

# *St. Lawrence Parish*

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*August 21, 2022*



*21<sup>st</sup> Sunday*

I N O R D I N A R Y T I M E

[Jesus] answered them, "Strive to enter through the narrow gate for many, I tell you, will attempt to enter but will not be strong enough." - Lk 13:24



# Mass Intentions

## Monday, August 22nd

9:00AM John A. Sabol  
(Req. by sister Nancy)

## Tuesday, August 23rd

9:00AM Dr. Alex Briones  
(Req. by Amy, Richard, and the Briones family)

## Wednesday, August 24th

9:00AM Antonio Pereira, Sr.  
(Req. by his family)

## Thursday, August 25th

9:00AM John Rooney  
(Req. by Frank and Pat Carroll)

## Friday, August 26th

9:00AM Ann and Nick Finiak  
(Req. by their daughters)

## Saturday, August 27th

9:00AM Michael Derivan  
(Req. by his wife Lorraine)  
5:00PM Saint Lawrence Parish Family

## Sunday, August 28th~ 22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:30AM Rev. Edward Jaksina  
(Req. by Frank and Sheri Parda)  
9:30AM Lisa Calogine  
(Req by the Calogine family)  
11:30AM John William Sabol  
(Req. by his daughter Nancy)  
5:00PM Angela and Antonio Stellato  
(Req. by Theresa Balas)



# Candles

For the Week of  
August 20th ~ August 27th

## A Lamp Burns for a Special Intention

The Sanctuary Lamp burns in loving memory of  
**Carmen Finizio**  
offered by the Saleh family

The Mary Candles burn in loving memory of  
**Thomas Misset, Sr.**  
offered by the Misset family

and  
Parishioners of Saint Lawrence Parish

The Saint Joseph Candle burns for  
Families at Saint Lawrence Parish who are  
experiencing difficult times



# WE GIVE *because* GOD GAVE FIRST

## Weekly Offertory

### Weekend of August 13th/14th

Sunday Offertory: \$8,997.00  
Monthly Maintenance: \$3,340.00  
Online giving: \$788.00  
Total: \$13,125.00

## 2022 Annual Bishop's Appeal Updates



As of 8/5/22 Saint Lawrence has raised: \$133,977 from 280 donors, bringing the parish to 83% of its \$162,000 goal



To make a gift, or for more information, please visit us at [2022BishopsAppeal.org](http://2022BishopsAppeal.org), call (203) 416-1470 or scan with your phone.

## Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament



Each First Friday following the 9:00 am Mass until 6:00 pm, with Benediction at 5:45 pm

*“Eucharistic Adoration is the secret to knowing the love of Jesus Christ”*

## Contact Information:

**Rectory Office Phone:** 203-929-5355

**Fax:** 203-929-8939

**E-mail Address:** [stlawrpar1@aol.com](mailto:stlawrpar1@aol.com)

**Website:** [www.stlawrenceshelton.org](http://www.stlawrenceshelton.org)

### Office Hours:

Monday ~ Friday 9:00 am—4:00 pm

**Pastor:** Fr. Ciprian Bejan

**Parochial Vicar:** Rev. Krzysztof Kuczynski

**Deacons:** Anthony Cassaneto, Frank Masso, Joseph Klimaszewski

**Assistant Deacon:** Jim Brown

**Office Administrator:** Maureen Cole

**Communications:** Kathy Kelly

**Religious Education:** 203-929-8421

Karen O'Keefe, Coordinator

**Cantor/Music Director:**

Jennifer Haddon, 203-640-7242

**Parish Council President:** Bill Farmer

**Parish Trustees:** Carol Calandra and James Woods

## Weekend Mass Schedule:

Saturday Vigil Mass: 5:00 pm

Sunday Masses:

7:30 am, 9:30 am, 11:30 am, 5:00 pm

### Daily Mass Schedule:

Monday ~ Friday: 9:00 am

Saturday: 9:00 am

### Holy Days of Obligation:

7:00 am, 9:00 am, 12:10 pm, 7:00 pm

### Sacrament of Penance:

Saturday: 4:00-4:45 pm

Sunday: 11:00-11:30 am

### Sacrament of Baptism:

Scheduled Sundays: 1:00 pm

(by appointment only)

### Sacrament of Marriage:

Please call the Rectory Office to schedule a wedding

## Holy Trinity Catholic Academy:

**Phone:** 203-929-4422

**Head of School/Principal:** Lisa Lanni

## Welcome

*New parishioners are invited to visit the Rectory Office to register at St. Lawrence Parish*

*You can download a registration form at [stlawrenceshelton.org](http://stlawrenceshelton.org)*

## 21<sup>st</sup> Sunday IN ORDINARY TIME



Jesus passed through towns and villages, teaching as he went and making his way to Jerusalem. Someone asked him, "Lord, will only a few people be saved?" He answered them, "Strive to enter through the narrow gate for many, I tell you, will attempt to enter but will not be strong enough."

