

St. Francis Xavier St. John the Baptist



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Twenty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time

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Mass Schedule

K—Saturdays.....4:30 PM
K—Sundays.....8:30 AM
P—Sundays.....10:15 AM
K&P Holy Days.....TBA

Daily Mass

Please contact Fr. Jim to schedule
time and attendees.

Reconciliation

K—Saturday at 4:00PM
K—Sunday at 8:00AM

Baptisms

Please email Fr. Jim at frjimtrempe@gmail.com
during pregnancy (prior to the birth of your child) to
make arrangements.

Weddings

Arrangements are to be made with Fr. Jim at least 8-
MONTHS in advance of your wedding. You should not
set your date until you know
the church and Fr. Jim are available.

Ministry to the Sick

If you or a loved one are hospitalized, in a nursing
home/ in assisted living center or homebound & would
like a pastoral visit from Fr. Jim please
notify him at 715-693-3120

Holy Mass Intentions

K)Sat Aug 22	4:30pm	† Cecelia Jensen
K)Sun Aug 23	8:30am	† Ralph & Donna VanderWaal
P)Sun Aug 23	10:15am	† Al Bartus
P)Mon Aug 24		† David Ales
K)Tue Aug 25		† Al Bartus
K)Wed Aug 26		† David Ales
K)Thu Aug 27		† David Ales
K)Fri Aug 28		† David Ales
K)Sat Aug 29	4:30pm	† Terri Kruczek
K)Sun Aug 30	8:30am	† John & Helen Wengelski
P)Sun Aug 30	10:15am	† Parishioners of SJB & SFX

Daily Masses continue to be private. If the Mass Intention is for a family member, please contact Fr. Jim to schedule the Mass time and attendees.

Appointments

St. Francis Xavier

All ministries, please sign-in upon arrival.

MC

Sat Aug 29 Hilary Omernik
Sun Aug 30 Larry Theiss

Lector

Sat Aug 29 Rick Mattke
Sun Aug 30 Mary Krueger

Extra Ordinary Ministers of the Eucharist

None Scheduled

Hospitality

Sat Aug 29 Jim Olson, Ed Stankowski, Dave Virant
Sun Aug 30 Carl Belohlavek, Fred Grochmal,
Greg Sondelski

Brinks

Wed Aug 26 Theresa Legner, Jan Motz, Linda Wiczbicki

St. John the Baptist

Lectors

Sun Aug 23 Sue Swinick
Sun Aug 30 Joyce Gorski

Extra Ordinary Ministers of the Eucharist

Sun Aug 23 Liz Sitko, Stan Swinick, Ellen Grod
Sun Aug 30 Jamie Dahl, Liz Sitko, Stan Swinick

Hospitality Ministers

Sun Aug 23 Daryl Iczykowski, Jim Gorski
Sun Aug 30 Ron Wonsil, Steve Toboyek

Collection Counters

Sun Aug 23 Stan Swinick, Tom Tekippe
Sun Aug 30 Liz Sitko, Mary Jo Maly

Paper Pulpit

Today we read from St. Matthew (16:16-18) *I say to you, you are Peter, and upon this rock I will build my church, and the gates of the netherworld shall not prevail against it. I will give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven; and whatever you bind on earth shall be bound in heaven; and whatever you loosen on earth shall be loosened in heaven."*

In the Bible, a person is given a new name to signify a major development in life. It could be a new responsibility, role or identity in the light of God's plan. Examples include the changing of the names of Abram, who became Abraham, and Saul, who was called Paul after his conversion. The most important name change in the Bible is that of Jesus himself. When the people saw in him the Messiah, they began calling him the Christ. For Peter, it was his appointment by Jesus as the rock on which the Lord would build his Church. Our Lord changes Simon's name when he says to him "*Simon, Son of Johan, I say to you, you are Peter, and upon this rock I will build my church...*"

Jesus also gave Peter the "*I will give you the keys to the kingdom of heaven*" and the authority that whatever he loosened on earth shall be loosened in heaven. Notice our Lord gave Peter the keys to the Kingdom of heaven (not earth). This authority follows the Jewish understanding of one having the power to declare something permissible or prohibited. It includes the power to impose or dispense one from an obligation in relation to his or her membership in the Church. The use of Jesus of keys--which are symbols of authority in biblical literature--stresses Peter's mandate. So if you ever when how and why the Church can make and change some things, it comes directly from Jesus. The only way for Jesus to do this was that he would lead the Church by the power of the Holy Spirit.

