



July 4, 2021

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Wednesday Noon

Thursday- NO MASS

Friday Noon

Saturday 4:15pm

Sunday 10:00

Office hours are Tuesday-Friday 8:00 to 4:00

July 4, 2021

*"Whoever eats my flesh and drinks my blood
remains in me and I in him, says the Lord." John 6:56*

*My grace is sufficient for you,
for power is made perfect in weakness.*

*My Grace
is Sufficient
for you.*
2 CORINTHIANS 12:9

In the first reading, the prophet Ezekiel is sent by God to the rebellious house of Israel. In the second reading, Paul explains to the Corinthians that he had asked for an affliction of his to be removed, but the Lord had said to him, *My grace is sufficient for you, for power is made perfect in weakness.* In the Gospel, Jesus faces opposition in his native place and is amazed by the people's lack of faith.

Mass Intentions

Wednesday July 7th noon

Cecilia, Sam & Billy Busa

Thursday July 8th NO MASS

Friday July 9th noon

Eugene Burzynski

Christine & Harold Pasket

Saturday July 10th 4:15pm

Deceased members of the

Frank & Sally Szymczak family

Sunday July 11th 10:00 am

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Liturgical Ministers Schedule



Saturday July 10th 4:15 pm

Lectors: Leonard Szymczak & Dana Wagner

Rosary: Susan Wisnoski

Altar Servers: Jacob Borski, Evan Borski, Claire Borski

Ushers: Johnny Pasket Jr., Stephen Pasket, Michael Wisnoski, Danny Pasket

Sunday July 11th 10:00 am

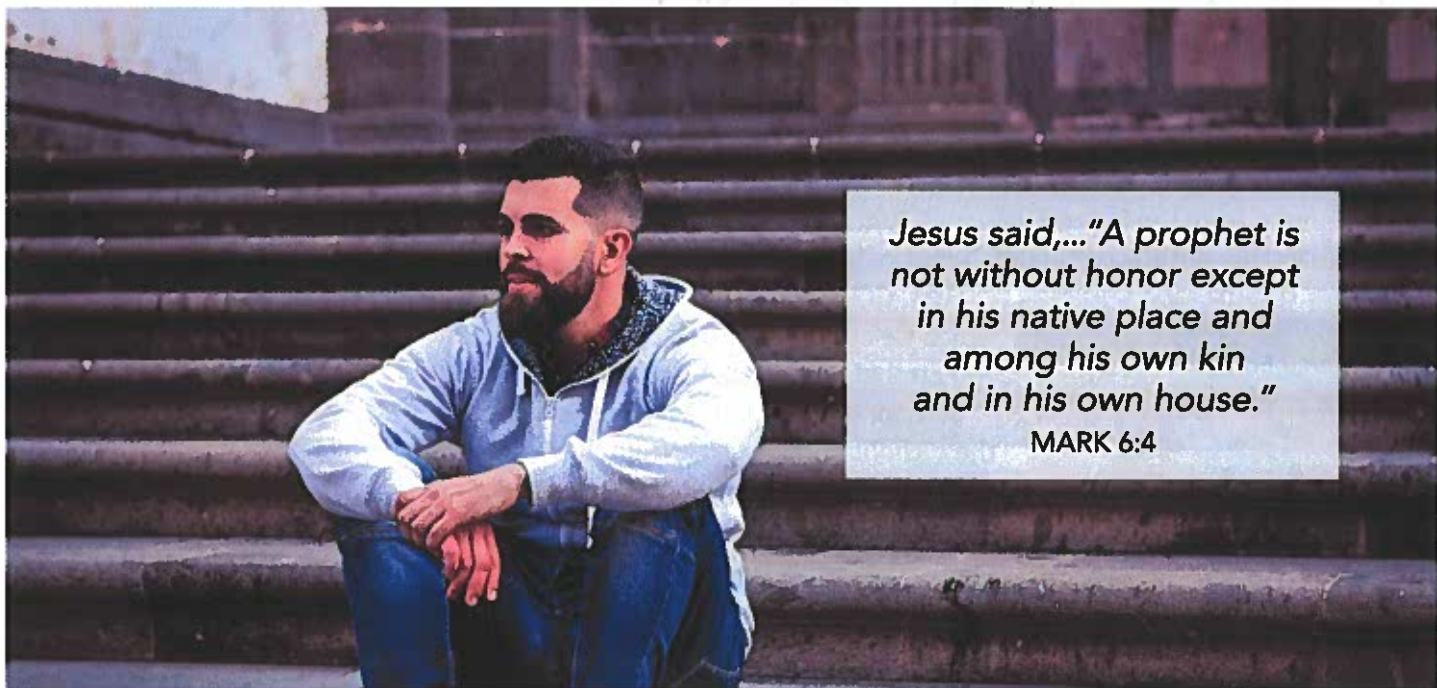
Lectors: Gail Sowell & Jamie Diehl

Rosary: Theresa Guidry

Altar Servers: Hannah Abraham, William Abraham, Morgan Moriarty

Ushers: Marcus Klawinsky, Darrin Pasket, Carl Schroeder, Lance Schroeder

If you cannot be present, please find a replacement



Who Do You Think You Are?

This question is not always posed in a spirit of **lightheartedness**. It could be hurled at someone in indignation. This indignation might be justified; the other could be assuming an unwarranted attitude of superiority. However, the fault could be our own. We might resent another's genuine insight or unquestionable wisdom. There seems to be within some of us a sense of inferiority that is threatened by the abilities of others—as if their talents diminish those of us who feel inferior. And what do we do about this? We might ignore such an individual, implying that she or he has nothing that interests us. This probably happens more often than we like to admit. Or we might try to embarrass the person, thus lowering the individual in the estimation of others. This is how some people depicted in the Gospel passage acted toward Jesus.