- Lk 13:22-24



**St. Rose of Lima**  
**APART FROM THE CROSS, THERE IS NO OTHER LADDER BY WHICH WE MAY GET TO HEAVEN.**



### In Memoriam

Please pray for the recently deceased.

Saint Lawrence Parish Family extends our prayers and sympathy to the family and friends of the faithful departed, especially:

**Christina Yednasty**

May she rest in Peace.



## BANNS OF MARRIAGE

1<sup>st</sup> Ashley Coutinho and Donald Lucas

### Pre-Baptismal Class

The next pre-baptismal class will be held on Sunday, September 4th, at 1:00 pm in the Parish Center. First-time parents are required to attend this class before having their baby baptized.

Please call the Rectory Office to register.





## Religious Education

**2022-23 Registration** - Registration and payment for the Religious Education Program were due by August 1st. If you have not completed your registration, please get it in ASAP. There is a \$25 late fee for all late registrations. Blank forms are available in the church vestibule, Rectory Office and Religious Education Office/mailbox. You can also access the forms on the church website, [stlawrenceshelton.org](http://stlawrenceshelton.org).

**We Need Your Help!** - Please consider being a volunteer in our Rel Ed Program (Tuesday afternoons or Tuesday evenings). Rel Ed tuition is waived and no teaching experience is necessary. Teacher training and all materials are provided to you. The children in our program are counting on you. Pray on it and contact Karen O'Keefe in the Rel Ed Office at 929-8421 or email [stwannabee@aol.com](mailto:stwannabee@aol.com). I hope to hear from you soon.

**We are currently looking for teachers/volunteers in the following areas:**

Booth Hill - Grade 2, 4, and Rel Ed Principal  
E.S.S. - Rel Ed Principal (x2)

Mohegan - Grade 1, 2 and Rel Ed Principal (x3)  
Tuesday evening - Grade 8 Parent helper

There will be a **Catechist/Volunteer "Kick Off" meeting on Thursday, September 22nd at 7pm** in the Parish Center for all adults involved in the Religious Education Program.

**IMPORTANT PARENT MEETING/BOOK PICK-UP INFORMATION**

\*\*Books will only be available to those families that have completed the registration process.\*\*  
All parent meetings take place in the St. Lawrence Parish Center and gym.

**Wednesday, September 21st**

Grade 5/6 (parent only) 6:30-7:00pm  
Grade 7 (parent and student) 7:00-7:30pm  
Grade 8 (parent and student) 7:30-8:00pm

**Wednesday, September 28th**

Grades 1, 2 & 4 (parent only) 6:30-7:00pm  
Grade 3 Sacramental meeting (parent only) 7:00-7:30pm

**Classes begin on the following dates:**

Grades 1-4 - Tuesday, October 4th

Grades 5-8 - Monday/Tuesday October 3rd/4th

**Community Service hours available for Gr. 7/8 students:**

Please call the Rel Ed Office (929-8421) if your child is available to help out with the Rel Ed elementary program on Tuesday afternoons at Mohegan/ESS/Booth Hill or the Saturday morning Gr. 3 Sacramental Program. This will fulfill their Community Service requirement for the year. I look forward to hearing from you!

**MASS PASSES will start up during the weekend of September 10th/11th.** All students in grades 1-8 are required to attend mass every weekend and get a Mass Pass from the Priest or Deacon at the end of mass. Students should hand in their Mass Passes to their religion teacher at class.



Join the Mystical Rose Community of Lay Carmelites and experience God through prayer, silence and reflection centered around devotion to Our Lady of Mt. Carmel.

For more information, please contact Marie Zyskowski, Formation Director, at 203-924-1929.



**August Rectory Office Hours**

Monday through Thursday 9:00 am—2:00 pm  
Friday Office Closed



The serious disciple knows the necessity and value of discipline. Thinking of discipline as something punitive in nature, we underscore its place in our spiritual lives. Discipline is really about a radical trust in God and his guidance. “When you are conducted by a guide who takes you through an unknown country at night across fields where there are no tracks, by his own skill, asking no advice from anyone, giving no inkling of his plans, what choice do you have but to give yourself completely to his guidance? If you are convinced that he is a good guide, you must have faith in him and abandon yourself to his care (Jean-Pierre de Caussade).”

