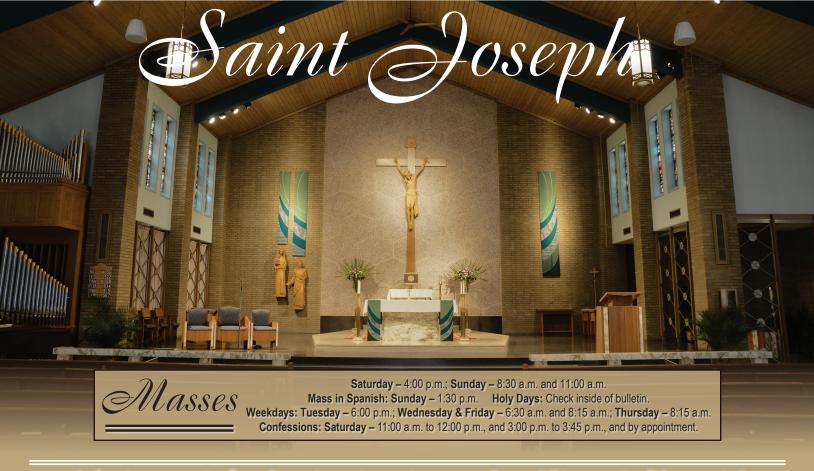
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"In the spirit of St. Joseph, we lovingly serve Jesus Christ and His people."

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- MARRIAGES Arrangements should be made through the Parish Office at least eight months before any other planning.
- ◆ BAPTISMS Baptisms are celebrated on the second Sunday of each month at 12:30 p.m. (outside of Mass). Parents must attend the Baptismal Preparation Program. This is at 7:00 p.m. on the third Tuesday of each month in the Family Life Center. Godparents are also welcome to attend. Please pre-register by calling the Parish Office.
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- ♦ NEW PARISHIONERS Please register in person at the Parish Office or complete a registration form (available in church). Please return to Parish Office or put in collection.
- ◆ BULLETIN ANNOUNCEMENTS Please have bulletin announcements to the Parish Office by 3:00 p.m. on Monday, or e-mail stjosephchurch@roadrunner.com.

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330-343-9134

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St. Joseph Church Dover, Ohio 44622

The Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time June 30 and July 1, 2018 1 de Julio del 2018

Mass Intentions



Monday, July 2 No Mass

Readings: 377: Am 2:6-10/Ps 50/Mt 8:18-22

Tuesday, July 3

2:00 p.m. Rose Wenger (Park Village)

6:00 p.m. Al Kopec

Readings: 593: Eph 2:19-22/Ps 117/Jn 20:24-29

Wednesday, July 4

No Mass

Readings: 379: Am 5:14-15, 21-24/Ps 50/Mt 8:28-34

Thursday, July 5

8:15 a.m. Alexander Gatelaro

9:00 a.m. Adoration of the Eucharist Readings: 380: Am 7:10-1/Ps 19/Mt 9:1-8

Friday, July 6

6:30 a.m. Special Intention **8:15 a.m.** Sandi Grasselli

Readings: 381: Am 8:4-6, 9-12/Ps 119/Mt 9:9-13

Saturday, July 7,

The Vigil of The Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

4:00 p.m. Mary Jane Markino

Sunday, July 8,

The Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:30 a.m. Sandy Luers 11:00 a.m. Mary Ann Koltes

1:30 p.m. The People of the Parish (Mass in Spanish)

Readings: 101: Ez 2:2-5/Ps 123/2 Cor 12:7-10/

Mk 6:1-6a

Offertory for Sunday, June 23 and 24, 2018

Loose	\$	2,140.00
Adult Weekly Envelopes	\$1	14,975.00
Online Giving	\$	430.00
Total	\$1	17,545.00
Contributions needed each week	\$1	12,192.00
	Oth	er Funds:
Capital Improvement	\$	238.00
Poor Fund	\$	478.00
St. Joseph Catholic Schools Subsidy	\$	50.00
Peter's Pence	\$	110.00
Second Collection	\$	1,181.80

Your contributions make the mission of St. Joseph Parish possible and keep our parish financially sound.

Thank you for your generosity.

