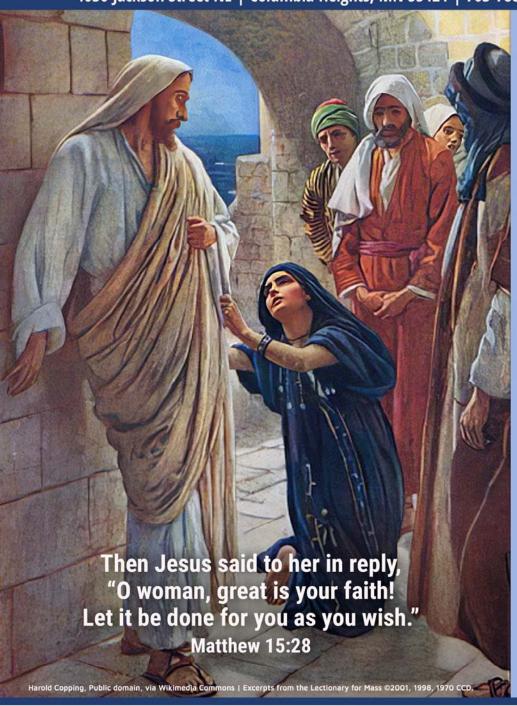


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August 20, 2023

# 20<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

### MASS SCHEDULE

Tuesday	7:30 am
Wednesday	7:30 am
Thursday	7:30 am
Friday	7:30 am
Saturday	5:00 pm
Sunday	8:00 am
	10:00 am

(Spanish) 11:30 am

### RECONCILIATION

Saturday 3:00 - 4:45 pm

### **EUCHARISTIC ADORATION**

San Damiano Chapel Open Weekdays 7:00 am



### **Our Mission**

The Mission of The Church of the Immaculate Conception is to proclaim and celebrate our Lord Jesus Christ. We fulfill our mission as Christian disciples by intentionally responding to God's call to grow in holiness.

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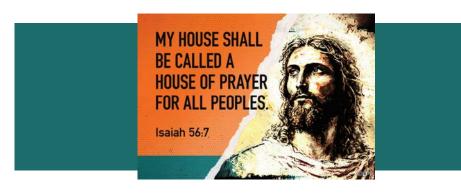
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## From the Pastor's Desk

Praised be Jesus Christ! By the time this article comes out, I will have met with our Synod Evangelization Team in our parish. This is a group of twelve adults, one group in English and one group in Spanish, who have generously agreed to listen to the Holy Spirit and share the Good News in our parish. Archbishop Hebda's vision for our archdiocese is that we be a

community of missionary disciples, those who witness to Jesus Christ by what He has done for them in their lives. Being a Christian isn't enough; we need to live for Christ and His Church and invite others into this family. This ties nicely to the line in this weekend's gospel where Jesus said, "I was sent only to the lost sheep of the house of Israel." Through this Synod process, it is our archbishop's hope and mine that we equip our laity to reach out to inactive Catholics, disillusioned Catholics, and those who have no association at all with the Church. This first year of the Synod focuses on small groups, so this year's efforts will come in the form of small groups. I don't know what the Holy Spirit has in store for us here at Immaculate Conception, but I'm excited to work with our dedicated team to follow His guide. Please pray for our Synod Evangelization Team and for a renewal of life in our archdiocese through this synod process.



## This Week's Readings

**Sunday, August 20**, 20<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time Is 56:1, 6-7/Ps 67:2-3, 5, 6, 8 (4)/Rom 11:13-15, 29-32/Mt 15:21-28

**Monday, August 21,** St. Pius X, Pope Jgs 2:11-19/Ps 106:34-35, 36-37, 39-40, 43ab and 44/Mt 19:16-22

**Tuesday, August 22,** The Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary Jgs 6:11-24a/Ps 85:9, 11-12, 13-14/Mt 19:23-30

**Wednesday, August 23,** St. Rose of Lima, Virgin Jgs 9:6-15/Ps 21:2-3, 4-5, 6-7/Mt 20:1-16

**Thursday, August 24,** St. Bartholomew, Apostle Rv 21:9b-14/Ps 145:10-11, 12-13, 17-18/Jn 1:45-51

**Friday, August 25,** St. Louis; St. Joseph Calasanz, Priest Ru 1:1, 3-6, 14b-16, 22/Ps 146:5-6ab, 6c-7, 8-9a, 9bc-10/Mt 22:34-40

Saturday, August 26

Ru 2:1-3, 8-11; 4:13-17/Ps 128:1b-2, 3, 4, 5/Mt 23:1-12

**Sunday, August 27,** 21st Sunday in Ordinary Time Is 22:19-23/Ps 138:1-2, 2-3, 6, 8 (8bc)/Rom 11:33-36/Mt 16:13-20



## **FORMED Pick of the Week**

### The Queen Mother | Lectio: Mary | Episode 4

Mary serves as our Queen Mother. What does that mean? Join Dr. Brant Pitre as he explores the scriptural roots of this title.

