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## LITURGY SCHEDULE

### WEEKEND MASSES:

SATURDAY VIGIL 5:30 P.M.; SUNDAY 8, 9:30,  
AND 11 A.M. (MUSIC WITH SCHOLA CANTORUM)

### WEEKDAY MASSES:

M - F: 8 A.M.; SAT 9 A.M.

FIRST FRIDAY: 8 A.M. FOLLOWED BY A HOLY HOUR

HOLY DAYS: PLEASE SEE BULLETIN

NATIONAL HOLIDAYS: 9 A.M. (NO 8 A.M.)

RECONCILIATION: SATURDAY 4-5 P.M.

BAPTISM: PLEASE CALL RECTORY

MARRIAGE: PLEASE CALL RECTORY SIX MONTHS IN ADVANCE

# 18th Sunday in Ordinary Time

## God's Love & Support, Our True Wealth

In the First Reading we see the futility of seeking after riches. (*Ecclesiastes is a wisdom book that rejects the common opinions of that time.*) God's ways are unknowable, so we should live a virtuous life and do the best we can. • The Responsorial emphasizes the frailty of human life versus the greatness of God. Since we are so weak and God is so great, then we must depend on God, and God will respond to our need. This theme of the futility of trusting in our own resources is echoed in the Gospel and the First Reading. God is the only one who can respond to our need. It is especially foolish to trust in one's riches. We are like the grass that springs up in the morning and by evening, withers. This psalm reminds God that if He does not provide His gracious care, then we don't have a chance. Only He can bring our work to completion and prosper the work of our hands for us. • The Second Reading reminds us that becoming Christian means we reject certain practices, dying to old ways, to live in Christ. It does not mean to become prudish, but rather to temper our passions and not misuse this world's goods. We should keep our minds on what is above, i.e., God, heaven, and the saints. If we do this, we will be able to keep our everyday life in perspective and have the strength to choose what is good, moral, and loving. • The Alleluia Verse reminds

## Faith First

us to seek humility in order to see things from God's perspective. The Gospel warns us about trusting in our "riches", which are not just material possessions. The poor and weak are God's chosen. The rich are self-sufficient and feel they don't need God. The poor know they are powerless and so they reach out to the Lord for help. The brother we find here, does not want to listen to Jesus or change his ways; he wants everyone else to do that. Jesus challenges him and warns him of his foolishness in seeking security in things that are passing and fragile. May we be poor in spirit, not arrogant or self-righteous, for we constantly need God's strength and love.



**Putting Faith into Action:  
Reflection Questions for the Week**

*You fool, this night your life will be demanded of you; and the things you have prepared, to whom will they belong? (Luke 12)*

- Where do I focus most of my time and energy?
- Am I sometimes motivated by wealth, power, and impressing others?
- What heavenly treasures have I stored up lately?

## Elements of the Liturgy: The Entrance Chant

In ancient times, a kiss as a sign of greeting was used to show reverence for temples and images of the gods. For the Church, the altar by its nature is both a table of sacrifice and a table of the paschal banquet. It is the symbol of Christ as well as of the whole Christian community: "Christians who give themselves to prayer, who offer petitions to God and present sacrifices of supplication, are the living stones from which the Lord Jesus builds the

Church's altar" (from *Dedication of a Church and an Altar*). And so, the veneration of the altar at the beginning of Mass is an act of greeting which reminds us that the altar is sacred and holy, the place from which prayer rises like incense before God.

## In Our Prayers

## In Memoriam

### Daily Mass Intentions July 31-- August 7

<b>Sun</b>	8:00am	Hope Harrington (+)
	9:30am	For the People of the Parish
	11:00am	Sharon Ann McCormick
<b>Mon</b>	8:00am	Loretta Mette (+)
<b>Tue</b>	8:00am	Int...Clifford Pereira
<b>Wed</b>	8:00am	Int...Dave Lane
<b>Thu</b>	8:00am	Special Intention
<b>Fri</b>	8:00am	Patty Walsh (+)
<b>Sat</b>	9:00am	John Silveira (+)
	5:30pm	Thomas More Pereira (+)
<b>Sun</b>	8:00am	For the People of the Parish
	9:30am	Martha Kelly Anderson (+)
	11:00am	Mary Lopez Martinez (+)

### Loraine Cutting • July 24, 2022

Eternal rest grant unto her, O Lord.  
And let perpetual light shine upon her.

### Please Pray for the Sick

Veronica Castillon, Justin Plumhoff, Paulina Cerezo-Rangel, Joetta Connors, Delia & Santiago Chavez, Rosemary Kirrene, Tom Slakey, Diane Peters, Michael Kelly, Brian McKenna, Dick Grutzmacher, Margarita Enriquez, Robert McAleese, Diana Zuniga, Dale Wooldridge, Nancy McGarry, Gary Pepe, William Daniel Reed, Stephanie Merenda, Victoria Generoso, Jim Collins, Robert Arkebauer, Libby Basurto, Dena Foster-Cook, Josephine Haddock, G.R. Gurley, Darren Stewart, Marge Mugartegui, Angel Curiel, Phillip Worth, Sonia Damiano, Ava Grace Arnold, Karen Amnon, Mary Terese Henricksen, Pamela Saenz, Stan Boyd, David Hunn, Addison Parker, Brett Stover, Norma Clark, Robert Clark, Jr.

