

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: By Appointment Only

“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*; Ms. Cindy Teynor, *Director of Religious Education*; Mrs. Kateri Renicker, *Religious Education Secretary*; Mr. Matthew Nadalin, *Director of Music Ministry*; Mrs. Jodi Lindberg, *Bookkeeper*; Mrs. Betty Bidinger, *Coordinator of Family Life Center*; Mr. Russ Clay & Mr. Coleman Boring, *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 charles 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.

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330-364-6661

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Emergency Line:**
330-364-6662

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330-602-7488

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330-364-6661

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330-432-0811

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School:**
330-343-9134

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Catholic High School:**
330-343-3302

St. Joseph Church
Dover, Ohio 44622
The Twenty Second Sunday in Ordinary Time
August 29 and 30, 2020
29 y 30 de Agosto del 2020



Mass Intentions

Monday, August 31

No Mass

Readings: 431: 1 Cor 2:1-5/Ps 119/Lk 4:16-30

Tuesday, September 1

5:00 p.m. Eucharistic Adoration

6:00 p.m. Bob and Maude May

Readings: 432: 1 Cor 2:10b-16/Ps 145/Lk 4:31-37

Wednesday, September 2

8:15 a.m. Nick and Lucille Contini

Readings: 433: 1 Cor 3:1-9/Ps 33/Lk 4:38-44

Thursday, September 3

8:15 a.m. Laura Stone

9:00 a.m. Eucharistic Adoration

Readings: 434: 1 Cor 3:18-23/Ps 24/Lk 5:1-11

Friday, September 4

8:15 a.m. Frances Renner

9:00 a.m. Eucharistic Adoration

Readings: 435: 1 Cor 4:1-5/Ps 37/Lk 5:33-39

Saturday, September 5

The Vigil of The Twenty Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

4:00 p.m. Deceased Members of the Peter and Theresa Doriche Family

Sunday, September 6

The Twenty Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:30 a.m. The People of the Parish

11:00 a.m. Isidro Robles

1:30 p.m. Menerva Garcia Mena

(Mass in Spanish)

Readings: 122: Ez33:7-9/Ps 95/Rom 13:8-10/Mt 18:15-20

Offertory for August 22 and 23, 2020

Loose Cash and Checks	\$ 3,078.00
Adult Weekly Envelopes	\$ 3,485.00
Online Giving	\$ 713.00
Total	\$ 7,276.00
Contributions needed each week	\$ 12,192.00

Other Funds:

Poor Fund	\$ 175.00
Capital Improvement	\$ 290.00
St. Joseph Subsidy for Catholic Schools	\$ 35.00

Thank you for your generosity!

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

The Parish Office will be closed on Monday, September 7, 2020 in observance of Labor Day. If you have an emergency, please call the Parish Office and leave a message. Someone will return your call as soon as possible. The voicemail is checked routinely.

Usher and Greeter Schedule -
September 5 and 6, 2020

4:00 p.m.

Steve DeBois, Mary DeBois, Kateri Renicker, Bill Bartz, Lyle Tope, Roy Montan

8:30 a.m. Mass

Jack Burnham, John Kuczirka, Chris Chaney, Kelly Chaney, John Chaney, John Karl, Zach VanDress

11:00 a.m. Mass

George Kail, Mike Ernest, Jim Elco, Joe Sciarretti, Tom O'Donnell, Patti DeVault

The Church also will be open for individual prayer on Mondays from 8:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

Tuesdays from 1:00 p.m. until Mass begins at 6:00 p.m.

Wednesday following 8:15 a.m. Mass until 1:00 p.m.

Thursday following 8:15 a.m. Mass until 1:00 p.m.

Friday following 8:15 a.m. until 11:00 a.m.

Saturday from 1:00 p.m. until Mass begins at 4:00 p.m.

Confessions are available by appointment. Please call the Parish Office if you would like to schedule a time.

The Holy Father's Prayer Intentions
September 2020

Respect for the Planet's Resources

We pray that the planet's resources will not be plundered, but shared in a just and respectful manner.



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 that have asked for our prayers, and those who have no one to pray for them.