If someone wants to be physically fit, they readily find a competent trainer who sets them on a rigorous schedule. Determined to reach their goals, they sacrifice personal pleasure and trust in his guidance. Why should it be any different with God? In order to remain true to the way Jesus places before us, we have to listen, learn, and be willing to change. Falling in love with God and maintaining that relationship requires an investment of time, energy, and hard work. Putting personal preferences aside in pursuit of the Gospel and giving proper attention to our spiritual lives is challenging work. At first, “all discipline seems a cause not for joy but for pain, yet later it brings the peaceful fruit of righteousness to those who are trained by it (Hebrews).”

“What God does is essentially good. It does not need to be reformed or controlled...If you would live according to the Gospels, give yourself completely and simply to the action of God (Jean-Pierre de Caussade).” Submission to the holy will of God is not a submission to a set of pre-ordained set of circumstances. Rather, it is an abandonment and trust in God’s creative, life-giving, and salvific power. God brings light out of darkness and life out of death. Nurturing this bond of trust and seeking God in all things creates an intimate and particular relationship and bond between our Creator and us. When He comes, there will be no issue with us recognizing Him or Him recognizing us. We will have met before.

## Watch Sunday Mass

You can view our Parish Masses at Saint Lawrence live at 5:00 pm on Saturdays and 9:30 am on Sundays, or at any time after by visiting our Facebook page: [@StLawrenceShelton](#). A link to the Facebook page is available on our website: [stlawrenceshelton.org](#).

For a list of live-streamed masses throughout the diocese, visit: [www.bridgeportdiocese.org](#)

## “Masked Only Pews”

We have designated “Masked Only” pews in our church to accommodate those parishioners who are more comfortable attending Mass while wearing a mask and prefer to be seated in an area with other masked parishioners. If you choose to sit in a “Masked only” pew, please be considerate of those parishioners seated in these pews and wear a mask throughout the Mass.

Please note that it is not necessary to sit in these pews if you are wearing a mask, however, these pews are reserved for only those parishioners who are wearing a mask. Parishioners who choose to attend Mass while unmasked should refrain from sitting in the “Masked Only” pews.

Thank you for your cooperation and understanding.

**Parishioners who are homebound** and unable to attend mass in person due to serious or extended illness should contact the Rectory Office if they would like a Priest or Deacon to deliver communion to them at home, or for confession.

If a parishioner requires or desires the Sacrament of the Sick, please contact the rectory office. “The Anointing of the Sick is not a sacrament for those only who are at the point of death. Hence, as soon as anyone of the faithful begins to be in danger of death from sickness or old age, the fitting time for him to receive the sacrament has certainly already arrived” (*Catechism*, 1514).

## Bulletin News

Please submit all entries for the parish bulletin by noon, on the **Monday** before the weekend. Information should be emailed to

[stlawrpar1@aol.com](mailto:stlawrpar1@aol.com), attn: bulletin,

or dropped off in the Rectory Office. Please include the dates that you wish your submission to run in the bulletin. Information will be included/edited as space allows.

**PLEASE NOTE:** Prior to holidays, the deadline will be earlier. Please submit entries 10 days prior to the bulletin date.




**Prayers and Petitions:**

*Please hold especially in your prayers all the members of our Parish who are in the hospital, nursing homes, homebound, or in need of the comfort of prayer:*