Ministry Schedules July 7 and 8, 2018

4:00 p.m. Mass

Lector: Mark Clemence - 1st Reading

Mary DeBois - 2nd Reading

Eucharistic Ministers: Beth Cecil, Mary Roberts,

Vicki Wilhelm, Janice Cosenza, Vicki Avon,

Tim Avon, Jeri Middaugh

Servers: Chloe Contini, Sarah Clemence, Marcus Clemence (Alt: Sami Demattio)

8:30 a.m. Mass

Lector: Mike Finley – 1st Reading

Maggie Boring - 2nd Reading

Eucharistic Ministers: Monica Boring, Rachel Thomas, Emily Conrad, Carl Conrad, John Kuczirka, Sharon Kuczirka, Milt Hamilton, Jack Burnham,

Christine Ayers **Hospitality:** Joan Wenzel

Servers: John Chaney, Cole Seigler, Joe Pruni

11:00 a.m. Mass

Lector: Anne Bruno - 1st Reading

Jim Elco - 2nd Reading

Eucharistic Ministers: Mary Elco, Kevin Fitzgerald,

Chris Helbling, Joe Sciarretti, Tony Nasuto,

Ann Telle, Doug Telle

Servers: Katie Bruno, Matthew Dummermuth, Kimberley Flores Martinez (Alt: Peter Nguyen)

If you know of a friend or family member who is in the hospital for surgery or due to illness, or is currently homebound, please call the Parish Office and someone will visit them as soon as possible.

Pray for the Priest, Deacon, or Seminarian of the

Day: Posted on the bulletin boards are calendars with the names of Priests, Deacons, and Seminarians. As you come into the church, you may want to look at the calendar and pray for the designated person of the day.

Please Note: If you would like to present the gifts at the Offertory, please contact the Ushers before Mass.



Prayer Chain: To place your request on the Prayer Chain, please call the Parish Office or Charlene Herzig at 330-343-1063.

Spiritual Notes:

The writer of the Book of Wisdom tells us that "God did not make death." Writing in the century before Christ, he gives us some insight into Israel's developing theology of life after death. "He fashioned all things that they might have being"; we are the image of His own nature, part of creation that God pronounced as good. But by envy of the devil, death entered the world, he tells us in the text that first identifies the serpent of Genesis 3 as the devil. Jesus' ability to heal leads many people to come to Him. The healings are part of His work to announce and foster the growth of the kingdom. In the biblical mind, illness is often seen as a result of evil, so by healing the sick, Jesus is conquering the presence of evil in the world. In today's Gospel, we hear of two healings Mark uses a method of storytelling known as sandwiching - one story is contained within another. Jairus, a synagogue official, approaches Jesus on behalf of his daughter, who is "at the point of death." En route to Jairus' house, Jesus encounters a woman suffering from hemorrhages. Her faith in His power to heal is evidenced by her words, "If I but touch His clothes, I shall be cured." Touching Jesus' cloak, she is healed. "Your faith has saved you" Jesus tells her. Mark then returns to the story of Jairus' daughter, who "has died." The people from Jairus' home believe there is no further reason to bother Jesus now that she is dead, but Jesus tells Jairus, "Do not be afraid; just have faith." Arriving at the house, Jesus restores the girl to life, another example of the power of faith.

For reflection: What area of brokenness in my life needs Jesus' healing, touch? Do I make efforts to use my surplus to provide for the needs of others?

Please keep in your prayers, James "Jim" Zeigler, age 86, who died on Monday, June 25, 2018. Jim was an usher for St. Joseph Church for many years! Eternal rest grant unto him, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon him. Please also, keep his family in your prayers.

Help us to have the correct information in our new Parish Directory!

Are you a registered parishioner? Do we have your current phone number? Registering in the parish is a declaration of your desire to be a part of the Catholic community and commitment to the life of our parish. If you want to register, there are forms in the Vestibule, simple fill one out and drop it in the collection basked or stop in the Parish Office during the week or on Sunday mornings after the Masses and request a form.

Can you help with transportation to Mass?

We often get calls from parishioners in both Dover and New Philadelphia, who need help getting to Mass. If you are able to help, please call the Parish Office.

The U.S. Catholic Bishops condemn recent policies to strip away asylum for immigrants who lack adequate protection and for the continued use of family separation at the U.S./Mexico border as an implementation of the Administration's zero tolerance policy. Families are the foundational element of our society and they must be able to stay together.

The bishops also call on fair solutions for Dreamers and unaccompanied migrant youth. As Congress debates immigration reform, we stand in solidarity with our brothers and sisters. We pray for a just and compassionate solution to fix the broken immigration system.

For Church teaching on immigration and ways you can respond, visit the websites for the U.S. Catholic Bishops' Justice for Immigrants campaign at www.justiceforimmigrants.org and Pope Francis' Share the Journey Campaign at www.sharejourney.org.

