



*St. Mary Catholic Church
Windthorst, TX*

St. Mary / St. Boniface Vision Statement

To serve Christ and
promote
His teachings
through Worship,
Education,
Training, Service,
and
Community



*St. Boniface Catholic Church
Scotland, TX*

Father Michael Moloney, O. F. S., PASTOR

"There's no such thing as a bad priest, just priests whose people don't pray enough for them." St. John Vianney

Mailing Address for Both Churches

PO Box 230, Windthorst, Texas 76389
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Office Hours: Monday-Friday 9 am-5 pm
www.stmarysstboniface.org
Email: windscoth@comcell.net

BAPTISMAL PREPARATION

on the 3rd Sunday of the month at 9:15 A.M.
contact the office for dates and to register for classes

Marriage Preparation

contact the office at least nine to 12 months prior
to wedding date

RCIA

contact Fr. Michael at 423-6687

Funerals

in the case of a death in the family, please contact the office as
soon as possible.

Ministry to the Sick

contact the office immediately if you know of anyone
who is sick, hospitalized or home-bound

Confession

St. Mary's every Saturday 4:00 – 4:40 pm and
every Wednesday after evening Mass.
(or by appointment at the office.)
St. Boniface – Last Saturday from 3:15 – 3:45 p.m.

Hispanic Ministry

Tuesday & Thursday in Convent
Call Oscar or Alma Contreras at 423-6918 or 940-224-8183

Protecting Our Children Sessions

Call Sharon Humpert @ 423-6283

Mass Schedule for the Week

Please wear a mask & practice social distancing at all
Masses. Sunday & Wednesday services will be live-
streamed.

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| Monday | August 17– St. Mary's |
| 12:00 Noon | † Karen Foster by Family |
| Tuesday | August 18– St. Mary's |
| | Intentions of Fr. Michael |
| Wednesday | August 19– St. Mary's |
| 6:00 pm | Living & Deceased Members of CDA #296 by CDA #296 |
| Thursday | August 20 – St. Boniface |
| 6:00 pm | † Dianna Henson by Arthur Hemmis |
| Friday | August 21 – St. Mary's |
| 7:25 am | Prayer & Adoration |
| 12:00 Noon | † Richard Schroeder by Johnny Anderles |
| Saturday | August 22 – St. Mary's |
| 12:00 Noon | † Fr. James O'Toole |
| 5:00 pm | † Henry Pennartz by Pauline Wolf |
| | Spanish Mass |
| 7:00 pm | Parishioners |
| Sunday | August 23– St. Boniface |
| 8:00 am | † Sam & Rose McDonald by McDonald Family |
| Sunday | August 23 – St. Mary's |
| 10:30 am | † Ericson Magalang by Bert Hoffs |

ST. MARY'S MINISTERS

Monday August 17th – Sunday August 23rd , 2020

SATURDAY August 22nd

Lector – Suzette Schreiber

Ushers – Roy & Julie Koetter, David Green, Doug Wolf

Eucharistic Ministers – Diane Schroeder & Betty Wolf

SUNDAY AUGUST 23rd

Lector – Ted Neeb

Ushers – David McCann, Donnie Fleitman, Terry Schroeder
Nathan McCann

Eucharistic Ministers– Chuck & Mitzi Veitenheimer

SUPPORT – Envelopes \$4164.00 Loose \$28.00

Priest Care Fund \$402.00

ST. BONIFACE MINISTERS

Monday August 17th – Sunday August 23rd, 2020

SUNDAY August 22nd

Lector – Pat Hemmi

Ushers – Kenneth Veitenheimer & Brad Wolf

Eucharistic Minister– Robert & Debbie Krah

SUPPORT – Envelopes \$2723.00 Loose \$30.00

Priest Care Fund \$70.00

ST. MARY'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

SANCTUARY LIGHT WILL BURN THIS WEEK for a successful school year for students, teachers, parents & administrators.

THANK YOU NOTE: Thanks to James Deana Vieth for their generous donation to St. Mary's Improvement Fund in memory of Ben Buerger.

THANK YOU NOTE: Thanks to an anonymous donor for their generous donation to St. Mary's Improvement Fund in memory of Chris Steinberger.

THANK YOU NOTE: Thanks to Jerry & Marsha Anderle for their generous donation to St. Mary's Improvement Fund in memory of Robert & Therese Morath.

CEMETERY MEETING: The annual St. Mary's Cemetery Association meeting will be held on Sunday, Aug. 16th @ 3PM in the 1st section of the Parish Hall. All members and any interested parishioners are encouraged to attend. The term of Danny Joe Schroeder is up for re-election. Everyone will be required to wear a mask and the social distancing guidelines will be kept.

BAPTISMAL CLASSES are offered on the third Sunday of the month at 9:15 a.m. Classes need to be attended by Parents and Godparents. Baptismal classes need to be refreshed every three years. You may attend the class before the baby is born. Please call the office at 423-6687 or Diane Hubbard at 631-1803 to register. Thank you.