Spiritual Notes

The words of the prophet Jeremiah are not words we would expect to hear from a prophet of God. "You duped me, Lord, and I let myself be duped," he complains. His call as a prophet has led to "derision and reproach all day" as he announces God's word to the people. Jeremiah learns that our ways are not God's ways and that sometimes the work of a prophet meets resistance and involves suffering – an idea reflected in today's Gospel as well. But still he perseveres because of his faith in God. Paul encourages the Romans to make a sacrifice required as disciples. Do not conform yourselves to this age, he writes; we are to strive to discern what is the will of God. Sometimes we face difficulties in doing this. But Paul encourages perseverance, for we know that God will reward our faithfulness. If God's only Son suffered for his faith, then we too may be called to suffer. But as God glorified Christ, we too will be given a share in that glory. Messianic expectations in Jesus's day varied. Some expected a royal figure, others a military leader, and still others a religious Messiah. One thing is certain – people's expectation of a Messiah did not include a figure who would suffer and die. This helps us understand Peter's response to Jesus's prediction of His Passion for the first time in Matthew. Peter rejects the idea that Jesus must suffer and die. "God forbid, Lord!" he protests. And now Jesus, who in the last episode had given the disciple the name Peter, addresses him as Satan, because he is not thinking as God does, but as human beings do. For in order to follow Christ, we must carry our own crosses.

For reflection: Has my faith brought suffering? How does Christ add to my understanding of God?

Please keep in your prayers, Rosalie "Peg" Cugliari, age 90, who died on Tuesday, August 25, 2020. Eternal rest grant unto her, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon her. We ask that you also keep her family in your prayers.



"Living the Joy of the Gospel"

The theme of the 2020 Bishop's Annual Appeal compels us to join in the mission of the Gospel by sharing from our abundance. **WOW! Our parishioners have already contributed \$56,002.00!** This year our goal is \$73,756.00 Any amount raised over our goal will be returned to our parish to be used for our particular needs. Please pray for the success of the appeal.



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 give is made and where it goes. To get started, please visit www.stjosephdover.org. If you have any questions or need assistance, please call the Parish Office.

P.S.R. News

In the coming weeks, we will have further information regarding P.S.R. for the upcoming school year. Father Jimmy, Miss Teynor, and the Catechists have been meeting to formulate the best plan for our students and families during this time. Thank you for your patience.

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

If you know of anyone who is interested in learning more about Catholicism and the Church's process for becoming Catholic, please encourage them to contact the Parish Office or John Kuczirka at 330-343-9988.

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.



Tuscarawas Central Catholic High School

Tuscarawas Central Catholic High School would like to thank The Catholic Foundation for a Responsive Grant Award in the amount of \$5,000.00. The grant money was used for a new key card entry system. This system allows the school to better monitor and control who has access to the building. This is one of many improvements we have made to increase the safety of our students and staff. The Catholic Foundation is blessed by the support of our Catholic community, and it is through their generosity that this grant is possible. Anyone wishing to donate to The Catholic Foundation can contact Dan Kurth, Director of Grants, at 614-443-8893 or dkurth@catholic-foundation.org.



Tuscarawas County Catholic Schools



The Tuscarawas County Catholic Schools are requesting recommendations for nominations of individuals to serve on the Board of Trustees. The Board of Trustees provides leadership and guidance for the operation of our Catholic schools within the county. This October, during election time, two Board of Trustee seat terms will be expiring, so, we are in need of nominations to fill those spots. Please submit your recommendation for any individual that you feel would be a viable asset in continuing our mission in God's work. The prospective candidate must be a practicing Catholic and a parent of a student at IC, TCCES, or TCC. Nominations will be accepted through end of business day, September 2, 2020. Please submit all nominations via e-mail to: icdennison@sbcglobal.net c/o: Lisa Douglass

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All Natural. Good for the body. Great for the soul!

Natural Family Planning (NFP) methods are effective for postponing or achieving pregnancy and are completely natural – no pills, patches, or devices. Engaged and married couples are invited to learn about NFP by visiting www.columbuscatholic.org/natural-family-planning or contacting the Diocese of Columbus Office of Marriage and Family Life at 614-241-2560

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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.

