

## The Catholic Community of

# Saint Joseph

### Masses

Saturday – 4:00 p.m.; Sunday – 8:30 a.m. and 11:00 a.m.

Mass in Spanish: Sunday – 1:30 p.m. Holy Days: Check inside of bulletin.

Weekdays: Tuesday – 6:00 p.m.; Wednesday, Thursday & Friday – 8:15 a.m.

Confessions: Saturday – 3:00 p.m. to 3:45 p.m.; Sunday – 7:45 a.m. to 8:15 a.m. and 10:15 a.m. to 10:45 a.m.

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

Parish Office Hours: 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., Monday-Friday

- ◆ **PARISH STAFF:** Rev. James Hatfield, *Pastor*; Deacon Ronald Fondriest, *Retired*; Ms. Brenda Stilgenbauer, *Pastoral Associate*; Mr. Matthew Nadalin, *Director of Music Ministry*; Ms. Cindy Teynor, *Director of Religious Education*; Mrs. Kateri Renicker, *Religious Education Secretary*; Mrs. Jodi Lindberg, *Bookkeeper*; Mr. Coleman Boring, *Youth Minister*; Mrs. Betty Bidingier, *Coordinator of Family Life Center*; Mr. Don Ballantyne, *Church and Cemetery Maintenance*; and Mr. Neal Kwasnicka, *Custodian*.
- ◆ **FINANCE COMMITTEE MEMBERS:** Mr. Brian Bauer, Mr. Chris Chaney, Mr. Mark Clemence, Mr. Jack Dooling, Mr. Dennis Gonano, Mr. Jan-Michael LaBrake, Mrs. Brenda Pope, Mr. Frank Rose, Mr. Joe Sciarretti.
- ◆ **MARRIAGES** – Arrangements should be made through the Parish Office at least eight months before any other planning.
- ◆ **BAPTISMS** – Baptisms are celebrated on Sunday 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.
- ◆ **BAUTISMOS** – Bautismo en español se celebran una vez al mes después de la Misa el Domingo. Los padres y padrinos deben recibir charlas de preparación en el Centro Familiar. Deben inscribirse llamando a las Oficinas de la Parroquia.
- ◆ **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](mailto:stjosephchurch@roadrunner.com).

**Parish Office:**  
330-364-6661

**After Hours  
Emergency Line:**  
330-364-6662

**Fax:**  
330-602-7488

**Youth Ministry:**  
330-364-6661

**Hispanic Ministry:**  
330-432-0811

**Tuscarawas Central  
Catholic Elementary  
School:**  
330-343-9134

**Tuscarawas Central  
Catholic High School:**  
330-343-3302

**St. Joseph Church**  
**Dover, Ohio 44622**  
**Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
**September 8, 2019**  
**8 de Septiembre del 2019**



**Mass Intentions**

**Monday, September 9**

**No Mass**

Readings: 437: Col 1:24-2:3/Ps 62/Lk 6:6-11

**Tuesday, September 10**

**6:00 p.m.** Becky Tylka

Readings: 438: Col 2:6-15/Ps 145/Lk 6:12-19

**Wednesday, September 11**

**8:15 a.m.** Tony Ginnetti

**9:00 a.m.** Rosary

Readings: 439: Col 3:1-11/Ps 145/Lk 6:20-26

**Thursday, September 12**

**8:15 a.m.** John Marshall

**9:00 a.m.** Eucharistic Adoration

Readings: 440: Col 3:12-17/Ps 150/Lk 6:27-38

**Friday, September 13**

**8:15 a.m.** Noreen Murphy West

Readings: 441: 1 Tm 1:1-2, 12-14/Ps 16/Lk 6:39-42

**Saturday, September 14**

**Vigil of Twenty-Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**4:00 p.m.** David Magnacca

**Sunday, September 15**

**Twenty-Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**8:30 a.m.** Victorino Carpio

**11:00 a.m.** Ellen Nadalin

**1:30 p.m.** The People of the Parish

**(Mass in Spanish)**

Readings: 132: Ex 32:7-11/Ps 51/1 Tm 1:12-17/  
Lk 15:1-32

**Offertory for Sunday, August 31 and Sept. 1, 2019**

Loose	\$ 2,997.00
Adult Weekly Envelopes	\$ 7,743.00
Online Giving	\$ 910.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$11,650.00</b>
Contributions needed each week	\$12,192.00