BISHOP'S 2018 ANNUAL APPEAL

"Sharing his Love, Encouraging Hope"

We have three weeks remaining! Thank you to the 25% of our parishioners that have already contributed, \$67,210.00! Our goal is \$71,303.57. Any amount raised over our goal will be returned to our parish. Please pray for the success of the appeal.

Spiritual Life of Saint Joseph Parish

Sacrament of Reconciliation: Saturday Confession times are 11:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. and 3:00 to 3:45 p.m.

Adoration of the Eucharist: The Eucharist will be exposed for Adoration every Thursday morning after Mass until 9:30 a.m.

Rosary: Each Wednesday Morning after the 8:15 a.m. Mass, join us as we pray the Rosary.

Anointing of the Sick: Anointings will take place on the second Sunday of each month following each of the Masses.

Upcoming Meetings in the Life of the Parish

Secular Franciscans invite everyone wishing to attend the first Saturday of each month at 10:00 a.m. for Morning Prayer and Eucharistic Prayer, followed by coffee and donuts.

Knights of Columbus: The first and third Thursday of each month at 7:00 p.m. at the Knights of Columbus Hall in Dover. For more information, contact John Kuczirka.

Men's Bible Study Group: Monday, July 2, 2018, at 7:00 p.m. Please read Chapter 8 of the Matthew Series.



St. Joseph Parish Festival July 20th, 21st, and 22nd

Entertainment Friday

5:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. – Tequila Mary 8:00 p.m. to 11:00 p.m. – Badstone **Saturday**

5:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. – Larry Notz 8:00 p.m. to 11:00 p.m. – Moonlyterz **Sunday**

6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. - Jericho

<u>Dinners</u> Friday

Swiss Steak Dinner - \$10.00 5:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

Saturday

Spaghetti Dinner – \$8.00 5:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

Sunday

BBQ Chicken Dinner - \$10.00 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

Festival Sponsors

If you and/or your company are interested in becoming Festival Sponsors for our Parish Festival, we are accepting donations. For more information, please contact Milt Hamilton, or the Parish Office.

L.C.B.A. and the St. Joseph Crafty Ladies are accepting donations for the Fancy Boot at the Festival. Please bring your handmade items, arts, crafts, jewelry or other creations to the Parish Office. For more information, please contact Charlene Herzig at 330-343-1063 or Mary Pusateri at 330-364-2775.

Help Needed

If you are interested in volunteering for the Festival this year, please contact Cathy and Dan Galbraith at 330-340-3729.

Festival Set-Up

July 18th to July 20th

Festival Tear Down

July 23rd

If you would like to volunteer to work at the Festival, please fill out this form and drop it in the collection basket.
Name:
Phone:
Where you would like to work:
Available day and times:

Latin Mass

On Monday, July 2nd at 7:00 p.m., there will be a Latin Mass at Immaculate Conception for the Feast of Visitation, commemorating Mary's journey to see Elizabeth and the first "meeting" of Jesus and John the Baptist. There will be Gregorian Chant provided by seminarians, lasting about an hour.

You're invited!

On July 8 at 10:00 a.m., Father Ty will be celebrating his last High Mass at Immaculate Conception in Dennison. Father Ty will be moving to Lancaster. There will be a reception for him following Mass at the Knights of Columbus Hall in Dennison. All are welcome!

St. Joseph Soup Kitchen

Everyone is welcome!!

The intention for the Soup Kitchen is to serve God's children in need: the poor in spirit, as well as the needy.

Teams, if you need assistance, please contact Andrea Settimio or the Parish Office.

July 4, 2018 – Team C (Milt Hamilton) July 11, 2018 – Team D (Lisa Weigand) July 18, 2018 – Team E (Pastoral Council)

Please keep our guests and volunteers in your prayers.

Parish School of Religion

Registrations for next year's P.S.R. classes were mailed out, to all who registered last year. If you have any questions or concerns, or are a new family to our program and need registrations forms please call the Parish Office.

Tuscarawas Central Catholic Elementary School Immaculate Conception School is seeking a part-time aide to work in the pre-kindergarten program three days a week. The successful applicant must complete the Protecting God's Children workshop and background check and obtain an ODE aide permit. A high school diploma is required. We are seeking a person of good character who loves to work with children in a faith-filled environment. Experience preferred. Additional training will be required upon employment. Send a letter of interest and résumé to Matt Ritzert, 100 Sherman Street, Dennison OH 44621 or mritzert@cdeducation.org.