Maria Albano, Lyndon Bauer, Roseann Blanco, Joseph Burger, Frank Busa, Betty Butts, Thomas Cain, Wayne Carlson, Elaine Carvalho, Louis Chkowski, Patricia Colbert, Robert Collett, Kyle Colucci, Jennifer Coppola, Robert F. Curley, Judy Curran, Gabrielle Dana, Elizabeth Davison, Joan Delaney, Peter DeSanto, Gina DiFederico, John DiPallo, Dick Egan, Patty Eng, Nick Esposito, Francis Xavier Falanga, Sandra Falanga, Irene Farmer, Michael Fazio, Richard Fazio, Gilda Festa, Andrea Franzago, Christine Gargano-Rosso, Anne Marie Gaynor, Mark Gaynor, Mike Gemma, Kristin Graf, Kevin Gydus, Jean Hadden, Walter J. Hannon, Ann Haste, Andrew D. Hernon, Deborah Horvath, Jennifer Jaworski, Robert Jevarjian, Amy Job, Bill Joyce, Audrey Kaszuba, Jim Kotschildis, Christina Lake, Stephanie Leko, Connie Leniart, Kristin Lupulio, Christopher Madden, Dorothy Magyar, Joey Mandanici, Mary Jane Martucci, Betty Maulucci, Jean McCormick, Gene Memoli, Taylor Miller, Sr., Martina Mirci, Richard Monte, Kathryn Morales, Alice Moran, Joseph O'Neil, Jill Paul, Ronald Pavlucik, Anne Perler, Cheryl Peterson, Rosita Petrocelli, Jennifer Phelps, Kelly Pineau, Julie Porzio, Helene Prokop, William Randall, Paul Rigoli, Diamond Rosa, Roger Roy, Michael Saul, Kristin Sciarappi, Jack Bradford Scofield, Antonio Silveira, Manuel Silveira, Maria Silveira, Mary Sorge, John Spodnick, Tom and Betsy Swank, Patricia Szube, Campbell Taft, Alejo Verdes, Dan Verrilli, Jeff Van Vooren, Pearl Walsh

† Knight's Corner †



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**Bereavement Ministry**

Just before his death an elderly gentleman said to his dear wife, "take all the love you had for me and spread it around. In love, beauty is found."



Please contact Mickie Hope at 203-929-8499 for further information on how we may help you.  
 As part of our Bereavement Ministry, we offer "Transitions": a support group for those grieving the loss of a loved one. You may contact Jim Linden at 203-561-3410, or Mickie Hope at the number above.





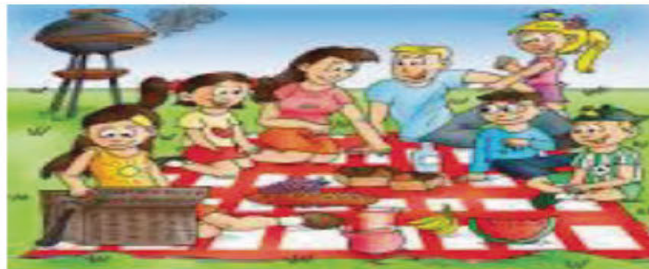
# MARK YOUR CALENDAR

- August 23rd Walking With Purpose Bible Study, 10:00—11:30 am, Parish Center
- September 1st Women of Saint Lawrence meeting, 7:00 pm, Parish Center
- September 12th Adult Faith Formation with Deacon Anthony, 10:00—11:30 am
- September 13th Adult Faith Formation with Deacon Anthony, 7:00—8:30 pm
- September 18th Parish Picnic, 1:00—4:00 pm, Rain or Shine
- Faith Builders Wednesday mornings, 9:30—11:00 am, Parish Center
- Choir Practice Wednesday evenings, 6:30—8:00 pm, in the Music Room
- Lay Carmelites Meet the 2nd Saturday of the month at 10:00 am in the Parish Center
- Knights of Columbus Meet the 3rd Thursday of the Month
- Adoration of Blessed Sacrament Each First Friday following the 9:00 am Mass

## St Lawrence Parish Picnic

**Sunday, September 18**  
**1:00-4:00 Rain or Shine**

### Refreshments



Food

Prizes

Games

### Activities

Music

Dunk tank

- Chili cook off
- Bounce house
- Bobbing for donuts
- Face painting
- Raffles / Hayrides
- and more

Bounce house



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If you would like to support Saint Lawrence Parish through online giving, we invite you to visit our parish website at [www.stlawrenceshelton.org](http://www.stlawrenceshelton.org), and click on the online giving logo for more information and enrollment instructions.

Online giving provides a secure, convenient, time-saving solution for weekly offertory and extraordinary collection giving.

You can also make your St. Lawrence 2021 Christmas and End-of-Year Parish Appeal pledge through online giving.

*As always, we appreciate your generous support!*

**Faith Builders**

Scripture Reflection Group

We are committed to studying God's Word, praying for one another, and growing together in Christ.

Wednesdays 9:30—11:00 am in the Parish Center

If you have any questions please contact Susan Rowan @ [msrow2729@yahoo.com](mailto:msrow2729@yahoo.com)

THE WOMEN OF SAINT LAWRENCE



**Welcome Back**

We hope everyone enjoyed their summer. We are having a membership drive to start our year off on Thursday, September 1st at 7:00 pm.

