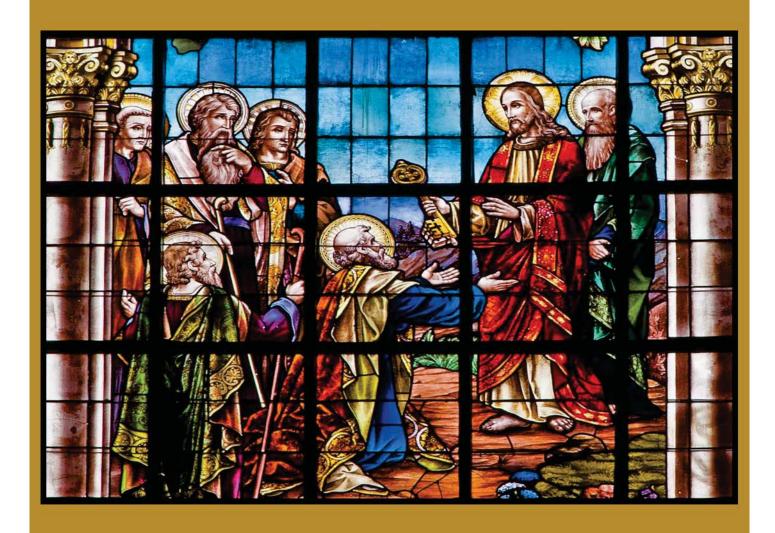
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Sunday, August 27, 2023

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# TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

YOU ARE PETER, AND UPON THIS ROCK I WILL BUILD MY CHURCH.

MATTHEW 16:18



### Saturday, August 26

Blanchette, Farland and Long Families Robert Curtis, Birthday Remembrance

### Sunday, August 27

Deena Ciarlone, Memorial

Kevin McAuliffe

Tuesday, August 29

Barbara Delvecchio

Thursday, August 31

Jacob Schettler

### Saturday, September 2

Snyder Family, Living and Deceased

Lois Lewis, Remembrance

Sunday, September 3

Alice M. Gaughen

# Offertory - August 20, 2023

Immaculate Conception: \$4,239 Online \$691 Saint Jerome: \$5,378 Online \$1,152

Second collection this week - Maui Relief
Thank you for your Generous Support

### **Special Collection for Maui**

Recognizing the immediate/growing need for assistance, Cardinal Seán has asked that a special collection be taken in all parishes in the Archdiocese of Boston to support Church relief efforts in the Diocese of Honolulu.

Funds raised will support the Hawaii Catholic Community Foundation relief efforts for local community members affected by the Maui wildfires. Thank you.

### Sunday, August 27

Irene Starsiak, Birthday Remembrance

Claire Sheehan, 1<sup>st</sup> Anniversary

Fred Sheehan, Memorial

Monday, August 28

Michael Marshall Jr

Wednesday, August 30

Jack Riordan, Month's Mind

Friday, September 1

Bryan Reyna, 13<sup>th</sup> Anniversary

Sunday, September 3

Vincent O'Donnell and O'Donnell Family

Irene Starsiak, Birthday Remembrance

Kristen Seaton, Special Intention

Arthur and Marie Schilling, Memorial

# Memorial Gifts for the Week August 27, 2023

The Hosts, Altar Wine and the Sanctuary Light have been donated in loving remembrance of

Irene Starsiak - Birthday Remembrance



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# **Mass Times**

# Immaculate Conception

Saturday 4:00pm, Sunday 9:00am Tuesday, Thursday 9:00am

Confessions: Saturday 3-3:45pm

### **Saint Jerome**

Sunday 7:30am and 10:30am Monday, Wednesday, Friday 9:00am

### Matthew 16:13-20

Who do you say that I am?

We are all asked this question by Jesus everyday, in subtle ways, that catch us unaware. When we rise in the morning, He asks, do you care enough to offer your day to me in prayer? As you go about your work, do you dialogue with me about what makes you happy, angry, sad or discouraged, so that I may assist you in all matters. As evening falls, do you share with me your ups and downs of the day and acknowledge me as Lord of your life, asking forgiveness, expressing gratitude and looking forward in faith and hope to tomorrow?

