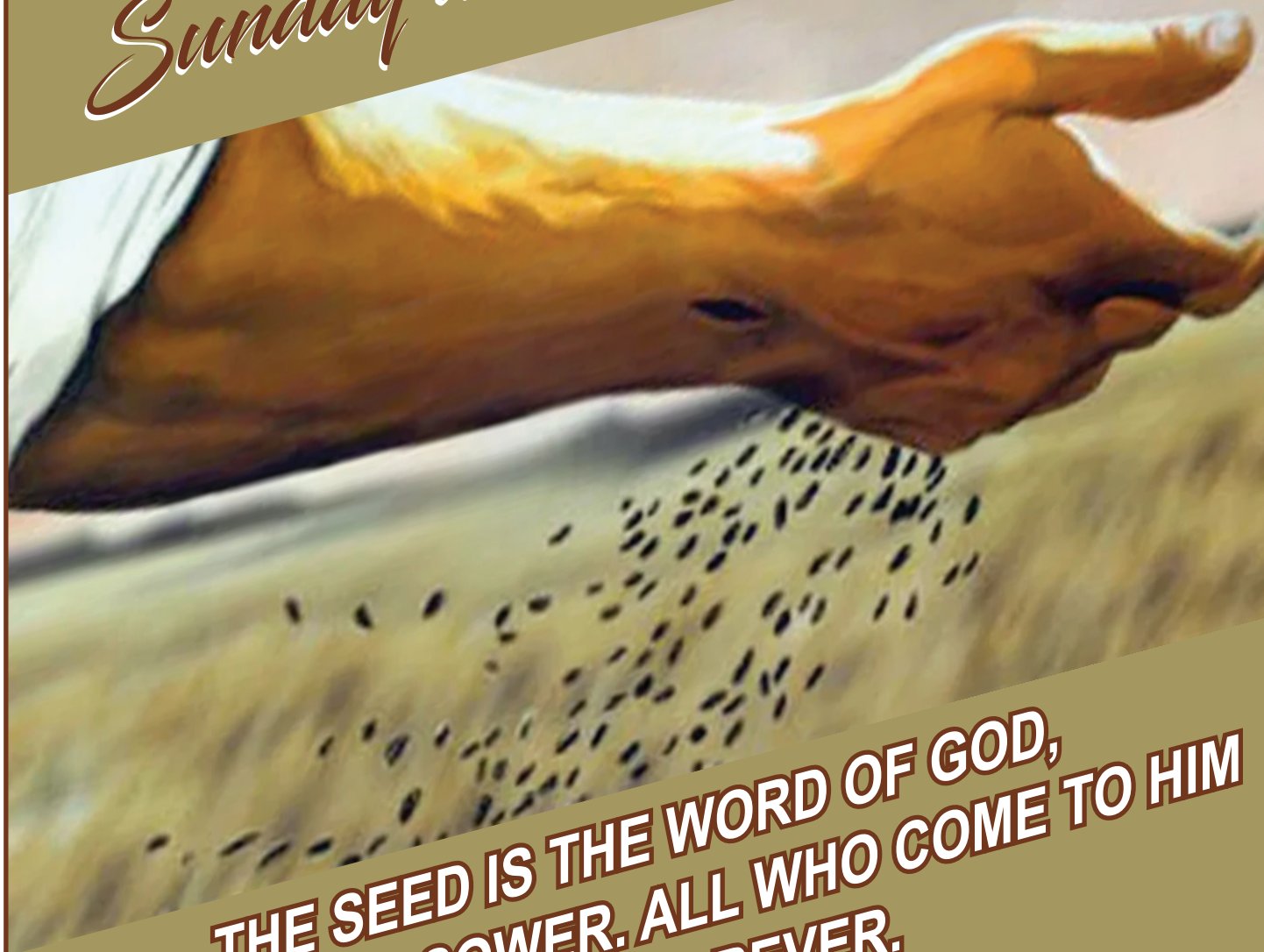


*The 11th
Sunday in Ordinary Time*



**THE SEED IS THE WORD OF GOD,
CHRIST IS THE SOWER. ALL WHO COME TO HIM
WILL LIVE FOREVER.**

**ST. JOHN BOSCO
CATHOLIC CHURCH
June 13, 2021**

The Pastor Gets It Down

Dear Parishioners and Friends of St. John Bosco and St. Rosalie Churches and School,

I greet you with the words St. Paul wrote to the Galatians: “Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ, who gave himself for our sins that he might rescue us from the present evil age in accord with the will of our God and Father, to whom be glory forever and ever. Amen.

