



HOLY FAMILY CATHOLIC CHURCH

Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time ♦ September 20, 2020

Only conduct yourselves in a way worthy of the gospel of Christ. ~ Philemon 1:27

Pastor

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Weekend Masses

Saturday Vigil: 5 pm
Sunday: 8:30 am, 11 am,
3 pm (*español*)

Masses streamed on Facebook page

Weekday Masses

Tues/Wed: 5 pm
Thurs/Fri/1st Sat: 9 am

Masses streamed on Facebook page

Confessions

Saturday 3-4 pm (*drive-by*)
and by appointment

Eucharistic Adoration

First Friday of each month,
9:30 am-4:30 pm

Marriages

Contact Fr Kyle at least six
months prior to anticipated date.

Baptisms

Contact Fr Kyle: 985-839-4040

Charitable Outreach

Friends of St Francis: 985-201-5882

Religious Education

Renée Herbert: 985-630-1121

Youth Ministry

Eddie Boudreaux: 985-630-9997

Bulletin Deadline

Tuesday, noon.

From Our Pastor

LIGHT SIDE OF THE SON REFLECTIONS ON POPE BENEDICT'S *VERBUM DOMINI*

Being beholden to the letter without progressing to the Spirit does not allow the reader, the exegete, the scholar to see the intrinsic unity of the Scriptures. "The goal to which we are necessarily progressing is the one Word," so "this progression [from letter to spirit] cannot take place with regard to an individual literary fragment unless it is seen in relation to the whole of Scripture" (VD, 38). In other words, we encounter God's word as such, in faith, by seeing not just one passage, but that one passage in context with the entirety of the Scriptures. Last week, we looked at Jeremiah 29, to see what can happen if we don't check context. We can look at it again in context of the whole of Scripture. God makes good on the first promise. Those exiled in Babylon do return to Jerusalem, but we can also see Jerusalem as an image of the Church, and so God has also brought "Israel" back together through Christ, in the Church, which is made of all nations. The second part was left only partly fulfilled. I didn't mention before that those to whom he was prophesying became the Samaritans talked about in the Gospels. They had ancient connections to the Jewish faith, but had lost their faith by intermarrying with pagans. Then in the story in the Gospel of John, Christ, through the Samaritan woman, with five former husbands, symbolically invites them into the fulfillment and blessing promised only to Israel, so we can see what newness it was for him to be in that Samaritan town. From this, we can also see God invites into his church all, without distinction, whether historically blessed or cursed. The new covenant is for all. So now that passage from Jeremiah 29 has even more beauty and meaning in context with the whole of the Scriptures. Hugh of St. Victor, an 11th-century German priest and theologian, put it this way, "All divine Scripture is one book, and this one book is Christ, speaks of Christ, and finds fulfillment in Christ."

There are 73 books in the Bible with almost as many authors, written in a myriad of different styles, not all written in the same language. From Genesis to Revelation, each book has its own focus, its own

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point of view. "Viewed in a purely historical or literary terms, of course, the Bible is not a single book, but a collection of literary texts composed over the course of a thousand years or more, and its individual books are not easily seen to possess an interior unity. Instead, we see clear inconsistencies between them" (VD, 39). Those who hate or want to refute the faith are keen to highlight those inconsistencies.

It only finds an interior unity through the eyes of faith. "The person of Christ gives unity to all the 'Scriptures' in relation to the one 'Word'" (VD, 39). Christ is the "hermeneutical key," as Pope Benedict says, that shines the light on the full revelation of God in the Scriptures, as I showed earlier in the Jeremiah 29 example.

To help clarify, I'll use a musical analogy. The Bible isn't a moral playlist where you can skip "songs" you don't like, where each song has a loose connection to the others, with different artists and genres and time periods. It's more like a carefully crafted concept album done by one artist but spanning a whole lot of musical space. There might be certain songs you like more than others, but they have more power when played together as intended by the artist.

Fr. Kyle

Take a Closer Look at the Catholic Faith



Have you been worshipping with us, but not yet taken the step to look into Catholicism?

Have you joined us from a different background, and would now like to find out more about the Catholic Church?

Have you been away from the Church... and have now returned, but would like to know more?

Have you been a Catholic all your life but not celebrated all the Sacraments of Initiation (Baptism, Confirmation, Eucharist)... or simply feel you'd like to know more about your faith?

Then join us at the inquiry sessions on Tuesday evenings. The meetings will provide a leisurely, friendly way for you to explore the answers to your toughest, most perplexing questions.

WHAT: Inquiry Sessions

WHEN: Tuesdays, 6 pm

WHERE: Parish Hall, Holy Family Catholic Church

WHO: YOU!