The leadership of Peter among the Apostles and the early Christian Church is indisputable. The four gospels say that Peter was the spokesperson of the Apostles, especially during climactic moments such as when he declared Jesus as the Messiah (Mt 16:16). Peter is almost always mentioned first when the Apostles are referred to. At times, they are referred to only as "Peter and his companions."

With the death of Peter, the Holy Spirit guided the Church in choosing a successor to take his place. When our Lord talked about "*binding and loosing*" he was saying what laws you make on earth will be backed up in heaven and whatever laws you change on earth will be backed up in heaven. Under the leading and the protection of the Holy Spirit, this succession continued in an unbroken line since Jesus. Popes starting from Pope Peter up to Pope Francis. Popes are not perfect people, as Peter was not. But the Holy Spirit speaks through them, they hold the keys. Are you listening?

Have a great and blessed week, Fr. Jim Trempe

Sacrificial Giving Aug. 2

St. Francis Xavier Offerings: \$3,761.00

St. John the Baptist Offerings: \$ 798.00

Daily Mass Intentions

Fr. Jim celebrates Mass every day, either at St. Francis or St. John's. Once the Mass is scheduled, he will work with family members to determine the time of day the Mass takes place and the attendees. Please contact Linda in the parish office to schedule a daily Mass Intention.

Mass Information

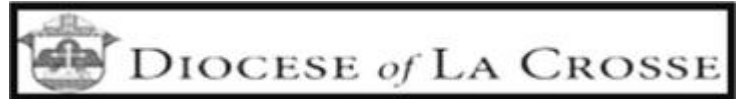
Reminder: Masks are required at the 4:30pm Saturday Mass, the Sunday 7:30am and 8:30am Masses.

Daily Masses – Contact Fr. Jim to schedule the time and Attendees.



Celebration of Queenship of Mary, August 22

Mary is both a queen and a mother, but she is more mother than queen. Mary's Queenship and "motherhood," or motherhood, spark to life simultaneously. In the very moment Mary becomes a mother at the Annunciation, she also becomes a queen. The Archangel Gabriel tells Mary that her Son will sit on "the throne of his ancestor David" and that "He will reign over the house of Jacob forever, and of his kingdom there will be no end" (Lk 1:32-33). Since Jesus is a king, and since He is conceived in the womb of Mary, and since in Israel the mother of a king was always a queen, Mary becomes a queen.



Voting as a Christian

As Christians, we do not leave our faith behind when we enter the voting booth. We understand that politics, like every other part of life, must be illuminated by God's light or we will stumble in the dark and lose our way. Available at diolc.org/insert.

Catechetical Sunday 2020

Catechetical Sunday will be celebrated on Sunday, September 13th. The theme for this year's Catechetical Sunday is "I received from the Lord what I also handed on to you." (Corinthians) Those who the Community has designated to serve as catechists – most importantly parents– will be commissioned for their ministry. Catechetical Sunday is a wonderful opportunity to reflect on the role that each person plays, by virtue of Baptism, in handing on the faith and being a witness to the Gospel. Catechetical Sunday is an opportunity for all to rededicate themselves to this mission as a community of faith. Go to the US Bishops Conference at usccb.org for posters, liturgical resources etc.

RCIA: Are you (or someone you know):

- An unconfirmed adult in the Catholic Church and wish to be confirmed?
- From another Christian denomination interested in joining the Catholic Church?
- Catholic but not confirmed and are getting married in the Catholic Church?
- Non-Catholic and married to a Catholic and have been attending Mass with them?
- Not baptized and would like to be?

We would love to have you part of the Church and our parish community. Please contact Fr. Jim as soon as possible to learn more about joining the Catholic Church.

Sincerely in Christ, Fr. Jim Trempe

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John 6:54

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