Immaculate Conception School is also seeking a parttime supervisor of our after-school care program. Hours will vary depending on demand. The successful applicant must complete the Protecting God's Children workshop and background check. We are seeking a person of good character who loves to work with children in a faith-filled environment. Please contact Matt Ritzert at mritzert@cdeducation.org.

Keeping Students in College Connected To The Catholic Church.

Parents, grandparents, and family members of students heading off to college next fall. You can encourage them to be active in campus ministry through the Newman Connection. This website provides information for more than 1,300 Catholic campus ministries, their Mass times, and some scheduled activities, please visit www.NewmanConnection.com.



Save the Date!

St. Joseph Church Benefit Golf Outing

July 14, 2018 – Wilkshire Golf Course More information to follow!

Living Bread Radio Network

The Living Bread Radio Network AM1060 (Canton, Akron, Cleveland) and 94.5 (Canton, vicinity) produces 12 local programs and making it the largest Catholic radio station in Ohio! Visit <u>livingbreadradio.com</u> for schedules and a free app to listen live 24/7.

Marriage is a Sacrament

What exactly does that mean? You'll learn a new way to find the Lord in your home at a Worldwide Marriage Encounter weekend. The next two weekends are July 13-15 and September 14-16, both in Central Ohio. For more information or to apply, contact Paul and Marilou Clouse at 614-834-6880 or by visiting www.wwmecolumbug.org.



Other Information to Note:

Mass Intentions: Please be reminded that any parishioner is welcome to request Masses be celebrated for deceased or living loved ones. To schedule a Mass Intention, please contact the Parish Office.

Low-Gluten Hosts: If you are a person who needs to receive a **low-gluten host** because of wheat allergies or celiac disease, please call the Parish Office.

Bulletin deadline: The bulletin deadline is Monday at 12:00 p.m. Please include your contact information with phone number and email address. Bulletin notices may be in writing, faxed to 330-602-7488, dropped off, or emailed to stjosephchurch@roadrunner.com.

Courage/Encourage:

Courage offers spiritual support for Catholic men and women with same sex attractions and is endorsed by the Pontifical Council for the Family. Courage was founded in 1980 by Cardinal Cook to help Catholics with same sex attractions live chaste lives in accordance with the Roman Catholic Church's teachings. EnCourage is the affiliate support group for family members, spouses, and friends of men and women with same sex attractions. For confidential inquiries, please contact Father Pat Toner at 614-296-7404. For more information, contact the Marriage and Family Life Office at 614-241-2560 or visit www.couragerc.net.

We have exciting news! New to St. Joseph Parish, Dee Printing, Inc. now has an app that you can download for free. Go to your app store, search for InOurParish. After downloaded, search for St. Joseph Church, Dover. You can view bulletins, go to website, see calendar, make a prayer request and much more.



When traveling and you need to know where the closest Catholic Church is and the times for their Masses, please check out www.masstimes.org.



Leave a Legacy of Love and Faith

Your last will and testament can leave a legacy of your faith by helping to pass it on to others. When drafting your will, after taking care of your family, please consider naming St. Joseph Parish or the Diocese of Columbus as a recipient of your estate. For more information, contact James Anzelmo at the Catholic Foundation at 1-866-298-8893 or JAnzelmo@catholic-foundation.org.



Online Giving. If you manage your bills online, we're sure you'll like giving to your church online. It's safe and secure,

and you decide exactly when your gift is made and where it goes. To get started, please visit <u>www.stjosephdover.org</u>. If you have any questions or need assistance, please call the Parish Office.



Please remember in your prayers all the sick, homebound, and recovering in our parish. Also, pray for those coping with physical or mental conditions. Please include all those on

our prayer lists who have asked for our prayers and those who have no one to pray for them.

The Holy Father's Prayer Intentions July 2018: Evangelization: Priests and their Pastoral Ministry

That priests, who experience fatigue and loneliness in their pastoral work, may find help and comfort in their intimacy with the Lord and in their friendship with their brother priests.

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Lectio Divina DAILY SCRIPTURE READING + MEDITATION + PRAYER + CONTEMPLATION

"A truly prayerful person will often approach Christ to ascertain whether they are

pleasing or displeasing to Him." ~SAINT ANTHONY ZACCARIA Monday, July 2 ~ Thirteenth Week in the Season of Ordinary Time

Holy Gospel: Matthew 8:18-22 When Jesus saw a crowd around him, he gave orders to cross to the other shore. A scribe approached and said to him, "Teacher, I will follow you wherever you go." Jesus answered him, "Foxes have dens and birds of the sky have nests, but the Son of Man has nowhere to rest his head." Another of his disciples said to him, "Lord, let me go first and bury my father." But Jesus answered him, "Follow me, and let the dead bury their dead."