For more information, contact Eddie Boudreaux, 985-630-9997, or Holy Family's office, 985-839-4040.

My past, O Lord, to your mercy;
my present, to your love;
my future, to your providence.

- St Padre Pio, feast day Sept 23

Hospitalized loved one? Please let Fr Kyle know

As soon as a family member is admitted to the hospital or a nursing home, please notify the office, **839-4040**. We don't want anyone to be neglected, but we depend on you to tell us. We will forward his or her name to Fr Kyle for a visit.

Humility, humility,
always humility.
Satan fears and trembles
before humble souls.

- St Padre Pio, feast day Sept 23



Did you know that the

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NEW ORLEANS

has a website?

At nolacatholic.org *there's:*

- ♦ news from our archdiocese and from the worldwide Church
- ♦ lists and contacts for every ministry and department of the archdiocese
- ♦ Mass times at parishes across our area
- ♦ live Mass from St Louis Cathedral
- ♦ articles on topics of interest
- ♦ prayers and novenas
- ♦ ... and more

Mission Statement of Holy Family Parish: Stirred by the Holy Spirit, the mission of Holy Family Parish is to evangelize

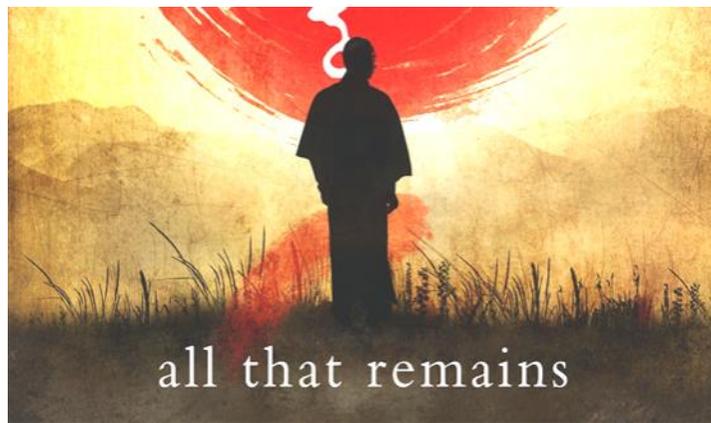
Movie recommendation: "All That Remains"

This film tells the inspiring life story of Nagasaki atomic bomb survivor and Catholic convert, Dr. Takashi Nagai. A rich blend of live action, CGI [computer-generated imagery], and archival footage, *All That Remains* brings to life the amazing story of a hero, forgotten in the West but deeply beloved in Japan, and a pivotal moment in history, and takes the viewer on a visceral journey of discovery and revelations.

Nagai, a descendent of a Samurai family, a patriot and a pioneering scientist, embarks upon a quest for the "ultimate truth"—the meaning of life and death. It is a journey that starts at his mother's deathbed, and leads him to discover the "hidden Christians" of Nagasaki—and to meet Midori, the woman who will finally transform a skeptical man of intellect into a man of the heart and faith. As Takashi struggles with his new faith, storm clouds gather in Japan as militarists take control of the government and drag Japan into a long, bloody war with China.

When Japan declares war on England and America, Takashi is convinced that X-ray technology will be in high demand and absorbs himself in his work, risking his health and neglecting his family. But everything changes in a blinding flash, as the atomic bomb is detonated over Nagasaki. His beloved Midori is one of the thousands killed instantly. Takashi, now battling leukemia, left alone to raise their two young children, turns to God for help, and is inspired to rebuild Nagasaki from the rubble and ash. Becoming increasingly bedridden, he begins to write about his experiences. It is through his profound words as a revered man of peace, that a country defeated and demoralized by war re-discovers the healing power of love.

This and many more topnotch movies and videos, including stuff for kids, as well as devotional and informational content and audio books, are all available and **free to you!!** as a member of Holy Family Parish. Our parish subscription lets you access their entire library. Take advantage and sign up today at **formed.org**.



National Day of Prayer and Repentance Sat 9/26, Most Holy Trinity Catholic Church

Join us in a morning of prayer of repentance for our country. Prayer and patriotic rosary begin at 9 am with Mass at 9:45. All are welcome; bring your family and friends. Social distancing will be observed. Please wear your mask. Address: 501 Holy Trinity Drive, Covington 70433.

Next week's special collection:

CATHOLIC COMMUNICATIONS CAMPAIGN

Funds media projects to spread the Gospel and connect communities and individuals to the faith. Envelopes are on the shelf by the door. Thanks.