Prophets are not people who only look into the future. Such people are called seers. Genuine prophets have insight into the present, understanding the

implications of the social forces that are operative and the challenge they might pose to religious traditions. That's why they are so often resented. We see this attitude in the passage from Ezekiel. God sent him to a rebellious people to call them to repentance. Chances are, this did not make him popular. It also did not make Jesus popular with some.

So often we applaud people who have religious insight—unless we know them well. Then we may think: *You're no better than the rest of us. Who do you think you are?*

Sr. Dianne Bergant, CSA

FOR *Reflection*

- ★ *Do you appreciate the valid insights of others, even when they challenge your own?*
- ★ *Who do you think has insight into today's chaotic world? Why do you choose that person?*

Dear Padre,

Does religious freedom mean we're free to worship whoever and whatever we wish? I thought Jesus gave us rules on this.

Jesus gave us the gift of freedom. Even as he hung on the cross, he didn't use force to change the minds of people or coerce them to believe in him. His example shaped the Declaration on Religious Freedom (*Dignitatis Humanae*), a document from the Second Vatican Council. The council gave us several principles that outline our beliefs about religious freedom:

First, God has made known to us the way in which we are to serve God and find salvation and eternal life in Jesus.

Second, this one true religion consists in the catholic and apostolic Church. To this Church, the Lord himself committed the obligation and duty to spread the truth that salvation in Jesus is ours.

Third, all people are bound to seek the truth, to embrace the truth they come to know, and to hold fast to that truth.

Finally, all of us have a right to be immune from coercion by individuals, social groups, or other human powers. No one is to be forced to act contrary to personal beliefs or prevented from acting in accord with those beliefs.

This also means that if people choose to reject Christ, they must not be forced to do anything against their will. The judgment for their actions must be left up to God. As a Church, we proclaim the truth of Christ and set high standards for membership in the Church, but we do not force people to convert or believe.

Fr. Paul J. Coury, CSSR
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A WORD FROM *Pope Francis*

[Religious] freedom remains one of America's most precious possessions. And, as my brothers, the United States Bishops, have reminded us, all are called to be vigilant, precisely as good citizens, to preserve and defend that freedom from everything that would threaten or compromise it.