Meditation: When the Lord Jesus calls us to follow him, he invites us into a personal relationship of love and friendship. That relationship also involves the commitment of our entire lives to Jesus as Lord and Master, Teacher and Healer, Messiah and Savior. To follow Jesus is the greatest of all calls. What an awesome privilege and an awesome responsibility to be a disciple of Jesus Christ! What does it cost to be a disciple? For the first disciples, they paid the ultimate price for being a follower of Jesus by not renouncing Christ as Lord, Savior, Messiah; by not renouncing Christ's teachings; by being steadfast disciples of Christ. A disciple must be willing to make sacrifices, even the sacrifice of his own life to follow Jesus as his Master and Lord. Notice how another would-be disciple responded by saying that he must first bury his father, that is go back home and take care of his father until he died. Jesus appealed to the man's heart and told him to detach himself from whatever might keep him from following as his disciple.

Prayer: O God, who through the grace of adoption chose us to be children of light, grant, we pray, that we may not be wrapped in the darkness of error but always be seen to stand in the bright light of truth. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

Contemplation: What can keep us from giving our all to God? Fear, anxiety, self-concern, pre-occupation and attachment to other things, to name a few. Even spiritual things can get in the way of having God alone as our Treasure if we put them first. Detachment is a necessary step is we want to make the Lord our Treasure and Joy. It frees us to give ourselves without reserve to the Lord and to his service. There is nothing greater we can do with our lives than to place them at the service of the Lord and Master of the universe. We cannot out give God in generosity. Jesus promises that those who are willing to part with what is most dear to them for his sake "will receive a hundred times as much and will inherit eternal life" (Matthew 19:29). Is there anything holding you back from giving your all to the Lord?

Tuesday, July 3 ~ Thirteenth Week in the Season of Ordinary Time Feast of Saint Thomas, Apostle

Holy Gospel: John 20:24-29 Thomas, called Didymus, one of the Twelve, was not with them when Jesus came. So the other disciples said to him, "We have seen the Lord." But Thomas said to them, "Unless I see the mark of the nails in his hands and put my finger into the nailmarks and put my hand into his side, I will not believe." Now a week later his disciples were again inside and Thomas was with them. Jesus came, although the doors were locked, and stood in their midst and said, "Peace be with you." Then he said to Thomas, "Put your finger here and see my hands, and bring your hand and put it into my side, and do not be unbelieving, but believe." Thomas answered and said to him, "My Lord and my God!" Jesus said to him, "Have you come to believe because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and have believed."

Meditation: What gives us unshakeable hope and confidence in the face of death and defeat? The apostles abandoned Jesus in his hour of trial and lost hope when Jesus was handed over to the Romans for execution. They saw the cross as defeat rather than victory. They were slow to believe the reports of the resurrection until the Risen Lord appeared to them and reassured them of his presence and love. The

last apostle to meet the resurrected Lord was the first to go with him to Jerusalem at Passover time. The apostle Thomas was a natural pessimist. When Jesus proposed that they visit Lazarus after receiving news of his illness, Thomas said to the disciples: "Let us also go, that we may die with him" (John 11:16). While Thomas deeply loved the Lord, he lacked the courage to stand with Jesus in his passion and crucifixion. After Jesus' death, Thomas made the mistake of withdrawing from the other apostles. He sought loneliness rather than fellowship in his time of adversity. He doubted the women who saw the resurrected Jesus and he doubted his own fellow apostles. When Thomas finally had the courage to rejoin the other apostles, the Lord Jesus made his presence known to him and reassured him that he had indeed overcome death and risen again. When Thomas recognized his Master, he believed and exclaimed that Jesus was truly Lord and truly God!

Prayer: Grant, almighty God, that we may glory in the Feast of the blessed Apostle Thomas, so that we may always be sustained by his intercession and, believing, may have life in the name of Jesus Christ your Son, whom Thomas acknowledged as the Lord. Who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

Contemplation: It is through the gift of faith that we, too, are able to recognize the presence of the risen Lord in our personal lives. The Holy Spirit reveals the Lord Jesus to us and helps us to grow in knowledge and understanding of God and his ways. Through the gift of faith we are able to proclaim that Jesus is our personal Lord and our God. He died and rose that we, too, might have new life in him. The Lord offers each of us new life in his Holy Spirit that we may know him personally and walk in this new way of life through the power of his resurrection. Do you believe in God's word and in the power of the Holy Spirit?