**Blessed are the poor in spirit,**

## Saint of the Week:

### Saint John Vianney – August 4

St. John Vianney was a parish priest who lived from 1786 to 1859. Due to the anti-clerical sentiment of the French Revolution during his youth, he made his first communion and first reconciliation in secret. Later he felt called to the priesthood. He had no formal education and found the scholastic work required for ordination very difficult. Eventually he became a parish priest in the village of Ars. • St. John Vianney was known for his holiness, his dedication to our Blessed Mother, and his

reputation as a confessor. He is also called The Cure of Ars. • St. John Vianney is the patron saint of parish priests. You can seek his intercession when praying that your priests are good and holy priests.

## Prayer of the Week

God our Father, gifts without measure flow from you goodness to bring us you peace. Our life is your gift. Guide our life's journey, for only your love makes us whole. Keep us strong in your love. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

## Meetings & Events

### Food Collection this Weekend

This weekend July 30/31, is the food collection to support our Society of St Vincent DePaul. Our pantry is in need of mac & cheese boxes, peanut butter, jam/jelly, small boxes of crackers, cake and frosting mixes, brownie and cookie mixes, canned fruit, granola or energy bars, salad dressing, mayo, mustard, canned meat such as chicken, ham, and SPAM. Many families in the St Mary's and Sacred Heart of Jesus Parishes rely on assistance from our food pantry. A bag filled with non-perishable, unexpired food may be left inside the altar rail. Thank you for your ongoing generosity!

### Altar Society News

If you would like to honor someone to mark a special date in their life by donating flowers for the Blessed Sacrament Altar on a specific weekend, please contact Linda Rutherford at (916) 541-0346. Your donation would be acknowledged in the bulletin.

### Sacred Heart Memories

The committee that is updating the history of the parish and the description of the building and its interior is looking for long-time parishioners who have memories to share. Did you grow up in the parish? Were you married here in the 1960s or 1970s? Have you been a parishioner so long you consider where you sit to be "your" pew? Would you be willing to talk to a fellow parishioner about your memories? If so, please email Marti Geiger at [mgeigersacto@gmail.com](mailto:mgeigersacto@gmail.com). If you don't have email, please call Amy at the office and she will take down your contact information and pass it on to us.



Fr. Mark Richards will be formally installed as Pastor of Sacred Heart of Jesus Parish by Bishop Jaime Soto at the 5:30pm Mass on **Saturday, August 6, 2022**. During the Mass, Fr. Richards will make his Profession of Faith and Oath of Fidelity, and will be presented with the keys of the church to represent his responsibilities, as pastor, for the temporal affairs of the parish; and the key to the tabernacle, representing his duties, as priest, of safeguarding the Eucharist and the spiritual well-being of the parishioners. All are welcome to attend and participate. Reception to follow in Parish Hall.

### Sacred Heart Children's Choir

Great news! Dr. Donald Kendrick is forming a professional level Children's Choir this fall and will accept auditions for students in grade 5, 6, 7, & 8.

The choir will meet on Mondays and Wednesdays from 3:30-4:45 PM in the Church Hall starting on August 22 with membership dues of \$50 per semester. Successful candidates will receive

the highest level of music and theory lessons from top professionals in the field and will appear in concert with Schola Cantorum and also with the Sacramento Choral Society and Orchestra in Memorial Auditorium and in the brand new SAFE Credit Union Performing Arts Center. Don't miss this amazing opportunity for your child. For an audition please contact Dr. Kendrick at [kendrick@csus.edu](mailto:kendrick@csus.edu) or by calling (916) 847-0424.

### Registration Table in Vestibule for Children's Faith Formation

An information and registration table is in the vestibule this weekend. Volunteers are available to provide information, answer questions and assist with registration for the 2022-2023 Catholic Faith Formation (CFF) Program which begins in September.

Religious education classes are for children in grades first through eighth attending a non-Catholic school. Preparation for First Holy Communion and Confirmation are also available for children.

A required parent orientation meeting is scheduled for Monday, August 29, 2022, from 6:30-8:00 pm at the parish hall. Parents will be provided with important dates and information for the year.

Classes will begin on September 6, 2022, and meet on Tuesdays from 4:00 to 5:00 pm at the Sacred Heart Parish School, located at 928 39th Street.

If you have any questions please do not hesitate to contact Tila Madrigal, CFF Coordinator at (916) 947-2683 or email [tilamadrigal@gmail.com](mailto:tilamadrigal@gmail.com)



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