The more we spend time with Jesus during our day the more He reveals about himself to us. It is a lot like being married for a while and realizing one day that you understand something about your spouse that you never saw before. For me, my husband Rick saw me through a very difficult personal health crisis and professional upheaval that was awful. I realized during this time how kind and empathetic he was, how thoroughly understanding of what I was going through. It was a period of the "dark night of the soul" for me too when all looked bleak, yet I perceived the Lord ever present. I recall this time and know the Lord showed himself to me as a caring and loving God through His ever present hope and through the kindness and love of my husband. Truly, Jesus you showed me, you are the Son of God.

St. Peter shared his life with Our Lord, receiving his generosity and love, but not quite acknowledging what he knew in his heart to be true about Jesus, until this day! When Simon Peter was asked who Jesus was, he spoke from his mind and his heart. "You are the Christ, the Son of the living God". This was an act of faith coming in part from St. Peter's knowledge and experience of Jesus and from the gift of faith bestowed on him by the Father. Peter is not only acknowledging Jesus' mission as the Messiah but also recognizing his inner life as the Son of God. Jesus expresses to Peter the faith from the Father that allows for this declaration, and Jesus himself goes even further with Peter, by gifting him a new name, Peter the rock. When Jesus made Peter the "Rock" he gave him primacy over the Apostles as head of His church and conferred on him power to bind and loose, as part of his authority. Later, Jesus bestowed on Peter, and his other apostles, the gift of priesthood and the virtue of unity that it provides for the entire church.

On this day, St. Peter's rock became joined to the unbreakable cornerstone, the cornerstone that brings all people together, the foundation of all things, the one without whom nothing can be built. To this day we are joined to our rock through Christ and his Vicar on earth, the Holy Father. We join in prayer and the sacraments to our cornerstone Jesus Christ through the way in which we live our daily lives answering the question, "Who do you say that I am?" always knowing that He shows himself through the love and grace that surrounds us at every moment.



### ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY

The St. Vincent de Paul Society is a network of friends welcoming those in need of assistance. If you or someone you know lives within the Immaculate

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Annual Collaborative Family Cookout

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Sunday, September 17 - Saint Jerome Parish Immediately following the 10:30am Mass Sign-up for Side Dishes

We invite all those attending to bring your special dish, salad or dessert (enough for 8-10). Sign up sheets may be found at the main entrances to our Churches. The Collaborative will provide the hamburgers and hot dogs.

### REGISTRATION FOR FAITH FORMATION

Grades 1 - 10 Registration and information now available on our website www.CatholicWeymouth.org



### CATHOLIC WEYMOUTH KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS UPCOMING EVENTS

FOOD DRIVE The Weymouth Councils of the Knights of Columbus are sponsoring a Food Drive, Saturday, September 9 to benefit the Weymouth Food Pantry in the front parking lot of Saint Francis Xavier Church, 234 Pleasant Street, South Weymouth between 9am - 12noon. They will be accepting non perishable food items, monetary donations and gift cards. Thank you for your support.







BLUE MASS Please join us for our Blue Mass at 10:30am on Sunday, September 17 at Saint Jerome Parish. This Mass will be celebrated for First Responders who serve our community. Come and Pray with us in support of local law enforcement and all of the first responders in our community!

All First Responders are invited to attend in uniform and to join us following the Mass for our collaborative cookout.

### PRAYER INTENTIONS WANTED



Do you have a loved one you would like to have listed in our bulletin for prayers? Please send your intentions to us by email **office@catholicweymouth.org**, place in the offertory basket or mail to the parish office. These will be published weekly so your fellow parishioners will be able to join you in prayer. Please indicate if they are in the military.



THE PASSION OF SAINT JOHN THE BAPTIST - FEAST DAY AUGUST 29

St. John the Baptist died approximately A.D.30. He was the cousin of Jesus, the son of St. Elizabeth and the nephew of our Lady.

According to the Gospels, Herod was the one who had arrested and imprisoned John because he spoke out about Herod divorcing his wife, and unlawfully marrying the wife of his brother. Herod feared John, knowing him to be a righteous and holy man, and kept him in custody. When he heard him speak he was very much perplexed, yet he liked to listen to him.

