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13TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
JUNE 26, 2022

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Mass Schedule
at St. Thomas of Canterbury Church

Saturday Vigil: 4:30 pm
Sunday: 8 am, 10 am, noon

Daily Mass:
Monday-Saturday, 8:30 am

Confession

Saturday: 9-9:45 am or by appointment

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The **Catholic War Veterans Post 386** will be distributing poppies at the Saturday, July 2nd, 4:30 pm and the Sunday, July 3rd, 10 am Masses at St. Thomas. Donations are used to support both Veteran (e.g. The Honor Flight, The Purple Heart Hall of Honor, the Orange County Food Pantry, and Wreaths Across America) and Community projects (e.g. Catholic School Scholarships, the Newburgh Air Force Jr. ROTC, and the Civil Air Patrol).

To volunteer for the St. Marianne Cope Outreach Ministry **Summer Sandwich** program to feed the homeless (one hour on a Sunday morning) or if you need **temporary or permanent assistance** or know someone who does, email outreach@stmariannecope.com.

Children in fourth grade and above are invited to serve as an **altar server** at Sunday Masses. Email pastor@stmariannecope.com.

The **Prayer Shawl Ministry** will next meet on Monday, July 11th at 10 am in the St. Thomas old school. New members welcome!

Faith Formation Classes begin in first grade. To register your child for classes, contact Faith Formation Director Mary Ellen Tiernan at (845) 534-2547 (option 2) or metiernan@stmariannecope.com.

Inquiry and the Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults (RCIA) and Teens (RCIT): Formal classes begin in the fall, but this is a time for "inquiry". For information, email metiernan@stmariannecope.com.



MILA SAGE MARTYNICK-SILVA
and
ALEXANDER JAMES MAMAAT
were baptized on June 12, 2022.

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The **Vigil for Life, A Morning of Prayer for America** will be held on Monday, July 4th at the Marian Shrine located at 174 Filors Lane in Stony Point. The day begins at 10 am with Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and at 11:15 am the recitation of the Rosary. The Holy Sacrifice of the Mass will be at noon and the celebrant will be Bishop Peter Byrne. Confessions will be available during the morning. For information, call (845) 429-2077.

The **2022 Cardinal's Annual Stewardship Appeal** supports assistance for financially vulnerable parishes; charitable outreach and pastoral support; evangelization, communications, and Catholic education; formation of new parish priests; and care for retired parish priests. To donate, visit cardinalsappeal.org/donate. The Appeal's Areas of Support and Impact Report are at stmariannecope.com.

THE PASTOR'S CORNER

SIN FIGHTER

**YESTERDAY (JUNE 21),
I CELEBRATED THE
MEMORIAL MASS OF SAINT
ALOYSIUS GONZAGA.**

I am sorry to write that most people in the United States are only familiar with the name because the Spokane university that bears it has a good basketball team. I had to admit to myself before Mass that neither was I very well acquainted with the saint. (The saints have so much to teach us; would that we knew them as best friends.). Indeed, having died in 1591 at the age of 23 after helping to care for the plague victims, and having taken on from his youth extreme penitence combined with an unworldly innocence, the young Jesuit has mostly been portrayed sentimentally on holy cards and the like as rather delicate and starry-eyed.

While it was true that even his Jesuit superiors found him to be too much and counseled him otherwise on the harshness of his life, there was good reason, his biographers in *Butler's Lives of the Saints* tell us, for the drastic penances he took upon himself. Since the age of 7, when he discerned that God was calling him to a calling of some sort, he was forced to battle against a life of privilege and comfort. As scion of an entitled and wealthy family, he was meant to be a prince of the several kingdoms in Italy ruled by his father and inherited by his mother. When just a child, he was prepared for a life of war among the principalities that were in constant strife and in courtly society that in the Renaissance he described himself as fraught with "fraud, the dagger, poison, and lust." This reality led him to assume at nine years of age the personal mortifications that alarmed his family and his religious superiors.

Yet, having met, as his royal station demanded, two popes and several cardinals, and having been counseled in the spiritual life by (Saint) Robert Bellarmine, it seemed as if his vocation - to penance, and innocence - was genuine. Far from being delicate and quixotic, this devout and troubled young man saw from early on that "the society into which he had been born with a terrible

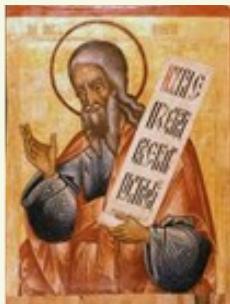
clarity. With all the power at his command he fought the evils of his day. God in Christ was his only reality, heaven or hell his only choice." (*Butler's Lives of the Saints*, June, Liturgical Press: Collegeville, MN, p. 156). Like St. Rose of Lima or St. Rita of Cascia, he was raised up by the Lord to become a sign for his time of hope through penance, when life seemed otherwise hopeless for some and others were heading to their spiritual ruin.