**Other Funds:**

Poor Fund	\$ 513.00
Capital Improvement	\$ 25.00
St. Joseph Catholic School Subsidy	\$ 65.00

**Thank you for your generosity.**

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

**Ministry Schedules**

**September 14 and 15, 2019**

**4:00 p.m. Mass**

**Lector:** Mary DeBois - 1st Reading

Vicki Wilhelm - 2nd Reading

**Eucharistic Ministers:** Mary Roberts, Beth Cecil,

Jessica DeBois, Janice Cosenza, Vicki Avon,

Tim Avon, Jeri Middaugh

**Servers:** Cade Renicker, Kenton Renicker,

Charlie Montan (Alt: Ali Price)

**8:30 a.m. Mass**

**Lector:** Keith Knestaut - 1st Reading

John Ostapuck - 2nd Reading

**Eucharistic Ministers:** Rachel Thomas, Lou Settimio,

Andrea Settimio, Milt Hamilton, Matt Ritzert,

Jack Burnham, John Kuczirka, Sharon Kuczirka,

Christine Ayers

**Servers:** Easton Pope, John Chaney, Max Burnham

(Alt: Cole Seigler)

**11:00 a.m. Mass**

**Lector:** Sue Worth - 1st Reading

Bonnie Edwards - 2nd Reading

**Eucharistic Ministers:** Tom O'Donnell, Patti DeVault,

Kevin Fitzgerald, Stacy Savage, Joe Sciarretti,

Becky Nylund, Dave Nylund

**Servers:** Loudon Savage, Gregory Nguyen,

John Nguyen (Alt: Nick Williams)

**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.**



**Prayer Chain:** To place your request on the prayer chain, please call the Parish Office or Charlene Herzig at 330-343-1063. If no one is available, please leave a message.

**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.

### Spiritual Notes

From the Book of Wisdom today, we hear that without the help of the Spirit, God remains a mystery to us: "Who can conceive what the Lord intends." Echoing the teaching of Plato, the writer tells us that "the corruptible body burdens the soul." We must depend on God in order to rise above our human limitations. Through God's gift of Wisdom, thus were the paths of those on earth made straight. Paul's letter to Philemon, written from prison, illustrates how Christianity calls us to act in a new way. Onesimus, a slave of Philemon, has run away and is now with Paul; Onesimus converts to Christianity, and Paul is sending him back to Philemon with a letter encouraging Philemon to welcome him back no longer as a slave, but a brother, in the Lord. Though Paul does not directly attack the institution of slavery, he writes with the Christian understanding that we are all united in Christ. Onesimus is returning not as a runaway slave but as a brother in Christ. Paul urges Philemon to welcome him as you would me. Discipleship has its cost; that is the message of Jesus in today's Gospel. Jesus tells us that to be a disciple, we must put God first, even before our closest family relationships. The word translated hate does not have the same meaning as it does today (unless Jesus is using hyperbole, a rhetorical device employed even in biblical writing). Scholars interpret the word as calling for giving family relationships a lower priority than our relationship with God. Discipleship is not a choice we should take lightly. We should consider the cost before we accept the call, knowing that God will never abandon us.

*For Reflection: What is my cost of discipleship? What can I do to grow in the gift of Wisdom?*

### R.C. I.A. Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults

If you or anyone you know is interested in learning more about Catholicism and The Church's process for becoming Catholic, we invite you to attend the upcoming R.C.I.A. inquiry meeting on **Thursday, September 12th at 7:00 p.m.** If you are unable to attend the meeting, please contact John Kuczirka at 330-343-9988 or the Parish Office for more information.

**St. Joseph Church, with Father Jimmy Hatfield, is planning a pilgrimage to Eastern Europe July 20 to 31, 2020.** Plans include visiting Warsaw, Auschwitz, Krakow, Budapest, Vienna, and Prague! If you are interested in learning more about the trip, please call the Parish Office! Includes airfare, hotels, most meals, admission fees, and ground transportation.



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](http://www.masstimes.org).

