



St. Francis Borgia Deaf Center

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Assumption of Mary - August 22, 2021



21ST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Jesus then said to the Twelve, "Do you also want to leave?" Simon Peter answered him, "Master, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life. We have come to believe and are convinced that you are the Holy One of God." - Jn 6:67-69

Excerpts from the Lectionary for Mass. © 2002, 1986, 1970 CCD.

If your loved one dies and you need a sign language interpreter for Catholic funeral, AS SOON AS POSSIBLE contact Fr. Joe at 312-685-7899 v/text. If you know of a Deaf person in the hospital or nursing home who would like his blessing, he can call them at the nursing home.

NOTES FROM FR. JOE

- ◊ The State of Illinois has a program for people who are victims of violent crime. A victim can get up to \$25,000 to pay for bills. However, the person must report the crime within 3 DAYS of when it happened. If you are deaf, CHS (Chicago Hearing Society) can help you apply for these funds. For Victim Support, email: CHSCOA@anixter.org. All information will be kept confidential.
- ◊ BOOSTER SHOTS: the US government is beginning to discuss giving people one more shot to strengthen them against Covid/Delta Virus. However, you must get the regular Covid vaccination (Pfizer, Moderna, Johnson & Johnson) FIRST! The Catholic Office of the Deaf will work to find out the places for people to get these shots, and make sure to have interpreters there. Right now, the only people who can receive "Booster Shots" are people with "AUTO IMMUNE DISEASES", and other serious health risks. Updates at deafchurchchicago.org.
- ◊ JOE (JANE) DELULIO's mother died this past week in Las Vegas. Please pray for her soul, and for Joe and his family.
- ◊ THANKS to all those who contributed backpacks/school supplies for children who suffered sexual abuse. These supplies show these children that many people are for them and about them.
- ◊ Many towns and villages have "REVERSE 9-1-1". This means that if a storm, a tornado, a crime is happening in your area, the fire/police send out a warning to your text number or phone. Check to see if YOUR local government has such a system. If so, please sign-up.
- ◊ MOTHER/SON SAINTS: St. Monica (8/27) prayed for her "playboy" son to stop sinning and follow the way of Jesus. After many years, her son, St. Augustine, changed his life, and became a great teacher of the Catholic Faith. His feast is 8/28!
- ◊ COVID is NOT disappearing. Please remember: wash your hands/use hand sanitizer frequently; wear a mask ; Sign of Peace (no hugs or handshakes). Drink plenty of water. Get enough rest. If you feel sick, contact your doctor. If you don't have the vaccine, please get it! Look here for updates on safety: www.chicago.gov/city/en/sites/covid-19/home/emergency-travel-order.html
- ◊ PARENTS: St. Francis Borgia deaf center will offer its RELIGIOUS EDUCATION PROGRAM for CHILDREN starting this Fall, IN-PERSON. We need to know asap who will be in our classes. Please see MRS. MARGARET SWATEK who is at St. Francis Borgia EVERY SUNDAY. Or, contact her at mswatek@archchicago.org

PLEASE continue to act in a SAFE & HEALTHY way. Wear a mask. Use hand sanitizer, often. Always, ALWAYS, wash your hands after using the washroom.

In person Deaf Social & Support is back at Schaumburg Township! 3rd Tuesday each month, 10:30 am to 3 pm. Must RSVP: 224-520-9763vp, sphadke@schaumburgtownship.org

WASH YOUR HANDS SOAP & WARM WATER, 20 Seconds.
GET REST: getting enough sleep is important.
DRINK WATER
MOVE AROUND: do not sit at your VP or computer screen for hours.
PRAY FOR ONE ANOTHER. PRAY.

FEEDING HUNGRY CHILDREN: There are hundreds of sites in the Chicago area where children can receive healthy, FREE meals. Text FOODIL to 877877, or call 1-800-359-2164. The Greater Chicago Food Depository has a number of "Pop-up Pantries". These are mobile sites where food is available for families. Go to: www.chicagofoodbank.org and search "Pop-up Pantries".

MOSQUITOES: summer in Chicago means lots of mosquitoes. Reduce the number of mosquito eggs. How? Drain any standing water such as children's pool, bird-bath, etc in your yards. That way, the mosquitoes cannot lay their eggs.

Plenty of fun inexpensive family activities in Chicago for the summer.

MOVIES IN THE PARK, different days around the city, plays films with captions.

<https://www.chicagoparkdistrict.com/movies-parks>

EAT HEALTHY! Shop ALL summer at Farmers' markets, some open this weekend.

Find a Farmer's Market near you: www.agr.state.il.us/agrihappenings/display2.php or www.cityofchicago.org/city/en/depts/dca/supp_info/

Children of Peace School is the only Catholic elementary school program for children who are deaf and hard of hearing in the state of Illinois. Their academically challenging curriculum is culturally sensitive and emotionally supportive, serving students from pre-school through 8th grade.

INFO: www.childrenofpeacechicago.org

Family Together

When a child is baptized, the parents speak on behalf of the child in professing the faith in which the child is to be baptized. The parents promise to teach their child this faith so that they may one day accept this faith as his or her own. In the example of Simon Peter, we learn that each person must also make his or her own profession of faith in Jesus as the one sent by God to save us. We pray for our children as they mature in the faith that they may learn that Jesus alone has the words of eternal life and that they may choose to follow the way of Christian discipleship.