The next Baptism will be Sept. 27th - following 10:30 Mass.

ST. BONIFACE ANNOUNCEMENTS

SANCTUARY LIGHT WILL BURN THIS WEEK in memory of Mindy Daffern by Sis Smith.

7 - DAY LIGHTS In memory of Kathleen Moer. May she be enjoying everlasting life, For Debbie Hoff's continued fight & Frosty Hoff & all who are hurting by Joyce Moer. Special intention, Carolyn Smith, for a speedy recovery by Family.

WEEKLY BULLETINS: Since the Church is locked most of the week days, the bulletins will be placed in the bulletin board at the entrance of Church after Mass each Sunday if you would like to pick one up.

ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR BOTH PARISHES

THE PILGRIM VIRGIN STATUE is in the home of Ralph Veitenheimers the week of August 16th. They as well as all of us are asked to pray for world peace, military and vocations.

August 23rd Dwayne Scheffe Family

August 30th Bernard Scheffe Family

Confessions: Father Michael will be hearing confessions on Saturdays at the Church Office from 3:00 to 4:00pm. All parishioners of St. Boniface & St. Mary's please take note of the time and place.

ACTS OF CHARITY: Please wear a mask at all Masses and practice social distancing (3 ft. apart). This is an act of charity to our neighbors when we practice social distancing & wear a mask.

MASS TIME CHANGES: Monday Masses will be at 12:00 noon except the 4th Monday of each month. **PLEASE WATCH THE BULLETIN FOR MASS TIME CHANGES THROUGHOUT THE MONTH.**

NOTICE: Due to the corona virus surge, we would like to ask that you call the office to make an appointment for any type of transaction, such as a visit with Father Michael, book the hall (For the future), or any type of concern you might have at this time. First of all it is to make sure the person you would like to speak with is in the office the time you plan to come by. We also ask that you wear a mask, This is for the protection of all concerned..we have the health and safety of our visitors in mind. You may continue to drop off bulletin notices, requests for lighs in the slot of the office door. You may also drop off your stewardship donations if you would like. Even though the Church is serving a 50% capacity, the bills still continue. Thank you for your understanding.

CCD NOTICE: We are planning on having a successful CCD program this year, even with COVID-19 hanging around. Just a few reminders: k-5th grade students will be instructed by their teachers on Monday, Tuesday & Wednesday. Thursday & Fridays they will be going to Church for adoration, prayers & so forth. The students & adults are asked to wear masks & to keep the social distancing guidelines. Registration forms were attached to the bulletin the week of August 9th. If you missed receiving one, please check with Clara (940-423-6402) or one of the teachers. A fee of \$20.00 is asked for the first child in each family. (K-5). Each child in the family after the first one will be charged a fee of \$10.00 each. Please send the money, payable to St. Mary's with your child & give to the respective CCD teacher. This is an unusual situation in our world today & we will try to make the best of things. We ask for your co-operation & prayers in this uncertain time. Thank you & May God Bless You!

WANTED: We are in dire need of volunteers to help with the children at services Thursday & Friday at 7:25 am. We are also in need of volunteers to help the CCD teachers with their classes. Maybe you feel that you can't teach but would be willing to be an assistant. Helping the teachers keep order and help with the CCD activities. Please consider this great act of charity. Please call Fr. Michael at 782-3200 or Clara at 423-6402 to volunteer.

"THE WINDTHORST COMMUNITY BLOOD MOBILE will be held at the Berend Family Center, Wed., Aug. 19th from 2pm – 6:30 pm. Texas Blood Institute will be collecting blood using appropriate protocols & social distancing requirements. You can schedule an appointment by visiting tbi.org, to minimize any waiting time. There is a critical blood shortage as emergent surgeries & other needs are using up the limited supply. With a decrease in donations there is an urgent need for blood donations. Please note, we have pushed the end time to 6:30pm, to allow more time at the end of the work day, if you are able to give." Thanks!!!

BEIRUT BLAST RELIEF: SPECIAL EMERGENCY

COLLECTION: In response to the recent explosion in Beirut, Lebanon, Most Reverend Michael F. Olson has announced an emergency special collection in the Diocese of Fort Worth on August 22-23. Funds collected will be forwarded to Catholic Relief Services in coordination with Caritas Lebanon to distribute emergency supplies, clear rubble & prepare medical & mental health teams for dispatch. Please generously support this collection through our parish. Parishioners may support this special collection in the following ways:

1. By dropping off at Mass in the basket provided at the back of Church.
2. Mail a donation directly to the Parish with Beirut Special Collection noted.
3. By placing in the door mail slot at the Church Office.