### Spiritual Life of Saint Joseph Parish

**Sacrament of Reconciliation:** Saturday, 3:00 to 3:45 p.m. Sunday, 7:45 a.m. to 8:15 a.m. and 10:15 a.m. to 10:45 a.m.

**Adoration of the Eucharist:** The Eucharist will be exposed for Adoration every Thursday morning after Mass until 9:30 a.m. and the first Tuesday of each month at 7:00 p.m. Along with the first Friday of each month following the 8:15 a.m. Mass

**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 Saint Joseph 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.

**L.C.B.A.** invites everyone wishing to attend the first Tuesday of each month at 1:00 p.m. in the Family Life Center - Downstairs Meeting Room.

**Crafty Ladies:** The first and third Tuesday of the month at 10:00 a.m. in the Family Life Center - Downstairs Meeting Room. All are welcome.

**Isabellas:** The third Monday of each month at 4:00 p.m. in the Knights Hall.

**Men's Bible Study Group:** Monday, September 9, 2019 at 7:00 p.m. and will begin a new study "Epic - The History of the Church," in the Family Life Center.

**Family Life Committee:** Monday, September 9, 2019 at 7:00 p.m. in the Family Life Center - Meeting Room A.

**Matthew Bible Study:** Wednesday, September 11, 2019 at 7:00 p.m. in the Family Life Center - Meeting Room B.

**Finance Committee:** Wednesday, September 18, 2019 at 6:00 p.m. in the Family Life Center - Bodner Room.



**Are you a woman who would like to become more active?** The Isabellas are a group of women who provide meals for the homeless monthly, support the Knights of Columbus in their functions, and meet monthly for fellowship. We also have a soup kitchen team. **Our meetings are the third Monday of the month, beginning Sept. 16, at 4:00 p.m. at the Knights Hall.** We would love to have you join us! If you have questions, please call Andrea Settimio at 330-204-1946.



## **Tuscarawas Central Catholic Elementary School**



### **Spaghetti Dinner**

Tuscarawas Central Catholic Elementary School will host a Spaghetti Dinner at the school Sunday, September 15 from 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. Carry-out will be available. Please join us for the best spaghetti in town!

### **Substitute Teachers Needed!**

Do you have a passion for teaching and working with kids? Tuscarawas Central Catholic Elementary School and Immaculate Conception School are searching for qualified substitute teachers for the 2019-2020 school year. Substitute teachers must have a valid teachers' license or substitute certificate. Attendance at a Protecting God's Children workshop and background check are also required. For more information, please contact Matt Ritzert at [mritzert@cddeducation.org](mailto:mritzert@cddeducation.org).

### **Catholic Youth Ministry News**

Youth Ministry is hosting a kickoff event at Tuscarawas Central Catholic High School TODAY, September 8th from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. All youth in grades 6 to 12 are welcome. Smash Brothers, board games, and much more! Escape rooms for teams of 4 will be available, and prizes will be awarded.

### **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.**

September 11, 2019 – Team B (Capozella Family)  
 September 18, 2019 – Team C (Knights of Columbus)  
 \*September 25, 2019 – Team A (Mike Comg)  
 October 2, 2019 – Team E (Judy Burnham)  
 October 9, 2019 – Team F (Boy Scouts)  
 \*please note schedule change\*

If you and your organization, or family and friends would like to form a team, or have questions about forming a team, please call the Parish Office.

**Please keep our guests and volunteers in your prayers.**

**L.C.B.A. will sponsor a Birthright "Shower" Potluck Luncheon on Tuesday, September 10th at 1:00 p.m.** in the Family Life center. Donations of baby items (newborn to 24 months, clothing, diapers, bedding, bibs, etc.) are needed. Your donations can be dropped off at the Parish Office or by attending the luncheon. For more information, please contact Charlene Herzig at 330-343-1063.

### **Lighthouse CD of the Week**

*How to Bring Fallen Away Catholics Back to the Catholic Faith by Dr. Scott Hahn*



What is evangelization all about? What role should ordinary Catholics have in spreading in the faith? Popular speaker and bestselling author Hahn challenges "cradle Catholics" to witness to the Faith through everyday life. He presents proven and effective ways to touch those who have fallen away from the Church, even those with the most hardened hearts.