On Herod's birthday, his new wife's daughter danced before the king and his guests. Her dancing pleased Herod so much that he promised to give her anything she desired. When the daughter asked her mother what she should ask for, she was told to ask for the head of John the Baptist on a platter. Herod was appalled by the request but because of his oath and the guests, he agreed and had John the Baptist executed in prison. St. John the Baptist was beheaded and his head was placed on a platter and given to Herod's daughter. When his disciples heard about it, they came and took his body and laid it in a tomb.

St John the Baptist spoke the truth with great courage in calling others to a true change of heart and to embrace the ways of God. He did this not only by preaching but also by example. He fasted in the desert and prepared the way for Jesus. He had such a great courage that he was not fearful of speaking out about the immoral activities of his day.



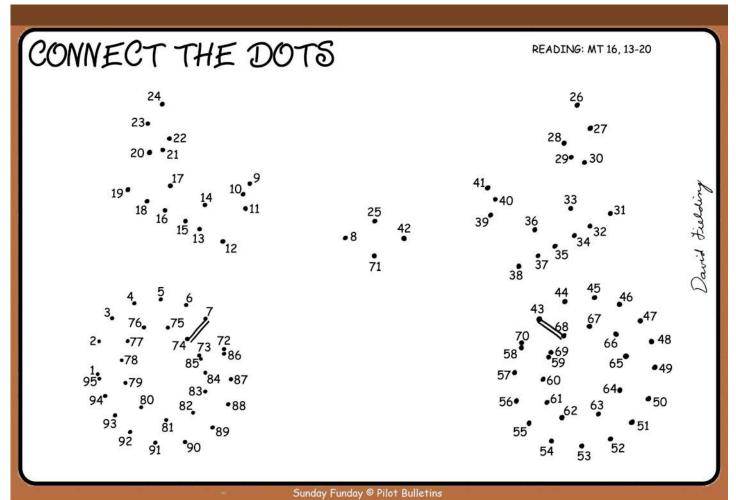
# 21st Sunday in Ordinary Time

Many people claim to be spiritual, but not religious. They acknowledge a spiritual reality, but it is often non-personal and non-specific. It does not involve church or community and resembles a 'feel good' pep talk rather than anything with the power to transform, change and bless. Being spiritual is noncommittal and easy; being religious requires something more personal and committed.

Jesus is not one to tiptoe around the question of faith and commitment. He does not suggest that discipleship is about feeling good or being happy. To follow Him, you pick up a cross. You sacrifice yourself for the sake of others. You follow Him wherever He goes. All this is done with hope in His promise of life and grace.

The quick way to decide if you are spiritual or religious is to answer the question that Jesus asks: Who do you say that I am? If you say He is a nice guy who preached about love, you are spiritual. If you say he is the Son of God who died for our sakes and rose from the dead and sits at the right hand of the Father, and He guides and directs my life through the Holy Spirit and through the Church, then you are religious. Look at the cross, and decide what your answer will be.

~James Gaffney © Pilot Bulletins



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WE	EKLY SCRIPTURE READINGS
21 <sup>ST</sup> SUNDAY Aug 27	Is 22:19-23/Ps 138:1-2, 2-3, 6, 8/Rom 11:33-36/ Mt 16:13-20
MONDAY Aug 28	1 Thes 1:1-5, 8b-10/Ps 149:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6a+9b/ Mt 23:13-22
TUESDAY Aug 29	1 Thes 2:1-8/Ps 139:1-3, 4-6/Mk 6:17-29
WEDNESDAY Aug 30	1 Thes 2:9-13/Ps 139:7-8, 9-10, 11-12ab/Mt 23:27-32
THURSDAY Aug 31	1 Thes 3:7-13/Ps 90:3-5a, 12-13, 14+17/Mt 24:42-51
FRIDAY Sept 1	1 Thes 4:1-8/Ps 97:1+2b, 5-6, 10, 11-12/Mt 25:1-13
SATURDAY Sept 2	1 Thes 4:9-11/Ps 98:1, 7-8, 9/Mt 25:14-30
22 <sup>ND</sup> SUNDAY Sept 3	Jer 20:7-9/Ps 63:2, 3-4, 5-6, 8-9/Rom 12:1-2/ Mt 16:21-27

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