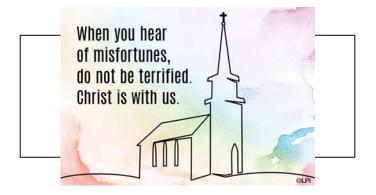
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## **Eucharistic Adoration**

"Turn your eyes, O God, our shield; and look on the face of your anointed one, one day within your courts is better than a thousand elsewhere." (Psalm 84:10-11)

Adorers often say their holy hour in Eucharistic adoration is the best hour of their week. Our chapel is a quiet, peaceful place to spend time in prayer before our Lord. It gives adorers some "one on one" time with Jesus present on the chapel altar. Our adoration chapel is open Monday through Friday beginning at 7:00 am. All are welcome!

We are looking for more scheduled adorers. We have the following open hours: Mondays at 3:00 pm; Tuesdays at 10:00 am and Wednesdays at 5:00 pm and 8:00 pm. We are also in need of partner adorers for many more hours. If you would like to schedule an adoration hour, are unable to attend your scheduled hour, or have questions about adoration, please call Sandy at 763-789-3246.



## **Council of Catholic Women**

#### Commissions

Our Commissions respond to the needs of people in our parish, community and throughout the world.

**The Family Commission** aims to assist members in achieving truly Christian family living, to preserve Christian principles in areas pertaining to the welfare of all families.

### Thank You From St. Jude's Circle

Special thanks to everyone who donated baked goods, those who worked in our booth and all who contributed in anyway to the success of the Bake Shoppe at the Summer Jam. it was greatly appreciated. We couldn't do it without you!

## (Practicing) Catholic

### The Prayers God Always Answers

When I was a child, my mother bought a book called "The Prayers God Will Always Answer." I remember my anticipation as I cracked the spine and turned to the first page.

I had been spending a lot of time asking God — begging God, actually — over and over again for some specific things that were not materializing. Frankly, it was beginning to feel a lot like that time I asked Santa Claus for a new house, only to wake up on Christmas morning to find ordinary, non-house-shaped presents under the tree — and a growing sense of suspicion that my faith had been ill-placed.

To the great disappointment of my pre-teen heart, my mother's book was not a directory of magical phrases God is compelled to obey. It was a list that included things like "Forgive me" and "Help me." I tossed it aside, disappointed.

I marvel at the wisdom and the confidence of the Canaanite woman who persists in begging Jesus to heal her daughter. She is ignored, and still she will not be deterred. The disciples try to dismiss her — still, she presses on. Christ himself challenges her, and her faith makes her ready with a reply.

Somehow, I am sure that even if Christ had said, "No, it cannot be done for you as you wish," she would have still dropped to her knees and worshiped him, because she knew what I did not: God is not a vending machine, and he's not the genie from "Aladdin." Prayer is not a negotiation, but a relationship.

The story of the Canaanite woman is not a story about how to get God to give you what you want. It is a story about the prayers God always answers.

"Then Jesus said to her in reply, 'O woman, great is your faith!"" — Matthew 15:28

- Colleen Jurkiewicz Dorman | @LPi



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## **Pastoral Ministry**

### **Anointing of the Sick**

Individual Anointing of the Sick is available by request — call the parish office at 763-788-9062.

### In Need of Prayer? Please Call Us.

To add a name to the weekend Mass petitions or the bulletin, please call Vicki at  $763-788-9062 \times 212$ . For private prayer call Larene at 763-789-4246.

### Pray for Our Loved Ones Who Have Died

Especially Victoria Amarvi and all who have died as a result of violence. May God grant them everlasting peace and joy in the kingdom of heaven.

### Pray for All the Sick—Especially:

Bea Alain · Paul Bona · Tom Botzet · Vickie Botzet
Kathy Fraser · Mary Fredenburg · Shawn Frederixon
Jeanne Fulton · Tom Fulton · Jim Johnson · Len Jurek
Marge Klimek · Anna Larson · Steven Lauinger
Dianne Redman · Greg Sery · Martha Stwora
Elaine Thunstrom · all those on our prayer chain

If your name was removed and you would like to continue to be on the prayer list please call  $763-788-9062 \times 212$ .

