

Twenty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time Sunday, August 22, 2021

TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

The Eucharist was never meant to be only “comfort food,” something that makes us feel warm and satisfied. It is to be bread for the journey, nourishment for the task that God has set for our community and for each one of us. Thus it is not surprising to see some walk away in today’s Gospel, for they understood that recognizing Jesus as the bread of life is a commitment to changing one’s life.

St. Augustine, whose feast we celebrate this week, once observed that in celebrating the Eucharist we become what we receive, the Body of Christ. As we conclude the series of reflections in John’s Gospel on Jesus as the bread of life, it is appropriate to think about the role that the Eucharist plays in our lives and in our parish. It is in the Eucharist that we are nourished and renew our commitment in faith to serve the Lord. How does the parish social ministry carry out that mandate? How do you carry it out in your own life? Is it related in any way to the celebration of the Eucharist? How does celebrating Mass Sunday after Sunday make a difference in your life and in the world? —James Field, Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co.

Mass Intentions Saturday, 6:00 pm—Catherine David (RIP) 8:00 am— People of St. Jude Sunday, 11:00 am—James Crowder (RIP) Sunday 1:00 pm — Spanish Community Sunday, 4:00 pm— Stacy Wolf (RIP) Tuesday, 6:00 pm— Wednesday, 6:00 pm— Thursday, 6:00 pm— Friday, 10:00 am—	SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES Sunday: Twenty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time Monday: St. Rose of Lima Tuesday: St. Bartholomew Wednesday: St. Louis; St. Joseph Calasanz Friday: St. Monica Saturday: St. Augustine	READINGS FOR THE WEEK Monday: 1 Thes 1:1-5, 8b-10; Ps 149:1b-6a, 9b; Mt 23:13-22 Tuesday: Rv 21:9b-14; Ps 145:10-13, 17-18; Jn 1:45-51 Wednesday: 1 Thes 2:9-13; Ps 139:7-12ab; Mt 23:27-32 Thursday: 1 Thes 3:7-13; Ps 90:3-5a, 12-14, 17; Mt 24:42-51 Friday: 1 Thes 4:1-8; Ps 97:1, 2b, 5-6, 10-12; Mt 25:1-13 Saturday: 1 Thes 4:9-11; Ps 98:1, 7-9; Mt 25:14-30 Sunday: Dt 4:1-2, 6-8; Ps 15:2-5; Jas 1:17-18, 21b-22, 27; Mk 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23
Prayer List —Remember in your prayers all those who are chronically ill and are homebound. Names added to the prayer list will be included for one month, unless otherwise requested.		
Larry Neese Missy Goodman Jack McCormack Margaret Kaldon Patricia Poole	Joy Morales Kathy Moody Nick Calico Sandra Bebout Albert Hays	Waylon Neese Larry Watkins Michael Finnegan Margaret Daniels Mary Elizabeth Moore George Cox Mary Jo Zummo Herschel Baker Julie Tran Barbara Rivere Joe McCormack Tammy Chandler Lucy Loevertich




Welcome Back
Sunday, August 22nd following the
4:00 pm Mass.

Please join our youth in celebrating the **2021-2022 school year**
with a
“welcome back” dinner!
Pizza and ice cream are on the menu
With a visit from Fr. Nick Adam and
a game of kickball to follow

This event is for all 7th — 12th Grade students.

RSVP to Laura Bowden
lmbowen11@gmail.com

You were missed!



Feast of the
QUEENSHIP OF MARY
PRAYER

O God, who made the Mother of your Son to be our Mother and our Queen, graciously grant that, sustained by her intercession, we may attain in the heavenly Kingdom the glory promised to your children. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

QUEENSHIP OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

August 22 is the Feast of The Immaculate Heart of Mary, Traditional Calendar and the Queenship of Mary, the New Calendar. October 11 is the Feast of the Divine Maternity, both Calendars and the Queenship of Mary, Traditional Calendar.

On the 11th OF October 1954, Pope Pius XII established the Feast of the Queenship of Mary to be celebrated throughout the world, and commanded that on that day each year, the world should renew its consecration to her. In the future the Feast came to be celebrated on 22nd of August.

"The purpose of the Feast is that all may recognize more clearly and venerate more devoutly the merciful and motherly sovereignty of her who bore God in her womb" (Ven. Pius XII, Ad. Coeli Reginam).

On the day of her Assumption, Mary our Mother was solemnly crowned by Christ and received by the whole court of Heaven as Queen.

What Christ has done in Heaven and the Church has done on our behalf we should now do individually, that is, we should recognize Mary's Queenship, enthrone her in our homes, consecrate ourselves to her and, by this means, establish in our lives the reign of Mary Immaculate Queen of the Universe.



