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Blessed Are You Simon Son of Jonah Matthew 13:16—20

Jesus begins a significant conversation with His disciples in Caesarea Philippi. He asks His disciples about the Son of Man and who He is. Peter confesses Jesus is the Messiah and the Son of God. Jesus commends His disciple for God's revealing this to him, and tells him such bold faith will lead the church to overcome culture and Hades itself. Jesus also tells

Peter He will give him authority to act on behalf of the kingdom of heaven.

Why does Jesus refer to Simon Peter as “Simon Bar Jonah?”

It is Simon Peter's ancestral name (Matthew 16:17). Bar is Aramaic for “son” (compare Bar-timaeus, Bartholomew, etc.). It corresponds to the Hebrew name Ben. In other words, Peter's father's name was Jonah. In John 1:42; 21:15-17, his name is given as John (British and American), instead of the King James Version (Jona, Jonas).

There are two explanations to account for this difference: (1) Ionas (Jonah) in Matthew 16:17 may be simply a contraction of Ioanes (John). Or, (2) Peter's father may have been known by two names, Jonah and John. Given their location, there is something else worth mentioning in Peter's confession. Peter called Jesus the Son of the living God.

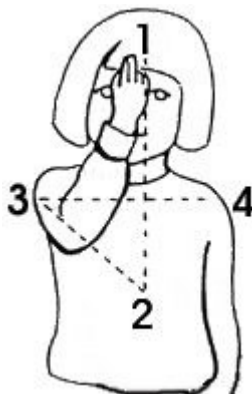
The adjective “living” strongly contrasts the empty paganism, long associated with the region, and its dead idols displayed in the temples and grottos beside the gates of Hades.

The true God is not like the pagan gods. **He is not dead. He is living.**

What is the significance of making the sign of the cross before and after private prayer?

The sign of the cross is closely tied to baptism. Jesus told the apostles, “Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit” (Mt 28:19).

The Catechism of the Catholic Church tells us: “when Catholics are baptized “the sign of the cross, on the threshold of the celebration, marks us with the imprint of Christ the one who is going to belong to him and signifies the grace of the Redemption Christ won for us by his cross” (CCC 1235). Thereafter, each time we make the sign of the cross we remember we belong to Christ.



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*God Isn't Asking You to
Figure it Out?*

*He's Asking you to Trust
He Already Has.*

August 29: The Passion of John the Baptist

The Church celebrates the passion of St. John the Baptist who died approximately A.D. 30. We know from the Bible he was the cousin of Jesus, the son of St. Elizabeth, and also the nephew of our Lady Mary. King Herod knew John was a holy man, and he liked to hear John's words, although he didn't take them to heart. He knew he had to control him because of the crowds he was starting to build. He was afraid to kill him, so instead he had him imprisoned.



According to the Gospels, Herod had imprisoned John because he spoke out about Herod divorcing his wife, and unlawfully taking the wife of his brother. On Herod's birthday, his new wife's daughter danced before the king and his guests. Her dancing pleased Herod so much, in his drunkenness, he promised to give her anything she desired, up to half of his kingdom. 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 reluctantly 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. Herod also feared St. John's influence and power over the people, might cause a rebellion. Over time, Herod suffered a military disaster at the hands of Aretas his father-in-law, and many believed it was God's punishment for his unrighteous behavior, and for taking the life of John the Baptist. 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, he wasn't fearful of speaking out about the immoral activities of his day. It would ultimately lead to his death, but he continued. We can learn a lot from his life. We too, can embrace the ways of God and speak out of the immorality of our day, and with the help of St. John the Baptist, we can prepare the way for Jesus to those around us.

Join us for Bible Study

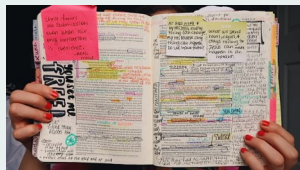
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1:00 & 7:00 PM
Via ZOOM

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7:00 pm Meeting
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Who Was the "Man for All Seasons?"

A Man for All Seasons is a 1966 British historical drama film directed and produced by Fred Zinnemann, adapted by Robert Bolt from his play of the same name. It depicts the final years of Sir Thomas More, the 16th-century Lord Chancellor of England who refused both to sign a letter asking Pope Clement VII to annul Henry VIII of England's marriage to Catherine of Aragon and to take an Oath of Supremacy declaring Henry Supreme Head of the Church of England.