Bulletin deadline: The bulletin deadline is Monday at 3:00 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

St. Joseph Calvary Cemetery

If you are interested in purchasing lots, or if you have questions regarding rules and regulations. Please call Russ in the Parish Office, and he will be happy to assist you

Promise to Protect – Pledge to Heal

Believe in the possibility of help and healing. There is hope. Your local victim coordinator is available to help you or anyone who has been abused or victimized by someone representing the Catholic Church. We will listen to your needs and support you. We encourage you to come forward and speak out. We will help you make a formal complaint and arrange a personal meeting with the bishop or his delegate, if desired.

Living Bread Radio Network

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



Please help us to update our records. More and more parishioners have begun to eliminate their landlines, and use only cell phones. If you fall into this category, please contact the Parish Office with your correct information. You may fill out this slip and drop it in the collection basket or email any changes to stjosephchurch@roadrunner.com Thank you!!

Family Name: _____

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"What profit would there be for one to gain the whole world and forfeit his life?" – Matthew 16:26

St. Francis of Assisi once said, "Remember, you are what you are in the eyes of God, and nothing else." We often forget this stewardship wisdom when we spend all of our time, talent and treasure to gain more of the world's riches. We need to set our priorities based on God's values and not the values of the material world.

Learn how you can put God in all things by supporting your parish and contact The Catholic Foundation. Visit www.catholic-foundation.org/development for more information.



Through the generosity of the Catholic Foundation, St. Joseph Parish received a grant of \$10,000.00 to give directly to needy families and individuals who have been financially impacted by the Coronavirus pandemic. May God bless and protect those who have been generous in making this possible. We still have money to be awarded to those families who are in need due to job loss or financial hardship as a result of the shutdown. If we can assist you, please call the Parish Office.

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ON CARE FOR OUR COMMON HOME

LAUDATO SI'

"Praise be to you, my Lord."

"LAUDATO SI', mi' Signore" – "Praise be to you, my Lord." These are the words that open Pope Francis' encyclical on ecology and care for God's creation. These words, quoting St. Francis of Assisi's beautiful canticle, remind us that our common home is like a sister with whom we share our life and a beautiful mother who opens her arms to embrace us.

Pope Francis' encyclical letter [*Laudato Si'*](#) was released in June 2015. Five years later, in 2020, Pope Francis invited all Catholics and people of good will to celebrate its fifth anniversary by protecting families and future generations through action to care for our common home. Here are themes that Pope Francis highlighted in *Laudato Si'* which require our urgent response today.

- **A Moral and Spiritual Challenge.** The ecological crisis, Pope Francis writes, is a summons to profound interior conversion—to renew our relationships with God, one another, and the created world.
- **Care for God's Creation.** God created the world and entrusted it to us as a gift. Now we have the responsibility to care for and protect it and all people, who are part of creation. Protecting human dignity is strongly linked to care for creation.
- **We are All Connected.** We are connected to the rest of the human family, to the created world, and to those who will come after us in future generations.
- **Impact on the Poor.** People in poverty have contributed least to climate change, yet they are disproportionately impacted by it. As a result of excessive use of natural resource by wealthy nations, those who are poor experience pollution, lack of access to clean water, hunger, and more.
- **Called to Solidarity.** We are one human family and have a shared responsibility for others and for creation. Wealthy countries have a responsibility to reduce consumption of non-renewal resources and should help poorer nations develop in sustainable ways.
- **Technological and economic development** must serve human beings and enhance human dignity, instead of creating an economy of exclusion, so that all people have access to what is needed for authentic human development.
- **Supporting Life, Protecting Creation.** Concern for nature is incompatible with failure to protect vulnerable human beings, such as unborn children, people with disabilities, or victims of human trafficking.
- **A Time to Act.** Pope Francis calls for a change in lifestyle and consumption. We can make important changes as individuals, families, and communities, and as civil and political leaders.
- **Hope and Joy.** "Injustice is not invincible" (no. 74) and we act knowing that we seek to live out God's vision of renewed relationships with God, ourselves, one another, and creation.

How You Can Respond

Each of us are called to take concrete steps – from reducing consumption to working for political change – to better care for creation. Here are some ideas.