### **Marian Dinner**

Bishop Brennan will host the annual Marian Dinner on Thursday, September 12, 2019 at 6:30 p.m. at the St. Andrew Bryce Eck Activity Center located on 3880 Reed Road, Columbus. At this event, women who may be considering a vocation to religious life will join together with their pastors, members of religious communities and other people of the Diocese of Columbus for prayer, a meal, and the opportunity to hear about vocations to the religious life and to know the charism of the different religious communities. If you or someone you know is interested in attending this event, please contact Father Jimmy in the Parish Office.

### **Columbus Catholic Young Adult Conference 2019**

**Beloved Bestowed Become**

***"To empower your adults to transform their communities through their identity in Christ"***

Saturday, October 12, 2019 at 10:00 a.m.

St. John Neumann Catholic Church in Sunbury, Ohio. The conference will be a day filled with speakers, multiple breakout sessions, Reconciliation throughout the day, time for fellowship, meals, prayer, Adoration, exhibits, and Mass. Childcare will be provided.

For more information or to register, please visit [www.colscatholicyoungadultconf.weebly.com](http://www.colscatholicyoungadultconf.weebly.com)

### **Retrouvaille**

The Retrouvaille program offers tools needed to discover a loving marriage relationship. Thousands of couples headed for separation or divorce have successfully overcome their marriage difficulties by attend the program. Visit [www.retrouvaille.org](http://www.retrouvaille.org) for more information or contact the Diocese of Columbus Office of Family and Marriage at 614-241-2560.

# Lectio Divina

## SCRIPTURE READING + MEDITATION + PRAYER + CONTEMPLATION

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“What page, what passage of the inspired books of the Old and New Testaments is not the truest of guides for human life?” ~Saint Benedict, from the *Rule of Saint Benedict* (73:3)

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***“To do the will of God, man must despise his own; the more he dies to himself, the more he will live to God.” ~SAINT PETER CLAVER***

**Monday, September 9 ~ Twenty-Third Week in Ordinary Time**  
**Saint Peter Claver, Priest**

**Holy Gospel: Luke 6:6-11** On a certain Sabbath Jesus went into the synagogue and taught, and there was a man there whose right hand was withered. The scribes and the Pharisees watched him closely to see if he would cure on the Sabbath so that they might discover a reason to accuse him. But he realized their intentions and said to the man with the withered hand, “Come up and stand before us.” And he rose and stood there. Then Jesus said to them, “I ask you, is it lawful to do good on the Sabbath rather than to do evil, to save life rather than to destroy it?” Looking around at them all, he then said to him, “Stretch out your hand.” He did so and his hand was restored. But they became enraged and discussed together what they might do to Jesus.

**Meditation:** What is God's intention for the commandment “Keep holy the Sabbath” (ref. Exodus 20:8; Deut. 5:12)? The scribes and Pharisees wanted to catch Jesus in the act of breaking the Sabbath ritual so they might accuse him of breaking God's law. Jesus knew their thoughts. The scribes and Pharisees were filled with fury and contempt for Jesus because they put their own thoughts of right and wrong above God. They were caught up in their own legalism because they did not understand or see the purpose of God. Jesus shows their fallacy by pointing to God's intention for the Sabbath: to do good and to save human life rather than do evil or destroy human life.

**Prayer:** O God, who made Saint Peter Claver a slave of slaves and strengthened him with wonder charity and patience as he came to their help, grant, through his intercession, that, seeking the things of Jesus Christ, we may love our neighbor in deeds and in 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:** The Sabbath for Catholics (and all Christians for that matter) is celebrated on Sunday as the “Lord's Day” to commemorate God's work of redemption in Jesus Christ and the new work of creation accomplished through Christ's death and resurrection (ref. 2 Corinthians 5:17). God's action is a model for us. If God “rested and was refreshed” on the seventh day, we, too, ought to “rest” and let others, especially the poor, “be refreshed” (ref. Exodus 31:17; 23:12). Taking “our Sabbath rest” is a way of expressing honor to God for all that he has done for us. Such “rest” however does not exempt us from our love for our neighbor. If we truly love the Lord above all else, then the love of God will overflow to love of neighbor as well. Saint Augustine once said: “The charity of truth seeks holy leisure; the necessity of charity accepts just work.” How can we make Sunday a day holy to the Lord? First, by refraining from unnecessary work and from activities that hinder the worship we owe to God. We can also perform works of mercy, such as humble service of the sick, the infirmed, and the elderly. And we ought to seek appropriate relaxation of mind and body as well. The joy of the Lord's Day is a great gift to refresh and strengthen us in our love of God and of neighbor (ref. Nehemiah 8:10). Let's think about how we can make every Sunday – the Lord's Day – a day of rest, and rest in the arms of the Lord.

