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St. John XXIII



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Saturday at 4pm

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T-W at 7:30 am, Th at 12:15 pm

Fri at 7am (@ Xavier when school
in session)

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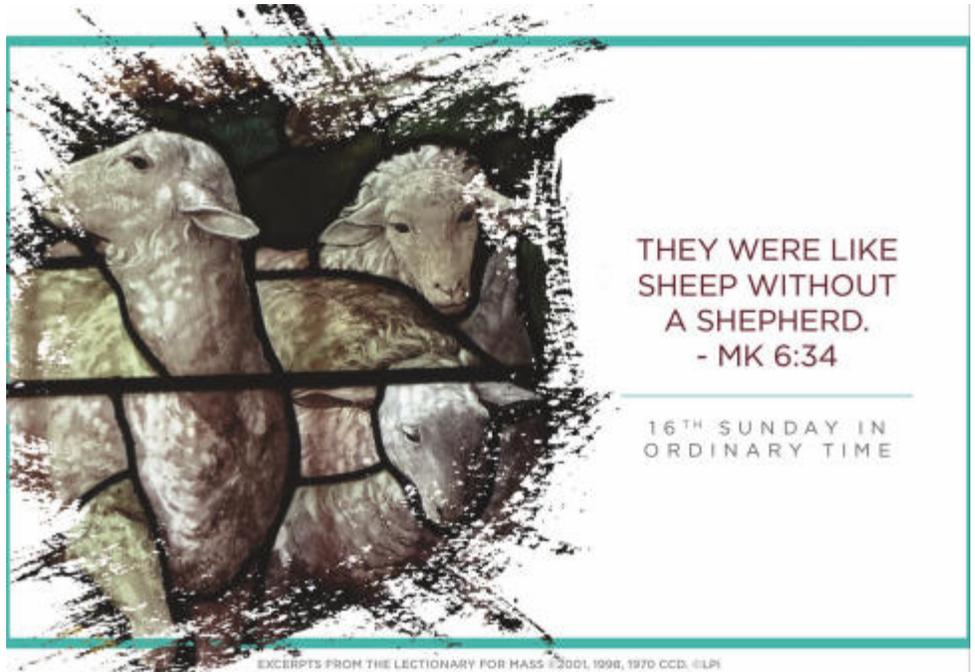
OFFICE HOURS

Monday - Thursday, 8:00-4pm

Friday, 8:00am-12:00pm

MISSION STATEMENT

**We, the parishioners of St. John XXIII,
commit to be disciples of Jesus
through prayer, Worship, study and service.**



NEW PARISH REGISTRATIONS

Registration form can be found on the front page of parish website or contact parish office.

RECONCILIATION

Saturday, 2:30 pm, by appointment or before or after weekday Masses.

BAPTISM

Must attend Baptism Classes **prior** to scheduling Baptism. Call parish office to register for class.

MARRIAGE

Contact the pastor eight (8) months before your wedding.

From the Desk of Father Richmond

My Beloved Parishioners:

I miss you. Even though I am not here physically, I am with you in prayers. Please make Fr. Dennis Juhl, who is leading us in worship this weekend, feel at home.

Our readings this week remind us that even though our leaders in the church and civil society may fail, God will always take care of his people, the world he has created. One of my favorite images is that of Jesus as the Good Shepherd, especially as depicted in the popular image of Christ carrying a little lamb in his arms. It is one of the pictures in my office here at our Parish. It is the image I see each time I raise my eyes from behind my desk. What touches me most about this image is not so much the fact that Jesus is carrying the lamb in his arms but rather the fact that the lamb allowed himself to be carried by Jesus. This image always reminds me that no matter what is going on in life, Jesus is there to carry me in his loving arms only if I allow him to carry me. Christ never leaves us, his flock, unattended. He is always our support on our journey through life. But as a shepherd, Jesus can only call our names and invite us to jump into his loving arms. It is totally up to us to either respond or ignore his call. I don't know what you are going through now in your life, but I know one thing: Jesus is calling you to jump into his arms. Will you allow him to carry you through whatever you are going through now?

FOR YOUR PRAYERFUL ATTENTION AND INVOLVEMENT:

- **Vocations to the Priesthood, Religious Life, and Permanent Diaconate:** If you feel God is calling you to a vocation in the priesthood, religious life, or permanent Diaconate, I would LOVE to chat and discern with you. Please email me at dbq227@dbqarch.org. Families, please encourage your sons and daughters to discern vocations to the priesthood and religious life. We need you!

