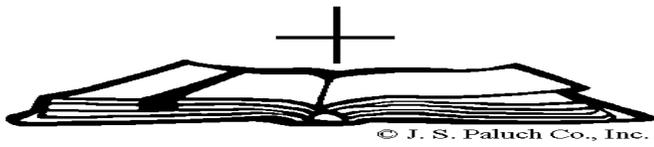


SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
February 12, 2023

THE GLORY OF THE DIVINE WAY

Today's readings draw us into ageless, vibrant depths. Followers of God's law, we belong to ancient traditions. Children of God, we marvel at the freshness of creation. The Old Testament readings, from Sirach and the Psalms, celebrate the rich blessings we receive when we observe God's commands—not because we are slaves to the law, but because the law gives life in abundance. Saint Paul's Letter to the Corinthians confirms the glory of divine law, but warns that God's ways tend to be unpopular and misunderstood in this world. Paul speaks of the ancient wisdom of God, which is mysteriously both "hidden" and "revealed." God does not have secret codes that we earthly mortals cannot understand; in love, God reveals the glory of the divine way in Jesus. Saint Matthew's Gospel emphasizes the importance of living in God's law, enlivened by a deep and personal relationship with Jesus.

Mass Intentions



Sat., Feb. 11, 4:30 p.m. Dennis McCloskey, Nick Sita, Louis Perschall Sr., Yvette Barbazon, Chuckie Hebert, Dominick Bonura, Connie Battistella Baas, Harold Gunther, Mary Ann Luke, **and for the living:** Karge Family, Lois Henry, and Special Intention

Sun., Feb. 12, 7:30 a.m. Margaret Mary Mulé, Carol Pieri

Sun., Feb. 12, 8, 9:15 a.m. Hue Tran, Louis Barbazon II, Harold Gunther, Carmen Smith, Charles Lewandowski **and for the living:** Jennifer Moore Maggio, Michael Holoway, and Priscilla Stahel

Sun., Feb. 12, 11:00 a.m. All Parishioners

Mon., Feb. 13, 8:00 a.m. Paul Bosworth

Tues., Feb. 14, 8:00 a.m. NO MASS

Wed., Feb. 15, 8:00 a.m. Karen Bovia (L)

Thurs., Feb. 16, 8:00 a.m. Sr. Claire Mulé

Fri., Feb. 17, 8:00 a.m. Shannon Armstrong

POPE FRANCIS' FEBRUARY PRAYER INTENTION

For parishes: We pray that parishes, placing communion at the center, may increasingly become communities of faith, fraternity and welcome towards those most in need.

PRAYER LIST

Chuck Armstrong	Rhonda Taylor
John DeSilva	Jess Ketchum
Chad Danenhower	Sarah Danenhower
Sean Garlick	Tuck Tucker
Terry Saux	Chico Mathes
Carol Tucker	Joe Billiot
Br. Ray Bulliard	Jennifer Moore Maggio
Lois Henry	Priscilla Stahel

Weekly Collections

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Envelopes	\$ 2,747.00
Loose	\$ 3,999.12
E-giving	\$ 295.00
2 nd Coll. For Catholic Schools	\$ 2,712.11

Thank you to all for the continued contributions. If you wish to give online, please go to:

<https://giving.parishsoft.com/app/giving/stjohnfolsom>.

Next weekend we will have a 2nd Collection for the Archdiocesan Seminarian Education.

THE CANDLES BURN IN HONOR OF:

Sanctuary	Priscilla Stahel
Blessed Mother	Lois Henry
St. Joseph	Connie Battistella Baas
St. Anne	

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

The Sanctuary flowers are in memory of
Chambless Family
and
George Hatfield

MEN'S GROUP

St John's Men's Group will be hosting an event Thursday, Feb 16th at 6:30 p.m. in Odilo Hall. All men are invited to join us as Deacon Kenny Uhlich from St Patrick's Church in New Orleans speaks about the indwelling of the Holy Spirit. We will learn why the Holy Spirit is essential to our Christian life and is needed to progress on the path on which God leads us. For more information, please contact Mark Pennison.