ALIVIO PARA LA EXPLOSION EN BEIRUT: COLECTA ESPECIAL DE EMERGENCIA:

En respuesta a la reciente explosion en Beirut, Libano, el Reverendísimo Michael F. Olson ha anunciado una colecta especial de emergencia en la Diocesis de Fort Worth del 22 al 23 de agosto. Los fondos recudados se enviaran a Catholic Relief Services en coordinacion con Caritas Libano para distribuir suministros de emergencia, limpiar escombros y preparar equipos medicos y de salud mental para su envio. Los feligreses pueden apoyar esta colecta especial de las siguientes maneras:

1. Dejando en Misa en la canasta provista en la parte trasera de la iglesia.
2. Envie una donacion directamente a la parroquia con la coleccion especial de Beirut indicada.
3. Colocandolo en la ranura del correo de la puerta en la oficina de la iglesia.

WORLD WIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER "O woman, great is your faith! Let it be done for you as you wish." Have faith that your marriage can be strong. Gain the tools of a great marriage on an upcoming Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend. The next Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekends is Sept. 11-13 & Nov. 13-15, 2020. Dates fill fast. To apply, visit our website at ken_cathy_101577@verizon.net. For more information call 469-444-0904. "O mujer, que grande es tu fe, que se haga lo que deseas". Ten fe que tu matrimonio puede ser fuerte. Obten las herramientas para tener un gran matrimonio asistiendo a un Fin de Semana del Encuentro Matrimonial Mundial. Para mas informacion de Encuentro Matrimonial en Espanol, escriba a ken_cathy_101577@verizon.net o visite <http://www.emmseccion21.org>

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Branch #36 of Scotland

2020 CENSUS: As the 2020 Census enters its final stages, it is important that every Catholic is counted.

Being counted matters for you & our community regardless of your religious affiliation. The 2020 Census will determine how billions of dollars in federal funding are allocated to states & communities each year for housing, schools, food assistance, health care & other vital services. You still may complete & return the census form mailed to you. Or if you have not received the census form, you may go to my2020census.gov. Select the link that says, "If you do not have a Census ID, click here." It is located below the Census ID login field.

REMEMBER THE FOLLOWING IN YOUR PRAYERS!

John Anderle Jr., Bob Baumer, Conner Berardi, Gerald Berend, Gus Berend, Nellie Berend, Patience Blake, J.C. Birkenfield, Teresa Lindeman Birkenfield, Mabel Bowlden, Gary Brewer, Mark Brockriede, Al Cabrera, David Carcaño, Jesús Colchado, John Deason, Brandy Evans, Danielle Mueller Fontenot, Emily Foster, Jeanne Fischer, Annette Fleitman, Rick Fleitman, Cindy Frerich, Kimberly Fulford, Tootsie Gardner, **Beth Geis**, Jerry Green, Louise Green, Sister Marie Green, Jerry Gibson, Artie Hallenbeck, Gary Humpert, Pat Humpert, Billie Hoff, Debbie Hoff, Ernie Hoff, Frosty Hoff, JoAnn Hoff, Marvin Hoff Sr., Pauline Hoff, Willie L. Hoff, Myra Hoffman, Libby Ingram, Karen Lowe, C.D. Knobloch, Elsie Koetter, Nick Koetter, Dee Litteken, Agnes Loran, Brian Lucore, Tyler Marlar, Annette Meurer, Jess Meurer, Hans Meyer, Madi Scogin, Skylar Mueller, Kim Nelson, Travis Nelson, Jerry Ostermann, Rita Pearson, Nancy Pennartz, Colby Peterson, Gina Phillips, Phillip Rafferty, Dawson Reynolds, Bradley Rodgers, Cassey Schenk, Frank Schenk, Leonard Schenk Sr., Paul Schenk, Roch Schenk, Rosalie Schenk, Vera Ann Schenk, Agnes Schreiber, Fern Schreiber, Gerald Schreiber, Nelda Schreiber, Roxanne Schreiber, Alex Schroeder, Ashley Schroeder, Bruce Schroeder, Carolyn Schroeder, Hans Schroeder, Lauren Schroeder, Linda Schroeder, Mary Lou Schroeder, Rosalee Schroeder, Ryan Schroeder, Helen Seigler, Henri Seto, Debbie Shifflett, Geneva Simpson, Jim Simpson, Lisa Smith, Sis Smith, Weldon Snyder, Kate Talley, Margaret Green Tift, Trent Tipton, Randy Townsend, Ann Veitenheimer, Anna Mae Veitenheimer, John Veitenheimer, Ralph Veitenheimer, Gayle Vieth, James Vieth, Tim Vieth, David Williams, Debbie Williams, Charles Winkles, Sarah Witten, Jim Wolf, Kenny Wolf, Larry Wolf, Martha Wolf, Pauline Wolf, Alphonse Zott Jr., Bruce Zott, Chuck Zott, Harola Zott.

If you wish your name removed or there are any changes, please call the office. Prayer of the Faithful:

Lord Jesus, we lift those on our weekly list to you; You are the healer of the sick and we keep praying and hoping for those who are ill. May we continue to pray for all who are sick and hurting and may your peace come to each and every one of us. Amen

**10 DAY IRELAND PILGRIMAGE
HOSTED BY FATHER MICHAEL MOLONEY**

October 18 – October 27, 2021

The dates for this trip have changed and we are now able to enroll more interested parties. Please contact Denise Cooper at 940-781-3931 for more details.