**About Saint Peter Claver:** Peter was born of a distinguished family in Catalonia, Spain in 1581. He joined the Society of Jesus (Jesuits), and after his novitiate in Taragona was sent to the college of Montesione in Majorca. There he met Brother Alphonse Rodriguez (also a saint), the humble porter of the convent. Alphonse set Peter's soul on fire to save the souls of the African slaves — thousands being lost because there was no one to minister to them. His superiors finally sent Peter to New Granada in April of 1610. He was never to return to his native Spain. By 1615 Peter finished his studies and was ordained a priest in Cartagena. When he made his final vows, he added a personal one: Peter, slave of the slaves for ever. Here in this busy seaport city, in a hot, humid, tropical climate, Father Claver spent most of his

priestly life. Cartagena was the principal slave market for the New World. Thousands of blacks were brought there, herded into warehouses and auctioned to the highest bidder. Captured in Africa, these slaves were chained in groups of six and crammed into the lower holds of ships designed to hold 100-200, but holding 600-800 humans. Their treatment was so inhumane that 1/3 of the slaves died in the sea journey. It was to these people that Peter would minister. He would meet each slave ship as it arrived. Peter would go to the warehouses and bring them food, water, medicine and clothing, for, as he said "We must speak to them with our hands, before we try to speak to them with our lips." But most of all, he brought them God. While nursing them back to health, he would teach them of Christ, explain to them that they were loved by God more than they were abused by man, and that evil outraged God. He offered their only consolation: hope in the promises of God. Nearly three hundred thousand of them received baptism at his hands. After twenty-seven years of devotion to the black slaves, St. Peter Claver died at Cartagena on September 8, 1654. Pope Leo XIII canonized him on January 15, 1888, proclaiming him special patron and protector of the negroes. St. Alphonsus Rodriguez, porter of the college, who inspired Peter to become a missionary for the slaves was canonized at the same time.

## **Tuesday, September 10 ~ Twenty-Third Week in Ordinary Time**

**Holy Gospel: Luke 6:12-19** Jesus departed to the mountain to pray, and he spent the night in prayer to God. When day came, he called his disciples to himself, and from them he chose Twelve, whom he also named Apostles: Simon, whom he named Peter, and his brother Andrew, James, John, Philip, Bartholomew, Matthew, Thomas, James the son of Alphaeus, Simon who was called a Zealot, and Judas the son of James, and Judas Iscariot, who became a traitor. And he came down with them and stood on a stretch of level ground. A great crowd of his disciples and a large number of the people from all Judea and Jerusalem and the coastal region of Tyre and Sidon came to hear him and to be healed of their diseases; and even those who were tormented by unclean spirits were cured. Everyone in the crowd sought to touch him because power came forth from him and healed them all.

**Meditation:** When Jesus embarked on his mission he chose twelve men to be his friends and apostles. In the choice of the twelve, we see a characteristic feature of God's work: Jesus chose very ordinary people. They were non-professionals, who had no wealth or position. They were chosen from the common people who did ordinary things, had no special education, and no social advantages. Jesus wanted ordinary people who could take an assignment and do it extraordinarily well. He chose these men, not for what they were, but for what they would be capable of becoming under his direction and power. When the Lord calls us to serve, we must not shrug back because we think that we have little or nothing to offer. The Lord takes what ordinary people, like us, can offer and uses it for greatness in his kingdom. Is there anything holding you back from giving yourself unreservedly to God?

**Prayer:** O God, by whom we are redeemed and receive adoption, look graciously upon your beloved sons and daughters, that those who believe in Christ may receive true freedom and an everlasting inheritance. 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:** Wherever Jesus went the people came to him because they had heard all the things he did. They were hungry for God and desired healing from their afflictions. In faith they pressed upon Jesus to touch him. As they did so power came from Jesus and they were healed. Even demons trembled in the presence of Jesus and left at his rebuke. Jesus offers freedom from the power of sin and oppression to all who seek him with expectant faith. When you hear God's word and consider all that Jesus did, how do you respond? With doubt or with expectant faith? With skepticism or with confident trust? Pray to Jesus; while in prayer, ask him to increase your faith in his saving power and grace.

