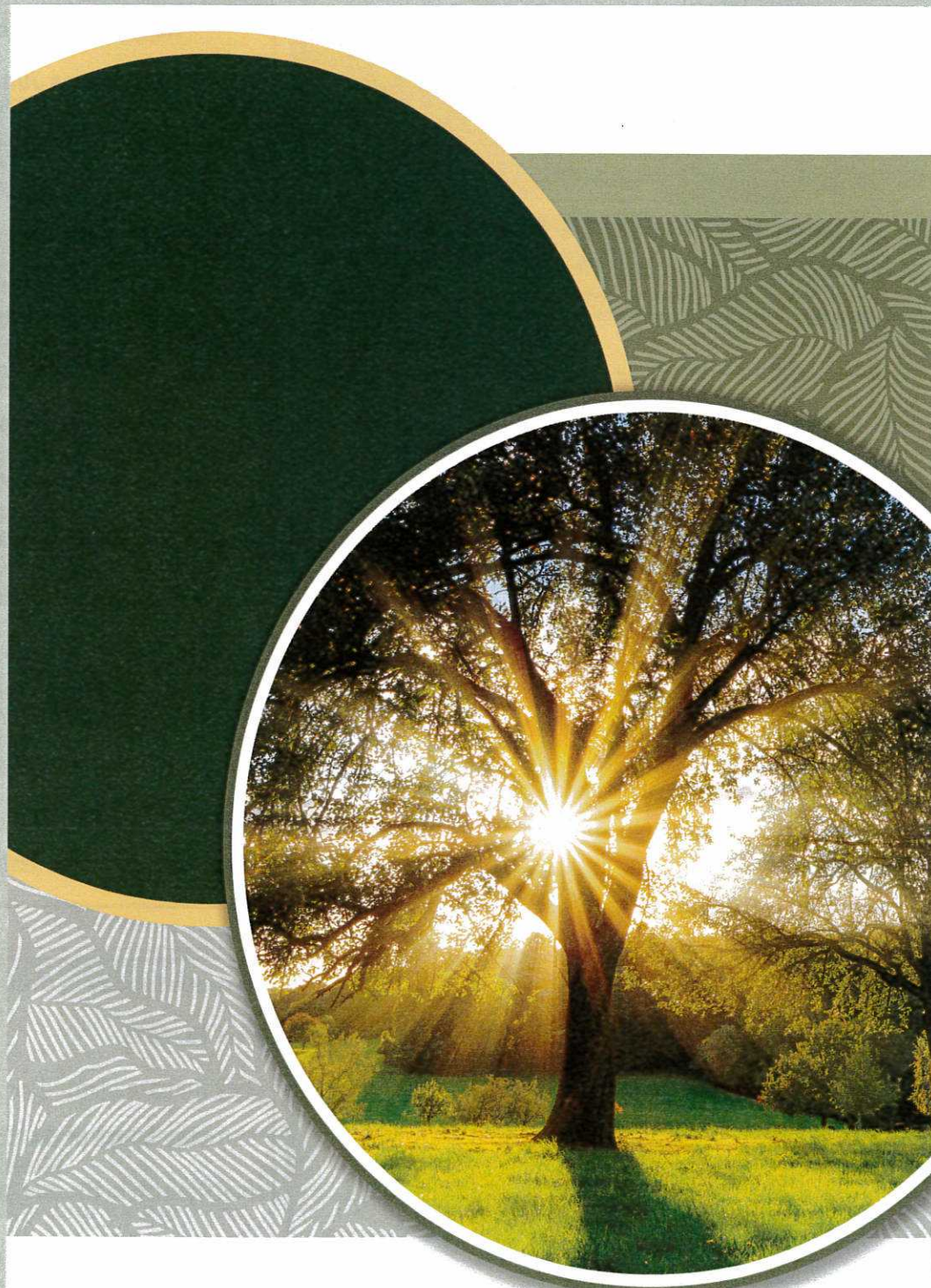
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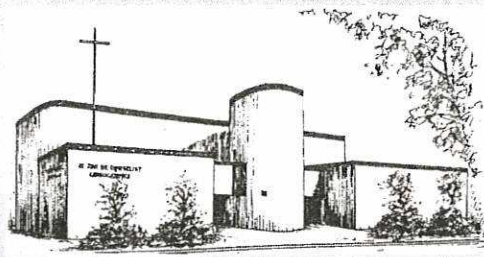
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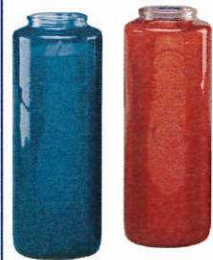
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Prayer Candles



5-Day Prayer Candles are available for a \$5 donation and may be picked up in the Church Sacristy after Masses and in the Parish Office from 9:00 AM – 3:00 PM throughout the work week.

Red Candles for St. Joseph

Blue Candles for the Blessed Mother



The great Father's Day quilt raffle.

The quilt was made by Mary Repp and is called "The Catch of the Day - Trout".