Mother-Daughter program

10-14 year old young ladies and their mothers are invited to attend the archdiocesan *Lady-In-Waiting* cycle awareness program presented by Kelly Donahue. *Lady-In-Waiting* enables girls to pinpoint their first cycle through observation of natural signs given by their body. The seminar will be presented on Sat 10/17, 1-4 pm via the Zoom web-conferencing platform. The cost of the seminar is \$130 and includes all materials. Full scholarships are available. If you'd like to learn more first, visit a free virtual "open house" to be held on Fri 10/2, 6:30-7:30 pm. Moms may register at www.cherryblossombuds.com/regist-lw-virtual. You may also contact Kelly at kelly@cherryblossombuds.com.

Please pray for:

Billy Alsup; Adam Authement; Janet Bourgeois; Jim Bradle; Donna Bruney; Chris Buquoj; Beverly Carriles; Johnson Chouest; Flo, Jean, Tommie Clemons; Beverly Creel; Carol d’Aquin; Heidi David; Briley Davis; Corey Davis; Paula Davis; Michele Estave; Christopher Finklea; Theresa Gomez; Christie Griffith, Hamilton Family; Guy Horton; Judd Keaton; Meaghan Knight; René LaBorde; Dylan Latore; Eve LeBlanc; Henry, Tina Lirette; Lopez Family; Jean Lugo; L.J. Marie; Cynthia Marsh; Dana Matherne; Helen, Kalob Morel; Micky Power; Dannel Rome; Sylvia Scott; Cathy Shreve; Richard Sonier; Jan Sroga; Christine Townsend; Tufts Family; Nick Tullier; Jane Varnado; Joshua Yates.

Names stay on the list for three months. To add or retain someone, call 839-4040 or email holyfamilyfranklinton@arch-no.org.

This week’s Scripture readings

<u>Mon 9/21</u> Matthew: Apostle, Evangelist, Martyr	Ephesians 4:1-7,11-13 Psalm 19:2-5 Matthew 9:9-13
<u>Tues 9/22</u> Ordinary Time Weekday	Proverbs 21:1-6,10-13 Psalm 119:1,27,30,34-35,44 Luke 8:19-21
<u>Wed 9/23</u> Pio of Pietrelcina Priest	Prov 30:5-9 Psalm 119:29,72,89,101,104,163 Luke 9:1-6
<u>Thurs 9/24</u> Ordinary Time Weekday	Ecclesiastes 1:2-11 Psalm 90:3-6,12-14,17 Luke 9:7-9
<u>Fri 9/25</u> Ordinary Time Weekday	Ecclesiastes 3:1-11 Psalm 144:1-4 Luke 9:18-22
<u>Sat 9/26</u> Cosmas and Damian Martyrs	Ecclesiastes 11:9—12:8 Psalm 90:3-6,12-14,17 Luke 9:43-45
<u>Sun 9/27</u> 26th Sunday in Ordinary Time	Ezekiel 18:25-28 Psalm 25:4-9 Philippians 2:1-11 Matthew 21:28-32

The Sanctuary Lamp will burn
September 20 - 26 in memory of
Brandi Sander
by request of Jan and Rene LaBorde



Mass Intentions

9/19	5 pm	†Harold Carriles †Toni Carriles Hedrick †Shirley LeBlanc †Clifton Breaux Family †Guidry and Bolotte Families Bella Grace Zeringue †Special Intention
9/20	8:30 am	Our Parishioners
9/20	11 am	†Jerry Cancienne †Alphonse Elmer †Alida and Frank Gennusa Sr. †Robert Kahrs †Hilda and Erole Kremer †Ed Santos †Linda Gennusa Schomburg
9/20	3 pm	Aidan Ibarra
9/22	5 pm	Joseph Baldassaro Family
9/23	5 pm	†Susan Corkern
9/24	9 am	†Bobby Prestenbach
9/25	9 am	†Brandi Sander

Upcoming events

9/23	Y-Prep 6 pm
9/23	CYO 7 pm
9/25	Rosary 8:30 am
9/26	Confessions 3-4 pm
9/27	CCD 9:45 am
9/29	Pastoral Council 6 pm
9/30	Y-Prep 6 pm
9/30	CYO 7 pm
10/1	Adult Formation 6 pm

The current month’s calendar is always downloadable at www.holyfamilyfranklinton.org/parish-calendar, dated the 1st of the month. Printed copies are on the shelf in the back of the church and in the office hallway.

Prayer is the oxygen of the soul.
- St Padre Pio, feast day Sept 23

Stewardship Report	
regular collection	\$ 3,157.05
building fund	\$ 295.00
Thank you for your sacrificial giving.	