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ST. FRANCIS DE SALES

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## MISSION STATEMENT

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we strive to become  
true followers of Christ."

July 11th, 2021 | Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

# THIS WEEK AT HOLY SPIRIT

# READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Parish Activities will not resume at this time. No meetings or sports activities will be permitted on the parish campus.

**Mass Schedule:** There is an 8:15 morning mass Monday through Friday; Saturday at 5:00pm and Sunday at 8:00 and 10:00 am.

Sunday: Am 7:12-15/Eph 1:3-14 or 1:3-10/Mk 6:7-13  
Monday: Ex 1:8-14, 22/Mt 10:34—11:1  
Tuesday: Ex 2:1-15a/Mt 11:20-24  
Wednesday: Ex 3:1-6, 9-12/Mt 11:25-27  
Thursday: Ex 3:13-20/Mt 11:28-30  
Friday: Ex 11:10—12:14/Mt 12:1-8  
Saturday: Ex 12:37-42/Mt 12:14-21  
Next Sunday: Jer 23:1-6/Eph 2:13-18/Mk 6:30-34



# GOSPEL MEDITATION

Maybe the work is best left to the professionals. That’s how many people view the preaching of the Gospel. That’s the stuff priests, religious, deacons, lay ministers, and other professional Church people do. It has little to do with me. Well, that’s not really true. The fact of the matter is that preaching the Gospel has everything to do with you, with all of us who are baptized members of the Body of Christ. Nobody gets off the hook from that job. The question is, however, how do we do it? Well, there’s a safe way, which many choose, to preach the Gospel — and the risky way. The safe way pretty much keeps the Gospel in church and around like-minded people. I say my prayers, go to Mass, contribute to the food pantry, tithe, and attend Bible Study. That pretty much covers the bases, right? Wrong.

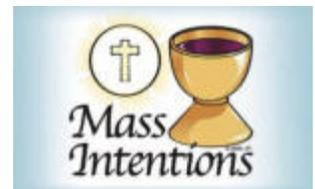
The risky way is the more challenging way and for many, the “road less traveled.” Imagine those first disciples going out and into people’s homes. They must have had some amazing conversations with folks about God’s kingdom, changing their hearts, forgiving sins, and looking at the world differently. They must have met people who were hurting, exiled from their communities, neglected, lost, or living self-insulated lives in a society that served the rich and neglected the poor. While there were many who welcomed what they had to say and the conversations they had, there were others who no doubt rejected them and literally tossed them out on their ears! The Gospel, while being a message of joy and hope, is not always received well by those who are very comfortable keeping things as they are.

The risky way involves example and conversation. We have to take the Gospel from church and carry it with us wherever we go. What kinds of conversations do we have with others? We interact with those closest to us, in our work, social circles, institutions, corporations, in politics, and beyond. Our conversations with others reveal a great deal about how we see things and what we consider important. If we are really interested in seeing God’s vision for the world succeed, then we will talk about it. It will become a part of our everyday conversation and find its way into our interactions with others. How will we preserve the dignity of human life and encourage others to have a relationship with God? We must be the example, live value centered, virtuous lives, stand against injustice, combating racism, and learn ways to resolve conflicts without violence.

If we are going to succeed going forward, we have to find a way to bring our prayer centered lives into the marketplace. Our conversations have to change. Not everyone wants to hear what the Gospel has to say. That’s a risk God asks us to take.

# MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, July 12th, 2021	8:15am	†Charles W. Beckman, Sr.
Tuesday, July 13th, 2021	8:15am	†Allen & Evelyn Mattingly
Wednesday, July 14th, 2021	8:15am	†Louise Kelly
Thursday, July 15th, 2021	8:15am	People of the Parish Community
Friday, July 16th, 2021	8:15am	†Susan McCrary Meyers
Saturday, July 17th, 2021	5:00pm	People of the Parish Community
Sunday, July 18th, 2021	8:00am	People of the Parish Community
	10:00am	†Louis Kress



# STEWARDSHIP

## STEWARDSHIP MESSAGE

“In him we have redemption by his blood, the forgiveness of transgressions, in accord with the riches of his grace.”  
Ephesians 1:7

God has been generous to each of us. Does God's generosity elicit in us a grateful response by the way we share our time, talent, and treasure?

### STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE JUNE, 2021

Monthly		
Actual	Budgeted	Variance
\$86,379.29	\$75,000.	\$11,379.29

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# DID YOU KNOW?

## Faith in Marriage

**Question:** What kind of religious practices should we begin, once we marry, to help us practice our faith each day?

**Answer:** Your spiritual life as a couple is important. The sacrament of Marriage is a gift and a grace, but living it well isn't always easy! It requires intentionality and perseverance. Growing your spiritual life as a couple also requires a plan. Life can be incredibly busy. There's never "enough time" for everything we want to do. But we can live by our priorities. If we don't prioritize prayer, we'll find it slowly disappear from our lives.

If you're not already praying individually, that's a good place to start. If your schedules are similar, take some quiet time at the same time to help hold each other accountable. Praying together is also important! You could start by looking at the religious practices of your family and of families around you that you respect. Talk with your spouse about the ones who make the deepest impression on you or were most meaningful when you were young. Think about what you want your future children to experience. Making faith a commitment now will mean it is engrained habit when you grow your family. Ultimately, these faith practices should help us grow in our love for God and for one another.