Saint Aloysius is a sign for us too! When far too many fail to "realize nor have a lively practical faith in, the effects of Baptism and the possibilities of the Christian life...., [when] we do not realize that the Christian life is the life of Christ lived by Christ in us, not to merely our own paltry existence, dragged out in lonely weakness," (Eugene Boylan, *Difficulties in Mental Prayer*, Scepter Publishers, Princeton, 1943, p. 158), then we underestimate our interior life with God and therefore the value of our lives themselves. The young saint saw clearly the danger of sin and took un-childlike steps to combat it. He was not unlike other children, as at Fatima and Lourdes, who were called by Our Lady to pray for, and do penance for the sinners of the world.

This most certainly is a vital role for all of us called to life in Christ as individuals and as members of a parish, and it may be the secret of reengaging our youth again. For everything we do, especially in the way of formation in the faith for children and parents, in young adults and the mature, is directed toward discovering the call God communicates to each of us. That call is to help one another discover Christ living in us, to defend one another from the catastrophe of Sin, and to prepare for the coming of Christ again in his glory.

[An aside: I hope this makes the point of why Confirmation must necessarily follow Baptism and precede Communion. The second sacrament of initiation engages us more deeply with the grace received in baptism and more fully toward the experience of that grace in the life of the Church; it then leads us to the full communion in Christ when he feeds us with his sacred Body and Blood.]

THE BOOKS OF THE BIBLE



MICAH IS THE 40TH BOOK IN THE BIBLE. Its seven chapters give one-per-day for those reading a book a week. If Micah were to be made into a TV special, it would appear as an 8th Century B.C. courtroom drama.

In chapters 1-2, there is a summons to the trial: Jerusalem is nicknamed “the sin of the House of Israel” and Judah experiences “no cure for wounds by the Lord”—the people have been unfaithful to the One who is always faithful (ch. 1); then we hear the specific social evils denounced, a prophecy of misfortune, and yet the possibility of restoration (ch. 2). In chapters 3-4, the charges are leveled: the wicked rulers and prophets have skinned and flayed the people, chopped them up and eaten them—ouch! (ch. 3); and they are then told that peace and security will come only through obedience, that their swords must be beaten into plowshares (just as in Isaiah 2:2-4), and that restoration (post-exile) will then be possible (ch. 4). In the next chapter, we have the Christmas promise that a future ruler of Israel will come from Bethlehem (ch. 5). Finally, we have God’s decision in the case: after a Good Friday lamentation (“My People, what have I done to you!”), we hear that passage Jimmy Carter used in his inaugural address regarding what God wants of them—indeed, of us (“to do justly, and to love mercy, and to walk humbly with thy God”) (ch. 6); and then we hear a call to penitence and trust in God, followed finally by the post-exilic restoration (ch. 7).

When you finish this book, you will have read 40 (54.8%) of the 73 books of the Bible, yet 1,046 (78.4%) of the 1,334 chapters of the Bible.

Permission granted by Rev. Robert J. Schrader (based on Timothy Schehr's book, The Bible Made Easy: A Book-by-Book Introduction).

MASS INTENTIONS

Mon, June 27: St. Cyril of Alexandria

8:30 Father's Day Novena

Tues, June 28: St. Irenaeus

8:30 +Grace Monahan by Pat and Steve Fuller

Wed, June 29: Sts. Peter and Paul

8:30 Father's Day Novena

Thurs, June 30: First Martyrs of the Holy Roman Church

8:30 +Mary and George Ewanich by family

Fri, July 1: St. Junipero Serra

8:30 Liv/Dec Mbrs of the Catholic Daughters Association

Sat, July 2: Blessed Virgin Mary

8:30 Mamawal family by Linda Siner

4:30 +Dec Mbrs of Rogan & Pelella families by Pelella family

Sun, July 3: 14th Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 +John Tigner by Mike and Maggie Gallagher

10:00 +Sr. Mary Caplice, CND by Elizabeth Caplice

12:00 Pro Populo (for the people of the parish)

The Sunday Mass at noon will ALWAYS be offered only for the People of the Parish. The offering for an unannounced Mass is \$10; for an announced Mass—\$15.

READINGS FOR THE 13TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Reading I – I Kings 19:16b, 19-21

Elijah starts his journey home only to meet his eventual successor Elisha. Elisha then abandons the companionship of his parents and easy access to food, ready to follow Elijah as his mentor.

Reading II – Galatians 5:1, 13-18

The freedom Christ offers us is not to be confused with license. It is instead freedom from the law and all its material observances.

The Gospel – Luke 9:51-62

There is cost attached to discipleship. Jesus uses hyperbole contained in the two proverbs He cites to get His listeners' attention. The cost is our taking on a totally new outlook on life, paired with an authentic detachment from the goods of the world.



Scan the QR code to visit the **Worship Aid** page for the readings, antiphons, and music for the Sunday Mass.

We will be taking a hiatus from streaming the 10 am Mass at St. Thomas for the summer. To watch a streamed Mass from St. Patrick Cathedral via the Catholic Faith Network, visit catholicfaithnetwork.org/masses.

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