

# *16th Sunday in Ordinary Time*



*“Come away by yourselves to a deserted place and rest a while.”* Mark 6:31

ST. JOHN BOSCO CATHOLIC CHURCH  
July 18, 2021

## *The Pastor Jots It Down*

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

God's grace and peace be with you!

In these summer days, it is so good to hear of families and friends going on vacation to rest, relax, enjoy new adventures, and build relationships. It is good to take the time we need to renew ourselves.

Looking at the picture of Jesus on the cover of this bulletin we see Jesus following the advice he gave his apostles in today's Gospel: "Come away by yourselves to a deserted place and rest a while."

Jesus was a busy person. Although he realized the importance of keeping a balance in his life. He purposely made time for prayer, rest and relaxation. Just as he invited his disciples, he invites each one of us to live a balanced life taking the time we need to properly maintain our minds, bodies and spirits.

Many times, I hear the expression: "I'm too busy." When we use this expression, we may have to pause, reflect and re-evaluate our busyness and what we are doing. Is what we are currently doing helping to build us up mentally, physically, and spiritually. For some of us, I dare say, finances and sports take a toll on us mentally, physically, and spiritually.

From the creation of the world, the Lord in his wisdom set an example for us: "on the 7th day of creation, he rested." He knew that we need to take time out and renew ourselves.

How faithful are we to a day of personal, family and spiritual renewal? Traditionally, that day is Sunday.

If one's job requires that one must work on the weekend and miss Sunday Mass, does one try to get to a weekday Mass, to connect sacramentally with Jesus. Weekday Masses in various parishes can be found in the morning, around noon time, and in the evening.

Sunday attendance at Mass as a family is ideal as well as the practice of the family having at least one meal together every day is ideal. (Refer to this week's bulletin article: "The Importance of the Family Meal.")

What if one spouse doesn't attend Sunday Mass?

If the spouse is of another faith, does that spouse set a good example by being faithful to Sunday worship in his/her church? If not, maybe an invitation to find out more about the Catholic Church through the parish's RCIA program, might be an avenue to pursue.

If the spouse is Catholic and is not in the habit of Sunday Mass attendance, maybe one could begin

a conversation about why the spouse prefers not to go. Knowing the reason/s why can be a big help in the spouses return. The same also applies to children who have given up the practice of the faith. A helpful book here would be "Return" by Brandon Vogt, published by Numinous Books, January 1, 2015.

Both Father and Mother attending Sunday worship with their families sends a clear message to their children about the importance of Sunday Mass. Also, going over the readings and prayers of the Mass before coming to Church can be quite a beneficial preparation for Mass.

Parents, do sports and other activities on the weekend take you and your children away from Sunday Mass attendance? Sunday Masses in various parishes can be found early and later Saturday evenings and on Sundays throughout the morning and in the evenings.

Our RCIA program is beginning in September on Sunday mornings. It is for non-Catholics who want to explore the Catholic faith, for adult Catholics who have not made their 1st Confession, 1st Holy Communion, or Confirmation; and for Adult Catholics who want to deepen their understanding of the faith or share their faith with those in the RCIA program. For more information or to sign up, please contact the parish office.

God loves you!

*Fr. Mark*

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#### **Current Mass Schedule**

Monday - Friday: 7:00am

Saturday: 8:00am

Saturday Vigil: 5:30pm

Sunday: 9:00 & 12:00 Noon



# Psalms

## *Why are the Psalms so valuable?*

Why should we use them as examples of the way to pray? Didn't Jesus give us a short and easy prayer that covers everything?

I've thought about this last question. The disciples, even though they were classed as "unlearned" men, would have heard the Psalms over and over in the synagogues. Why did they ask Jesus to teach them how to pray? Did Jesus offer them anything new?

He gave them something concise, but I suspect he didn't intend this to be the only prayer they should ever pray. The Christian Church agrees while the Lord's Prayer has high priority, the Church has always used the Psalms as part of its prayer life, as well as writing countless other prayers for use in liturgies throughout its history.

But there are plenty of other reasons to use the Psalms. Without their assistance, it's easy to get into a routine of prayer, feeling as though you're saying the same things over and over. And feeling, often, that God doesn't hear you.

