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Archdiocese of Galveston-Houston

Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time—June 26, 2022



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Sunday Readings

First Reading

Elijah anoints Elisha as his successor.

1 Kings 19:16b,19-21

Responsorial Psalm

I set the Lord ever before me.

Psalm 16:1-2,5,7-11

Second Reading

Christ has set us free.

Galatians 5:1,13-18

Gospel Reading

Jesus resolutely determined to journey to Jerusalem.

Luke 9:51-62

Background on the Gospel Reading

Today's Gospel reading begins a long section unique to Luke's Gospel. Jesus begins his journey to Jerusalem, which will end with his ministry in Jerusalem. We read that Jesus' days for being "taken up" were fulfilled. The Greek word that Luke uses for "taken up" is the same word he uses to describe the Ascension. We also read that Jesus is determined to journey to Jerusalem. For Luke, Jesus ministry begins in Galilee and then is one long journey to Jerusalem. In Jerusalem he will meet his death but also enter into his glory. Only in Luke does Jesus then spend 40 days in Jerusalem instructing his disciples. It is in Jerusalem that his disciples wait after his Ascension to be sent the Holy Spirit on Pentecost. And it is from Jerusalem, in Luke's second volume, the Acts of the Apostles, that the Good News is spread to Rome and the ends of the earth. Immediately Jesus is met with rejection, as a Samaritan village will not receive him because he is going to Jerusalem. There was animosity between Samaritans who worshiped on Mount Gerazim and Jews who worshiped in Jerusalem. Jesus was also rejected as he began his ministry in Galilee in Chapter 4. And he will be rejected for the last time when he reaches Jerusalem. James and John want to call down fire from heaven to destroy the people in the village, but Jesus rebukes them and moves on. There is often the temptation to use violence to achieve right. Jesus has come to break this temptation. He is aware that he must undergo violence himself before he can enter his glory.

The rest of today's reading is about the radical demands of discipleship. The three people who volunteer to become disciples on this journey show that they do not understand the demands Jesus will make of them. Neither care of self, care for the dead, nor care of one's family (as required by the Fourth Commandment) can come before the demands of discipleship. Jesus reminds the first volunteer, who would go wherever Jesus goes, that animals in the wild have more security than do Jesus and his followers. The second, who wants to bury a parent, is reminded that the demands of proclaiming the Kingdom of God take precedence. And the third, who wants to say farewell to his family, is reminded that once you put your hand to the plow you cannot look back or the furrow will be crooked. Such a person is not ready for the Kingdom of God. Jesus seems harsh here, but he is only asking of his disciples what he asks of himself. Jesus' unconditional commitment to God's saving work will demand of him his life. He knows this, but the disciples do not understand. Jesus does not want anyone to rush into discipleship, because the demands of discipleship require everyone considering it to be aware of the cost, make Jesus and his mission central to his life, and then go forward without looking back.

Mass Intentions—June 27—July 3, 2022

Monday	No Mass	
Tuesday	(Spanish) 6:00 pm	† Maria Pilar & Eduberto Alvarado
Wednesday	6:00 pm	† Pete & Mary Gajewski † Bobby Hagen † Bernice Vavrecka
Thursday	10:00 am	† Ray Carville Family
Friday	10:00 am	† Gloria Diestel † Ann Schauerte
Saturday	5:00 pm	Special Intention of: George & Lorene Berckenhoff
Sunday	9:00 am	Parish Family
	(Spanish) 12:00 pm	† Ramon Navarro

Let us pray for our sick, homebound and those with special needs:

(Newly added names are in bold text and marked with an asterisk.)

Brenda Alexander	Johnnie Gomez	Maria Ramirez
Nora Alvarez	Tambra Gomez	Larry Rapsilver
Alma Avalos	Hilda Gomez	Janet Rapsilver
Dolores Balusek	Joan Guidry	Mary Alice Ratliff
George Berckenhoff	Thomas Guzman	Monica Reznicek
Robin Bilski	Clemencia Hernandez	*Juan Salazar
Helen Birchfield	Katherine Jones	Johnnie Sliva
Charlie Brandes	Mary Jones	Fat Sliva
Diane Brown	Lauren Kainer	Frank Solis
George Castro	Raymond Kasmiersky	Susie Shupak
*Robert Cook, Jr.	Bobby Koym	Benny Stancik
Deb Haidusek	Andy Krampitz	Marie Stastny
Emma Dusek	Robert Lalonde	Florianna Stolarski
Martha Delmas	Ahlani Lozana	Albert Sustala
Mikie Ehret	Aurora Martinez	Joe Talas
Margie Ellis	Albina Mitchell	David Tinney
Josie Escalera	Tom Nichols	David True
Anita Evanicky	Patsy Novosad	Juan Navarro Villegas
Edith Fiedler	Joe Pistone	Lucy Weishun
George Fuller	Angela Plattsmire	Louis Zapalac
Bernice Futschik	*Enola Provost	Ricky Zapalac
Cory Gagne	Bennett Pursley	Nursing Home Residents
Steve Gajewski	Harold Pyka	

Sunday Mass Livestreaming at 9:00 am

Go to icc-sealy.org

Reconciliation Schedule

Tuesdays	Confessions 5:00—5:45pm
Wednesdays	Confessions 5:00—5:45 pm
Saturdays	Confessions 4:00—4:45 pm

June Rosary Intention

June is dedicated to the Sacred Heart of Jesus. This month let us pray that all the relationships in our own lives be made holy through the gift of the Holy Spirit, the bond of love in the Blessed Trinity.

O Mary, conceived without sin, pray for us who have recourse to thee.