- **Parish Picnic & Ministry fair:** After this long year of being apart as a parish family, we miss each other and need to have some fun as we continue to do life together as Disciples of Christ. Please come and join us for our Parish Picnic on Sunday, August 8th. Bring your family and friends. We have fun kids games, other wonderful Pumpkin Festival games, and great activities for the adults. You don't want to miss this and our Ministry Fair.
- **Catholic Heart Workcamp.** From July 19th -24th, Tracy, our Youth Coordinator (Mr. Steve Kimbro), and I will be on Catholic Heart Workcamp with our Youth in Minnesota. Please keep our Youth and us in your prayers.
- **Our Archbishop Jackels** will be leading us in worship at the weekend Masses on **July 24th & 25th.** I will be in Chicago for another wedding. Please make sure our beloved Archbishop experiences *the John 23rd hospitality!*

In prayer with you,
Fr. Richmond

Parish Communications

Our parish has a new communication system called Flocknotes. You should have received an introductory email from us as well as correspondence regarding our parish picnic. If you haven't received these, please check your Spam folder to see if it may have gone to it. The email address it will come from is mail@flocknote.com but it does identify it as coming from St. John XXIII as well. Contact the parish office for any guidance you may need on this.

Your Shared Treasure

For: July 3/4, 2021

Adult Budget (103).....	\$8,765.23
Adult Budget EFT (77).....	2,694.33
Offertory.....	104.00
Visitor.....	550.00
Total	\$12,113.56
Extending the Dream.....	\$105.00
Extending the Dream EFT (34).....	654.21

Thank You For Your Support!

First Reading

Jer 23:1-6

A reading from the Book of the Prophet Jeremiah
Woe to the shepherds who mislead and scatter the flock of my pasture, says the LORD. Therefore, thus says the LORD, the God of Israel, against the shepherds who shepherd my people: You have scattered my sheep and driven them away. You have not cared for them, but I will take care to punish your evil deeds. I myself will gather the remnant of my flock from all the lands to which I have driven them and bring them back to their meadow; there they shall increase and multiply. I will appoint shepherds for them who will shepherd them so that they need no longer fear and tremble; and none shall be missing, says the LORD. Behold, the days are coming, says the LORD, when I will raise up a righteous shoot to David; as king he shall reign and govern wisely, he shall do what is just and right in the land. In his days Judah shall be saved, Israel shall dwell in security. This is the name they give him: "The LORD our justice."

The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

Responsorial Psalm

R. (1) The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want.

The LORD is my shepherd; I shall not want. In verdant pastures he gives me repose; beside restful waters he leads me; he refreshes my soul.

R. The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want.

He guides me in right paths for his name's sake. Even though I walk in the dark valley I fear no evil; for you are at my side with your rod and your staff that give me courage.

R. The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want.

You spread the table before me in the sight of my foes; you anoint my head with oil; my cup overflows.

R. The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want.

Only goodness and kindness follow me all the days of my life; and I shall dwell in the house of the LORD for years to come.

R. The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want.

2nd Reading

Eph 2:13-18

A reading from the Letter of St. Paul to the Ephesians
Brothers and sisters: In Christ Jesus you who once were far off have become near by the blood of Christ. For he is our peace, he who made both one and broke down the dividing wall of enmity, through his flesh, abolishing the law with its commandments and legal claims, that he might create in himself one new person in place of the two, thus establishing peace, and might reconcile both with God, in one body, through the cross, putting that enmity to death by it. He came and preached peace to you who were far off and peace to those who were near, for through him we both have access in one Spirit to the Father.

The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

Gospel Acclamation

R. Alleluia, alleluia.

My sheep hear my voice, says the Lord;
I know them, and they follow me.