The number of Covid-19 cases and hospitalizations are on a steep rise again! The Delta variant has proven to be a formidable opponent. The Centers for Disease Control and the Mississippi State Department of Health have recommended that all people (vaccinated and unvaccinated) wear masks when in public indoor spaces. They also recommend that those over the age of 65 and with serious underlying health conditions avoid large indoor gatherings.

Due to these recent recommendation changes and the tremendous strain on our healthcare system, Fr. Lincoln strongly encourages all parishioners (vaccinated and unvaccinated) to prayerfully consider wearing masks during the weekend Masses for a few weeks until the case and hospitalization numbers begin to fall again. This is not a mandate and parishioners without masks will not be turned away from Mass. It is, however, a way to mitigate the risk for all parishioners.

Those not comfortable coming to the weekend Masses due to the size of the crowds can come to the daily Masses, which have fewer people in attendance. The dispensation that allows attending a daily Mass to meet the Sunday Mass obligation remains in place.

Also, please remember that receiving communion in the hand is still the norm. If you feel that you need to receive communion directly on the tongue, please wait until everyone on your side has received in the hand and then come at the very end at the line. The Eucharistic minister will sanitize afterwards. This is done to keep everyone safe.

Please remember in your prayers all that are affected by Covid --- those that are now sick, those that have died, the healthcare professionals, and those that suffer from the long-term effects. Pray, also, for protection, wisdom, and guidance for all.



EMBRACE, Serve, INSPIRE

The annual Catholic Service Appeal collection will be next weekend. We must remember that we are one with other parishes in our diocese. Once a year, our Bishop asks us to respond in gratitude by making a commitment to support the work of our diocesan programs and ministries that provide services that no one parish could provide on its own. Through the CSA we all work together to care for the Church by sharing the gifts God has granted us. Let us follow in the footsteps of Sister Thea Bowman and celebrate our Catholic faith and work together to continue to build God's kingdom.



Digital Edition - Email List

We are working to build our email list to begin sending out a digital edition and digital "flip" edition of Mississippi Catholic. Please share with your parishioners - Text MSCATHOLIC to 84576 to join!



Please support our seminarians by sponsoring or purchasing tickets for our 2nd Annual 2021 Homegrown Harvest Festival. This year's event will be held at St. Paul Catholic Church in Flowood, MS and will open with an *optional* tailgate party at 5:00 p.m. The Festival Dinner and Silent Auction will begin at 6:30 p.m. followed by a presentation by our Seminarians at 7:45 p.m.



Parish School of Religion -

If you have not already registered your child or children for Parish School of Religion, please contact the office for information to register. It is very important that they are registered prior to the beginning of Sunday School on Sunday, September 12 for us to make sure there is adequate social distancing and hand sanitizer.

If you are interested and are not already helping with our Parish School of Religion, contact Kathleen Edwards at ccd@stjudepearl.org.

NO DAILY MASSES

There will be no daily Masses for the this weeks. Fr. Lincoln will be out of town on a Mission Appeal in Rhode Island and visiting his sister in Boston.

Daily Masses are offered at other Parish in the Jackson Area.

St. Peter Cathedral—12:05 Weekdays

St. Richard—7:00 am Weekdays

St. Francis—7:00 am Weekdays

Learn more about our Catholic Faith

If you're interested in learning more about the basics of our Catholic Faith, or if you would like to become Catholic, we invite you to contact Deacon John McGregor at jmcgregor@stjudepearl.org. In these classes we will discuss topics ranging from Who is God? To Who is the Church?

Come, Spirit!

The presider at the Eucharist can choose from among a number of different Eucharistic Prayers, all of which follow a similar pattern. Almost always, they begin with an *epiclesis*, a Greek word that means "invocation upon" or "calling over here." At this moment in the prayer, the priest calls down the Holy Spirit upon the gifts of bread and wine that we have brought to the altar: "Father, we bring you these gifts. We ask you to make them holy by the power of your Spirit, that they may become the body and blood of your Son" (Eucharistic Prayer III). The words of the prayer are accompanied by the ritual gesture of the laying on of hands, the ancient sign of the gift of the Spirit, which is also used in most sacramental celebrations, from the rite of confirmation to the ordination of deacons, priests, and bishops. Liturgists sometimes call this first *epiclesis* the *epiclesis* of consecration. Later in the Eucharistic Prayer, there will be another *epiclesis*, the *epiclesis* of communion, as the priest asks that the Holy Spirit be sent upon us to transform us. "Grant that we, who are nourished by his body and blood, may be filled with his Holy Spirit, and become one body, one spirit in Christ" (Eucharistic Prayer III).

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