## **Wednesday, September 11 ~ Twenty-Third Week in Ordinary Time ~ Anniversary of 9/11 ~**

**Holy Gospel: Luke 6:20-26** Raising his eyes toward his disciples Jesus said: "Blessed are you who are poor, for the Kingdom of God is yours. Blessed are you who are now hungry, for you will be satisfied. Blessed are you who are now weeping, for you will laugh. Blessed are you when people hate you, and when they exclude and insult you, and denounce your name as evil on account of the Son of Man. Rejoice and leap for joy on that day! Behold, your reward will be great in heaven. For their ancestors treated the prophets in the same way. But woe to you who are rich, for you have received your consolation. But woe to you who are filled now, for you will be hungry. Woe to you who laugh now, for you will grieve and weep. Woe to you when all speak well of you, for their ancestors treated the false prophets in this way."

**Meditation:** How can one possibly find happiness in poverty, hunger, mourning, and persecution? If we want to be filled with the joy and happiness of heaven, then we must empty ourselves of all that would shut God out of our hearts. Poverty of spirit finds ample room and joy in possessing God alone as the greatest treasure possible. Hunger of the spirit seeks nourishment and strength in God's word and Spirit. Sorrow and mourning over wasted life and sin leads to joyful freedom from the burden of guilt and oppression. God reveals to the humble of heart the true source of abundant life and happiness. Jesus promises his disciples that the joys of heaven will more than compensate for the troubles and hardships they can expect in this world. Thomas Aquinas said: "No person can live without joy. That is why someone deprived of spiritual joy goes after carnal pleasures." Do you know the joy and happiness of hungering and thirsting for God alone?

**Prayer:** O God, by whom we are redeemed and receive adoption, look graciously upon your beloved sons and daughters, that those who believe in Christ may receive true freedom and an everlasting inheritance. 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:** When you encounter misfortune, grief, or tragic loss, do you respond with fear or with faith? With passive resignation or with patient hope and trust in God? We know from experience that no one can escape all of the inevitable trials of life — pain, suffering, sickness, and death. When Jesus began to teach his disciples he gave them a "way of happiness" that transcends every difficulty and trouble that can weigh us down with grief and despair. Jesus began his sermon on the mount by addressing the issue of where true happiness can be found. The word beatitude literally means happiness or blessedness. Jesus' way of happiness, however, demands a transformation from within — a conversion of heart and mind which can only come about through the gift and working of the Holy Spirit.

**Prayer of Pope Saint John Paul II ~ Anniversary of 9/11:** Since the inhumane terrorist attacks that occurred in different parts of the United States of America, we again recommend to the eternal mercy of the God of our Fathers the numerous innocent victims. We ask for consolation and comfort for their family and relatives, burdened by pain; we invoke strength and courage for the many who continue their work in the places struck by this terrible disaster; we implore for tenacity and perseverance by all men of goodwill continuing on the paths of justice and peace. May the Lord remove from the heart of man every trace of resentment, of hostility and of hate, and open him to reconciliation, to solidarity, and to peace. Let us pray, so that the "culture of love" may be established all over the world . . . O God, Almighty and Merciful Father, he who sows discord cannot understand You; he who loves violence cannot welcome You: watch over us in our painful human condition tried by the brutal acts of terrorism and death. Comfort your children and open our hearts to hope, that our time may again know days of serenity and peace, through Christ our Lord. Amen.

## **Thursday September 12 ~ Twenty-Third Week in Ordinary Time** **Most Holy Name of the Blessed Virgin Mary**

**Holy Gospel: Luke 1:39-47** In those days Mary arose and went with haste into the hill country, to a city of Judah, and she entered the house of Zechariah and greeted Elizabeth. And when Elizabeth heard the greeting of Mary, the babe leaped in her womb; and Elizabeth was filled with the Holy Spirit and she exclaimed with a loud cry, "Blessed are you among women, and blessed is the fruit of your womb! And why is this granted me, that the mother of my Lord should come to me? For behold, when the voice of your greeting came to my ears, the babe in my womb leaped for joy. And blessed is she who believed that there would be a fulfillment of what was spoken to her from the Lord." And Mary said, "My soul magnifies the Lord, and my spirit rejoices in God my Savior."