ST. MARY'S 7-DAY LIGHTS: Aunt Mary Jo & family, Gerald Berend, Charles & Glenda Schroeder, JoAnn Hoff & Bill Vieth, Mom & Dad Wolf, Mom Veitenheimer, George Morath & family, Ben Buerger Family, Latrica Parker family, Andy Berend family, Successful & Healthy School Year for all, Margaret Beaman, Bob Baumer, Ralph & Clara Mae, Cordella Berend, Nellie Berend, Roxanne Schreiber, Lillie Mae Rife & family, Our families, All the sick & hurting by Doug & Betty Wolf; Precious healing from covid for JoAnn Hoff, Bill Vieth, Mark & Laura Hoff, Healing for all going through covid, Healing for Bob Baumer, Healing for our son Brett with his surgery, Prayers for WISD staff, students & all parents by Clayton & Dorcyle; Sis Smith, Gary & Sandra, Special Intentions, Successful semester for Abby by Frank & Joyce; Nellie Berend by Gus Berend, Nellie Berend, Gus Berend, James Vieth by James & Deana Vieth Family: Gerald's complete healing, Our family, Our Mothers, Andy Berend family, Successful School Year by Gerald & Sherry Berend; Leonard & Vera Ann, Bernard & Pat, James & Pat, Butch & Pat, Donnie & Cindy, Kenny & Martha & Larry, Ralph & Clara, Margaret Beaman, John & Maxine, Bob & Mary Baumer, Ann Veitenheimer, Anna Mae Veitenheimer, Gerald & Sherry, For the Welfare & Safety of Our VFD, James Vieth Sr., Rosalee Schroeder & all her family, Special Intentions, Dedra Day, Keith & Kelly by Bobby & Pat; Fr. Michael, Margaret Beaman, Frances Hoffman, Gerald & Sherry Berend, Bobby & Carolyn Schreiber, Sis Smith, JoAnn Hoff, Bill Vieth, Shirley & Russell Williams, Geneva & Jim Simpson & Family, Healing for Ryan, Special Intentions for Rick Fleitman, Special Intentions for Brady Vieth, Our children, Our grandchildren, Mom, Our family, Special Intentions by Denise & Jerry Cooper: For Bobby & Carolyn Schreiber, Donnie & Cindy Frerich, Ray & Myra Hoffman, Frances Hoffman, Shirley Williams, Russell Williams, Fern Schreiber, Bobby & Pat Scheffe, For all my family by Rosalee Schroeder; Healing for Linette & Cyril & Jim by Mom; Rick Fleitman by Grandma; Our Sick Members, For an Increase in Priestly & Consecrated Life Vocations, Students of WISD/CDA #296 Members by Catholic Daughters Court#296

MILITARY PRAYER LIST -Charles Berend, Jr. (Navy), Fermin Estrada Jr., (Army), Sgt. Bill Foster, Capt. Sean Fuhrmann (Marines), Lt. Colonel Tony Garcia (Navy), Cpl. Kellen Green (Marine), Luke Grotelueschen (Army), Captain Brian Hoff (Marine), Tracey Hoff (Navy), Damian Hoffman (Army), Master Sgt. Nicholas Klein (Army), Stephen Koetter (Army), Adam Lambert (Army), James Devon Lindeman (Army), PVT Miguel Luna Jr., Jess Martinez (Army), Joshua Millican (Navy), Sgt. Kenneth (K.J.) Nichols (Army), Major David Ogura (Army), Kyle Page (Marine), Frank Prokop, (Colorado Air National Guard), Sgt. Robert Rhinehart, Private Trey Schenk (Marine), Tracy Hoff Schmitt (Army), 1st Class Craig Slaten (Air Force), Staff Sgt. Ricky Smith (Air Force), Judy Solorio (Navy), Staff Sgt. Matthew Tubbs, Sgt. Ann Schreiber Turner (Air Force), Cpl. Logan Veitenheimer (Marine) Josh Winter (Army), Major Audrey Wolf (Army), Zachary Zotz (Army). (If there are any changes or additions please call the office.) Dear Heavenly Father, please protect our troops as they protect us. Bless them and their families for all that they are doing for us in our time of need. We ask this in the name of Jesus. Amen