Note that Paul speaks of “the present evil age.” That was back almost 2000 years ago when the disciples were commissioned to go forth and proclaim the “Good News” so that all humanity might come to know the Lord Jesus and model their lives after his example – an antidote to “the present evil age.”

Recently, I heard from many quarters, complaints about how the Church, our country and the world are in sad shape. I’ve heard that our Holy Father is too progressive and from other quarters how conservative he is. I’ve heard talk about how bad the youth of today are.

Many people today call our present times an evil age.

As members of a Salesian Parish, we are called to be messengers of the optimism of St. Francis de Sales, and the optimism of St. John Bosco who chose de Sales as the Patron of the Salesian Family.

Don Bosco’s mission was encapsulated in one of my favorite sayings of Don Bosco: “Give me the youth of today and I will conquer the world for Christ.” His goal was to form “Good Christians and “Good Citizens.”

Salesians today have the same mission and goal. Our hearts burn to work with youth, form them as good Christians, good citizens, and conquer the world for Christ.

When I first entered the seminary in my teen years, I wrote “videre bonum” (to see the good) in my prayer book. Ever since then, I have tried to live that phrase in my life...to see the bright side.

Sometimes, we get hung up on the bad and fail to see all the good that is happening around us.

It was either Ann Landers or Abigail Van Buren who said something like this: Before saying something bad about a person in conversation, mention two good things about the person.

Even better yet, follow the words of Scripture: “Say only the good things people need to hear. Things that will really help them.”

We can do the same when speaking about the Church, the Pope, our country, the youth of today, and the people we meet in daily life.

Remember that one of the most powerful things that we can do to change ourselves and the world is to attend the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass. Not just Sunday Mass, but weekday Mass as well. If attending daily Mass is a sacrifice, know that the sacrifice endured makes it even more powerful in God’s sight.

God loves you!



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Current Mass Schedule

Monday - Friday: 7:00am

Saturday: 8:00am

Saturday Vigil: 5:30pm

Sunday: 9:00 & 12:00 Noon

Current Confession Schedule

Saturday: 4:30 - 5:15pm (*before Vigil Mass*)

Why Vigil Lights?

A Symbol of Christ

In our Catholic tradition, in early times as well as today, light has a special significance – Christ. Recall Jesus said, “I am the light of the world. No follower of mine shall ever walk in darkness; no, he shall possess the light of life” (John 8:12) and “I have come to the world as its light, to keep anyone who believes in me from remaining in the dark” (John 12:46).

In our liturgy for the Sacrament of Baptism, the priest presents a candle lit from the Paschal candle, which in turn symbolizes the Paschal mystery, and says to the newly baptized, “You have been enlightened by Christ. Walk always as children of the light and keep the flame of faith alive in your hearts. When the Lord comes, may you go out to meet him with all the saints in the heavenly kingdom” (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults). The light is a symbol of Christ Himself.

The Light Is A Reminder to Stay Present to the Lord.

With this background, we can appreciate the usage of votive candles. Here, as in early Christian times, we light a candle before a statue or sacred image of our Lord or of a saint. Of course, we do not honor the statue or the image itself, but whom that statue or image represents. The light signifies our prayer offered in faith coming into the light of God – allowing us to be filled with His light. With the light of faith, we petition our Lord in prayer, or petition the saint for intercession – to pray with us and for us to the Lord. The light also shows a special reverence and our desire to remain present to the Lord in prayer even though we may depart and go about our daily business.

