

EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

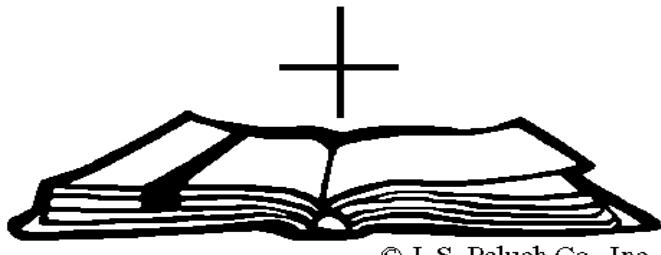
JULY 31, 2022

Teach us to number our days aright,
that we may gain wisdom of heart.
—Psalm 90:12

THE CENTER OF A MEANINGFUL LIFE

Today's readings invite us to reflect upon some of life's deepest questions, and to explore the meaning of faith. We hear of the universal human search for meaning in our lives in the book of Ecclesiastes. In Luke's Gospel, we hear Jesus' parable about one who foolishly seeks ultimate security through the accumulation of wealth. In Colossians, faith in the crucified and resurrected Christ is proclaimed as the path to a richly purposeful and meaningful life. The path of Christian faith places our work, our sufferings, and our limitations within the larger picture of God's purposes for all of us. In Jesus, God is revealed as our companion in human suffering and limitation. God's love is at the center of a meaningful life. We place our trust in this loving God, who created us to share in this love, and to share this love with others.

Mass Intentions



- Sat., July 30, 4:30 p.m. Huval Family, Dennis McCloskey, Nick Sita, Amy Goff, Harold Gunther, Louis Perschall Sr. Ida Perschall, Nang Tran, and for the living: Karge Family and Joy Guidry
- Sun., July 31, 7:30 a.m. Margaret Mary Mulé, Carol Pieri, Yolanda Bourgeois, Laurie Lee Kent, **and for the living:** RJ Bourgeois
- Sun., July 31, 9:15 a.m. Marvin Schexnyder, Nang Tran
- Sun., July 31, 11:00 a.m. Lillian Bartel
- Mon., Aug. 01, 8:00 a.m. Charles Armstrong Jr.
- Tues., Aug. 02 NO MASS
- Wed., Aug. 03, 8:00 a.m. David Tucker
- Thurs., Aug. 04, 8:00 a.m. Ryan Bovia (L)
- Fri., Aug. 05, 8:00 a.m. Charlie Armstrong (L)

PRAYER LIST

Chuck Armstrong	Sandy Fanguy
Crissy Early	Ann Bernard
Alicia Hanson	Nora Buisson
Ruth Pellegrin	Sheryl McClendon
Gary Richardson	Mac McClendon
Trey Chimento	

Weekly Collections

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Envelopes	\$ 2,088.00
Loose	\$ 1,450.00
E-giving	\$ 355.00
2 nd Coll. Building and Preservation Fund	\$ 210.00

Next weekend we will have a 2nd Collection for the Building and Preservation Fund.

THE CANDLES BURN IN HONOR OF:

Sanctuary Charles Armstrong

Gr **Blessed Mother** Joy Guidry

St. Joseph Salvadore Mulé

St. Anne Michael Schouest

If you would like to honor your intention by burning a 7-day candle, please call 796-3806.

Sanctuary Flowers are for
Henry and Earline Mauthe

POPE FRANCIS JULY PRAYER INTENTION

Elderly

We pray for the elderly, who represent the roots and memory of a people; may their experience and wisdom help young people to look towards the future with hope and responsibility.



Please pray for **Betty Smith**, who entered peacefully into eternal rest. Betty taught school here at St. John's. "Whoever lives and believes in me shall never die". [John 11:26]

PARISH SCHOOL OF RELIGION NEWS

Our Parish School of Religion is shifting to Family Faith Formation this fall. This exciting and dynamic program will bring all of us together, building a community of faith and fellowship.

Register online at: <https://stjohnbaptistfolsom.org/parish-school-of-religion> or pick up a form from the credenzas in the back of Church, and join us Monday, August 29th at 6:00 p.m. in Jonathan Hall to pick up books and a brief informative meeting.

PICTORIAL DIRECTORY

St. John's is in the process of printing an updated Parish Pictorial Directory. We need your help to make this successful. We have a deadline of November 1, 2022, to have all the families log in at members.instantchurchdirectory.com and enter their information and photos to participate in the Pictorial Directory. If you need help with the first-time log in please call John Tennyson at 985-630-7087. If there is anyone who would like to volunteer to take our parishioners photographs for the directory, please call the office at 985-796-3806.

WORLD YOUTH DAY 2023 YOUNG ADULT PILGRIMAGE

The Archdiocese of New Orleans CYO / Youth & Young Adult Ministry Office is organizing a pilgrimage to Lisbon, Portugal from July 29 – August 7, 2023, for young adults 18 years of age and over to attend the global World Youth Day celebration with Pope Francis. The pilgrimage will include a 1-day trip to the Shrine of Our Lady of Fatima. For more information on pricing and other questions, please visit nolacatholic.org/wyd2023 or e-mail yam@archno.org.

COFFEE AND DONUTS

Next weekend, please Join us for Coffee and Donuts after the 7:30 and 9:15 masses in Odilo Hall.

To all who hold keys to any buildings on the property of St. John's: We understand that certain ministries need keys to hold meetings, Bible Studies, etc. At no time are you to prop the doors open or hold the doors open with bungee cords etc. If you are one of the key holders, you will be held responsible for any damage to property that happens at the time your ministry was in the hall. *Fr. Vincent*

5TH SUNDAY ROSARY

Please join the Knights of Columbus this Sunday to recite the Rosary after the 7:30 Mass. or 8:30 a.m.

TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

Over the last several weeks, the history of confirmation has been set out as a rite following baptism and preceding First Communion. Eucharist was a sacrament of spiritual maturity, attuned to the legal age of majority, which was considered to be fourteen years or so. Medieval bishops were often generous, if not especially pious, in seeing to it that children were confirmed before adulthood.

A pattern more familiar to us surfaced in the Diocese of Toulon in France in 1748, where it was decreed that "children are to be confirmed only after receiving First Communion." This was an amazing shift in practice that undermined centuries of theology and tradition by which confirmation was seen as a bridge between font and table. The innovation swept through France and across Europe, despite constant complaints from Rome. French-trained bishops like Cheverus of Boston and Carroll of Baltimore, founders of the American church, established the practice here. The order of the sacraments was thus disrupted in France and in the United States, and remained an eccentric exception to the rule until big developments in 1910.

REMINDERS

- First Saturday Mass at 8:00 a.m.
- Weekly Wednesday Adoration, 8:30 – 9:30 a.m.
- First Friday Adoration and Benediction, 8:30-9:30 a.m.
- Men's Study Group in Odilo Hall, Thursday's, 6:30 p.m.
- Knights of Columbus meeting, Thurs., Aug. 11th at 7 p.m. in Odilo Hall
- Wednesday Evening Adoration, 6 - 8 p.m.

Our Church history class will meet on Monday, August 1st at 9:00 a.m. in Jonathan Hall. We will view and discuss Session Six of the twenty-part Epic Church history series.

Our Bible study group will meet on Tuesday, August 2nd at 7:00 p.m. in Jonathan Hall. We will view and discuss Session One of our new studies on First Corinthians.

On the last Sunday of every month, we have a youth Mass at 11:00 a.m. and our Catch Fire Youth Group meets at 5:00 p.m. in Jonathan Hall.