Tickets are available outside the Memorial Room and are donation only. The raffle will be on Father's Day after the 1030 am Mass.

Happy birthday blessings are extended to:

**Tom Graves June 14, Kathy Pitre June 16,
Deanna McGuire, Bernard Papania June 17
Peggy Paige June 18**

May God grant them many blessings in the coming year!

Congratulations

to Our Parishioners

Celebrating Wedding Anniversaries

Carl & Mary Ann Necaie 53 yrs June 15

Gil & Rita Bailey 42 yrs June 16

May God bless them with many more

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: Eleventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

Monday: Flag Day

Saturday: St. Romuald; Blessed Virgin Mary

Eleventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

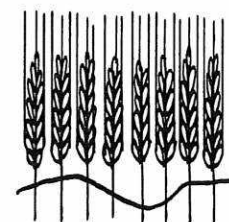
June 13, 2021

They that are planted

in the house of the LORD

shall flourish in the courts of our God.

—Psalm 92:14



✠ Hear Us and Heal Us ✠

Your prayers are asked for the following individuals

John Atwood	Suzanne King	Trudy Ferrara
Mary Ann Bishop	Doug Kirk	Gee Gee Grandis
Andy Borga	John Knight	Maria Pique
Dean Bowles	Linda Langenbach	Thomas Woodcock
Harriett Bowles	Betty Martin	May Adams
Suzanne Bowles	Rhonda Mires	
Garry Cooper	Carolyn McClellan	
Ed Croal	Helena Nichols	Parishioners of St.
Ronnie Cuevas	Judy Northrup	John the Evangelist
Mimi Davis	Bernard Papania	
Carolyn Fayard	Colette Marissa	
Marcia Flagg	Quigley	
Julie Foster	Peggy Ryland	
Angel Garcia	Joan Sample	
Jordan Hoang	Vicki Smith	
Werner Huber	Charlie Underwood	
Kory Hudson	Erma Wilson	
Bill Jones	Joey Labella	
Kent Killegrew	Alan Penton	

To add or remove a name from the prayer list, please contact the Parish Office. Names will appear on the prayer list for six weeks, but are renewable.

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Saturday:	4:00 PM	✠Maria Nguyen Ngoc Dien
Sunday:	8:00 AM	Special intention in honor of Virgin Mary
		Special intention for 53rd Wedding Anniversary of Carl & Mary Ann Necaie
		✠Cathy Miller
		✠Skip Ryland
		✠John Windham
	1 0:30 AM	People of the Parish
	5:00 PM	✠Mary Borzik
Monday:	7:00 AM	✠Dr. Hugo Nievas
Tuesday:	7:00 AM	✠Jim Reese
Wednesday:	7:00 AM	✠Marion and Edna Garrett
Thursday:	7:00 AM	✠Mackie Fayard
Friday:	7:00 AM	✠Skip Ryland

SECOND COLLECTIONS:

June 20th: Retired Priests' Fund

June 27th: Peter's Pence

Parish Office Hours

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Church Renovation: \$621

Father's Day Quilt: \$394

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Your support is graciously appreciated!

TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — I have lifted high the lowly tree (Ezekiel 17:22-24).

Psalm — Lord, it is good to give thanks to you (Psalm 92).

Second Reading — Whether we are at home or away, we aspire to please the Lord (2 Corinthians 5:6-10).

Gospel — It is the smallest of all seeds, and becomes the largest of plants (Mark 4:26-34)

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A Reflection on Sunday's Readings

GOD'S TIME

We either pay attention to or ignore "clock time" as we play in the summer sun and note the earth's tilt and the lengthening days. We live by time. We reckon time in seconds and minutes and hours, or we use broader chunks like supertime and summertime.

God keeps another sort of time. God speaks to us of "saving time," that is, the time of salvation. This sense of time is called *kairos*, and this time is always now, always present and available, always revealing, often surprising.

This Sunday's readings alert us to the reality and the import of God's time. Ezekiel and the Gospel of Mark remind us that our labor and our plotting and our planning rest in God. For God takes our smallest efforts and makes of them great works. Paul points us to the "harvest" time, urges us to be watchful for its coming, and calls us to recognize that we must spend our time pleasing God.