As you gather as a family, talk about promise that parents make at their child's baptism to teach their child about Jesus and the faith of the Church. Talk about the importance of this promise to your family and about some of the things that you are doing to try to honor this commitment. In today's Gospel we hear Simon Peter speak about what he has come to believe about Jesus. Together read today's Gospel, John 6:60-69. Pray together that each person in our family will grow in his or her faith that Jesus is the one sent by God who alone has the words of eternal life. **Pray together the Apostles' Creed or the Nicene Creed.**

Message from Margaret Swatek, Religious Education Reporter

Aug 22, 2021

21st Sunday in Ordinary Time

We also will serve the LORD (Joshua 24:18)

As he is nearing to the end of his life, Joshua wants to make sure his people will remain faithful to God. And so he asks them, *Will you serve the Lord your God, or the foreign gods of your neighbors?*

We already know the outcome; we know how often the Israelites failed to keep their covenant with God. Yet it was not actually these particular people who turned away from God but "a generation" who "did not know the LORD or the work He had done for Israel".

So how do the people gathered before Joshua that day kept their covenant? Notice that when they make their vow, they recall what God has already done for them. He has led them out of slavery, protected them on their journey to the Promised Land, and driven out the people who dwelt there. Perhaps it's because they are so aware of God's goodness, faithfulness, and mighty deeds that they are able to make - and keep - their promises to Him.

We all struggle at times to keep our commitments to the Lord. How often have we made a resolution in morning prayer only to break it by noon! But when we face the inevitable temptation to serve other "gods," perhaps we can follow the lead of these Israelites by recalling what God has done for us.

The next time you're battling a temptation, you could recall the Father's goodness in sending His Son to become one of us. Or His mercy in forgiving your sins. Or the gift of Jesus' Body and Blood in the Eucharist. Or the "mighty deeds" He's accomplished in your own life.

Reflecting on such truths will give you greater confidence that God's abundant grace can help you overcome every sin. Then, filled with love and gratitude, you'll be able to say wholeheartedly with Joshua, "As for me and my household, we serve the LORD".

MARK YOUR CALENDARS

Sun, Aug 29: Mass, 10:30am.
Sun, Sept 5: Mass, 10:30am (Fr. Bill Key)
Sun, Sept 12: Mass, 10:30am (large church, Fr. Joe). 6pm Mass, St. Julie Billiart.
Sun, Sept 19: Mass, 10:30am.
Sun, Sept 26: Mass, 10:30am. 4pm Mass, St. Mary of Vernon.

PLEASE CONTINUE TO CHECK OUR WEBSITE FOR NEW INFORMATION.

WWW.DEAFCHURCHCHICAGO.ORG

Many of our Chaplains for the Deaf are posting Masses on the internet.
Mon and Weds - Fr. Shawn Carey - www.facebook.com/bostondeafcatholic.org/
Tuesdays - Fr. Mike Depcik at 10:30 am EST, 7:30am PST - www.facebook.com/deafmass
Thursdays - Fr. Paul Zirimanya 12 noon PST, 3pm EST www.facebook.com/stbenedictparish
Fridays - 3pm - Divine Mercy Chaplet - www.facebook.com/groups/icdaus/

REMINDER: the doors to the hall open at 10am each Sunday for Mass. There is no social time after Mass until further notice. When Mass is finished, you must leave the building.

Readings for the week of Aug 22, 2021

Sun Aug 22: Jos 24:1-2a, 15-18b; Ps 34:2-3, 16-23; Eph 5:21-32; Jn 6:60-69
Mon Aug 23: 1 Thes 1:1-5, 8b-10; Ps 149:1b-6a, 9b; Mt 23:13-22
Tues Aug 24: Rv 21:9b-14; Ps 145:10-13, 17-18; Jn 1:45-51
Weds Aug 25: 1 Thes 2:9-13; Ps 139:7-12ab; Mt 23:27-32
Thurs Aug 26: 1 Thes 3:7-13; Ps 90:3-5a, 12-14, 17; Mt 24:42-51
Fri Aug 27: 1 Thes 4:1-8; Ps 97:1, 2b, 5-6, 10-12; Mt 25:1-13
Sat Aug 28: 1 Thes 4:9-11; Ps 98:1, 7- 9; Mt 25:14-30



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Mass Every Sunday 10:30am
At St. Francis Borgia Deaf Center
Mass at 4:00pm:
St. Julie Billiart: 2nd & 3rd Sundays every month
St. Mary of Vernon: 4th Sunday of every month

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS:

Genevieve Balsitis	John Hoberg
Yvette Cote	Sr. Corita Ambro
Bill Ortiga	Peggy Franco
Genevieve Uhren	Richard Kush
Arlene Redmond	Deacon Casey Fronczek
Hedie Iovito	Dolores Wallace
Patricia Mancuso	Fr. Len Broniak
Frank Mancuso	Danny Rivera
Chris Wehking	William Costello
Caroline Goraj	Susan Postl
Majka family	James Mulcrone
Joan Christian	Charlotte Seegert
Carmen Reyes	Esther Stolarski
Kay Mulvey	Mary Brandseth
Bill Cusack	Theresa Stanis
Mary Cook	Richard Csabi
Jim Meade	Kathy Caron
Iris Martinez	

Bernice Delulio (98), Joe's mother, who died Aug 10.

Take a look at FR. MIKE DEPCIK's web-page, every week: www.frmd.org

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