VISIT TO THE WHITE HOUSE, SEPTEMBER 23, 2015

Calendar

Monday

JULY 5

Weekday

Gn 28:10–22a

Mt 9:18–26

Tuesday

JULY 6

Weekday

Gn 32:23–33

Mt 9:32–38

Wednesday

JULY 7

Weekday

Gn 41:55–57;

42:5–7a, 17–24a

Mt 10:1–7

Thursday

JULY 8

Weekday

Gn 44:18–21,

23b–29; 45:1–5

Mt 10:7–15

Friday

JULY 9

Weekday

Gn 46:1–7, 28–30

Mt 10:16–23

Saturday

JULY 10

Weekday

Gn 49:29–32;

50:15–26a

Mt 10:24–33

Sunday

JULY 11

Fifteenth Sunday

in Ordinary Time

Am 7:12–15

Eph 1:3–14 or 1:3–10

Mk 6:7–13

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July 4, 2021

Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Ez 2:2-5 | 2 Cor 12:7-10 | Mk 6:1-6

Written by
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GROW AS A DISCIPLE | PRAY, STUDY, ENGAGE, SERVE

I'm struck by phrases in today's first and second readings: The prophet Ezekiel is told that those to whom he will be sent are "hard of face and obstinate of heart"; and Saint Paul aptly describes a "thorn in the flesh" as having been given to him. He even refers to this thorn as "an angel of Satan." These are descriptive images! So, I wondered, What do these images look like in practice? The Gospel gives us a clear example: those who grew up with Jesus refuse to see him as a prophet. At one time in my life, I might have said to myself: "Wow, I can't believe people of his own time would reject Jesus!" However, as I grow older, I'm conscious not only of more physical aches and pains, but the "thorn in the flesh" of patterns I'm not particularly proud of – cynicism, pessimism, even hard-heartedness and a closed mind. The "they" in today's readings hits closer to home and strikes me more as "we" than it used to. And yet, as Saint Paul reminds us, we can bring our imperfections to God and pray for grace to give us strength in our weakness, hearts open to God's love, and ears ready to hear the Gospel and be transformed by Jesus.

GO EVANGELIZE

PRAYER, INVITATION, WITNESS, ACCOMPANIMENT

When Jesus returned to his hometown, he was not exactly greeted like a "hometown hero." His contemporaries could see him only as a carpenter, and not the Messiah: "So he was not able to perform any mighty deed there, apart from curing a few sick people by laying his hands on them. He was amazed at their lack of faith." We know that Jesus went on to perform the mightiest of deeds – dying and rising from the dead. And yet, even today, he would be "amazed at our lack of faith." Today's Gospel and the other readings encourage us to do a check-up of our spiritual health and pray for the grace to continue to grow in faith. We can also pray for others who may be questioning or have lost their faith, inviting them to consider coming to church with us or simply offering to pray with and for them.

REFLECT For a more intentional look at whatever thorns might be in your side, and what weaknesses those contribute to, consider doing a retreat. Attend an in-person retreat at a local retreat house, or look into online options for a guided retreat at home.

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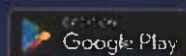
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The 1st Bazaar meeting will be July 7th @ 6:00 in the parish hall. Committee chairperson should attend. All are welcome.

Altar Society : Meets the first Thursday September to May. The next meeting will be Thursday September 2nd at 6:00 in the rectory. All Catholic ladies are welcome.

Baptism: Classes are necessary for baptism. Please contact the parish office to make needed arrangements.

Birthdays & Anniversaries : On the 1st weekend of every month Fr. Eli will bless anyone with a birthday or wedding anniversary during that month following each Mass.

Cemetery Guidelines: If you have any questions or concerns pertaining to the cemetery, please contact Charles Posinski at 936-873-2113. If work needs to be done you must call Charles Posinski first.

Choir Practice: Choir practice is on Thursday evenings beginning at 6:15pm in the church. You can contact Leo Hock at 713-435-9949 for more information.

Counseling: Gratia Plena is a nonprofit organization that provides mental and spiritual health services for mental illnesses, addictions, and marriage/family problems. All counselors are Catholic and provide services in a way that is faithful to the teachings, values and traditions of the Church. Their closest office is near The Woodlands, but counselors are also available by video session. For more information, see their website at www.gratiaplenacounseling.org or call (832) 532-0129, or email info@gratiaplenacounseling.org

Divine Mercy: Every Friday after the noon Mass . Everyone is welcome to join us.

Gabriel Project: Pregnant. Scared. Need to talk! Gabriel Project offer assistance to women experiencing difficult circumstances. Please call Wanda O'Brien 936-597-6328 or St. Mary's Catholic Church 936-894-2223

Knights of Columbus : KC Council #4054 meets at the KC Hall every 2nd Tuesday at 7pm. Please join us. All Catholic men are welcome. **Next blood drive July 11th in the parish hall with a pancake breakfast.** Contact Deen Miller 936-524-1700 for membership information. And James Moran 936-825-7866 for rental information .

