

July 25, 2021

St. John XXIII



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Saturday at 4pm

Sunday at 8am & 10am

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

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

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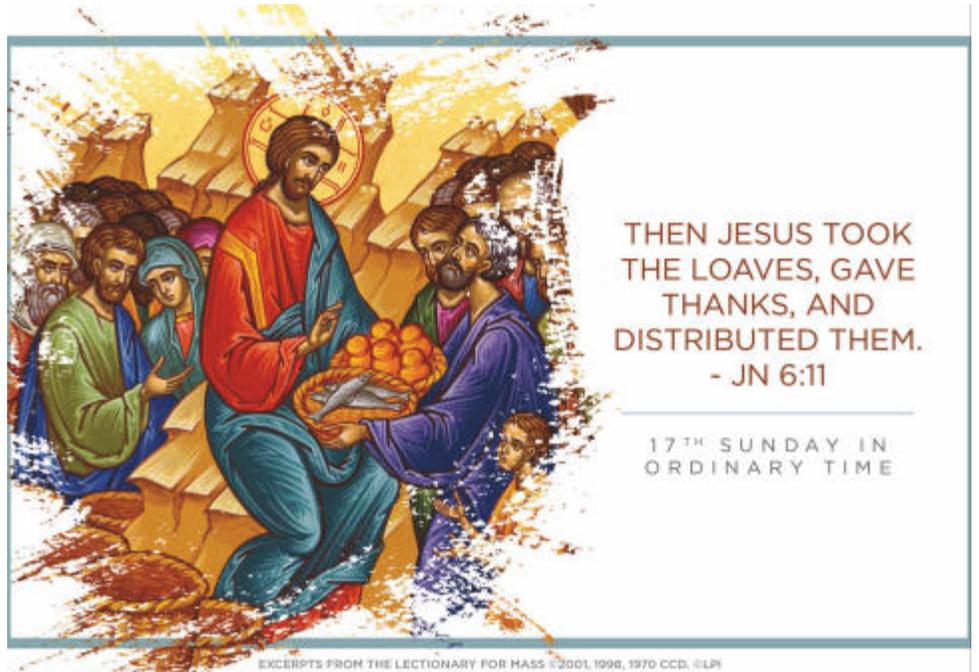
OFFICE HOURS

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.

BAPTISM

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

RECONCILIATION

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

MARRIAGE

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

From the Desk of Father Richmond

My Beloved Parishioners:

In his account of the feeding of the multitude, St. John gives us some specific details about the kind of basket that was used to gather the leftover. There are two types of baskets mentioned in the New Testament. The first is the type that the Jews used to carry food as they traveled so that they would not have to eat any food that had been touched by pagans. That type of basket was referred to as Kophinos (see Matt. 14:20). The second type is the basket (spuris) that was used to save human lives. For example, St. Paul was saved by the Christians in Damascus when they placed him in a basket and lowered him through a window so that he could escape. It was a kind of robe basket. That kind of basket is what St. John describes in today's gospel as being used by the disciples to gather the leftovers. This basket symbolizes the saving hand of God, which saves and transforms a life or any situation that human beings may consider useless or hopeless, but to God is still precious and turns around if it is offered to Him. To God, nothing is a waste; no situation is hopeless; no life placed in His hand is a waste. No matter how rough life gets, let us continue to gather the pieces and present them to God. He can make something beautiful even out of the broken pieces of our life.

SPECIAL GRATITUDE

- **Archbishop Jackels:** Please join me in extending our gratitude to our Archbishop for leading us in worship at the weekend Masses. Please make sure our beloved Archbishop experiences the John 23rd hospitality!
- **ALL Parishioners:** We thank you VERY MUCH for all the love and support you continue to give to our dear Parish. We greatly appreciate you as a member of our Parish. May God continue to bless and protect you and your families.

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, here on the parish grounds. 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.
- **Mass in Person:** Please invite family, friends, and other parishioners who can to come and join us in person to worship the Lord. There is no place like the Temple, so please invite your loved ones to come and join us here at the Parish to celebrate Mass in person together.

I miss you, and I will see you soon. :)

In prayer with you,
Fr. Richmond

Your Shared Treasure

For: July 10/11, 2021

Adult Budget (103).....	\$5,587.00
Adult Budget EFT (77).....	2,694.33
Offertory.....	81.00
Visitor.....	100.00
Total	\$8,462.33
Extending the Dream.....	\$740.00
Extending the Dream EFT (34).....	654.21

Thank You For Your Support!

First Reading

2 Kgs 4:42-44

A reading from the second Book of Kings

A man came from Baal-shalishah bringing to Elisha, the man of God, twenty barley loaves made from the firstfruits, and fresh grain in the ear. Elisha said, "Give it to the people to eat." But his servant objected, "How can I set this before a hundred people?" Elisha insisted, "Give it to the people to eat." "For thus says the LORD, 'They shall eat and there shall be some left over.'" And when they had eaten, there was some left over, as the LORD had said.

