

ST. AUGUSTINE PARISH

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August 1, 2021

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Sunday Masses

Saturday 4:00 p.m.

Sunday 10:00 a.m.

Holy Day Masses

9:00 a.m. & 7:00 p.m.

Daily Masses (Monday through Friday)

8:00 a.m.

Penance

Saturday 3:00 - 3:30 p.m.

Baptisms, Marriages & Funerals

Arrange with Pastor

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MASSES THIS WEEK

Sun., August 1st

Exodus 16:2-4, 12-15; Eph 4:17, 20-24; Jn 6:24-35

4:00 p.m. Parishioners

10:00 a.m. Franc Dodaj (Olga Dodaj)

Mon., August 2nd

Numbers 11:4-15; Matthew 14:13-21

8:00 a.m. Special Intention

Tues., August 3rd

Numbers 12:1-13; Matthew 14:22-36

8:00 a.m. Special Intention

Wed., August 4th St. John Vianney, Priest

Numbers 13:1-2, 25-14:1, 26-29, 34-35; Matthew 15:21-28

8:00 a.m. Special Intention

Thurs., August 5th

Numbers 20:1-13; Matthew 16:13-23

8:00 a.m. Special Intention

Fri., August 6th Transfiguration of the Lord

Daniel 7:9-10, 13-14; II Peter 1:16-19; Mark 9:2-10

8:00 a.m. Special Intention

Sat., August 7th

Daniel 6:4-13; Mark 17:14-20

8:00 a.m. No Service

Sun., August 8th

I Kings 19:4-8; Ephesians 4:30-5:2; John 6:41-51

4:00 p.m. Evelyn Krause (family)

10:00 a.m. Franjo Cibarić (brother, Petar)

MINISTRIES NEXT SUNDAY, AUGUST 8TH

4:00 p.m. Reader: G. Gerow

10:00 a.m. Reader: B. Spychalski

Last Sunday's Collection: \$1,859.00

2021 Summer Calendar Raffle Winners

July 25th - Bob Rasmussen - #271
 July 26th - Pauline Church - #379
 July 27th - Hannah Pfister - #414
 July 28th - Diane Vollmer - #562
 July 29th - Richard Gregorski - #639

Congratulations to our winners!

VISITATION OF OUR SICK Ordinarily our sick and housebound parishioners are visited every First Friday. If you have a relative or friend not on this list but would want communion, please contact the rectory or Deacon Steve.

FOOD PANTRY SUNDAY: The second Sunday of the month, next Sunday, August 8th is Food Pantry Sunday. Please place non-perishable food items in the container in the vestibule. Place cash donations with regular collection in an envelope marked "Food Pantry".

Today's Theme

*For the bread of God
is that which comes down from heaven
and gives life to the world.*

Readings for Today

First Reading

Then the LORD said to Moses, "I will now rain down bread from heaven for you. Each day the people are to go out and gather their daily portion; thus I will test them, to see whether they follow my instructions or not." (Ex 16:4)
Early in their Exodus journey, the Israelites expressed fear and frustration to Moses. God heard and responded to their "grumbling" by sending bread from heaven. When you have you experienced God answering your plea for help?

Second Reading

Be renewed in the spirit of your minds, and put on the new self, created in God's way in righteousness and holiness of truth. (Eph 4:23-24)
Paul told the Ephesians that as believers in Christ you should "put away" the bad parts of "your former way of life." How have you done this in your life as a believer in Christ?

Gospel

"I am the bread of life; whoever comes to me will never hunger, and whoever believes in me will never thirst." (Jn 6:35)
We hear today the introduction of Jesus' extended "bread of life" discourse. In referring back to the ancient Israelites who ate "manna" (bread) in the desert, Jesus tells the crowds: "I am the bread of life." How would you explain to someone how Jesus sustains you?

TRANSFIGURATION
of Christ

This manifestation of God's glory in the earthly Jesus who is Christ and Lord is celebrated to deepen our trust in the power of God. Jesus certainly endured temptation, suffered and died; yet this is revealed to Peter, James and John as radiating the power of God in this world. We can easily identify with the temptations, sufferings and death of Jesus through our faith and celebration of the sacraments. Can we identify with the hope of glory pledged to us through Christ in whom we share in the sacraments? Mass for this important feast of Christ will be on Friday at 8:00 a.m.



We changed our calendars to the month of August. This means that summer is rushing along, and we only have another month of real summer until September when warm air takes on the feel of autumn. For those into gardening vegetables, it is the time when we take from our gardens and place on the table. For Catholics, the month of August is highlighted right in the center with the Solemn Feast of the Assumption of Mary into heaven, celebrated this year on Sunday, August 15th.



Abundance of August blessings to all!

Parish Festival
Saturday, August 28th

1:00 p.m. to 11:00 p.m.

Live Music by

Bobby Way & the Fabulous Wayouts

(2-6 p.m.)

Shag (7-11 p.m.)

Food - Fun - Prizes & More

WE ARE IN GREAT NEED OF PRIZES

Help make our Parish Festival a success by donating prizes for the games and raffles. All prizes are greatly appreciated! There is a Prize Box in the vestibule for both adult and children prizes - new items, please!

HELP WANTED:

One of our senior parishioners is looking for assistance with some yard maintenance and general help around the house. This is a paid position. If you, or someone you know, might be interested, please call 414-476-9987 for more information.

Learning to Trust in God

“You cannot see the forest for the trees” is a widely known saying that can bring wisdom to our understanding of our journey. Often, our sight becomes limited to what is immediately before us. We lose touch with lessons and experiences from the past and promises and hope for the future. As human beings, we have the privilege of being able to choose things. What I like and don’t like, want, and don’t want can be major preoccupations of our minds and hearts. Our preferences and desires begin to define us more than the simple fact of our being. Who we are matters more than what we are or what we have. If we don’t move beyond the external and superficial stuff to what really is of essence, we risk becoming very unsettled, disorientated, angry, and unhappy. We fail to see the bigger picture of hope and promise that lies ahead and the Divine Presence that has sustained and carried us before.

We like it when the “now” time of our lives satisfy us. Even the people who witnessed Jesus feed the five thousand got confused and distracted. It felt good when thousands of people were able to eat. They wanted to know what they could do to get this to happen again! But Jesus quickly reminds them that this is not the point of this sign. As much as the now time of our lives is of concern, it is not what is ultimately important. We need to learn the difference between being and doing, drawing more strength from who we are and who God is rather than what is happening around us and the choices we can make. Jesus is the true bread that came down from heaven. Jesus is the very incarnate presence of God who sustains life and assures us that we will not perish. This is not easy to understand and feel. We have to practice being in the presence of ourselves, others, creation, and God. We are brought to a holy place when we encounter the sacredness of being. This is real prayer.

Then, we learn to trust. It is when we cease trusting that we start to become afraid, uncertain, apprehensive, and doubtful, and overly self-concerned. We even start to grumble. God has our back. That is the essential powerful message of the living bread come down from heaven. God, who is alpha is also omega, the beginning and the end, and has everything in between in his care as well. A woman once remarked that her most powerful God moment happened when she and her husband cuddled with their new baby for a time. Without exchanging words and using only the affection communicated through sight and touch, they rested in being with each other. This brought them to the sacred, where they realized that a greater Being was with them. It was real. They knew that they were part of something bigger, intimate, and profound. When we rest in the Living Source of life, we will find that our souls are no longer hungry or thirsty.

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