1. **Become more aware of our connectedness.** Care for one another and creation includes understanding that “everything is connected” (no. 91) and that the economy, politics, community involvement, and technology all affect the future of the planet and humankind. How can we become more aware of our connectedness?
2. **Changes to lifestyle and consumption habits can make a big difference.** For example, get a re-usable water bottle, take shorter showers, walk, bike or take public transportation instead of driving, recycle, compost food waste, and buy energy efficient appliances.
3. **Make changes institutionally at your parish, school, or workplace.** For example, start recycling and composting, use washable dinnerware in cafeterias, share electronically instead of printing, do an energy audit, and install solar panels.
4. **Support local efforts to solve environmental problems.** Community groups around the country are working to make city, county, and state-wide changes that can make a big difference. Find out what is going on locally and get involved.
5. **Contact your members of Congress** to share Pope Francis’ message and urge action to address climate change.

Prayer

Triune Lord, wondrous community of infinite love,
teach us to contemplate you
in the beauty of the universe,
for all things speak of you.
Awaken our praise and thankfulness
for every being that you have made.
Give us the grace to feel profoundly joined
to everything that is.

God of love, show us our place in this world
as channels of your love
for all the creatures of this earth,
for not one of them is forgotten in your sight.

Enlighten those who possess power and money
that they may avoid the sin of indifference,
that they may love the common good,
advance the weak, and care for this world in
which we live.

The poor and the earth are crying out.
O Lord, seize us with your power and light,
help us to protect all life,
to prepare for a better future,
for the coming of your Kingdom
of justice, peace, love and beauty.
Praise be to you!
Amen.

Excerpted from “A Christian prayer in union with creation,”
in *Laudato Si'*, no. 246

For More Information

- U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops webpage on Environment and Environmental Justice (www.usccb.org/environment)
- Catholic Climate Covenant (www.catholicclimatecovenant.org)
- WeAreSaltAndLight.org



Department of Justice, Peace
and Human Development

Lectio Divina

SCRIPTURE READING + MEDITATION + PRAYER + CONTEMPLATION

“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)

“*Blessed are those who have not seen and have believed.*’ There is here a particular reference to ourselves; we hold in our hearts one we have not seen in the flesh. We are included in these words, but only if we follow up our faith with good works. The true believer practices what he believes. But of those who pay only lip service to faith, Paul has this to say: ‘They profess to know God, but they deny him in their works.’ Therefore James says: ‘Faith without works is dead.’” ~POPE SAINT GREGORY THE GREAT

Monday, August 31 ~ Twenty-Second Week in Ordinary Time

Holy Gospel: Luke 4:16-30 Jesus came to Nazareth, where he had grown up, and went according to his custom into the synagogue on the sabbath day. He stood up to read and was handed a scroll of the prophet Isaiah. He unrolled the scroll and found the passage where it was written: *The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because he has anointed me to bring glad tidings to the poor. He has sent me to proclaim liberty to captives and recovery of sight to the blind, to let the oppressed go free, and to proclaim a year acceptable to the Lord.* Rolling up the scroll, he handed it back to the attendant and sat down, and the eyes of all in the synagogue looked intently at him. He said to them, “Today this Scripture passage is fulfilled in your hearing.” And all spoke highly of him and were amazed at the gracious words that came from his mouth. They also asked, “Is this not the son of Joseph?” He said to them, “Surely you will quote me this proverb, ‘Physician, cure yourself,’ and say, ‘Do here in your native place the things that we heard were done in Capernaum.’” And he said, “Amen, I say to you, no prophet is accepted in his own native place. Indeed, I tell you, there were many widows in Israel in the days of Elijah when the sky was closed for three and a half years and a severe famine spread over the entire land. It was to none of these that Elijah was sent, but only to a widow in Zarephath in the land of Sidon. Again, there were many lepers in Israel during the time of Elisha the prophet; yet not one of them was cleansed, but only Naaman the Syrian.” When the people in the synagogue heard this, they were all filled with fury. They rose up, drove him out of the town, and led him to the brow of the hill on which their town had been built, to hurl him down headlong. But he passed through the midst of them and went away.

