

**Precious Blood Cathedral** 

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# Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

**August 20, 2023** 

# <u>Pastor:</u> Father Hamish Currie

Parochial Vicar (Associate Pastor): **Father Jeff Shannon** 

> Parish Office: Monday-Friday

8:30 AM to 12:30 PM Office Admin Jennifer

Winter Mass Schedule Starting September 2, 2023

Saturday Mass: 5:00 pm Sunday Mass: 9:00 am & 11:00am

> Weekday Masses: **Morning Mass:**

Tues to Fri at 9am

Sacrament of Penance: Saturday: 4:15pm-4:45pm

Baptism: Usually on the 3rd Sunday of the month. Please make arrangements one month in advance by contacting the Parish office.

Marriage:

Please make marriage arrangements 6 months in advance by contacting the Parish office.

**Papal Blessing:** 

Please allow at least 6 months for Papal Blessing to arrive after the request has been made.

> **Knights of Columbus:** Ernie Console

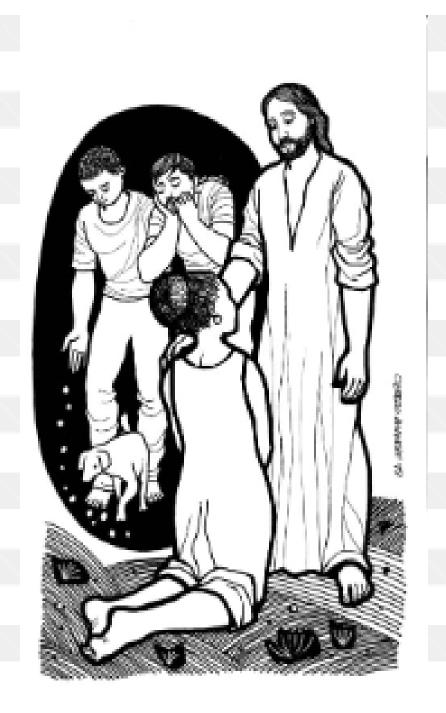
**CWL President:** Maureen Gooderham 705-945-0852

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**Bulletin Announcements:** 

Email yours to pbcathedral@on.aibn.com Before 11:00 AM Wednesday

**Prayer Line:** 





## **CWL News**

**Memberships** - If you are interested in joining the CWL and have any questions, please call Denise Moreau at 705-949-1442. There will be a membership drive in September. New members are welcome! The next general meeting is **Tuesday September 5th** at 7 pm.

# **Sunday November 5th - Precious Blood Snowflake Tea, Craft and Bake sale.**

Save the date! Start preparing crafts. Bev Dunn will be collecting new items in September to make baskets. If you have questions for Bev, contact her at 705-759-0164.

**Collecting Rosaries** - rosaries will continue to be collected for students being confirmed in the future. New or gently used rosaries can be dropped off in the basket in St. Anne's room.

# No Weekday Mass Tuesday August 22,2023 To Friday August 25,2023

# **Shawl Ministry**

If you know of someone who is in hospital or at home or at the Hospice that is in need of comfort from a shawl.

Contact Corona at 705-575-6975.



# Saturday August 19, 2023 @ 5pm

† Maria Trunzo by Maria Runco

# Sunday August 20 2023 @ 10am

† Rosaria Esposito by Esposito Family

Tuesday August 22, 2023 @ 9am

No Mass Intention

# Wednesday August 23, 2023 @ 9am

No Mass Intention

# Thursday August 24, 2023 @ 9am

No Mass Intention

Friday August 25, 2023 @ 9am

No Mass Intention

August 26th & August 27th 2023	Greeter & Collection	Collection & Communion Ushers
Saturday August 26th	St. Anne's Entrance	Collection & Communion Ushers
5:00pm  Sunday, August 27th  10am	Queen Street Entrance Sam Biasucci  St. Anne's Entrance Bambi Alexander  Queen Street Entrance Riccardo Di Tommaso	Femina Felix  Collection & Communion Ushers  Tony Pino
Saturday August 26th 5pm	<u>Lectors</u> <u>August 26th</u> Kathleen MacDonald	Eucharistic Minister  August 26th  Ralph Esposito
Sunday August 27th  10am	<u>Lectors</u> <u>August 27th</u> Fil Lettieri	Eucharistic Minister  August 27th  Paula Smith

# Weekday Scripture Readings: August 21st-August 25th, 2023

Day	Reading	Gospel
Monday	Judges 2.11-19	Matthew 19.16-22
Tuesday	Judges 6.11-24a	Matthew 19.23-30
Wednesday	Judges 9.6-15	Matthew 20.1-16a
Thursday	Revelation 21.9b-14	John 1.45-51
Friday	Ruth 1.1-2ab,3-6,14b-16,22++	Matthew 22.34-40
Saturday	Ruth 2.1-3,8-11;4.13-17	Matthew 23.1-12

Sunday Collections
August 13th & August 14th 2023
Weekend—\$2,295.00
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# The Twentieth Week of Ordinary Time

## **Twentieth Week of Ordinary Time**

God's love belongs to all of us, according to the readings of the **Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time**. In **Isaiah**, God promises "my house shall be called a house of prayer for all peoples." Paul, in his **Letter to the Romans**, tells us "the gifts and the call of God are irrevocable" and refers to himself as the "apostle to the Gentiles." In **Matthew's Gospel**, Jesus hears the pleas of a "foreign" woman, a Canaanite who begs Jesus to heal her daughter.