KC LENTEN FISH FRY DINNERS

Yes, Fish Fry Season starts Friday, February 24th! Your Knights will be serving domestic catfish fried to perfection, with our traditional delicious sides of baked cheese potatoes, coleslaw, and hush puppies - every Friday of Lent except Good Friday, from 4 to 7 p.m. And as usual, our faithful ladies will be selling their fantastic desserts. As we did last year, we will be offering both drive-through and dine-in service. The price will be \$12 per dinner. This year we will also be selling slices of cheese pizza for the kids @ \$2.

We are so grateful for your support! This program helps us fund the many charitable works we undertake throughout the year. Students who need service hours are welcome - please first call David Cooper at 985-796-3992.

ST JOSEPH ALTAR

WOW, our parish is full of precious people with the most generous hearts! Thank you for all donations received for the St. Joseph's Altar. We will continue accepting drop off donations in the basket at the back of church labeled St. Joseph's Altar donations.

Please place any monetary donations in the box and mark them for the St. Joseph's Alter.

All Purpose Flour	Sesame Seeds	Granulated Sugar
Brown Sugar	Powdered Sugar	Vanilla Extract
Almond Extract	Nuts	Figs and Dates
Butter	Eggs	Milk
Shortening	Oil	Pam Spray

Please consider baking in your home and freezing cookies in preparation for the Feast Day. Making this a fun memory with your family (especially children) will assist us all in our desire to be a Holy Family.

If you have any questions and/or need copies of recipes, please call Lauren Breaux (337) 354-6252 or Jessica Gottschalck (504) 655-6893.

FOOD FOR THE POOR

Please join us this weekend as we welcome Fr. Thomas Bouterie. Fr Tom has been a missionary with Food for the Poor (FFTP) since 2000. Food for the Poor is a nonprofit organization and is one of the largest international relief organizations in the United States. They link the church of the United States with the church of the Third World. FFTP helps in 17 Third World Developing countries in the Caribbean and Latin America. FFTP does much more than feed millions of hungry children and families living in poverty. Thanks to its faithful donors, the organization's programs are providing housing, health care, education, clean water, emergency relief and micro-enterprise assistance. In addition to feeding hundreds of thousands of people each day, FFTP donors have built more than 88,500 safe and secure homes for the destitute. In 2020, FFTP built 1,872 homes for families in need of safe shelter. Since inception, the charity has provided more than \$17 billion in aid.

RICE BOWL- LENT IS COMING!

Our parish is participating in CRS Rice Bowl this Lent. Please help us fight hunger and malnutrition in our area and across the globe by picking up a Rice Bowl from the credenzas in the back of Church or the Church porch next weekend. Together our prayers, fasting, and almsgiving will help our sisters and brothers in need. Thank you!

OUR FASCINATING FAITH

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, Jonathan Hall, Thursday's, 6:30 p.m.
- Knights of Columbus meeting, 2nd Thursdays., at 7 p.m. in Jonathan Hall
- Wednesday Evening Adoration, in Church from 6-8 p.m.
- PSR Classes, twice a month on Mondays, 6:15 p.m. in Jonathan Hall

Our 9th and 10th grade Parish School of Religion meets every Sunday, at 12:15 p.m. after 11:00 a.m. Mass in Jonathan Hall. On the first Sunday of the month, we have food and fellowship for the families of our students. We have our regular class with our students on February 12th.

Our Church history class will meet on Monday, February 13th at 9:00 a.m. in Jonathan Hall. We will view and discuss the next session in the EPIC Church history series, "Revolutions and Modernism."

Our Bible study group will meet on Tuesday, February 14th at 7:00 p.m. in Jonathan Hall. We will discuss the Book of Judges.

On the second Sunday of every month, our youth Bible study meets at 5:00 p.m. in Jonathan Hall. Our next meeting is Sunday, February 12th. The assignment for the meeting is to read Joshua, the sixth book of the Bible.

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.