Meditation: The word “gospel” literally means “good news.” Isaiah had prophesied that the Messiah would come in the power of the Holy Spirit to bring freedom to those oppressed by sin and evil (see Isaiah 61:1-2). Jesus came to set people free from the worst tyranny possible – the tyranny of slavery to sin and the fear of death, and the destruction of both body and soul. God’s power alone can save us from emptiness and poverty of spirit, from confusion and error, and from the fear of death and hopelessness. The Gospel of salvation is “good news” for us today, tomorrow, three weeks from today – every day of our lives. And so you might ask yourself today whether or not you have experienced true happiness, joy and freedom of the Gospel. The “good news” of Jesus Christ is truth from Truth personified – Jesus Christ, the source of all that is right and good and true. The “good news” of Christ’s timeless truths can bring us nothing but authentic freedom from sin, and the joy of experiencing his unbounded love for each of us. As Pope Francis noted in his Apostolic Exhortation *Evangelii Gaudium*: “The joy of the gospel fills the hearts and lives of all who encounter Jesus. Those who accept his offer of salvation are set free from sin, sorrow, inner emptiness and loneliness. With Christ joy is constantly born anew” (EG 1).

Prayer: God of might, giver of every good gift, put into our hearts the love of your name, so that, by deepening our sense of reverence, and, by your watchful care, keep safe what you have nurtured. 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: In relation to day’s Gospel, additional contemplation on Pope Francis’ Apostolic Exhortation *Evangelii Gaudium* is useful: “I invite all Christians, everywhere, at this very moment, to a

renewed personal encounter with Jesus Christ, or at least an openness to letting him encounter them; I ask all of you to do this unfailingly each day. No one should think that this invitation is not meant for him or her, since 'no one is excluded from the joy brought by the Lord' (Pope Paul VI, *Gaudete in Domino*). The Lord does not disappoint those who take this risk; whenever we take a step towards Jesus, we come to realize that he is already there, waiting for us with open arms. Now is the time to say to Jesus: 'Lord, I have let myself be deceived; in a thousand ways I have shunned your love, yet here I am once more, to renew my covenant with you. I need you. Save me once again, Lord, take me once more into your redeeming embrace.' How good it feels to come back to him whenever we are lost! Let me say this once more: God never tires of forgiving us; we are the ones who tire of seeking his mercy. Christ, who told us to forgive one another 'seventy times seven' (Mt 18:22) has given us his example: he has forgiven us seventy times seven. Time and time again he bears us on his shoulders. No one can strip us of the dignity bestowed upon us by this boundless and unfailing love. With a tenderness which never disappoints, but is always capable of restoring our joy, he makes it possible for us to lift up our heads and to start anew. Let us not flee from the resurrection of Jesus, let us never give up, come what will. May nothing inspire more than his life, which impels us onwards" (EG 3)!

Tuesday, September 1 ~ Twenty-Second Week in Ordinary Time

Holy Gospel: Luke 4:31-37 Jesus went down to Capernaum, a town of Galilee. He taught them on the sabbath, and they were astonished at his teaching because he spoke with authority. In the synagogue there was a man with the spirit of an unclean demon, and he cried out in a loud voice, "What have you to do with us, Jesus of Nazareth? Have you come to destroy us? I know who you are – the Holy One of God!" Jesus rebuked him and said, "Be quiet! Come out of him!" Then the demon threw the man down in front of them and came out of him without doing him any harm. They were all amazed and said to one another, "What is there about his word? For with authority and power he commands the unclean spirits, and they come out." And news of him spread everywhere in the surrounding region.

Meditation: When you listen to the word of the Lord in Sacred Scripture how do you respond? In one ear and out the other? Half-hearted while surrounded by various distractions? Or do you listen to the word of the Lord with the full assent of faith, a heart longing for his word, a desire to learn, embrace and live as a doer of his word and not simply a hearer of his word (ref. James 1:22)? When Jesus taught he spoke with authority. He spoke the word of God as no one had spoken it before. When the Rabbis taught they supported their statements with quotes from other authorities. The prophets spoke with delegated authority - *Thus says the Lord*. When Jesus spoke he needed no authorities to back his statements. He was word incarnate, authority incarnate - the Word of God made flesh. When he spoke, God spoke. When Jesus commanded even the demons obeyed!