The importance of the Psalms is that they show us how prayer can take a wide variety of forms.

The Psalms give us the means to come to prayer in a fresh state of mind. They enable us to see that we're not the first to feel God is silent when we pray, nor are we the first to feel immense anguish and bewilderment while praying.

The Psalms offer us ways to rejoice in prayer, to bow in worship, to exalt God for all he does and for all his blessings to us.

<https://www.odt.co.nz/opinion/importance-psalms-and-reasons-use-them>

# *Why are there Different Versions of the 'Glory Be'?*

MSGR. CHARLES E. POPE

The Breviary (also known as the Liturgy of the Hours) was revised by Rome in 1970. Strangely, the English translation of the conclusion of the Glory Be was different from the one most commonly known: “as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end.” In effect, the “ever shall be, world without end” phrase was truncated to “will be forever.” Exactly why this was done is not clear. One explanation is that it would render the Glory Be (a prayer that is repeated often in the Breviary) smoother. Another explanation that some of the members of the translation committee offered was that it was more accurate.

To be fair, the Latin of the final phrase of the Glory Be is difficult to translate well into smooth English. The Latin ending is, *sicut erat in principio, et nunc, et semper, et in saecula saeculorum*. A literal rendering is, “as it was in the beginning, and is now, and is always, and unto ages of ages.” As you can see, “world without end” is not really what the Latin says. “Unto the ages of ages” is basically a way of saying, “for a very long time,” or, more simply, “forever” – hence the shorter version. While ignoring *saecula saeculorum* is more accurate, it folds the idea of the ages into the word *semper* (“always”).

That said, the version of the Glory Be known by the vast majority of Catholics is the traditional one, which ends “world without end.” And thus, there are many stumbles when people less familiar with the Liturgy of the Hours pray it together with those experienced in praying it.

Current plans are underway to retranslate the English version of the Liturgy of the Hours, as was recently done with the Mass. It is expected that the Glory Be will be put back to the older form since that will help avoid issues created with two versions of the Glory Be known by the faithful.

<https://www.simplycatholic.com/glory-be-differences/>

# *The Importance of Family Mealtime*



By Julie Penkalski, Teen Liaison  
for Hope Academy, a program of  
Family & Children's Center

For many, family mealtime has been lost in our overscheduled lives. For many families, school, work schedules and extracurricular activities can make it difficult to find time to eat together and some go days or weeks without sitting down as a family to share a meal. However, family meals are important and should be considered part of our daily requirements.

Researchers have found that families who share meals together on a regular basis, whether it's breakfast, lunch or dinner reap many benefits.

- Family meals are more nutritious. A Harvard study found that families who eat together are twice as likely to eat their five servings of fruits and vegetables as families who don't eat together.
- Kids who eat family meals tend to eat a wider variety of foods and become less picky eaters.
- Family meals provide an opportunity for family members to come together, strengthen ties and build better relationships. They build a sense of belonging which leads to better self-esteem.
- Family meals offer parents a chance to be role models. They can set an example of healthy eating and polite table manners.
- Family meals help prevent obesity. Research shows that people tend to eat less during family meals because they eat more slowly and talk more.
- Research shows that kids who eat family meals have a lower chance of engaging in high risk behaviors such as substance use and violence, and fewer psychological problems.

Tips for eating more meals together:

- Make family meals a priority in your household. Focus on the importance of being together as a family more than on making an elaborate meal.
- As a family, plan a menu for the week and make a grocery list.
- Let the kids be involved. Let them help prepare food or set the table.
- Work as a family to clean up afterwards.
- Turn off the TV.

It's worth a try. More family mealtime could mean large rewards for your family.



# Announcements

## SECOND COLLECTION

The Second Collection being taken up at all Masses this weekend is to benefit the Black & Indian Missions. Please be as generous as possible,

## RELIGION TEACHER NEEDED

West Bank High School of Religion is going to need an 11th grade teacher in the fall. Classes are one Saturday a month from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

If you, or someone you know would like more information about the position, please contact:

Renee McGann – (504-421-0329)  
or email (Mc4crak@yahoo.com)

## UP-COMING ORDINATION

St. Rosalie and St. John Bosco Parishes are working feverishly on preparations for Br. Craig Spence's Ordination on Saturday, July 31st at St. John Bosco Church by Archbishop Gregory Aymond.