YEARLY LIGHTS: For my family & in memory of +Henry & +Troy Pennartz by Hillary; For all battling cancer by Charles & Joyce Vieth; In Memory of +Janice, +Ed & +Catherine, Lois Luig, + Nanci Luig Carr & +Geraldine Lindemann by Eddie Luig Family; For World Peace and safety of our Military, especially for Damian Hoffman (Army), David Ogura (Army), & Zachary Zotz (Army) by Grandmommy; For Jeanne & Family, Ray & Myra & Family, Chuck & Diane & Family, Terry & Kathy & Family, Dolores Sumner & Family by Frances Hoffman; Living & Deceased Members of Catholic Life Insurance Branch #30; Our Family & For The Safety of Our Military by Ralph & Clara; For +Joe Schreiber & +Joseph Schreiber by Agnes Schreiber; For Mom by Johnnie & Alice; For Students of W.I.S.D. & C.D.A. #296 Members by C.D.A. #296; The Holy Spirit's Daily Guidance in Endeavors for each member of my family by Donor; For +Lawrence & +Helen Berend Family by Terry & Carol Sales; For Our Family by Joe & Lugenia Zotz; +Arnold & +Lillian Lindeman by the Family; +Thomas & +Leona Schlumpf by Danny Schlumpf Family; Ben's safety by Mom & Dad; For our Family by Frank & Joyce Wolf; For all our Family by Don & Benita Essler; For Our Family by Bernard & Pat Scheffe; Sick & Hurting of St. Mary's Christian Mother's Society by the Christian Mothers; For my Family & for Bruce by Anna Mae Veitenheimer; Safety of Volunteer Firemen, Safety of Ben Wolf, Gina Loran, Brett Hoff, Kevin Schroeder, Corey George, & Greg Schlumpf, Living and Deceased Members of Charles & Mary Lindemann family by Benny Lindeman; Thank you for all the graces & blessings received for our Country, Community & Family by Bert & Elizabeth Hoff; Living & Deceased Members of Alphonse & Caroline Zotz by the Family; For our Family by George & Juanita Martin; My Family by Margaret Beaman; My Family; Living & Deceased members of Himmels Family, For my family & For +Al Veitenheimer by Ann Veitenheimer; Dad & Mom by Nubbin & Angela; +Floyd & Betty Humpert by the Family; For Our Family & In Memory of +Alfred Berend by Cordella; Guidance & Protection for our Military Service Men & Women by V.F.W.

THANKSGIVING *after* MASS

Lord, Father all-powerful and ever-living God, I thank You, for even though I am a sinner, your unprofitable servant, not because of my worth but in the kindness of your mercy, You have fed me with the Precious Body & Blood of Your Son, our Lord Jesus Christ.

I pray that this Holy Communion may not bring me condemnation and punishment but forgiveness and salvation.

May it be a helmet of faith and a shield of good will.

May it purify me from evil ways and put an end to my evil passions.

May it bring me charity and patience, humility and obedience, and growth in the power to do good.

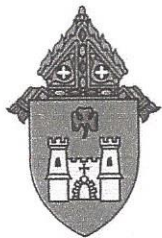
May it be my strong defense against all my enemies, visible and invisible, and the perfect calming of all my evil impulses, bodily and spiritual.

May it unite me more closely to you, the One true God,

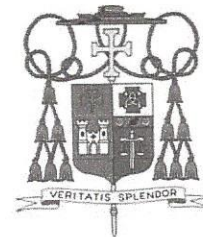
and lead me safely through death to everlasting happiness with You. And I pray that

You will lead me, a sinner, to the banquet where you, with Your Son and holy Spirit, are true and perfect light, total fulfillment, everlasting joy, gladness without end, and perfect happiness to your saints. grant this through Christ our Lord, **Amen.**

- Saint Thomas Aquinas



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THE BISHOP'S OFFICE



August 16, 2020

Dear Friends in Christ,

The Church has been present in Lebanon since the first century when Saints Peter and Paul evangelized among Her people. Most of Lebanon's Catholic population are direct descendants from these first Christians. Lebanon is traditionally renown for the cooperation and mutual respect among its people who adhere to the three Abrahamic religions: Judaism, Islam, and Christianity. This remains true despite political pressures placed upon this beautiful nation from outside forces.

On the afternoon of August 4th, two terrible explosions devastated the port of Beirut and much of the city-center in the direct vicinity of the port. The loss of life and the severe nature and number of the casualties is terrible. This devastation has directly impacted the Maronite Catholic Christian community, who compose nearly 35% of the country's population, a country who is now in desperate need of economic and humanitarian assistance. The sad and heart-breaking reality is that there will be additional hardships endured by our Christian brothers and sisters and those of other religions living in Lebanon; as the long-term economic and social impacts are sure to be severe and far reaching with threats to peace.

During this time of pandemic and accompanying civil unrest within our own society, we might be tempted to turn inward and concern ourselves only with our own hardships and burdens, but this in itself is an act of fear and not of faith in Christ. Our responsibility is to assist our elder brothers and sisters in the Faith who long for peace as they reside in this most beautiful of Mediterranean nations. With this in mind, and with the full knowledge of our responsibility as Catholic Christians to help provide for those who are suffering and in need, we have decided to initiate a special collection today, August 16th, with the goal of raising additional funds to support the recovery effort for the Maronite Catholic Community in Lebanon and for all those who are suffering as a result of the disaster.