Everyone who brings a friend or comes for the first time will receive a lottery ticket.

Remember, this is our back-to-school supplies meeting and yearly ice cream social.

All women of St. Lawrence are welcome.



**Marriage Preparation/Formation**

The Diocese of Bridgeport offers formation for couples who wish to be married in the Catholic Church. Formation is available online in English and in person in Spanish.

For more information, please visit

<https://formationreimagined.org/marriage-prep-reimagined/>.

**~ Guidelines for Sponsors ~**

Any Parishioner of Saint Lawrence who has been asked to act as a Godparent for the Sacrament of Baptism or a Sponsor for the Sacrament of Confirmation should contact the Rectory Office for a Sponsor Certificate.

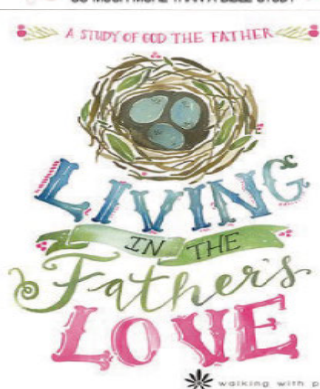
To act as a Sponsor a Catholic must:

- ~ Be at least 16 years of age
- ~ Have received all three sacraments of initiation (Baptism, Holy Communion and Confirmation)
- ~ If married, be in a valid marriage recognized by the Church
- ~ Attend Mass regularly on Sundays and Holy Days of Obligation.

In addition, in order to obtain a Sponsor Certificate from Saint Lawrence, you must be an active, registered Parishioner at Saint Lawrence for a period of at least 6 months.

**Please note: When requesting a Sponsor Certificate, please contact the Rectory Office at least 2 weeks in advance and allow up to 10 business days for processing.**

**Come Back to Community at Saint Lawrence**



In a world where women are measured by their beauty, achievements, and possessions, wouldn't it be nice to find a place where you could just be valued for who you are?

We know just the place. And you are not alone.

Walking with Purpose is a Bible study that brings women together as they embark on a journey closer to the heart of God. This summer, we are excited to announce that Saint Lawrence will be offering the study, Living In The Father's Love—a six-lesson study of God the Father that reveals how deeply relevant the Gospels are to our relationships, both with God and those we love. Sessions are on Tuesday, July 26th, August 2nd, 9th, 16th, 23rd, and 30th, 10:00—11:30 am at the Saint Lawrence Parish Center, and we have an open chair for you!

For more information contact Jill Stowe, [stowej7@gmail.com](mailto:stowej7@gmail.com), 224-805-1262, or visit Walking with Purpose online [[www.walkingwithpurpose.com](http://www.walkingwithpurpose.com)]. You were never meant to journey alone. God is inviting you to draw near to Him, and the women of our parish are waiting for you! Let's journey together.





## Respect Life Ministry

Proclaiming and supporting God's truth that life is a sacred gift from the moment of conception to natural death.

To protect Connecticut babies in the womb and help parents in need, now is the time to act-advocate for changes in our state policy, become aware of what you can do to help, and pray. Come **pray with us on Thursday, August 25th** near Planned Parenthood *for life- Intentions include an end to abortion, for help and support to mothers in need, for healing for parents grieving their abortions, and conversion of those in the abortion industry.* **Join our carpool leaving St. Lawrence Church parking lot at 9:45am and returning by 11:45am. Questions? Call Linda at (203)913-4661 or [Lkosko@ymail.com](mailto:Lkosko@ymail.com).**

A directory of services for our area, the “**Services and Resources for Pregnant Moms, Dads, and Families,**” is located in the entryway of the church. Please take a copy in case you know or meet someone who could use services. This is in support the national effort to help prevent abortion, in accord with the US Conference of Catholic Bishops “Walking with Moms in Need” program.

**Join the US Conference of Catholic Bishops’ Respect Life Prayer and Action Campaign:** Babies in the womb are more vulnerable than ever. When you sign up for Respect Life Prayer and Action, you will receive prayers, action alerts to contact Congress and government leaders, service opportunities for at-risk women, and more to help protect the innocent against attacks on human life. Join thousands of Catholics as we seek to transform our culture. Together, we are powerful! Sign up at <https://www.respectlife.org/prayer-and-action>.

For men for healing from the hurt of abortion: **A Men’s Day of Prayer and Healing on Saturday, Sept. 24<sup>th</sup>.** Contact Maureen Giardiello at the diocese at: 203-416-1445 or [mciardiello@gmail.com](mailto:mciardiello@gmail.com). You can also help your neighbors, relatives, and friends who have had abortions by sharing this information.