R. Alleluia, alleluia.

Gospel

Mk 6:30-34

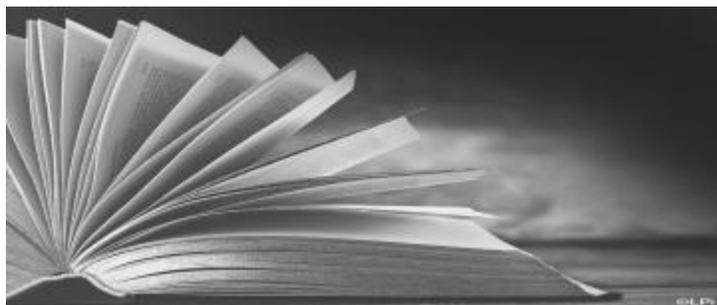
The Lord be with you. **And with your spirit.**

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Mark
Glory to you, O Lord.

The apostles gathered together with Jesus and reported all they had done and taught. He said to them, "Come away by yourselves to a deserted place and rest a while." People were coming and going in great numbers, and they had no opportunity even to eat. So they went off in the boat by themselves to a deserted place. People saw them leaving and many came to know about it. They hastened there on foot from all the towns and arrived at the place before them. When he disembarked and saw the vast crowd, his heart was moved with pity for them, for they were like sheep without a shepherd; and he began to teach them many things.

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ



Mass Intentions

16th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Saturday, July 17

4:00 pm Nick Homan

Sunday, July 18

8:00 am Pat Davidson

10:00 am All Parishioners

Monday, July 19 - *Weekday* - No Mass

Tuesday, July 20 - *Weekday* - No Mass

Wednesday, July 21 - *Weekday* - No Mass

Thursday, July 22 - *St. Mary Magdalene* - No Mass

Friday, July 23 - *Weekday* - No Mass

17th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Saturday, July 24

4:00 pm All Parishioners

Sunday, July 25

8:00 am Elizabeth Selzer

10:00 am Robert & Josie Stallman

Meetings & Happenings:

Monday, July 19

St. Monica's Hope prayer group, 12:15 pm

Parish life committee, 6:00 pm

Tuesday, July 20

Liturgy of the hours, 7:30 am

Adoration, 8 am - 7 pm

Men of Action, 6 pm

Rosary & Benediction, 7 pm



Wednesday, July 21

Liturgy committee, 7:00 pm

Thursday, July 22

Mid-day prayer, 12:15 pm

Scripture study, 1:30 pm

Cleaning crew, 5 pm

Rosary, 7 pm

Friday, July 24

KC blood drive, 8:00 am-12:00 pm

Sunday, July 25

Coordinator/Staff/Clergy mtg, 11:30 am

Office Hours Next Week

In Father Richmond and Tracy's absence next week, the office will be opened for condensed hours. Lorraine Blanck will be here from 9 am - 2 pm Mon-Thurs and 9 am - noon Friday.

Women's St. Monica Prayer Group

"My adult kids don't go to church anymore." "My grandkids aren't receiving the sacraments." "My brother says he doesn't need to go to a building to believe in God." Sound familiar? At St. John XXIII, we are starting a women's prayer group focusing on praying for family and friends who have left the church. St. Monica prayed for decades for her son's conversion; she never gave up and St. Augustine was baptized. The women's prayer group will be called "St. Monica's Hope" and we will meet on the third Monday of each month from 12:15 to 1:15 pm, in the church. Come when you can. Come if you have family or friends to pray for. Come if you just want to pray for those in need of conversion. The first meeting will be July 19, 2021. If you have questions, contact Ann Scheiding at crflowergarden@mchsi.com or cell 319-270-9256.

Mass Ministers

We are excited to have kicked off a new online ministry scheduling program this past week. Thanks to all ministers that have helped set up their accounts. We are still in need of Eucharistic Ministers, ushers, and greeters for all Masses. If you're interested in being a part of any of these ministries, please contact Ann Scheiding.

The KC Blood Drive

Saturday, July 24 from 8 am - 1 pm. To sign up, look for the Fairfax Community blood drive at www.bloodcenterimpact.org, or contact Rick Zettler to schedule an appointment at 319-551-9361 or rickzettler@gmail.com.

Volunteer Eucharistic Ministers

Mercy Hospital is in need of individuals who can help bring Communion to Catholic patients. It would be for one hour, one morning per month. Please contact Mark McDermott, Director of Pastoral Care at 398-6715 if you are interested and training will be provided.

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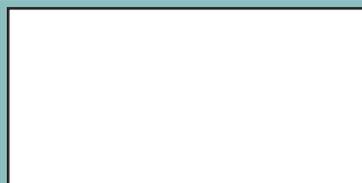
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