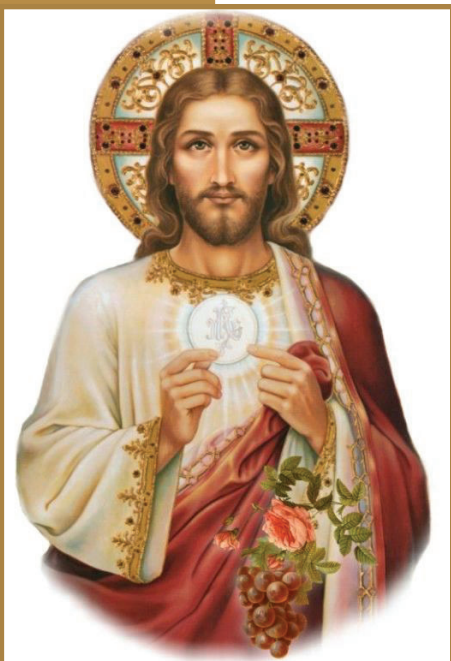
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The Promises of the Sacred Heart of Jesus to St. Margaret Mary

- 1 "I will give them all the graces necessary in their state of life.
- 2 I will establish peace in their homes.
- 3 I will comfort them in all their afflictions.
- 4 I will be their secure refuge during life, and above all, in death.
- 5 I will bestow abundant blessings upon all their undertakings.
- 6 Sinners will find in my Heart the source and infinite ocean of mercy.
- 7 Lukewarm souls shall become fervent.
- 8 Fervent souls shall quickly mount to high perfection.
- 9 I will bless every place in which an image of my Heart is exposed and honored.
- 10 I will give to priests the gift of touching the most hardened hearts.
- 11 Those who shall promote this devotion shall have their names written in my Heart.
- 12 I promise you in the excessive mercy of my Heart that my all-powerful love will grant to all those who receive Holy Communion on the First Fridays in nine consecutive months the grace of final perseverance; they shall not die in my disgrace, nor without receiving their sacraments. My divine Heart shall be their safe refuge in this last moment."



Devotion to the Holy Eucharist and the Sacred Heart of Jesus

- Daily Mass - perhaps at least one member of the family would be able to attend Mass daily and represent the family.
- Try to attend Holy Mass and receive Holy Communion on first Fridays of the month for nine consecutive months or perhaps every first Friday (it is wonderful if this can be done as a family).
- Make the Holy Hour when possible in the Church before the Blessed Sacrament. Make a Holy Hour in the home. Some families rise at night (between 11:00 and 12:00 pm on the eve of the first Friday of the month) and make a Holy Hour in the Home.
- Visits to the Blessed Sacrament – whenever passing a Church on the way to or from work or school, etc... try to stop in to make a short visit to Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament or at least bless yourself as you pass by the Church.
- Make the Feast of the Sacred Heart (this year Friday, June 11th) a special family feast each year. Try to attend Holy Mass and receive Holy Communion as a family. Make it a day when the family shows the Sacred Heart that He truly is the King and Friend of their home, the God-with-us intimately associated with daily family life. Make it a real day of joy and celebration.
- Have an image of the Sacred Heart in your home possibly with a vigil light and/or some flowers. This serves as a reminder for the family and for visitors that Jesus occupies a place of honor in the home.

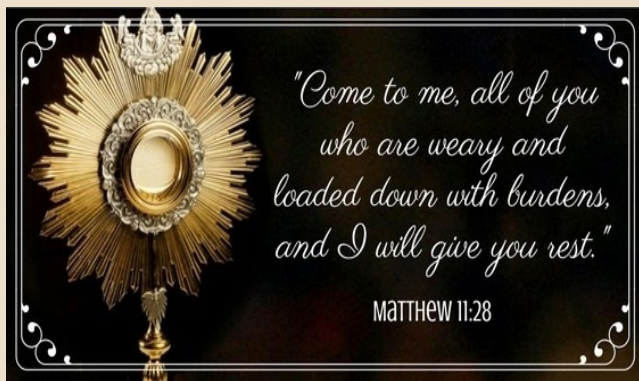
Adopted from: <https://www.motherteresa.org/sacred-heart--mt3.html>

Announcements

Adoration Returns to the Chapel

June 7, 2021 112 hours of continuous adoration began. Adoration starts Monday following the 7am Mass and continues until midnight Saturday. For more information or to register ~ Email: StJohnBosco@AdorationServants.org or Edie, Chapel Coordinator, EdithMeaux@Cox.net.