All gifts will be sent to Our Lady of Lebanon Church in Lewisville, and then directed to Caritas Lebanon, in the name of the Diocese of Fort Worth, to help the more than 300,000 people left homeless and devastated. Many of these people are family members of parishioners of Our Lady of Lebanon Maronite Catholic Church. Should you desire to make your donation online, please go to <https://ourladylebanon.com> and follow the link marked "LEBANON RELIEF FUND CLICK HERE."

As Catholics in the Diocese of Fort Worth, God has blessed us with tremendous security and prosperity, even during these challenging times. Please remember to pray for the people of Lebanon and, as you always are, be generous in assisting them in their hour of need. I remain,

Sincerely Yours in Christ,

+ Michael F. Olson

Most Reverend Michael F. Olson, STD, MA
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16 de agosto de 2020

Queridos amigos en Cristo,

La Iglesia está presente en el Líbano desde el siglo primero cuando los santos Pedro y Pablo evangelizaron a este pueblo. La mayor parte de la población católica del Líbano es descendiente directa de estos primeros cristianos. El Líbano es tradicionalmente conocido por la cooperación y el respeto mutuo entre su gente que se adhiere a las tres religiones abrahámicas: el judaísmo, el islam y el cristianismo. Esto sigue siendo cierto a pesar de las presiones políticas ejercidas sobre esta hermosa nación por parte de fuerzas externas.

En la tarde del 4 de agosto, dos terribles explosiones devastaron el puerto de Beirut y gran parte del centro de la ciudad en las inmediaciones del puerto. La pérdida de vidas y la gravedad y el número de víctimas es terrible. Esta devastación ha afectado directamente a la comunidad cristiana católica maronita, que compone casi el 35% de la población del país, un país que ahora necesita desesperadamente ayuda económica y humanitaria. La triste y desgarradora realidad es que nuestros hermanos y hermanas cristianos y los de otras religiones que viven en el Líbano tendrán que soportar más dificultades; ya que los impactos económicos y sociales a largo plazo seguramente serán severos y de mayor impacto con amenazas a la paz.

Durante este tiempo de pandemia y malestar civil dentro de nuestra propia sociedad, podríamos sentir la tentación de volvernos hacia adentro y preocuparnos solo por nuestras propias dificultades y cargas, pero esto en sí mismo es un acto de miedo y no de fe en Cristo. Nuestra responsabilidad es ayudar a nuestros hermanos y hermanas mayores en la fe que anhelan la paz mientras residen en la más hermosa de las naciones mediterráneas. Con esto en mente, y con pleno conocimiento de nuestra responsabilidad como cristianos católicos de ayudar a proveer a los que sufren y carecen de lo imprescindible, hemos decidido iniciar una colecta especial hoy, 16 de agosto, con el objetivo de recaudar fondos adicionales para apoyar el esfuerzo de recuperación para la comunidad católica maronita en el Líbano y para todos aquellos que están sufriendo como resultado del desastre.

Todos los donativos se enviarán a la Iglesia de Nuestra Señora del Líbano en Lewisville, después a Caritas Lebanon, en nombre de la Diócesis de Fort Worth, para ayudar a las más de 300,000 personas que quedaron sin hogar y desamparados. Muchas de estas personas son familiares de feligreses de la Iglesia Católica Maronita Nuestra Señora del Líbano. Si desea hacer su donación en línea, vaya a <https://ourladylebanon.com> y siga el enlace que dice "LEBANON RELIEF FUND CLICK HERE."

Como católicos en la Diócesis de Fort Worth, Dios nos ha bendecido con tremenda seguridad y prosperidad, incluso durante estos tiempos difíciles. Por favor no olvide de orar por la gente del Líbano y, como siempre, sea generoso ayudándoles en su momento de necesidad. Quedo

Sinceramente suyo en Cristo,

+ Michael F. Olson

Reverendísimo Michael F. Olson, STD, MA
Obispo de Fort Worth

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Sunday, Aug 16, 2020
TWENTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Believe outside the box

A natural tension exists between the familiar and unfamiliar, the neighbor and stranger, our kind and every other kind. Even Jesus seems initially to have limited his mission to “the lost sheep” of Israel. A clever woman, a Canaanite, persuades him to think outside the box on this issue. Later, Saint Paul abandons the box altogether, taking the gospel to the Gentiles outright. We’re the beneficiaries of that decision. These days, as we wrestle with how much we’re obliged to share our land and its richness with others, we might consider the crumbs that fell from the table to us.

TODAY’S READINGS: Isaiah 56:1, 6-7; Romans 11:13-15, 29-32; Matthew 15:21-28 (118). *“It is not right to take the food of the children and throw it to the dogs.”*

Monday, Aug 17, 2020

Be a good steward

When it comes to Christian stewardship, there’s an awful lot we are supposed to take care of—the whole world to be exact! Pope Francis said, “In the end, everything has been entrusted to our protection, and all of us are responsible for it. Be protectors of God’s gifts!” The key to stewardship is remembering that it’s not ownership—your talents, your treasure, all of creation were bestowed on you. Show your gratitude to God by using them responsibly and sharing them with others lovingly and generously.