Prayer: Almighty ever-living God, whom, taught by the Holy Spirit, we dare to call our Father, bring, we pray, to perfection in our hearts the spirit of adoption as your sons and daughters, that we may merit to enter into the inheritance which you have promised. 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: Contemplating on today's Gospel from a different perspective, what if each of us – not as an unclean demon, but as a brother or sister in Christ Jesus – were to ask "What have you to do with me, Jesus of Nazareth?" Hopefully we would respond first recognizing who Jesus is – the Son of God, sent out of love by God to be the Redeemer and Savior of the world, and that each of us are part of the world whom Jesus wishes to redeem as our Savior. That's right, you, me, and every man, woman and child on this earth, past, present and future. Second, we need to understand that this can only occur if we invite Jesus into our lives and let him, as the Good Shepherd, to lead us and guide us through the often "dark valley of death" (Psalm 23) that we encounter in our various challenges in life, and be at our side to experience the joy and peace of being an authentic disciple of his. So, "what have you to do with me, Jesus of Nazareth?" Everything that truly matters – our salvation.

Wednesday, September 2 ~ Twenty-Second Week in Ordinary Time

Holy Gospel: Luke 4:38-44 After Jesus left the synagogue, he entered the house of Simon. Simon's mother-in-law was afflicted with a severe fever, and they interceded with him about her. He stood over her, rebuked the fever, and it left her. She got up immediately and waited on them. At sunset, all who had people sick with various diseases brought them to him. He laid his hands on each of them and cured them. And demons also came out from many, shouting, "You are the Son of God." But he rebuked them and did not allow them to speak because they knew that he was the Christ. At daybreak, Jesus left and went to a deserted place. The crowds went looking for him, and when they came to him, they tried to

prevent him from leaving them. But he said to them, "To the other towns also I must proclaim the good news of the Kingdom of God, because for this purpose I have been sent." And he was preaching in the synagogues of Judea.

Meditation: Who do you take your troubles to? Dear Abbey? The self-help aisle at Barnes and Noble? Some blog or web page? Jesus' disciples freely brought their troubles to him because they found him ready and able to deal with any difficulty, affliction, or sickness which they encountered. We are invited to do the same in prayer – deep, from the heart prayer. When Simon Peter brought Jesus to his home for the Sabbath meal (right after Jesus preached in the synagogue in Capernaum), his mother-in-law was instantly healed because Jesus heard Simon's prayer. When is the last time you prayed – really prayed – when you were facing a challenge where you needed God's help and divine guidance? When is the last time you made a pilgrimage to a shrine – for example Our Lady of Consolation Shrine and Basilica in nearby Carey, Ohio (www.olcshrine.com) – seeking the Blessed Virgin Mary's intercession with Jesus on your behalf or someone important in your life? Go to someone who can actually help – Jesus!

Prayer: O God, protector of those who hope in you, without whom nothing has firm foundation, nothing is holy, bestow in abundance your mercy upon us and grant that, with you as our ruler and guide, we may use the good things that pass in such a way as to hold fast even now to those that ever endure. 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: We can never intrude upon God nor exhaust his love, compassion, generosity and kindness. He is ever ready to give to those who earnestly and faithfully seek him out. Do you allow Jesus to be the Lord and Healer in your personal life, family, work, parish, neighborhood and community? Approach him with expectant faith. God's healing power restores us not only to health but to active service and care of others. There is no trouble he does not want to help us with and there is no bondage he can't set us free from.

Thursday, September 3 ~ Twenty-Second Week in Ordinary Time **Saint Gregory the Great, Pope and Doctor of the Church**

Holy Gospel: Luke 5:1-11 While the crowd was pressing in on Jesus and listening to the word of God, he was standing by the Lake of Gennesaret. He saw two boats there alongside the lake; the fishermen had disembarked and were washing their nets. Getting into one of the boats, the one belonging to Simon, he asked him to put out a short distance from the shore. Then he sat down and taught the crowds from the boat. After he had finished speaking, he said to Simon, "Put out into deep water and lower your nets for a catch." Simon said in reply, "Master, we have worked hard all night and have caught nothing, but at your command I will lower the nets." When they had done this, they caught a great number of fish and their nets were tearing. They signaled to their partners in the other boat to come to help them. They came and filled both boats so that the boats were in danger of sinking. When Simon Peter saw this, he fell at the knees of Jesus and said, "Depart from me, Lord, for I am a sinful man." For astonishment at the catch of fish they had made seized him and all those with him, and likewise James and John, the sons of Zebedee, who were partners of Simon. Jesus said to Simon, "Do not be afraid; from now on you will be catching men." When they brought their boats to the shore, they left everything and followed him.