## Fall 2022 Adult Faith Formation Program The Study of St. Paul, the Apostle

During your study of **St. Paul the Apostle**, you will become familiar with Saul/Paul’s Jewish heritage, his upbringing as a zealous Jew, his education in Tarsus and Jerusalem, and his transformation from persecuting those who claim Jesus as their Messiah to an apostle who was called by God to preach to the Gentiles in the towns and villages of Asia Minor, Greece, and to the ends of the earth (Rome). We will read several of Paul’s letters written to communities of Christians in major cities, such as,

Thessalonica, Philippi, Corinth, etc. In all, it will be a journey of faith, hope, and charity that will enrich your life as you walk in the footsteps of a man who sacrificed everything for the sake of the Kingdom.

### Calendar:

Classes will meet on Mondays from 10:00 am to 11:30 am beginning on Sept 12<sup>th</sup>.

Future classes will meet on: Sept . 26; Oct. 3, 10, 17, 24; Nov. 7, 14.

Classes will also meet on Tuesday evenings from 7:00 pm to 8:30 pm beginning on Sept. 13<sup>th</sup>.

Future classes will meet on Sept. 27; Oct. 4, 11, 18, 25; Nov. 8, 15.

### Cost:

A one-time donation will be accepted on the first day of class. Please make checks payable to: St. Lawrence Parish.

**Registration: Please mail your registration to the Rectory Office. Deadline is August 29th.**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail address: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

I will attend on (check one):  Monday  Tuesday

# SUNDAY'S READINGS

## FIRST READING:

They shall bring all your brothers and sisters from all the nations as an offering to the LORD. (Is 66:20)

## PSALM:

Go out to all the world and tell the Good News. (Ps 117)  
Or Alleluia.

## SECOND READING:

"My son, do not disdain the discipline of the Lord or lose heart when reprovved by him; for whom the Lord loves, he disciplines." (Heb 12:5-6)

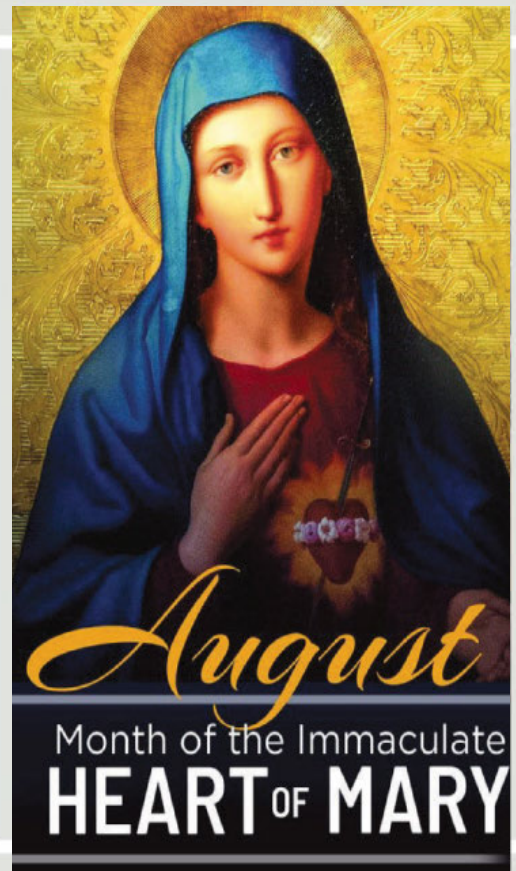
## GOSPEL:

And people will come from the east and the west and from the north and the south and will recline at table in the kingdom of God. (Lk 13:29)



## OBSERVANCES FOR THE WEEK OF AUGUST 21, 2022

- Sunday: 21st Sunday in Ordinary Time; St. Pius X, Pope
- Monday: The Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary
- Tuesday: St. Rose of Lima, Virgin
- Wednesday: St. Bartholomew, Apostle
- Thursday: St. Louis; St. Joseph Calasanz, Priest
- Saturday: St. Monica
- Next Sunday: 22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time; St. Augustine, Bishop and Doctor of the Church



Father, You prepared the heart of the Virgin Mary to be a fitting home for Your Holy Spirit. By her prayers, may we become more worthy of Your glory. Grant this through our Lord Jesus Christ, Your Son who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

Maureen O'Donnell  
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