*Jesus and You Gaze at One Another...*



*... in deliberate prayerful communication,  
one with the other, during Adoration.*

Exposition of the Holy Eucharistic Jesus begins Mondays after 7 AM Mass, for 112 continuous hours, until Jesus is reposed at midnight on Saturday, following the Friday 11 PM hour.

Needed are committed adorers for end of summer:

**4 AM on Fridays and 10 PM Thursdays**

Seeking partners for

**9 PM Fridays and noon Thursdays**

To visit or volunteer an hour each week, inquire to Edie Meaux, Chapel Coordinator, at [EdithMeaux@Cox.net](mailto:EdithMeaux@Cox.net) or [StJohnBosco@AdorationServants.org](mailto:StJohnBosco@AdorationServants.org).

## REGISTRATION FOR

### RELIGION CLASSES & CONFIRMATION

Registration for PREP (CCD) grades 1 thru 8 and Westbank High School of Religion, grades 9 thru 11 will be held on the weekend of August 21st and 22nd in front of church before and after all Masses.

If you are entering your junior year in High School and would like to make your Confirmation this coming year, then you should also register at this time.

All registrants should bring a copy of their Birth Certificate, Baptism Certificate and First Communion Certificate (if you are in high school). Please bring copies, not originals, as there is no way to make copies.

## Social Friendship



We pray that, in social, economic and political situations of conflict, we may be courageous and passionate architects of dialogue and friendship.



## RCIA

**Do you want to learn more about the Catholic Faith?  
Thinking about becoming Catholic?**

Want to make your First Holy Communion and receive the sacrament of Confirmation?

Call for more information  
or to register for the 2021-2022 RCIA Program.

**St. Rosalie 340-1962  
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## *Announcements*



### **Knights of Columbus**

#### **Monthly Meeting**

Monday, July 19th -

6:30pm Rosary 7:00pm Meeting

*All men who are active parishioners are invited.*

### **Womens Society**

#### **Monthly Meeting**

Monday, July 26th

beginning at 6:30pm

*All women in the parish are invited.*



## *Sanctuary Candle*

*In Memory of*

***Anthony Hoang Tu Lap***

## *Bread & Wine*

*In Memory of*

***Anthony Hoang Tu Lap***



*We're here to  
Serve*

Ushers have the responsibility to greet parishioners and visitors as they enter church. Their ministry is to assist others by handing out materials needed for liturgical functions, assist worshipers in finding a seat, taking up the collection, selecting a family for the gift offering, directing those who are receiving communion and helping in other areas where needed.

The ministry is open to anyone (male or female) over the age of 18.

If you are interested in being an usher, call the church office (504.340.0444) or email ([office@saintjohnboscochurch.org](mailto:office@saintjohnboscochurch.org)) your name, phone number, and preferred Mass.

## *Mass Intentions*

### **Saturday, July 17**

8:00am Parishioners of St. John Bosco

5:30pm +Jacqueline Guillot

+Wayne Delaune

+Joyce Sonnier

+Leboria Burrell

+Duffy & Derek Dumas

+Peter John Paul Nguyen

+Joseph Lai Duc Anh

+Lou LaMaison

+Angel Noland

+Theresa Thuy Duong

Conversion of Sinners

### **Sunday, July 18**

9:00am +Alan Blum

Noon All Souls in Purgatory

+Mary Ann Ramos

+John D. Spano

+Jacob Hung Nguyen

Leo Meerman

### **Monday, July 19**

7:00am +Wayne Blum, MOB

### **Tuesday, July 20**

7:00am For the soul of Giuse Phuong

### **Wednesday, July 21**

7:00am Talamo/Termine Families

### **Thursday, July 22**

7:00am +Anthony Hoang Tu Lap, MOB

### **Friday, July 23**

7:00am +Anthony DiMarco, Sr.



*"God loves us. May we  
discover the beauty of  
loving and being loved."*

*- Pope Francis*