TODAY’S READINGS: Ezekiel 24:15-24; Matthew 19:16-22 (419). *“Sell what you have and give to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven.”*

Tuesday, Aug 18, 2020

Build a human economy

People’s livelihoods have been hit by COVID-19’s closure of workplaces. Protests over racial inequality shine an unforgiving light on economic inequality. The Catholic Church has a lot to say about how the economy should work to promote the common good. The Catechism of the Catholic Church denounces two economic extremes—communism’s centralized control, but also capitalism’s tendency to make individualism and the market into modern-day idols. Above all, let us remember what the U.S. Catholic Bishops have written: “The economy exists for the person, not the person for the economy. . . . A fundamental moral measure of any economy is how the poor and vulnerable are faring.” Keep that in mind as you make big and small economic decisions.

TODAY’S READINGS: Ezekiel 28:1-10; Matthew 19:23-30 (420). *“By your great wisdom applied to your trading you have heaped up your riches.”*

Wednesday, Aug 19, 2020

MEMORIAL OF JOHN EUDES, PRIEST

Beyond thank you

Today is World Humanitarian Day, a day established in 2018 by the United Nations General Assembly to advocate for the safety and security of humanitarian aid workers who step up in times of crises. If ever there is a year for us to honor and advocate for such workers, it is this year. As the world has faced a global pandemic, we have been challenged more than ever to recognize the essential workers in our midst who have risked their lives for

our well-being. Today is a good day to think about ways to support humanitarian workers beyond a simple thank you through a donation, a call of advocacy to an elected official, or joining alongside them in their work.

TODAY’S READINGS: Ezekiel 34:1-11; Matthew 20:1-16 (421). *“The last shall be first and the first shall be last.”*

Thursday, Aug 20, 2020

MEMORIAL OF BERNARD, ABBOT, DOCTOR OF THE CHURCH

Faithful through thick and thin

Today is the Memorial of Bernard of Clairvaux, whose impact on Europe in the 12th century was profound and whose influence lives on worldwide in Cistercian monasteries and Catholic theology. He was a scholar (whose books are still readily available), a skilled arbitrator, mystic, monk, reformer, and leader of Europe’s second crusade (a violent venture that ended badly). Through his successes and mistakes, Bernard of Clairvaux aimed to follow Jesus. We are called to do the same. Do one thing today that puts your heart, mind, or skills to the service of God.

TODAY’S READINGS: Ezekiel 36:23-28; Matthew 22:1-14 (422). *“Tell those invited: ‘Behold, I have prepared my banquet, my calves and fattened cattle are killed, and everything is ready; come to the feast.’”*

Friday, Aug 21, 2020

MEMORIAL OF PIUS X, POPE

The right of kings that was wrong

Shortly after the turn of the 20th century, Giuseppe Sarto was elected Pope Pius X, but not without controversy. The leading vote-getter of the papal conclave was Mariano Rampolla, but Polish Cardinal Jan Kosielsko exercised a veto in the name of Emperor Franz Joseph. That swung the vote to Sarto. It was the last time a reigning monarch exercised a longstanding right of veto in a papal conclave. Government interference in church leadership has always been an issue, though today less so in most (though not all) parts of the world. Pray for a worldwide church that answers to only one Lord, Jesus.

TODAY’S READINGS: Ezekiel 37:1-14; Matthew 22:34-40 (423). *“You shall love the Lord, your God, with all your heart, with all your soul, and with all your mind.”*

Saturday, Aug 22, 2020

MEMORIAL OF THE QUEENSHIP OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

She wears her crown well

Though queenship is a concept quite foreign to a democratic society (especially one that threw off royal rulership at its founding!), when applied to Mary it can be understood as an expression of the Holy Mother’s central role in the reign of God. Though today’s feast, established in 1954, is quite recent in terms of the larger sweep of church history, associations of Mary with queenship go back to the angel Gabriel’s announcement that Mary’s son would inherit the throne of King David. Allow Mary to reign in your heart, especially at times when you are called on to take a leap of faith, as Mary certainly was when Gabriel revealed her mission to her.

TODAY’S READINGS: Ezekiel 43:1-7b; Matthew 23:1-12 (424). *“Son of man, this is where my throne shall be.”*

Invest just five minutes a day, and your faith will deepen and grow—a day at a time



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AUGUST 15, 2020 – SEPTEMBER 11, 2020