You must be registered to receive the door code.



We ask for your prayers



June 10-16,
please pray
for
Br. Ky Nguyen
who will be
ordained to the
diaconate in June.

Knights of Columbus Monthly Meeting



Monday, June 21st -
Rosary: 6:30pm
Meeting: 7:00pm

All men who are active parishioners are invited.

Womens Society 'Half The Pot' Raffle

Tickets are \$1.00 each or
6 for \$5.00

*Drawing June 20th ~
Following Noon Mass*



YOUR CONTRIBUTIONS

April, 2021

Holy Land Collection	\$ 396.00
Easter (4/4/21)	\$6,275.00
Maintenance	\$1,058.00
Weekly 4/11/21	\$4,435.00
Weekly 4/18/21	\$4,422.00
Weekly 4/25/21	\$3,974.00
2nd - Diocesan Priest	\$ 528.00
Online Giving	\$4,780.00

May, 2021

Weekly 5/2/21	\$4,159.00
Maintenance	\$ 963.00
Weekly 5/9/21	\$5,164.00
Weekly 5/16/21	\$5,043.00
Weekly 5/23/21	\$4,509.00
2nd - Peter's Pence	\$ 528.00
Weekly 5/30/21	\$3,652.00
Online Giving	\$5,425.00

May the Lord bless your sacrifice.

Mass Intentions 6/6/21

Saturday, June 5

8:00am Parishioners of St. John Bosco

5:30pm +Alberto Abdon Quiaoit
+Raymond Saulino, MOD
+Jacqueline G. Guillot
+Wayne Delaune
+Joyce Sonnier
+Leboria Burrell
+Duffy & Derek Dumas
+Peter John Paul Nguyen
+Joseph Lai Duc Anh
+All Souls in Purgatory
+Neil Folse, Sr. & Jr.
+Doug Trauth, Sr.
+Deanne LeBlanc
+John Sanderson

Sunday, June 6

9:00am +Lourdes Bacuta
Noon +Carmen Koenig Kass
+Vernon Guillot
+Maria Hoang & Joseph Nguyen
+Peter & Maria Nguyen
Xuyen Bui
Leo Meerman
+Jim McKenna
+Mary Ann Ramos
+Laverne L. Nunnery, MOB
+John Ricard
+Editha Pimentel
+John D. Spano

Monday, June 7

7:00am Phero Nguyen Van Khoan

Tuesday, June 8

7:00am For the soul of Giuse Phuong

Wednesday, June 9

7:00am For the soul of Giuse Phuong

Thursday, June 10

7:00am For the soul of Giuse Phuong

Friday, June 11

7:00am For the soul of Giuse Phuong

Due to an error in printing last weeks bulletin, the Mass Intentions were incorrect. Therefore, this bulletin includes June 6th as well as this weekends Intentions. We apologize for any inconvenience.

Mass Intentions

Saturday, June 12

8:00am Parishioners of St. John Bosco

5:30pm May & Ruiz Families
+Jacqueline G. Guillot
+Wayne Delaune
+Joyce Sonnier
+Leboria Burrell
+Duffy & Derek Dumas
+Peter John Paul Nguyen
+Joseph Lai Duc Anh
+All Souls in Purgatory
+Jim McKenna
+Dale Hymel
+Mary Ann Ramos
+John Ricard

Sunday, June 13

9:00am +Joseph DeBlanc, Jr.
+Maria Hoang & Joseph Nguyen
+Peter & Maria Nguyen
Xuyen Bui
Leo Meerman
+Derek DiMarco
+Mary Ann Ramos
Conversion of Sinners
All Souls in Purgatory
Noon +John Ricard

Monday, June 14

7:00am Peace on Lucky Jean Boat &
all fisherman

Tuesday, June 15

7:00am +Robert B. Ford

Wednesday, June 16

7:00am +Lou LaMaison

Thursday, June 17

7:00am Happy Birthday Phan Vuong

Friday, June 18

7:00am +Marilyn DeBlanc, MOA

*"Do not wish to be anything
except what you are."*

- St. Francis de Sales