Meditation: The miracle in today's Gospel shows us an important truth about how God works in and through each of us for his glory. God expects of us greater things than we can do by ourselves. When we cooperate in *his* works, we accomplish far beyond what we can do on our own. Saint Therese of Lisieux, a Carmelite nun who died of tuberculosis at the age of 24, once wrote: "Jesus has so incomprehensible a love for us that he wills that we have a share with him in the salvation of souls. He wills to do nothing without us. The Creator of the universe awaits the prayer of a poor little soul to save other souls redeemed like it at the price of all his Blood." When God's word is spoken his kingdom is revealed and his divine power is made shown. When people respond to God's word with faith and obedience they are changed and made "a new creation" in Jesus Christ (2 Corinthians 5:17).

Prayer: O God, who care for your people with gentleness and rule them in love, through the intercession of Pope Saint Gregory, endow, we pray, with a spirit of wisdom those to whom you have given authority to govern, that the flourishing of a holy flock may become the eternal joy of the shepherds. 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 apostles were not saints from the get-go – they were men who worked hard and played hard and, as Simon Peter admits, sinful persons. But Jesus did not condemn them. Rather Jesus said “do not be afraid” and so they followed him. God chooses ordinary people, like you and me, sinners all, and uses the ordinary circumstances of our daily lives and work situations to draw others into his kingdom. Jesus speaks the same message to us today: we will “catch people” for the kingdom of God if we allow the light of Jesus Christ to shine through us. God wants others to see the light of Christ in us in the way we live, speak, and witness the joy of the Gospel.

About Pope Saint Gregory the Great: St. Gregory was born at Rome in 540. He was successively senator and prefect of Rome before the age of 30. After five years he resigned and became a monk, transforming his own house into a Benedictine monastery, and founding six others. At the age of 50 he was elected pope, serving from 590 to 604. In 14 years he accomplished much for the Mystical Body of Christ. After seeing English children being sold as slaves in Rome, he sent 40 monks, including St. Augustine of Canterbury, from his own monastery to make “the Angles angels.” England owes her conversion to him. He watched over the holiness of the clergy and the maintenance of Church discipline, the temporal interests of his people of Rome and the spiritual interests of all Christendom. He removed unworthy priests from office, forbade taking money for many services, and emptied the papal treasury to ransom prisoners of the Lombards and to care for persecuted Jews and victims of plague and famine. These deeds and others made him, in the words of an antiphon in his office, “the Father of the City, the joy of the World.” Gregory reformed the liturgy, and it still contains several of his most beautiful prayers. The name “Gregorian chant” recalls this great Pope’s work in the development of the Church’s music. His commentaries on Holy Scripture exercised a considerable influence on Christian thought in the Middle Ages. Saint Gregory died on March 12, 604; his body lies at Saint Peter Basilica in Rome.

Friday, September 4 ~ Twenty-Second Week in Ordinary Time

Holy Gospel: Luke 5:33-39 The scribes and Pharisees said to Jesus, “The disciples of John the Baptist fast often and offer prayers, and the disciples of the Pharisees do the same; but yours eat and drink.” Jesus answered them, “Can you make the wedding guests fast while the bridegroom is with them? But the days will come, and when the bridegroom is taken away from them, then they will fast in those days.” And he also told them a parable. “No one tears a piece from a new cloak to patch an old one. Otherwise, he will tear the new and the piece from it will not match the old cloak. Likewise, no one pours new wine into old wineskins. Otherwise, the new wine will burst the skins, and it will be spilled, and the skins will be ruined. Rather, new wine must be poured into fresh wineskins. And no one who has been drinking old wine desires new, for he says, ‘The old is good.’”