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

Responsorial Psalm

R. (cf. 16) **The hand of the Lord feeds us; he answers all our needs.**

Let all your works give you thanks, O LORD, and let your faithful ones bless you. Let them discourse of the glory of your kingdom and speak of your might.

R. **The hand of the Lord feeds us; he answers all our needs.**

The eyes of all look hopefully to you, and you give them their food in due season; you open your hand and satisfy the desire of every living thing.

R. **The hand of the Lord feeds us; he answers all our needs.**

The LORD is just in all his ways and holy in all his works. The LORD is near to all who call upon him, to all who call upon him in truth.

R. **The hand of the Lord feeds us; he answers all our needs.**

2nd Reading

Eph 4:1-6

A reading from the Letter of St. Paul to the Ephesians

Brothers and sisters: I, a prisoner for the Lord, urge you to live in a manner worthy of the call you have received, with all humility and gentleness, with patience, bearing with one another through love, striving to preserve the unity of the spirit through the bond of peace: one body and one

Spirit, as you were also called to the one hope of your call; one Lord, one faith, one baptism; one God and Father of all, who is over all and through all and in all. The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

Gospel Acclamation

R. **Alleluia, alleluia.**

A great prophet has risen in our midst. God has visited his people.

R. **Alleluia, alleluia.**

Gospel

Jn 6:1-15

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

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

Jesus went across the Sea of Galilee. A large crowd followed him, because they saw the signs he was performing on the sick. Jesus went up on the mountain, and there he sat down with his disciples. The Jewish feast of Passover was near. When Jesus raised his eyes and saw that a large crowd was coming to him, he said to Philip, "Where can we buy enough food for them to eat?" He said this to test him, because he himself knew what he was going to do. Philip answered him, "Two hundred days' wages worth of food would not be enough for each of them to have a little." One of his disciples, Andrew, the brother of Simon Peter, said to him, "There is a boy here who has five barley loaves and two fish; but what good are these for so many?" Jesus said, "Have the people recline." Now there was a great deal of grass in that place. So the men reclined, about five thousand in number. Then Jesus took the loaves, gave thanks, and distributed them to those who were reclining, and also as much of the fish as they wanted. When they had had their fill, he said to his disciples, "Gather the fragments left over, so that nothing will be wasted." So they collected them, and filled twelve wicker baskets with fragments from the five barley loaves that had been more than they could eat. When the people saw the sign he had done, they said, "This is truly the Prophet, the one who is to come into the world." Since Jesus knew that they were going to come and carry him off to make him king, he withdrew again to the mountain alone.

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ

Mass Intentions

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

Monday, July 26 - *Sts. Joachim & Anne* - No Mass

Tuesday, July 27 - *Weekday*

7:30 am Peg & Emmett Cahill

Wednesday, July 28 - *Weekday*

7:30 am Carol Voss

Thursday, July 29 - *St. Martha*

12:15 pm Frances Hall

Friday, July 30 - *Weekday*

7:00 am Ken Selzer

18th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Saturday, July 31

4:00 pm Myrna Ballard

Sunday, August 1

8:00 am All Parishioners

10:00 am Jim & Greg Rump

Meetings & Happenings:

Sunday, July 25

Coordinator/Staff/Clergy mtg, 11:30 am

Monday, July 26

Cleaning crew, 8:00 am

Tuesday, July 27

Adoration, 8 am - 7 pm



Thursday, July 29

Scripture study group, 1:30 pm

Rosary garden committee, 6 pm

Rosary, 7 pm

Friday, July 30

Men of Action, 6:30 am

Sunday, August 1

Evangelization team meeting, 11:30 am

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 was on July 19, 2021. If you have questions, contact Ann Scheiding at crflowergarden@mchsi.com or cell 319-270-9256.

To All Eucharistic Ministers

St. Luke's Hospital is needing additional Eucharistic Ministers to provide Holy Eucharist for its hospitalized Catholic patients. If you are interested in providing this rewarding ministry, please contact Dick Lensing 319 573-9669 richardlensing3457@gmail.com. Detailed training is provided.

Thrivent Night at the Ballpark

We invite the Cedar Rapids faith communities to again join us for Thrivent Night at the Ballpark as the Cedar Rapids Kernels take on the Quad Cities River Bandits and we honor our local Special Olympians. The game will take place on Tuesday, August 3, at 6:35 PM. Tickets are \$10 each, a savings of \$3 off the regular box office price per ticket. Tickets can be purchased online by using the special URL below until midnight on Monday, August 2nd. Please select the special THRIVENT sections of 113, 114, and 115 when ordering your tickets online. You may also purchase tickets by calling the Kernels office at (319) 896-7560. Please mention that you are with Thrivent to receive the discounted price.

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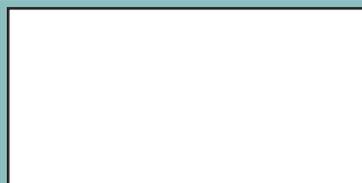
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