Marriage: There is a required preparation process that must be completed prior to one being married in the Catholic Church.

RCIA & RCIC: Anyone seeking the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults / Children or adult confirmation. Please call the church office at 936-873-2291

Reconciliation: 30 Minutes before Wednesday & Friday Masses (Please call ahead to let the Priest know) and 3:00 to 4:00 on Saturdays

St. Vincent de Paul: The second Wednesday of the month (July 14) 5:00 p.m. at St. Stanislaus Kostka parish hall.

12 Hour Adoration: Our church is open every Monday 8 am to 8 pm. September to May Everyone is welcome to join in the worship with the scheduled persons.

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Join Fr. Eli

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July 23rd, 2021

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936-873-2291

Welcome to St. Stanislaus Kostka

Please contact the parish office if you wish to register or know someone who would like to become a member of our parish.

Our Holy Father's Prayer Intentions July

Universal Intention: Social Friendship

We pray that, in social, economic and political situations of conflict, we may be courageous and passionate architects of dialogue and friendship.

Announcement

Next weekends 2nd collection will be St Vincent de Paul Black Bag

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1st Bazaar meeting will be July 7th at 6:00 in the parish hall.

Committee chairperson should attend. All that are interested are welcome

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We are discontinuing the Thursday Mass as of July 1st



We are a world full of social division and unrest – not unlike the rebellious house of Israel in the first reading. But God never abandons us: He sends prophets; he also chooses the seemingly most unlikely of people, such as Paul, to proclaim the Good News. And in our own faults and weaknesses, he has the power to work through us if we but direct our efforts toward Christ and allow his grace to transform us.

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Rev. Elias Lopez, Pastor

One Minute Meditations

God is the current of life

"Each one of us is merely a small instrument.

When you look at the inner workings of electrical things, often you see small and big wires, new and old, cheap and expensive lined up. Until the current passes through them there will be no light. That wire is you and me. The current is God." Mother Teresa



Saying "no" is not a sin

Saying "no" is hard for many of us. Not wanting to let anyone down, we say "yes" until we are overburdened, frustrated, and unhappy. Remember it is not a sin to say "no." God needs workers, but He wants the willing, joyful kind. Our "yes" should come from a heart enthusiastic about doing His work.

"You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind. This is the great and first commandment." Matthew 22:37-40



Love one another, especially those who are different

In a time of widening political and cultural divides, it can be easy to lose sight of the dignity of people different from ourselves. Yet, as Catholic Christians, we know that Jesus asks that we see everyone as family. *"Love one another with brotherly affection; outdo one another in showing honor"* (Romans 12:10).

Treat others with kindness, not because they are kind, but because you are. It's easy to be kind to those we love and respect. It's critical to be kind to people we don't like or don't know. Kindness is best offered when nothing is expected in return. Don't build yourself up by making others look small. No one is

impressed by a bully. Treat all of God's children with honor, love, and respect.

Practice empathy. People's reactions tend to reflect their circumstances. Avoid judging and instead offer the consideration you'd like to receive. When possible, meet in person instead of online. Social media makes it easy to stay in touch but it's also the quickest way to damage relationships. In person or online, we must be wise in the words we use.

Forgive those who have hurt you, help those who need you. Treat all people - including yourself - with love and compassion. When we treat people the way we want to be treated, life will instantly get better.



Why Do Catholics Do That?

Why do Catholics pray?

Prayer is our response to God's invitation: "Whether we realize it or not, prayer is the encounter of God's thirst with ours. God thirsts that we may thirst for him" (Catechism of the Catholic Church

(CCC), #2560). That encounter is our connection to God, who created us and wants to have a close, personal relationship with us. Our relationship with Him is nurtured and strengthened through prayer. It is through prayer that we come to know and love Him best.

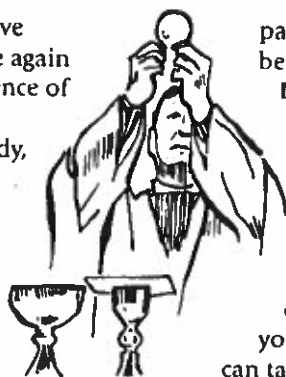


Welcome back to Mass!