Wednesday, July 4 ~ Thirteenth Week in the Season of Ordinary Time ~ Independence Day ~

Holy Gospel: Matthew 8:28-34 When Jesus came to the territory of the Gadarenes, two demoniacs who were coming from the tombs met him. They were so savage that no one could travel by that road. They cried out, "What have you to do with us, Son of God? Have you come here to torment us before the appointed time?" Some distance away a herd of many swine was feeding. The demons pleaded with him, "If you drive us out, send us into the herd of swine." And he said to them, "Go then!" They came out and entered the swine, and the whole herd rushed down the steep bank into the sea where they drowned. The swineherds ran away, and when they came to the town they reported everything, including what had happened to the demoniacs. Thereupon the whole town came out to meet Jesus, and when they saw him they begged him to leave their district.

Meditation: Jesus took pity on these men who were overtaken by a legion of evil spirits. The destructive force of these demons is evident for all who can see as they flee and destroy a herd of swine. After Jesus freed the demoniacs the whole city came out to meet him. No one had demonstrated such power and authority against the forces of Satan as Jesus did. They feared Jesus as a result and begged him to leave them. Why would they not want Jesus to stay? Perhaps the price for such liberation from the power of evil and sin was more than they wanted to pay. Jesus is ready and willing to free us from anything that binds us and that keeps us from the love of God. Are you willing to part with anything that might keep you from his love and saving grace?

Prayer: God of justice, Father of truth, who guide creation in wisdom and goodness to fulfillment in Christ your Son, open our hearts to the truth of his Gospel, that your peace may rule in our hearts and your justice guide our lives. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

Contemplation: There were a growing number of Christians in Rome within a dozen or so years after the death of Jesus. Wherever the Good News of Jesus was preached, it met the same opposition as Jesus did, and many of those who began to follow him shared his suffering and death. But no human force could stop the power of the Spirit unleashed upon the world. The blood of martyrs has always been, and will always be, the seed of Christians. When you face opposition from friend, family members, co-workers, neighbors, classmates – whomever – for living your life according to the teachings of Christ and his Catholic Church, fear not as you are in good company. Jesus was ridiculed and mocked for proclaiming the truth, his apostles and disciples were mocked and scored for living the truth. We live in an era where it is acceptable – even "fashionable" – to embrace a life of political correctness, an era where many do not want to offend a friend or go against a societal trend by saying "no" but have no problem turning away from God of offending him. Never shy away from living your life according to the laws of God and the teachings of Jesus Christ. Remember, you profess to be a disciple of Christ – prove it by your actions.

On this Independence Day: We would do well to recall and reflect upon the words of Pope Saint John Paul II: "For the Christian people of America conversion to the Gospel means to revise all the different areas and aspects of life, especially those related to the social order and the pursuit of the common good. It will be especially necessary to nurture the growing awareness in society of the dignity of every person and, therefore, to promote in the community a sense of the duty to participate in political life in harmony with the Gospel."

Thursday, July 5 ~ Thirteenth Week in the Season of Ordinary Time Saint Anthony Zaccaria, Priest

Holy Gospel: Matthew 9:1-8 After entering a boat, Jesus made the crossing, and came into his own town. And there people brought to him a paralytic lying on a stretcher. When Jesus saw their faith, he said to the paralytic, "Courage, child, your sins are forgiven." At that, some of the scribes said to themselves, "This man is blaspheming." Jesus knew what they were thinking, and said: "Why do you harbor evil thoughts? Which is easier, to say, 'Your sins are forgiven,' or to say, 'Rise and walk'? But that you may know that the Son of Man has authority on earth to forgive sins"— he then said to the paralytic, "Rise, pick up your stretcher, and go home." He rose and went home. When the crowds saw this they were struck with awe and glorified God who had given such authority to men.

Meditation: *Question:* What cripples the mind and heart and stifles the healing power of love? *Answer:* Sin and an unforgiving mind and heart! You should not be amazed at the fact that sin cripples us more than any physical ailment can. Sin is the work of the kingdom of darkness and it holds us in eternal bondage. There is only one solution to sin – the healing, cleansing power of Jesus' forgiveness. Jesus' treatment of sinners upset the religious teachers of the day. When a cripple was brought to Jesus because of the faith of his friends, Jesus did the unthinkable. He first forgave the man his sins. The scribes regarded this as blasphemy because they understood that only God had authority to forgive sins and to unbind a man or woman from their burden of guilt. Jesus claimed an authority which only God could rightfully give. Jesus not only proved that his authority came from God, he showed the great power of God's redeeming love and mercy by healing the cripple of his physical ailment.