## FOR THE FAMILY

**Reflecting on the Word:** The disciples were sent, unburdened with baggage or belongings, and with very little in the way of power and prestige. They were given authority only in driving out unclean spirits and healing the sick. This humility allows them to serve God rather than serving themselves or their own agenda. They were sent two by two. They were not meant to travel and serve alone—they were meant to have companionship and support along their way.

**On the Way Home from Mass:** Jesus knew the assignment would not be easy, so he sent his disciples out in pairs. What does that tell you about Jesus’ care and understanding?

**Living the Word:** Followers of Jesus were—and are—meant to stand together, to encourage and help one another, and to share the good news with each other. Call a local assisted-living facility, and ask how your family might help the patients. Could you share your time of companionship? Find a time where your family can go and visit, and care for the patients in some way. Perhaps you cannot heal physical wounds, but you can heal their spirits!

## PRAYERS

**Please pray for** all the sick, shut-ins, those in nursing homes, hospitalized, or recently discharged and recuperating. *Specifically pray for the following who are suffering with a serious illness or undergoing treatment:* Noah Barone, Elizabeth Campbell Moir, Jim Boland, Matt Buechler, Bob Adelberg, Deacon Anthony Brown, Carol O’Bryan, Linda Lindsey, Wayne Clark, Adley & Tenley Ward, David Overstreet, Tom & Jane Elpers, Chuck Collins, Kenny Vance, Sawyer Hartley, Joe & Cissy Raibert

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## MARRIAGE MOMENTS & PARENTING POINTERS

**Marriage Moments:** “...take nothing for the journey.” (Mark 6:8) What? During summer when many people take trips isn’t this foolish? Perhaps the lesson for those at home is *hospitality*. How can we as a couple provide needs and comfort for those who have nothing or who are traveling?

**Parenting Pointers:** Scripture tells us that prophets are often not recognized or valued in their own area. (Mark 6) So too it is with parents. Our kids don’t always recognize that we ask them to do hard things for their own good. You may not always be appreciated, but don’t give up.

## SCHOOL NEWS



**Catch the Spirit! Applications are now being accepted** for in-person preschool 4’s and Kindergarten through 8<sup>th</sup> grade. Register at [hspirit.org/school](http://hspirit.org/school) or schedule a tour by calling the school office at 502-893-7700.

# FEATURED ARTICLE

BY CAROLE MAGEE, DIRECTOR OF LIFELONG FORMATION

## Finding God in Summer

Each season of the year has special meaning. Fall gives us the beauty of God's creation. Winter fills us with the joy of the anticipation of Christmas and the coming new year. Spring is filled with new beginnings, and life takes on a new and exciting element. However, Summer is the season where relaxation and play are central.

Summer, with all its activity and fun, is also a time when God should take a more centered place in our lives. We know that God is always with us in times of trial; however, it is in fun with family and friends that He is closest to us. He loves to laugh and to see you laugh. He loves to play and watch you play; and most of all, He loves you to enjoy the world that He created for you. Fun, like everything else, was invented by God. No one enjoys your happiness more than your Father.

Unfortunately, when we are enjoying ourselves, we often forget to include God. We don't think we need Him so we put God on the back burner until we do. Invite God with you to the beach, on the rollercoaster, to visit grandparents, or to the Grand Canyon. He wants to take some time this Summer to think about more than just wars and tragedies; God wants to have fun with you. Talk to Him every day and thank Him for the fun, family and friends. Tell Him you are glad He could come along. It will make God happy, and you will have a much more joyful summer season.

God Bless!!



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**SACRAMENT PREPARATION**

Contact the Ministry Center for information regarding Baptism, First Eucharist, RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults) and Marriage.

**SACRAMENT OF ANOINTING OF THE SICK**

After the 8:15am Mass every Thursday

**INTERESTED IN JOINING THE PARISH?**

Contact Karen Bisig, Business Manager, at the Ministry Center, to find out how to become a member.

**MINISTRY CENTER (Parish Office):** 502.893.3982

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## SCHOOL SUPPLY COLLECTION FOR CCC

**It's that Time of Year!** Holy Spirit Parish is sponsoring its eleventh annual school supply collection to benefit the children served by Community Catholic Center (CCC). CCC is a non-profit organization that serves 91 students living in Portland and the West End who want to receive a Catholic education.  
This year we will only be collecting \$10 and \$25 Walmart gift cards so students can purchase their own supplies. We did this for the first time last year during the pandemic and it worked out really well. **The Walmart gift cards can be dropped off in the collection basket at Mass or at the Ministry Center anytime between now and Sunday, August 1st. (If gift cards are dropped off when the Ministry Center is closed, please place them in the Ministry Center mail slot.)**  
Questions? Contact Jeannie Donovan at (502) 640-4522 or [jlechdono@aol.com](mailto:jlechdono@aol.com). Thank you for your support!

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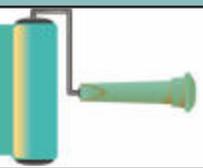
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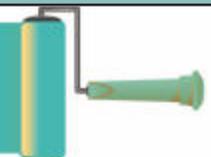
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