Now that many dioceses across the country have reinstated the obligation to attend Mass, we once again honor Sunday as a celebration of the living presence of Jesus in the midst of His people.

Meet Him in the flesh. The Eucharist is the body, blood, soul and divinity of Jesus Christ. There is no substitute for taking Him into our bodies to feed our souls.

Receive His protection. Divine love and protection are showered on God's children through the supernatural gift of grace. The more open we are to it – by actively



participating in Mass – the more we enjoy the benefits.

Love Him back. The Third Commandment requires that we designate Sunday as our day to honor God. Mass is the most important way we fulfill our obligation to show gratitude to God. *"If you love me you will keep my commandments"* (John 15:15).

If you are worried about your exposure to disease in church, consult your physician and your pastor for advice on extra protections you can take.

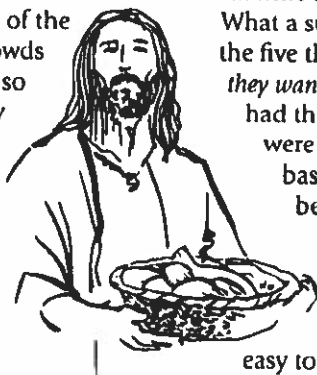
from Scripture

John 6:1-15; Loaves and fishes.

This Gospel passage records the miracle of the multiplication of the loaves and the fishes. The crowds following Jesus were hungry, so Jesus asked Philip where they could get enough food.

Philip calculated that two hundred days' wages still wouldn't buy enough food for them. Like Philip, we face problems that seem too big for us and can be intimidating.

The apostle Andrew went a step further than Philip; he found the boy with five loaves of barley bread and two fish. The boy, in turn, offered to Jesus



what little he brought – all of it.

What a surprise when Jesus fed the five thousand *"as much...as they wanted."* Even after they'd had their fill of bread, there were still twelve wicker baskets left over! God can't be outdone in generosity.

When we are faced with many problems at once, it can be overwhelming. It's easy to react like Philip and give up hope. While on our own, we may not have much to offer, if we offer what we have to God, He can do something amazing with it.

Q & A What is expected of Catholics?

Every household has basic ground rules: "Be respectful," "Clean up your messes," etc. This way, everybody benefits. Like every family, the Catholic Church has "house rules" as well:



Come home every weekend: "You shall attend Mass on Sundays and on holy days of obligation and rest from servile labor." God wants to see us back in person – often!

Take responsibility: "You shall confess your sins at least once a year." Since we are prone to sin, we're obligated to reconcile with God at least once a year.

Reconnect: "You shall receive the sacrament of the Eucharist at least during the Easter season." In the Eucharist, Jesus nourishes us with his Body and Blood at every Mass!

Practice detachment: "You shall observe the days of fasting and abstinence established by the Church." Fasting helps us free our hearts for God's love.

Help around the house: "You shall help to provide for the needs of the Church." Whether we donate money, time or resources, every little bit helps. (CCC, #2042-2043)

Feasts & Celebrations

July 16 – Our Lady of Mount Carmel (1251). Carmelite tradition holds that Our Lady appeared to St. Simon on Mount Carmel and gave him a scapular. Wearing one has become a popular way to honor the Blessed Mother.

July 22 – St. Mary Magdalene (1st century). Mary Magdalene was the woman from whom Jesus expelled seven demons in St. Luke's gospel (Luke 8:2). She helped to support Jesus' ministry out of her own money and stood by the Cross of Jesus with his mother. Known as the "Apostle to the

Apostles," Mary was the one who first informed the Apostles of Jesus' Resurrection.

July 25 – St. James (1st Century). When Jesus called St. James and his brother, John, to become apostles, they left their father in a fishing boat on the Sea of Galilee. St. James was one of three apostles to witness Jesus' transfiguration, the raising of Jairus' daughter, and the agony in Gethsemane. St. James was the first of the apostles to be martyred.



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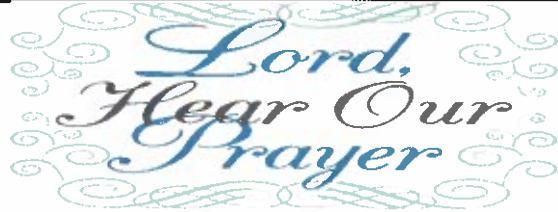
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