

# August 1, 2021

# St. John XXIII



## MASS TIMES

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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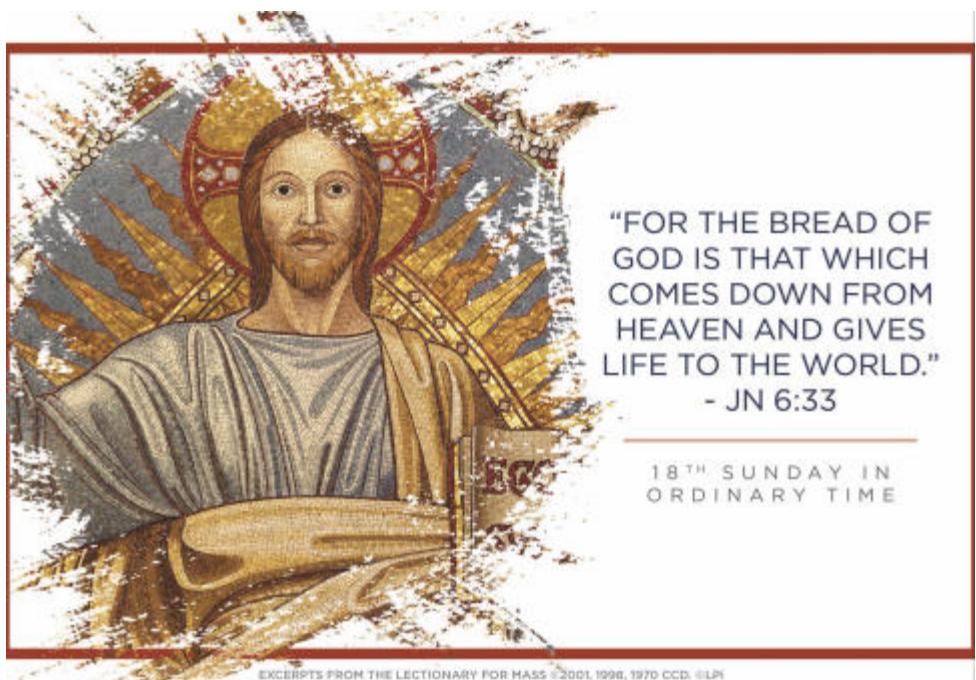
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## OFFICE HOURS

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 (2) Baptism Classes prior to scheduling Baptism. Call parish office to register for classes.

## 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:

To believe in a person is to make an investment of one's whole self. It is an act of Faith, of trust, and letting go. It is much more than just accepting what a person says as being true. God gave his people Manna in the desert to invite them into Faith in Him. The Manna was not just food but also a test of their faith in God. The people were instructed to rely on God each day for the food they needed. They were not to gather more than what they needed for a day. Any attempt of self-sufficiency did not work because the Manna got spoilt the next day, except on the Sabbath day. The Manna was God's message to his people that He is enough for them and that they were to depend on God and not on their own human strength. Jesus, our Bread of life, teaches us to ask for our daily Bread and to trust that he is enough for us. To believe in Him is to surrender each day to his providence and truly live a life that shows that we are content in and with Jesus. Is Jesus enough for you?

### SPECIAL GRATITUDE:

- **All who Serve in Parish Ministries:** We are VERY GRATEFUL to all of you who serve in various ministries in our Parish. May God continue to bless you and your families for all the sacrifices you make for his Church.
- **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:

- **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.

- **Feast of Assumption: August 15th is the feast** of the Blessed Virgin Mary's entrance into heaven. This feast commemorates the departure of Mary from this life and the Assumption of her body into heaven. The Church's official doctrine of the Assumption says that at the end of her life on earth, Mary was assumed, body and soul, into heaven. Today is a good day to consecrate yourself and your loved ones to Jesus through the Blessed Virgin Mary. Invite your families and friends to pray the Rosary and watch the Videos on the 33-Days to Morning Glory on Formed: <https://watch.formed.org/33-days-to-morning-glory-1#>
- **First Young Adult Group Meeting:** Are you a young adult between ages 18-35 seeking to grow in your Catholic Faith and live more passionately for Christ and those he has placed in your life? Please join us for our first Young adult meeting on **August 19<sup>th</sup> at 6 pm** at the Church. You will meet other Christ-filled young adults who are ready to make friends and walk with you on your faith journey. You don't want to miss this. Come with your friends!

May Christ, our Bread of life, give us the grace to hunger for only him and find him sufficient each day of our lives and someday forever!

In prayer with you, Fr. Richmond

## Your Shared Treasure

For: July 17/18, 2021

Adult Budget (98).....	\$6,215.05
Adult Budget EFT (77).....	2,694.33
Offertory .....	87.00
Visitor .....	185.00
<b>Total .....</b>	<b>\$9,181.38</b>
Extending the Dream.....	\$325.00
Extending the Dream EFT (34) .....	654.21

*Thank You For Your Support!*

## First Reading

## Ex 16:2-4, 12-15

A reading from the Book of Exodus

The whole Israelite community grumbled against Moses and Aaron. The Israelites said to them, “Would that we had died at the LORD’s hand in the land of Egypt, as we sat by our fleshpots and ate our fill of bread! But you had to lead us into this desert to make the whole community die of famine!” 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 will I test them, to see whether they follow my instructions or not. “I have heard the grumbling of the Israelites. Tell them: In the evening twilight you shall eat flesh, and in the morning you shall have your fill of bread, so that you may know that I, the LORD, am your God.” In the evening quail came up and covered the camp. In the morning a dew lay all about the camp, and when the dew evaporated, there on the surface of the desert were fine flakes like hoarfrost on the ground. On seeing it, the Israelites asked one another, “What is this?” for they did not know what it was. But Moses told them, “This is the bread that the LORD has given you to eat.”