**Meditation:** How can each of us grow in faith and to persevere in hope in the face of life's obstacles and trials, just as Mary did? The Gospel of Luke reveals the presence and power of the Holy Spirit in Mary's life. When Elizabeth and Mary greeted one another they were filled with the Holy Spirit and with a joyful anticipation of the fulfillment of God's promise to give a Savior. John the Baptist, even before the birth of the Messiah, pointed to his coming and leapt for joy in the womb of his mother as the Holy Spirit revealed to him the presence of the King to be born. The Holy Spirit is God's gift to us to enable us to know and experience the indwelling presence of God and the power of his kingdom. The Holy Spirit is the way in which God reigns within each of us. Mary accepted her mission with uncompromising faith and obedience. She acted with unwavering trust and faith because she believed that God would fulfill the word he had spoken. Her great hymn of praise echoes the song of Hannah (see 1 Samuel 2:1-10) and proclaims the favor of the Lord: God exalts the lowly and he fills the hungry. The Holy Spirit is ever ready to renew your

faith and hope in God's promises and to make you strong in love for God and your neighbor. Knowing this, do you live in the joy and confidence of God's indwelling presence with you through his Holy Spirit?

**Prayer:** Grant, we pray, almighty God, that, for all who celebrate the glorious Name of the Blessed Virgin Mary, she may obtain your merciful favor. 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:** Mary received both a crown of joy and a cross of sorrow. Her joy was not diminished by her sorrow because it was fueled by her faith, hope, and trust in God and his promises. Jesus promised his disciples that "no one will take your joy from you" (John 16:22). The Lord gives us a supernatural joy which enables us to bear any sorrow or pain and which neither life nor death can take away. Do you know the joy of a life given over to God in faith and trust?

**About the Holy Name of Mary:** The Hebrew name of Mary, Miryām, (in Latin Domina) means "lady" or "sovereign;" this Mary is in virtue of her Son's sovereign authority as Lord of the World. We call Mary "our Lady" as we call Jesus "our Lord," and when we pronounce her name we implore her aid and place ourselves under her protection. On this day dedicated to the Holy Name of Mary let us repeat that wonderful prayer of Saint Bernard, responding to Pope Benedict XVI's invitation to "invite everyone to become a trusting child before Mary, even as the Son of God did. Saint Bernard says, and we say with him: 'Look to the star of the sea, call upon Mary ... in danger, in distress, in doubt, think of Mary, call upon Mary. May her name never be far from your lips, or far from your heart ... If you follow her, you will not stray; if you pray to her, you will not despair; if you turn your thoughts to her, you will not err. If she holds you, you will not fall; if she protects you, you need not fear; if she is your guide, you will not tire; if she is gracious to you, you will surely reach your destination'" (Pope Benedict XVI, September 9, 2007).

## **Friday, September 13 ~ Twenty-Third Week in Ordinary Time**

### **Saint John Chrysostom, Bishop and Doctor of the Church**

**Holy Gospel: Luke 6:39-42** Jesus told his disciples a parable: "Can a blind person guide a blind person? Will not both fall into a pit? No disciple is superior to the teacher; but when fully trained, every disciple will be like his teacher. Why do you notice the splinter in your brother's eye, but do not perceive the wooden beam in your own? How can you say to your brother, 'Brother, let me remove that splinter in your eye,' when you do not even notice the wooden beam in your own eye? You hypocrite! Remove the wooden beam from your eye first; then you will see clearly to remove the splinter in your brother's eye."

**Meditation:** Have you wondered why is judgmentalism and a critical mind and spirit so rampant today, even among persons of faith? Part of it is due to the number of "talking heads" on television programs who "spin" their views into their "reporting" on issues and news events – journalists have made note of this disturbing trend which influences how we, then, conduct ourselves. Of course blogs and people who feel compelled to vent and post their negative comments and viewpoints on their Facebook pages don't help. As difficult as it may be at times, we must strive to "think the best of other people" if we, ourselves, wish to grow in love. The Lord knows our faults and he sees all – even the imperfections and sins of the heart which we cannot recognize in ourselves. Ask the Lord to flood your heart with his loving-kindness and mercy that you may only have room for charity and forbearance towards your neighbor.