Altar Flowers

Please call the parish office if you would like to donate flowers for a special intention - 979-885-3868.

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Simply aim the camera on your smart phone at this QR Code (Quick Response) to be quickly directed to our online giving site. The site is secure and a safe way to schedule donations throughout the year. Forms of payment are either by credit card or checking account.



Let us Pray for our Military

MMFN John Spillars, Jr.	SGT Dawson Fogle
PVC Harrison Brooks Whitzel	SSG Kyle M. Kiker
PFC Nathan Weber	PFC Kent Raulston
SP4 Brandon Cerny	2nd LT Daniel Jernigan
SP4 Blake Strieder	Clay Casassa, Medicalman 3
LCPL Jared F. Delattre	SGT Tyler S Snyder
A1C Joseph Cevallos	Emilio E. Guerrero, Jr, CPL
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Joshua Janicek, Airman	PFC Meghan Raulston
E-2 Airman Pedro Rodriguez	PFC Kyle Thormaehlen
1st LT Austin Anker	USMC Sgt Tony Naranjo
Daniel Diestel	USMC Cpl Daniel Naranjo
Melinda Griffin, 1st SGT	MAJ Anthony Minderman-Nanez
Luke Griffin, SFC	

Joyful News for the Parish Family

Our parish family joyfully announces those recently receiving the sacrament of Baptism. May they all be strengthened by our prayers for this new life in Christ. We welcome:

Juan Monterroza	Chantal Padilla
Ariana Villasenor	Mateo Vidal
Gianna Cruz	Giovanna Izaguirre
Isabella Oviedo	Adrian Martinez Jr.
Lilianna Mora	Ezekiel Duarte

Deepest parish sympathies and prayers to the family and friends of:

Beatriz Juarez

Prayer for the Faithful Departed: Into your hands, O Lord, we humbly entrust our sisters and brothers. In this life you embraced them with your tender love; deliver them from every evil and bid them eternal rest. The old order has passed away; welcome them into paradise, where there will be no sorrow, no weeping or pain, but fullness of peace and joy with your children and the Holy Spirit forever and ever. Amen. May their souls, all the souls of the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.



**Parish Bazaar—September 25, 2022
RAFFLE PRIZES NEEDED!**

As the summer approaches, preparations have begun on the parish bazaar. We thank everyone who helped last year in making the Bazaar of 2021 our best one on record, and we look forward to another successful event. It will be structured much like last year with:

- Dine-in and drive-thru BBQ Meal
- Live Auction and On-Line Auction
- Gift Card Raffle
- Desserts, Kolaches & Cheese Rolls
- Fabulous Food & Fun Game Booths

If you would like to sign up as a donor for a raffle prize, there is a sign-up sheet in the Narthex OR call the parish office by **JULY 10**. Donors are asked to pick up their own gift card, but these are not needed until September 1st.)

The following dates have been set aside for monthly meetings:

Wednesday, August 10	7:00 pm	ICC Ct.
Wednesday, September 7	7:00 pm	ICC Ct.
Wednesday, November 30	7:00 pm	ICC Ct.

**Rocky Railway—Vacation Bible School
Guardian Angel/Wallis—June 27 - July 1**

Registration forms for children, PreK—4th Grade, are in the Narthex. Please call Guardian Angel parish office for more information at 979-478-6532.



**Sealy Christian Pantry
Drive-Thru Food Distribution**

**Every First Saturday, 9am—11am
LifeBridge Church Parking Lot—2162 FM 2187**

Assorted fresh produce will be distributed along with other items. For more information, please contact Sealy Christian Pantry, Located at LifeBridge Community Church, 979-885-3866.

The Pantry is open every Wednesday, 9:00 am—noon.

Sealy Christian Pantry in Need of Bags

Plastic grocery bags are needed for food distribution. These may be left in the donation box under the carport at 530 6th Street in Sealy. **Thank you!**

Parish Blood Drive this Sunday, June 26th, 8:00 am—2:00 pm in the ICC Center

Go to the parish website to schedule an appointment—icc-sealy.org OR go to the ICC Center as a Walk-In. Patients in our community need your help. Encourage friends and family to donate with you. The number one reason people don't donate is because they weren't asked! Every donation makes a difference! Donate blood and receive a Gulf Coast Regional Blood Center beach towel as a thank you. *(While supplies last.)*



Let there be light! Thank you to the KC's and CDA!

The lighting project in the ICC Center has begun, and we are all simply thrilled with the results! New energy efficient LED light fixtures are being installed throughout the ICC Center. Soon they will be in every classroom—just in time for CCE Classes to begin. Both the Knights of Columbus and the Catholic Daughters contributed to this costly project. Walk through the Center and see what a difference it makes! We thank both of these organizations for sponsoring this much needed improvement in our facilities!



IGNITE Report—June 22, 2022

Parish Goal	\$ 364,820
Pledged	\$ 227,142
Paid	\$ 125,576
Donors	106
Quarterly Rebate Received	\$ 38,792



DSF Report June 22, 2022

Parish Goal	\$ 46,900
Paid	\$ 25,290
Owed	\$ 21,610
Donors	117

Special Security Notice



Due to the theft of the tabernacle from St. Bartholomew's in Katy, our church and chapel will remain closed except around regular Mass and Confession times while we review security procedures. Please pray for the safe return of the Blessed Sacrament and the tabernacle to St. Bartholomew's and for the conversion of the perpetrators of this sacrilege. Thank you for your patience.

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New Address for Fr. Eric Pitre
Fr. Eric is now residing at St. Dominic's Village in Houston. If you would like to drop him a note or a card his address is:

Rev. Eric J. Pitre
St. Dominic Village
2407 Holcombe Blvd
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