### Dear Visitor,

Welcome, we are glad to see you today! Please do not hesitate to contact us if you have any questions. Know that we are here for you and that we welcome new members! For more information about ICC or to become a member contact Vicki at 763-788-9062 x 212.

For God delivered all to disobedience, that he might have **MERCY** upon all.

(Rom 11:32)

## **School News**



## **Social Justice Ministry**

### **SACA Free Produce Distribution**

#### August 26, September 9 and 23, October 14

Partnering with Second Harvest, SACA is offering free farm fresh produce distributions throughout the summer and fall. Each event starts at 8:30 am and goes until 11:00 am or while produce lasts. The events are open to the community and no appointment is needed. **They will continue the drive-through pick-up** — please stay in your vehicle while volunteers load the produce in your vehicle. Line starts at Madison Place, north of 38th Avenue.

### **Coins for Social Justice**

### Collection Next Weekend, August 26-27

Donations made using bills or checks should be placed in an envelope marked *Social Justice*. Small envelopes can be found on tables at all entrances of the church. Only the loose change and marked envelopes from this collection are designated for Social Justice.

### Saint of the Week

St. Rose of Lima | August 23



Born Isabel Flores de Olivia in April 1586 in Lima, Peru to Spanish colonists, Saint Rose of Lima took the name Rose at her confirmation in 1597. Legend holds that she received this nickname as an infant because a servant saw her face transformed into a rose.

Even as a child Saint Rose was dedicated to Christ. Growing up she made many

secret penances. And when she was old enough to be married, deterred suitors by cutting off her hair and rubbing pepper on face to make it blister. She took a vow of chastity even though her parents wished her to marry. She fasted many times a week and permanently abstained from meat.

Eventually her parents gave in and allowed her to join the Third Order of St. Dominic, although she was not permitted to live in a convent. Saint Rose undertook severe penances, allowing herself only two hours of sleep a night in order to have more time to pray, wearing a heavy silver crown with spikes on the inside imitating Christ's crown of thorns, and even burning her own hands. However, she also cared for the sick and hungry, and sold her beautiful embroidery and fine lace, as well as flowers she grew to help raise funds for the poor.

She died at the age of 31 on August 24, 1617. Pope Clement X canonized her in 1671, she was the first saint of the New World, born in the Americas. Saint Rose of Lima is the patron saint of Latin America and the Philippines.

## Reflections

### Why Do We Do That?-Catholic Life Explained

### **Religious Orders**

**Question:** What is the meaning of the letters that professed religious have after their names?

**Answer:** The Catholic Church includes hundreds of religious communities. The priests, religious brothers, religious sisters, and nuns of these communities (which are often referred to as "religious orders") are committed to particular spiritual traditions and often to a particular charism (such as teaching, healthcare, social work, or pastoral care).

To help identify a person as a member of a particular religious community, the custom developed of including post-nominal letters that provide a sort of shorthand for the name of the community that the priest, brother, sister or nun is part of. So, for example OSB after a person's name would indicate that they are a member of the Order of St. Benedict (the Benedictines), just as SJ would indicate that a priest or brother is a member of the Society of Jesus (the Jesuits) or RSM would show that a woman is a Sister of Mercy.

Other common examples include:

DC = Daughters of Charity

FSC = The Brothers of the Christian Schools/Christian Brothers

OCist = The Order of Cistercians

OCD = Order of Discalced Carmelites

OFM = The Order of Friars Minor (the Franciscans)

OFM Cap = The Capuchin Franciscans

OP = The Order of Preachers (Dominicans)

OSF = Franciscan Sisters

SC = Sisters of Charity

SDS = Society of the Divine Savior (Salvatorian Priests and Brothers and Salvatorian Sisters)

SSND = School Sisters of Notre Dame

SVD = Society of the Divine Word (Divine Word Missionaries)

### Live the Liturgy-Inspiration for the Week

"O woman, great is your faith!" The Canaanite woman stood firm in her belief that God would answer her — even when those closest to him tried to send her away, and even when Christ himself challenged her. She never wavered.

### **Word of Life**

### **Respect Life Reflection**

"God's love—individual, real, unchanging—is the true source of our worth, identity, and dignity. It really is not a question of who we are, but rather whose we are. Because his love will never change, nothing can reduce our God-given dignity, and nothing can diminish the immeasurable worth of our lives."

-USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities "How to Build a Culture of Life"

"Apart from the **CROSS** there is no other 'ladder' by which we might get to heaven."