Prayer: Grant, O Lord, that in the spirit of the Apostle Paul we may pursue the surpassing knowledge of Jesus Christ, for, having learned it, Saint Anthony Zaccaria constantly preached your saving word in the Church. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

Contemplation: The crippled man in today's Gospel had been crippled not only physically, but spiritually as well. Jesus freed him from his burden of guilt and restored his body. It would be time well spent for each of us to look deeply and honestly at how we, too, may be crippled by our own sinfulness, and where we turn to for healing. It is all too easy to fall into the habit of letting society redefine what sin is and is not. Truth is truth, and sin is sin, as defined by God the Father (not civil or secular laws [e.g. abortion, same-sex marriage, etc.]), the timeless teachings of Jesus Christ (not talk show hosts, newspaper columnists, blogs, or Washington officials) and the one, true church - the Catholic Church - founded by Jesus Christ. Yes, we are sinners. And yes, all are welcome in the Catholic Church. But all are called to convert from sin, to submit ourselves to God, and to live our lives according to the will of God - not have God submit to us or to impose our will upon God. In this topsy-turvy world, there are many who place themselves and their wants, desires, lifestyle, et cetera, above God and, in doing so, recreate and relive the sin of Adam and Eve. It was our first parents who, tempted by Satan, determined what they thought was right and wrong and, in doing so, placed themselves before and above God. When we search for the truth, when we search for answers, for guidance and direction, for healing and reconciliation, for it is the Lord in his infinite love and mercy who is ever-ready to bring us healing of mind, body, and soul. His grace brings us freedom from the power of sin and from bondage to harmful desires and addictions. A first step - primary action - is receiving the Sacrament of Reconciliation with a priest, who has the power to absolve you of your sins and to get you back on the road to follow Jesus Christ.

Friday, July 6 ~ Thirteenth Week in the Season of Ordinary Time Saint Maria Goretti, Virgin and Martyr

Holy Gospel: Matthew 9:9-13 As Jesus passed by, he saw a man named Matthew sitting at the customs post. He said to him, "Follow me." And he got up and followed him. While he was at table in his house, many tax collectors and sinners came and sat with Jesus and his disciples. The Pharisees saw this and said to his disciples, "Why does your teacher eat with tax collectors and sinners?" He heard this and said,

"Those who are well do not need a physician, but the sick do. Go and learn the meaning of the words, I desire mercy, not sacrifice. I did not come to call the righteous but sinners."

Meditation: We live in a world where Jesus constantly invites each of us to follow him. And yet, on this day when we celebrate our country's birth, there are many reasons to celebrate the blessings that God has bestowed on our country, and causes for concern about the freedoms we exercise. Does Christ invite us to follow him to view pornography? Does Jesus invite us to follow him by participating in any way in having an abortion? Does Jesus invite us to participate in same-sex marriage? Of course not, as these are contrary to God's laws and the teachings of Jesus Christ. And yet so many Americans – including those who call themselves Christian – regularly participate in these acts and, in doing so, choose not follow Christ. During this week when we celebrate the birth of the United States of America, let's not declare our independence from God, but rather independence from those things (definition of a noun: any person place or thing) that leads us to sin, praying that our fellow citizens – men and women of all ages, walks of life, and religious faiths – will turn away from all that separates us from the love of God, and in doing so simply take up Jesus Christ on his personal invitation to each and every one of us when he says: "follow me."

Prayer: O God, author if innocence and lover of chastity, who bestowed the grace of martyrdom on your handmaid, the Virgin Saint Maria Goretti, in her youth, grant, we pray, through her intercession, that, as you gave her a crown for her steadfastness, so we, too, may be firm in obeying your commandments. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

Contemplation: What is God's call on your life? When Jesus saw Matthew sitting at his tax office – no doubt counting his day's profit – Jesus spoke only two words – "follow me." Those two words changed Matthew's life forever, from a self-serving profiteer to a God-serving apostle who would bring the treasures of God's kingdom to the poor and needy. Jesus says "follow me" to every man and woman on this earth. How do you respond to Jesus' invitation to follow him? Take Christ up on his personal invitation to "follow me," and in doing so let your life be forever changed.