Meditation: Are we to reject the old in place of the new? Just as there is a right place and a right time for fasting and for feasting, so there is a right place for the old as well as the new. Jesus says *the kingdom of heaven is like a householder who brings out of his treasure what is new and what is old* (Matthew 13:52). A very common expression, dating back to the early beginnings of the Church, states that the New Testament lies hidden in the Old and the Old Testament is unveiled in the New -- the two shed light on each other. The New Testament does not replace the Old, rather it unveils and brings into full light the hidden meaning and signs which foreshadow and point to God’s plan of redemption which he would accomplish through his Son, Jesus Christ. How impoverished we would be if we only had the Old Testament or the New Testament, rather than both.

Prayer: O God, who in the abasement of your Son have raised up a fallen world, fill your faithful with holy joy, for on those you have rescued from slavery to sin you bestow eternal gladness. 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 Lord Jesus gives us wisdom so we can make the best use of both the old and the new. He doesn’t want us to hold rigidly to the past and to be resistant to the new action of his Holy Spirit in our lives. He wants our minds and hearts to be like the new wine skins, open and ready to receive the *new wine of the Holy Spirit*. Are you eager to grow in the knowledge and understanding of God’s word and plan for your life?

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Calendario Litúrgico:

Misas en Español

Domingo	Septiembre 6	1:30 p.m.
Domingo	Septiembre 13	1:30 p.m.
Domingo	Septiembre 20	1:30 p.m.

Confesiones con cita previa.

Misas en Inglés

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

Notas Espirituales:

Las palabras del profeta Jeremías no son palabras que esperaríamos escuchar de un profeta de Dios. "Me has seducido, Señor, y me dejé seducir", se queja. Su llamado como profeta ha llevado a "la burla y afrenta todo el día", como lo anuncia la palabra de Dios al pueblo. Jeremías se entera de que nuestros caminos no son los caminos de Dios y que a veces el trabajo de un profeta encuentra resistencia e implica sufrimiento - una idea reflejada en el Evangelio de hoy también. Pero aún así perseveraré debido a su fe en Dios.

Pablo anima a los romanos para que el sacrificio exigido como discípulos. "No os conforméis a este siglo", escribe; estamos luchando para "discernir cuál es la voluntad de Dios". A veces nos enfrentamos a las dificultades para hacer esto. Pero Pablo anima a la perseverancia, porque sabemos que Dios recompensará nuestra fidelidad. Si el único Hijo de Dios sufrió por su fe, entonces nosotros también podemos ser llamados a sufrir. Pero como Dios glorificó a Cristo, así también nosotros nos darán una participación en esa gloria.

Expectativas mesiánicas de la época de Jesús variaron. Algunos esperaban una figura real, otros un líder militar, e incluso otros un mesías religioso. Una de las cosas es cierta - las expectativas de un Mesías de la gente no incluían una figura que sufriría y moriría. Esto nos ayuda a entender la respuesta de Pedro a la predicción de Jesús de su Pasión por primera vez en Mateo. Pedro rechaza la idea que Jesús debía sufrir y morir. "Dios no lo quiera, Señor!", Él protesta. Y ahora Jesús, que en el último episodio acababa de dar al discípulo el nombre de Pedro (roca), se dirige a él como "Satanás" porque él no está pensando "como lo hace Dios, sino como los hombres". Para el fin de seguir a Cristo, tenemos que llevar nuestra propia cruz.

Para la reflexión: ¿Mi fe ha traído sufrimiento? ¿Cómo respondí a ella? ¿De qué manera el sufrimiento de Cristo añade a mi comprensión de Dios?

Intenciones de Oración del Santo Padre
Septiembre 2020

Respeto de los recursos del planeta.

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Creo, Jesús mío,
que estás real y verdaderamente en el cielo
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Os amo sobre todas las cosas y deseo vivamente
recibirte dentro de mi alma, pero no pudiendo hacerlo
ahora sacramentalmente, venid al menos
espiritualmente a mi corazón.
Y como si ya os hubiese recibido,
os abrazo y me uno del todo a Ti.
Señor, no permitas que jamás me aparte de Ti.

Amén.



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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