**Prayer:** O God, strength of those who hope in you, who willed that the Bishop Saint John Chrysostom should be illustrious by his wonderful eloquence and his experience of suffering, grant us, we pray, that, instructed by his teachings, we may be strengthened through the example of his invincible patience. 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:** A true disciple of Christ is one who listens to the voice of their Master and who submits to the skillful help of the Divine Physician for treating and removing the cancer of sin in our lives. If we are to be guides and teachers for others, then we need clear vision, both spiritual and moral vision, and a map that shows us the right destination for our life's journey. If our ultimate destination is heaven, then there is only one way to get there and that way is through the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ. In the cross of Christ sin is pardoned and the sinner is made whole, darkness and corruption give way to light and truth, death is defeated and new life restored. The cross of Christ frees us from condemnation and guilt and shows us the way of perfect love.

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#### **The Protection of the Oceans**

That politicians, scientists and economists work together to protect the world's seas and oceans.

### \*Other Information to Note\*

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### Calendario Litúrgico:

Domingo	15 de Septiembre	1:30 p.m.
Domingo	22 de Septiembre	1:30 p.m.
Domingo	29 de Septiembre	1:30 p.m.

### Misas en Ingles

Sábados	4:00 p.m.
Domingos	8:30 a.m. y 11:00 a.m.

### Confesiones

Antes de misa de español de 12:45 p.m. a 1:15 p.m.

### Intenciones de oración del Santo Padre Septiembre 2019

#### **La protección de los océanos**



Para que los políticos, los científicos y los economistas trabajen juntos por la protección de los mares y los océanos.

### Horario de los Coros

15 de Septiembre	Mensajeros de Cristo
22 de Septiembre	Seguidores de Cristo
29 de Septiembre	El Nuevo Sembrador
6 de Octubre	El Buen Pastor



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### **Notas Espirituales:**

En el Libro de la Sabidur1a hoy nos dice que sin la ayuda del Esp1ritu Divino, Dios sigue siendo un misterio para nosotros: "Qui1enes pueden concebir lo que el Se1or quiere? Haciendo eco de las ense1anzas de Plat3n, la escritura nos dice que "el cuerpo corruptible agobia el alma". Debemos depender de Dios con el fin de superar nuestras limitaciones humanas. Aunque el don de la Sabidur1a de Dios: "Son los senderos de la tierra hechos rectos". La carta de Pablo a Filem3n, escrita desde la c3rcel, muestra c3mo el cristianismo nos llama a comportarnos de una manera nueva. On3simo, esclavo de Filem3n, ha huido ahora est3 con Pablo: On3simo se convierte al cristianismo. y Pablo lo env1a de vuelta a Filem3n con una carta anim3ndolo para darle la bienvenida de nuevo "ya no como esclavo, pero como un hermano /...en el Se1or". Aunque Pablo no ataca directamente a la instituci3n de la esclavitud, escribe con la comprensi3n cristiana todos estamos unidos en Cristo. On3simo regresa no como un esclavo fugitivo, sino como un hermano en Cristo. Pablo exhorta a Filem3n a "darle la bienvenida a el como a m1". El discipulado tiene su precio: ese es el mensaje de Jes3s en el Evangelio de hoy. Jes3s nos dice que para ser un disc1pulo debemos poner a Dios en primer lugar, incluso antes de nuestra relaci3n con nuestros familiares m3s cercanos. La palabra traducida como "odio" no es el mismo significado que tiene hoy en d1a (a menos que Jes3s este usando exageradamente, un recurso ret3rico utilizado incluso en la escritura b1blica). Los eruditos interpretan la palabra como llamar para tener prioridad en una relaci3n familiar menor que la relaci3n con Dios. El discipulado no es una decisi3n que debemos tomar a la ligera. Debemos considerar el costo antes de aceptar la llamada, sabiendo que Dios nunca nos abandonar3.



Por favor, recuerde en su oraci3n, a todos los enfermos, al salir de casa, y la recuperaci3n de nuestra parroquia. Adem3s, orar por aquellos que sufren de condiciones f1sicas o mentales.



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