About Saint Maria Goretti: She was born of a poor family in Corinaldi, Italy, in 1890. Near Nettuno she spent a difficult childhood assisting her mother in domestic duties. She was of a pious nature and often at prayer. In 1902 she was stabbed to death, preferring to die rather than be raped. In a homily on the day of her canonization, Pope Pius XII said: "It is well known how this young girl had to face a bitter struggle with no way to defend herself. Without warning a vicious stranger (actually Alessandro Serenelli who lived with his father in the same house as the Goretti's) burst upon her, bent on raping her and destroying her childlike purity. The life of this simple girl - I shall concern myself only with highlights — we can see as worthy of heaven. Even today people can look upon it with admiration and respect. Parents can learn from her story how to raise their God-given children in virtue, courage and holiness; they can learn to train them in the Catholic faith so that, when put to the test, God's grace will support them and they will come through undefeated, unscathed and untarnished. From Maria's story carefree children and young people with their zest for life can learn not to be led astray by attractive pleasures which are not only ephemeral and empty but also sinful. Instead they can fix their sights on achieving Christian moral perfection, however difficult and hazardous that course may prove. With determination and God's help all of us can attain that goal by persistent effort and prayer. Not all of us are expected to die a martyr's death, but we are all called to the pursuit of Christian virtue. This demands strength of character though it may not match that of this innocent girl. Still, a constant, persistent and relentless effort is asked of us right up to the moment of our death. This may be conceived as a slow steady martyrdom which Christ urged upon us when he said: The kingdom of heaven is set upon and laid waste by violent forces. So let us all, with God's grace, strive to reach the goal that the example of the virgin martyr, Saint Maria Goretti, sets before us. Through her prayers to the Redeemer may all of us, each in his own way, joyfully try to follow the inspiring example of Maria Goretti who now enjoys eternal happiness in heaven."

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<u>Intenciones de oración del Santo Padre</u>

Julio 2018: Por la evangelización: Los sacerdotes en su misión pastoral

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Notas Espirituales

La escritura del libro de la Sabiduría nos dice que "Dios no hizo la muerte." Escribiendo en el siglo antes de Cristo, que nos da una idea del desarrollo de la teología de la vida después de la muerte de Israel." Él ha formado todas las cosas para que tengan ser ," somos "la imagen de su propia naturaleza ," que forma parte de la creación que Dios anuncio bueno. "Pero por la envidia del diablo, la muerte entró en el mundo," nos dice en el texto que primero identifica la serpiente del Génesis 3 como el diablo. La capacidad de Jesús para sanar lleva a muchas personas a venir a él. La parte de las curaciones de su obra para anunciar y promover el crecimiento del reino. En el pensamiento bíblico, la enfermedad es a menudo visto como resultado del mal, por lo que al sanar a los enfermos Jesús está conquistando la presencia del mal en el mundo. En el evangelio de hoy nos enteramos de dos curaciones. Marcos utiliza un método de narración conocida como emparedado - una historia está contenida dentro de otra. Jairo, un jefe de la sinagoga, se acerca a Jesús en nombre de su hija, que esta "al punto de la muerte." En el camino a la casa de Jairo, Jesús se encuentra con una mujer que sufre de hemorragias. La fe en su poder para sanar es evidencia en sus palabras, "Cuando, toque su ropa, quedaré curada." Al tocar el manto de Jesús, ella se sanó. "Tu fe te ha salvado," Jesús le dice. Marcos vuelve entonces a la historia de la hija de Jairo, que "ha muerto." Las personas de la casa de Jairo creen que no hay más razón para molestarse Jesús ahora que ella está muerta, pero Jesús le dice a Jairo, "No tengas miedo, sólo ten fe." Al llegar, a la casa, Jesús devuelve a la niña la vida, otro ejemplo del poder de la fe. Escribiendo a los Corintios, Pablo anima a que sean generosos con los necesitados para que "su abundancia en la actualidad deba abastecer de sus necesidades." Como Dios ha sido generoso con nosotros, Pablo argumenta, debemos ser generosos con los necesitados. El Papa Francisco ha reforzado este mensaje en los últimos meses él pide mayor lucha contra la pobreza en nuestro mundo y en nuestras comunidades.

Para reflexionar: ¿Qué área de quebrantamiento en mi vida necesita la mano sanadora de Jesús? ¿Me esfuerzo lo dispensable para atender a las necesidades de los demás?



Por favor, recuerde en su oración, a todos los enfermos, al salir de casa, y la recuperación de nuestra parroquia. Además, orar por aquellos que sufren de condiciones físicas o mentales.

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