This week we remember St. Pius X, The Queenship of Mary and St. Bartholomew.

In the first part of the week, we have readings from the **Book of Judges**. We read of how Israel worshiped other gods and fell into the power of their enemies; how God called Gideon to be a leader of his tribe; of Gideon's son Abimelech who was unfairly made king and his brother Jotham's response; and of Jephtha's promise to God to sacrifice the first person he saw if only he was victorious in battle. After his victory, Jephtha's only child ran to greet him and he sacrificed her. The **Psalm** reading for that day reminds us that "Sacrifice or oblation you wished not, but ears open to obedience." Two days of readings from the **Book of Ruth** tell the moving story of Naomi and her loving daughter-in-law Ruth. Ruth leaves her own homeland to return with Naomi to Bethlehem, where Ruth remarries and has a child, Obed, who will become the grandfather of the great king, David.

Matthew's Gospel this week includes some favorite parables, like the rich young man and introduces the counter-cultural idea that riches may make it more difficult to be saved. Those are followed by stories of the Master of the vineyard who leaves us with the phrase "The last will be first and the first, last." Jesus tells the parable of the landowner who hires workers throughout the day, including the last hours. When he pays them all the same, those who worked all day grumbled. "Are you envious because I am generous?" He offers the parable of the guests who are too busy to attend the wedding feast of the king's son. Friday, Jesus tells us to love our neighbors as ourselves. Saturday, Jesus says, "Whoever exalts himself will be humbled; but whoever humbles himself will be exalted."

Keys are central to readings for the **Twenty-First Sunday of Ordinary Time.** The first reading from **Isaiah** offers the story of the faithful servant Eliakim, who will be given the keys for his master's palace. Paul's brief reading from the **Letter to the Romans** is a moving prayer filled with awe at the depth and unknowing ways of our Lord. In **Matthew's Gospel**, Jesus asks his followers what people are saying about him. Then he asks the real question, "Who do *you* say I am?" Peter's direct answer, "You are the Christ" prompts Jesus' reply that Peter would be given the keys to the kingdom of heaven and would be the rock upon which his church would be built.

# **Prayer Line**

Anyone wishing to have prayers for a special intention, or someone who is ill, having surgery, for the deceased, or any other intention may contact Corona at 705.575.6975

# **Daily Prayer This Week**

This week we can be moved by the powerful fidelity of a woman like Ruth. And the familiar gospel stories will guide us through the week with practical advice and challenging ideas.

It is good to begin by recognizing our own issues with God. For many of us, the graces with which we will be asking God to bless us have to do with our freedom from being so independent. For some of us, it will be to ask to keep our priorities straight this week. It may mean that we let this be a week when we ask what "success" really means for us. It could be a week to try to name more clearly what our purpose, our mission in life is: what the Lord is calling us to do with our lives.

The real grace of finding intimacy with God in the midst of our busy everyday lives is that is helps keep us focused. When we get really busy, it can be like being on a tread mill. We begin our day in the morning, go where the day takes us and jump off at night. Our desire here is to live with more choice, more freedom. We want to live each day more reflectively.

So, if I know the gospel is going to ask me to ponder how the lure of having more and more money can become an impediment to my salvation, or how generous and merciful God is, or how my busyness leads me to forget or lose my priorities, then I can choose to let those reflections shape my week. The way I can do that is by beginning each day with focus. What gives focus is recognizing and naming a desire, a grace or gift I ask of God, for that day, conscious of what I will be experiencing, what will challenge me, what opportunities will be offered me. What really makes this effective, is to keep talking with Jesus about those desires in the small, quiet moments that are tucked into each day, the "in between times" of the day.

The effect is that more and more of the details of our lives are interacting with the Word of God and the desires which God is inspiring in our hearts. As we move toward the weekend, we can prepare to hear Jesus ask us who we say he is - who he is for us. Connecting with Jesus in our daily lives allows him to become my Savior and the intimate friend who knows me through and through and is helping me come to know myself with great honesty, integrity, freedom and peace.

# Winter Mass Times Will Resume September 2, 2023

Saturday September 2, 2023 @ 5pm Sunday September 3, 2023 @ 9am & 1 I am Weekly Tuesday-Friday @ 9am



# Save the Date! *October 13-15, 2023*

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# Fall Retreat & Workshop

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For more information contact:

Rose-Marie Valade at 705-253-8797 email: rmvalade48@gmail.com





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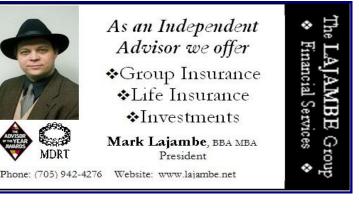
















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