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| SATURDAY AUGUST 15 FEAST OF THE ASSUMPTION Mass St. Mary's 9:00 AM Confessions 3:00 – 4:00 At the Church office St. Mary's Mass 5:00PM Live-streamed at 5 St. Mary's Mass 7:00PM (Spanish) Please wear a mask & practice social distancing at all Masses | SUNDAY AUGUST 16 20th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME St. Boniface Mass 8:00AM St. Mary's Mass 10:30 AM Please wear a mask & practice social distancing. Both Masses live streamed Cemetery Meeting 3:00 pm | MONDAY AUG. 17 Mass St. Mary's 12:00 noon | TUESDAY AUG. 18 Mass St. Mary's <u>Church Office closed</u> | WEDNESDAY AUGUST 19 Mass St. Mary's 6:00 pm Adoration 6:30 pm Chaplet 6:30 pm Novena 7:00pm Please wear a mask & practice social distancing. Mass will be live-streamed Windthorst Community Blood Mobile 2pm-6:30pm | THURSDAY AUGUST 20 Mass St. Boniface 6 pm CCD 7:25 am at Church Please wear a mask & practice social distancing. | FRIDAY AUGUST 21 Prayer & Adoration St. Mary's 7:25 am Mass St. Mary's 12 noon |
| SATURDAY AUGUST 22 Mass St. Mary's 12:00 noon Confessions 3:00 – 4:00 At the Church office St. Mary's Mass 5:00PM Live-streamed at 5 St. Mary's Mass 7:00PM (Spanish) Please wear a mask & practice social distancing. Beirut Blast Relief: Spec. Coll. | SUNDAY AUGUST 23 21st SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME St. Boniface Mass 8:00AM St. Mary's Mass 10:30 AM Please wear a mask & practice social distancing. Both Masses live streamed Beirut Blast Relief: Emergency Special Coll. | MONDAY AUG. 24 Mass St. Mary's 6:00 pm Please wear a mask & practice social distancing. 4 th Degree K of C after Mass | TUESDAY AUG. 25 Mass St. Mary's <u>Church Office closed</u> | WEDNESDAY AUGUST 26 Mass St. Mary's 6:00 pm Adoration 6:30 pm Chaplet 6:30 pm Novena 7:00pm Please wear a mask & practice social distancing. Mass will be live-streamed. | THURSDAY AUGUST 27 Mass St. Boniface 6pm CCD 7:25 am at Church Please wear a mask & practice social distancing. | FRIDAY AUGUST 28 Prayer & Adoration St. Mary's 7:25 am Mass St. Mary's 12 noon Please wear a mask & practice social distancing. |
| SATURDAY AUGUST 29 Mass St. Mary's 12:00 noon Confessions 3:00 – 4:00 At the Church office St. Mary's Mass 5:00PM Live-streamed at 5 St. Mary's Mass 7:00PM (Spanish) Please wear a mask & practice social distancing at all Masses. | SUNDAY AUGUST 30 22nd SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME St. Boniface Mass 8:00AM St. Mary's Mass 10:30 AM Please wear a mask & practice social distancing. Both Masses live streamed | MONDAY AUG. 31 Mass St. Mary's 12:00 noon Please wear a mask & practice social distancing. | TUESDAY SEPT. 1 Mass St. Mary's <u>Church Office closed</u> | WEDNESDAY SEPT. 2 Mass St. Mary's 6:00 pm Adoration 6:30 pm Chaplet 6:30 pm Novena 7:00pm Please wear a mask & practice social distancing. Mass will be live-streamed Family Life & Mission Outreach 5:00 pm St. Mary's Mother's Society after Mass St. Boniface Mother's Society 7:00 pm | THURSDAY SEPT. 3 Mass St. Boniface 6pm CCD 7:25 am at Church Please wear a mask & practice social distancing. Food Distribution 9-11 am | FRIDAY SEPT. 4 1st FRIDAY Prayer & Adoration St. Mary's 7:25 am Mass St. Mary's 12 noon Please wear a mask & practice social distancing. |
| SATURDAY SEPT. 5 1st SATURDAY Mass St. Mary's 9 am Confessions 3:00 – 4:00 At the Church office St. Mary's Mass 5:00PM Live-streamed at 5 St. Mary's Mass 7:00PM (Spanish) Please wear a mask & practice social distancing. Special Collection for Catholic University of America | SUNDAY SEPT. 6 23rd SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME St. Boniface Mass 8:00AM St. Mary's Mass 10:30 AM Please wear a mask & practice social distancing. Both Masses live streamed Special Collection for Catholic University of America | MONDAY SEPT. 7 Mass St. Mary's 9 am Please wear a mask & practice social distancing. | TUESDAY SEPT. 8 Mass St. Mary's <u>Church Office closed</u> | WEDNESDAY SEPT. 9 Mass St. Mary's 6:00 pm Adoration 6:30 pm Chaplet 6:30 pm Novena 7:00pm Please wear a mask & practice social distancing. Mass will be live-streamed 3 rd Degree K of C #1824 after Mass / 3 rd Degree K of C #1715 after Mass | THURSDAY SEPT. 10 Mass St. Boniface 6pm CCD 7:25 am at Church Please wear a mask & practice social distancing | FRIDAY SEPT. 11 Prayer & Adoration St. Mary's 7:25 am Mass St. Mary's 12 noon Please wear a mask & practice social distancing. |