-St. Rose of Lima

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### Sunday, August 20

8:00 am IC Parish 10:00 am +John Litchy 11:30 am +Hector Juncal Llapa

Tuesday, August 22

7:30 am +Barthol and Helen Legatt,

+Linda Kosloski

Wednesday, August 23

7:30 am +Vincent Guzik Family

**Thursday, August 24** 7:30 am +Daniel Grow

Friday, August 25

7:30 am Fr. James Peterson,

+Herman and Helena Meemken

Saturday, August 26

5:00 pm +Fr. Thomas Kunnel

Sunday, August 27

8:00 am +Mary Ann Jacobsen 10:00 am +DeLaria Family 11:30 am IC Parish

+Deceased

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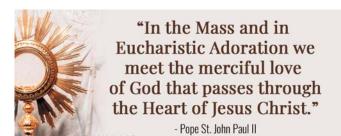
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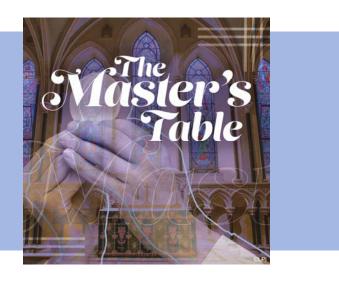
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## **Gospel Meditation**

### 20th Sunday in Ordinary Time

The suffering of a child symbolizes uniquely terrible evil as well as despair about the future. This week's Gospel gives a "limit" case in which Jesus encounters this evil in the form of a mother with a suffering daughter. What he does is stunning and massively helpful for us if we bravely ponder the details.

The Canaanite woman comes to Jesus and begs his mercy. "My daughter is tormented by a demon," she declares to him. Shockingly, he responds first with silence, then with a dismissive comment, and only then finally accedes to her third request. Is this simply a lesson in perseverance in our petitions to God, who is like a genie in a bottle? Does that justify the humiliation and pain this woman suffers? Is the Lord cruel?

I don't think so. Notice how the encounter ends. She compares herself to a dog at the table of a master. Jesus responds by praising her great faith and fulfills her deep desire. Somehow this non-Israelite woman intuits that this harrowing situation is not dumb suffering. She senses that the door of God's family is, in Jesus, being opened to her and her loved ones. She trusts she is at the Lord's table, and her desires will be fulfilled and that all her sufferings – and her daughter's, too – will lead a great banquet. In our sufferings this week, the Lord wants us to treat him less like a genie in a bottle and more like the Master who has taken us – lost little dogs that we are – into his home forever. Trust that and keep praying in the face of evil.

-Father John Muir | ©LPi

## Trivia!

Question: What is the name given to a school operated and supported by a parish community?

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## Fun Fest Memories from the Basement

### By Jane Kibler

We are the gals and guys who worked in the basement food area on the Sunday of the ICC Fun Fest. Some of the people I remember working with were the Shedlovs, Bridgemans, Drews, Bonas, Gilles, Hartwicks and the Cub Scouts led by Mr. Hartwick, along with many more whose names I am unable to recall at this time.

When the last Mass on Sunday was over, we were ready in our clean clothes, crisp white aprons and plastic gloves. And of course our hairnest that added to our classy look. People worked in different areas such as selling pop, the salad bar and delicious pies donated by Baker's Square. We worked over the steam table serving the delicious hot pork sandwiches. They were served with or without sauerkraut. They could also come with sides of potato chips and/or corn on the cob. We also served corn dogs. The food line grew very long and we would soon be running short of our food, but no one left hungry. Due to how busy we were serving food, we didn't have time to run to the kitchen when things needed to be restocked so the kitchen crew would watch for us to give them a signal and one of those good-looking men would come with the refill trays of food to stock us back up. The time went by very fast and soon it was time to end the shift.

Looking back, most of those years we worked without air conditioning in the basement. We had fans but we couldn't have them aimed at us because it would cool down the food. When we were done serving and went upstairs to the Fun Fest for the drawing, the fresh clean clothes and aprons that we were wearing when we started were now limp, spotted with food and we were hot, red -faced and sweaty. We looked like ragamuffins.

People would comment on how hard we worked in the hot conditions. We were having too much fun to realize we were working hard. Everyone who worked the Fun Fest, no matter if it was inside or outside duty, worked very hard. That is what made it such a success. The people in charge were always thankful for our volunteer time and hard work and were always sure to thank us. Those times have left lots of fun memories that we still laugh about.



## **Parish News**

### **ICC Lending Library**

The library recently received a number of donated books and the volunteers have processed and placed them on the shelves. The books listed below are now available for your reading pleasure. To locate them in the library look under the category in the parentheses ( ).

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The Hidden Pope	(History)
The Biggest Lie in the History of Christianity	(Adult Instructional Guide)
The Lourdes Pilgrim	(Prayer)
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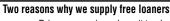
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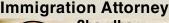
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