The title reflects playwright Bolt's portrayal of More as the ultimate man of conscience, remaining true to his principles and religion under all circumstances and at all times. Bolt borrowed the title from Robert Whittington, a contemporary of More, who in 1520 wrote of him:

"More is a man of an angel's wit and singular learning. I know not his fellow. For where is the man of that gentleness, lowliness and affability? And, as time requireth, a man of marvellous mirth and pastimes, and sometime of as sad gravity. A man for all seasons."



*Common Catholic Latin Phrases

Ora et Labora: St. Benedict's famous saying, means, "Pray and work." It emphasizes that prayer should be united with activity.

Crux Ave: An exclamation done at Benediction during Holy Week.

Pax Vobiscum: A Catholic Latin phrase meaning peace (be) with you.

Ego Te Absolvo: "I absolve you." A declaration made by a priest during Confessions

Gloria Patri: "Glory to the Father," is a line sung by Roman Catholics
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Volunteers Needed

"Liturgical Ministries" assist with Mass or other Sacraments (Baptism for instance). We sometimes forget, while the priest (assisted by the Deacon) is the

presider and main guide for the movement of the liturgy, **it is a community effort to complete the Mass.** Here are some ways you can use **your gifts and talents** to bring more beauty to the Mass: Sacristans; Lectors; Extraordinary Ministers of Communion; Cantors/Choir Members/Musicians, Altar Servers, Ushers, Greeters, Hospitality Ministers, Altar Environment.

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Join us
September 3, 2023
to learn about
women in the
Church following
the 10am mass.

Dr. Yolanda Brown, D.Min., will detail the exciting happenings of the global Synod taking place this October. Please remain in the pews following the final blessing.

Enjoy a wine and cheese reception immediately after the speech.

See you there!



LITURGY SCHEDULE

AUGUST 28, 2023
MONDAY
TO SUNDAY,
SEPTEMBER 03, 2023

Monday, August 28, 2023

8:00 Communion Service
Live-Streamed and In-Person

Tuesday, August 29, 2023

8:00 Communion Service
Live-Streamed and In-Person

Wednesday, August 30, 2023

8:00 am Mass
Live-Streamed and In-Person

*Thursday, August 31, 2023

8:00 am Mass
Live-Streamed and In-Person

*Friday, September 01, 2023

8:00 am Mass
Live-Streamed and In-Person

*Saturday, Sept. 02, 2023

3:00 pm Reconciliation
4:00 pm Vigil Mass

Sunday, September 03, 2023

10:00 am Mass
Coffee & Donuts
Parish Hall
Following Mass

Other Sacraments
(as Scheduled)

Mass Intentions

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1 Corinthians 15:58

*Oh Lord, help every worker to
work wholeheartedly for the
church. Help them to remember
the work they do in the church is
not in vain as Your Word
declares Your work is never
wasted.*



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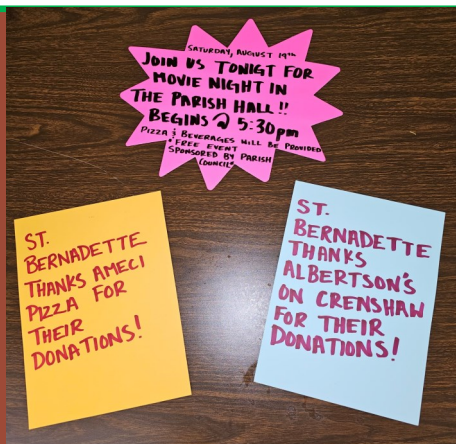
Patricia Roberts (RIP)

Sunday, August 27, 2023:

Edna Moret (RIP) Mary D. Jackson (RIP)

Suggested Donation? \$10.00 each

Did you know? August 26-27 || The NCMEC CyberTipline
Online exploitation and enticement of young people is an ongoing problem, across social media, gaming platforms, and other web-sites. Victims can range in age and background, making it harder to prevent exploitation. The National Center for Missing and Exploited Children (NCMEC) operates the CyberTipline, a centralized system for reporting suspected cases of technology-facilitated child sexual exploitation. Reports can be filed online at report.cybertip.org or via a 24-hour hotline at 1-800-843-5678. For more information, read the VIRTUS® article “Online Child Sexual Exploitation and the NCMEC CyberTipline” at lacatholics.org/did-you-know/. Read the VIRTUS® article “Barriers Minors Face to Disclosing Child Sexual Abuse” [here](#).



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