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READINGS FOR THE WEEK

- Monday: 2 Cor 6:1-10; Ps 98:1, 2b, 3-4; Mt 5:38-42
- Tuesday: 2 Cor 8:1-9; Ps 146:2, 5-9a; Mt 5:43-48
- Wednesday: 2 Cor 9:6-11; Ps 112:1bc-4, 9; Mt 6:1-6, 16-18
- Thursday: 2 Cor 11:1-11; Ps 111:1b-4, 7-8; Mt 6:7-15
- Friday: 2 Cor 11:18, 21-30; Ps 34:2-7; Mt 6:19-23
- Saturday: 2 Cor 12:1-10; Ps 34:8-13; Mt 6:24-34
- Sunday: Jb 38:1, 8-11; Ps 107:23-26, 28-31; 2 Cor 5:14-17; Mk 4:35-41



Theological Writings by the Church Fathers on the Holy Eucharist

"When we speak of the reality of Christ's nature being in us, we would be speaking foolishly and impiously - had we not learned it from Him. For He Himself says: 'My Flesh is truly Food, and My Blood is truly Drink. He that eats My Flesh and drinks My Blood will remain in Me and I in him.' As to the reality of His Flesh and Blood, there is no room left for doubt, because now, both by the declaration of the Lord Himself and by our own faith, it is truly the Flesh and it is truly Blood. And These Elements bring it about, when taken and consumed, that we are in Christ and Christ is in us. Is this not true? Let those who deny that Jesus Christ is true God be free to find these things untrue. But He Himself is in us through the flesh and we are in Him, while that which we are with Him is in God."

- "The Trinity" [8,14] inter 356-359 A.D.

FEAST OF FAITH

The Preparation of the Altar

The altar is the focal point of our churches. It is a sign of Christ in our midst; indeed, it has been said that "the altar is Christ" (*Dedication of an Altar*, 4). The altar is a table "on which the sacrifice of the cross is perpetuated in mystery throughout the ages until Christ comes"; but it is also the place for a festive meal: "a table at which the Church's children assemble to give thanks to God and receive the body and blood of Christ" (*Dedication of an Altar*, 4).

Both these functions of the altar are clear in the rites for the preparation of the altar that follow the general intercessions, which remind us of the preparations we make at home for a festive meal. The deacon or altar servers come forward and, bowing, place a cloth known as a corporal (from the Latin for "body") over the altar cloth. They place the chalice, the cup to be used in the celebration of the Eucharist, and the *Sacramentary* or *Roman Missal*, which contains the prayers of the Mass, on the altar. These reverent preparations help us to focus on what is about to happen: the sharing of a holy meal, a solemn sacrifice.

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YEAR of ST. JOSEPH

St. Joseph's Silence

If we look at Sacred Scripture, there is not one word uttered by St. Joseph that was recorded. God speaks to us in the depths of our hearts, for he knows our deepest desires. St. Joseph's silence was an active way of listening to the Father, was an active way of saying "I'm open, Lord, and I want to hear Your voice."

St. Joseph's Trust

An angel appeared to Joseph in a dream, explaining that the child in Mary's womb had been conceived by the overshadowing of the Holy Spirit, and so when he awoke, he "did as the angel of the Lord had commanded him" (Mt 1:24). Trusting in the Lord meant putting everything in His hands. We must choose not to worry ourselves with all the superficial things of daily life, but rather rely on His Holy Will, for He who is the source of everything will not let us go astray.

St. Joseph's Responsibility

"He rose, took the child and his mother, and went to the land of Israel" (Mt 2:21). Being the earthly father of Jesus, he took the responsibility of raising the child of God with the help of Mary. It is in his arms that the child Jesus felt love and care. Responsibility means carrying out the task at hand wholeheartedly and with dedication.

A daily prayer to St Joseph

Hail, Guardian of the Redeemer, Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary. To you God entrusted his only Son; in you Mary placed her trust; with you Christ became man.

Blessed Joseph, to us too, show yourself a father and guide us in the path of life. Obtain for us grace, mercy, and courage, and defend us from every evil. Amen.



YEAR of the EUCHARIST

Communion rite (The lords prayer, The rite of Peace, Breaking of the Bread, Commingling rite, Communio, Prayer after Communion)

Before receiving communion, the Church invites us to recite the prayer which Christ taught us. Saint Cyprian said, "What prayer would the Father hear more gladly than that in which he hears the voice of his only Son, Jesus Christ?" **When we pray the Our Father, the Father recognizes the voice of his Only Begotten Son in us.** It is this way because when we pray the Our Father, we are not praying with our words, but rather with the words of God, with the same words with which Jesus taught us to pray. The prayer is not my Father, but OUR Father. It is an invitation to love between us, to brotherhood, to sisterhood, to reconciliation. Pope Francis has said it very clearly: "This is a prayer which cannot be recited with enemies in one's heart, with hatred for another." **It is a prayer which prepares our hearts because it invites us to communion.**

Commingling rite, Communio

How many times have we said, "I am dying of hunger!" Our body rejects the experience of having an empty stomach so strongly that we express ourselves this way. But we have an even more profound hunger: the hunger for God. Christ makes himself food because he does not want to leave us empty. He has come that we might have life and have it abundantly. It is the moment of Communion. It is when the priest comes forward to distribute the Eucharistic food. It is also called communion because upon receiving the Body of Christ, we enter into an intimate and profound communion with Him. When someone eats something, that which is eaten becomes part of the body and becomes one with the person and no one can separate the two. **When we receive the Body of Christ, something different occurs, not only does it become part of us, but above all, we become what we eat, we become Christ-like, we become more like Jesus.** This is true food, the food of eternal life, he who receives it will live forever.