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

## Responsorial Psalm

### R. (24b) The Lord gave them bread from heaven.

What we have heard and know, and what our fathers have declared to us, we will declare to the generation to come the glorious deeds of the LORD and his strength and the wonders that he wrought.

### R. The Lord gave them bread from heaven.

He commanded the skies above and opened the doors of heaven; he rained manna upon them for food and gave them heavenly bread.

### R. The Lord gave them bread from heaven.

Man ate the bread of angels, food he sent them in abundance. And he brought them to his holy land, to the mountains his right hand had won.

### R. The Lord gave them bread from heaven.

## 2nd Reading

## Eph 4:17, 20-24

A reading from the Letter of St. Paul to the Ephesians  
Brothers and sisters: I declare and testify in the Lord that you must no longer live as the Gentiles do, in the futility of their minds; that is not how you learned Christ, assuming that you have heard of him and were taught in him, as truth is in Jesus, that you should put away the old self of your former way of life, corrupted through deceitful desires, and 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. The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

## Gospel Acclamation

R. Alleluia, alleluia.

One does not live on bread alone, but by every word that comes forth from the mouth of God.

R. Alleluia, alleluia.

## Gospel

## Jn 6:24-35

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

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

When the crowd saw that neither Jesus nor his disciples were there, they themselves got into boats and came to Capernaum looking for Jesus. And when they found him across the sea they said to him, “Rabbi, when did you get here?” Jesus answered them and said, “Amen, amen, I say to you, you are looking for me not because you saw signs but because you ate the loaves and were filled. Do not work for food that perishes but for the food that endures for eternal life, which the Son of Man will give you. For on him the Father, God, has set his seal.” So they said to him, “What can we do to accomplish the works of God?” Jesus answered and said to them, “This is the work of God, that you believe in the one he sent.” So they said to him, “What sign can you do, that we may see and believe in you? What can you do? Our ancestors ate manna in the desert, as it is written: *He gave them bread from heaven to eat.*” So Jesus said to them, “Amen, amen, I say to you, it was not Moses who gave the bread from heaven; my Father gives you the true bread from heaven. For the bread of God is that which comes down from heaven and gives life to the world.” So they said to him, “Sir, give us this bread always.” Jesus said to them, “I am the bread of life; whoever comes to me will never hunger, and whoever believes in me will never thirst.”  
The Gospel of the Lord.  
**Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ**

## Mass Intentions

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

Monday, August 2 - Weekday - No Mass

Tuesday, August 3 - Weekday

7:30 am Wallace Selzer

Wednesday, August 4 - St. John Vianney

7:30 am Jerry Hall

Thursday, August 5 - Weekday

12:15 pm Mike Scott

Friday, August 6 - The Transfiguration of the Lord

7:00 am Betty Hickenbottom

19th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Saturday, August 7

4:00 pm Regis Stallman

Sunday, August 8

8:00 am Delmar & Virginia Thoman

10:00 am All Parishioners

## Meetings & Happenings:

Sunday, August 1

Novena, 7:30 am & 9:30 am

Evangelization team meeting, 11:30 am



Monday, August 2

Novena, 7 pm

Tuesday, August 3

Eucharistic Adoration, 8 am-7 pm

Men of Action, 6 pm

Novena, 7 pm

Wednesday, August 4

Cleaning crew, 9 am

Formed study group, 10 am

Novena, 7 pm

(Zoom) Formed study group, 8 pm

Thursday, August 5

Scripture study, 1:30 pm

Liturgy committee, 6 pm

Novena, 7 pm

Friday, August 6

Men of Action, 6:30 am

Novena, 7 pm

Saturday, August 7

Set up gathering space for picnic, 5-7pm

Novena, 3:30 pm

## **Parish Picnic - August 8**

### **Schedule for the Day:**

<b>8 - 9 am</b>	<b>Mass</b>
<b>9 - 10 am</b>	<b>Ministry Fair</b>
<b>10 - 11 am</b>	<b>Mass</b>
<b>11 - 3 pm</b>	<b>Games</b>
<b>11 - 1 pm</b>	<b>Ministry Fair</b>
<b>11:30 - 1:30 pm</b>	<b>Lunch</b>
<b>2 - 3 pm</b>	<b>Adoration</b>
<b>3 - 4 pm</b>	<b>Novena &amp; Benediction</b>

### **School Supply Collection**

You and your family can help a child begin the school year on a positive note by donating school supplies to our donation box at the entrance of the church. The school supplies will be donated to help the children and families of Four Oaks. We can help these children alleviate the anxiety that often accompanies the “starting over” at a new school. Backpacks, headphones, pencil boxes, folders, spirals, pencils, glue sticks, markers, crayons, etc. are some ideas. We will be collecting until Sunday, August 15. This is a great activity for families! Thank you for your generosity.

### **High Schoolers & College/Young Adults**

We'd like to invite our former youth group members as well as all high school students to come join us for a fun evening before heading off to college/high school. On Sunday, August 15, from 6-8 pm we are planning a fun evening of prayer, food and, yes, you asked for it again .... Slip and Slide kickball. Everyone welcome! Grab a friend and join us.

### **Support for Divorced or Divorcing**

*Surviving Divorce* is a facilitated, small-group Catholic conversation; a 12-week process of healing, hope, and support. Sessions will be offered on Tuesday, September 7-November 23 from 6-7:30 pm at St. Pius X. Please contact 319-393-4445, [formation@crpiusx.org](mailto:formation@crpiusx.org) for more information.



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