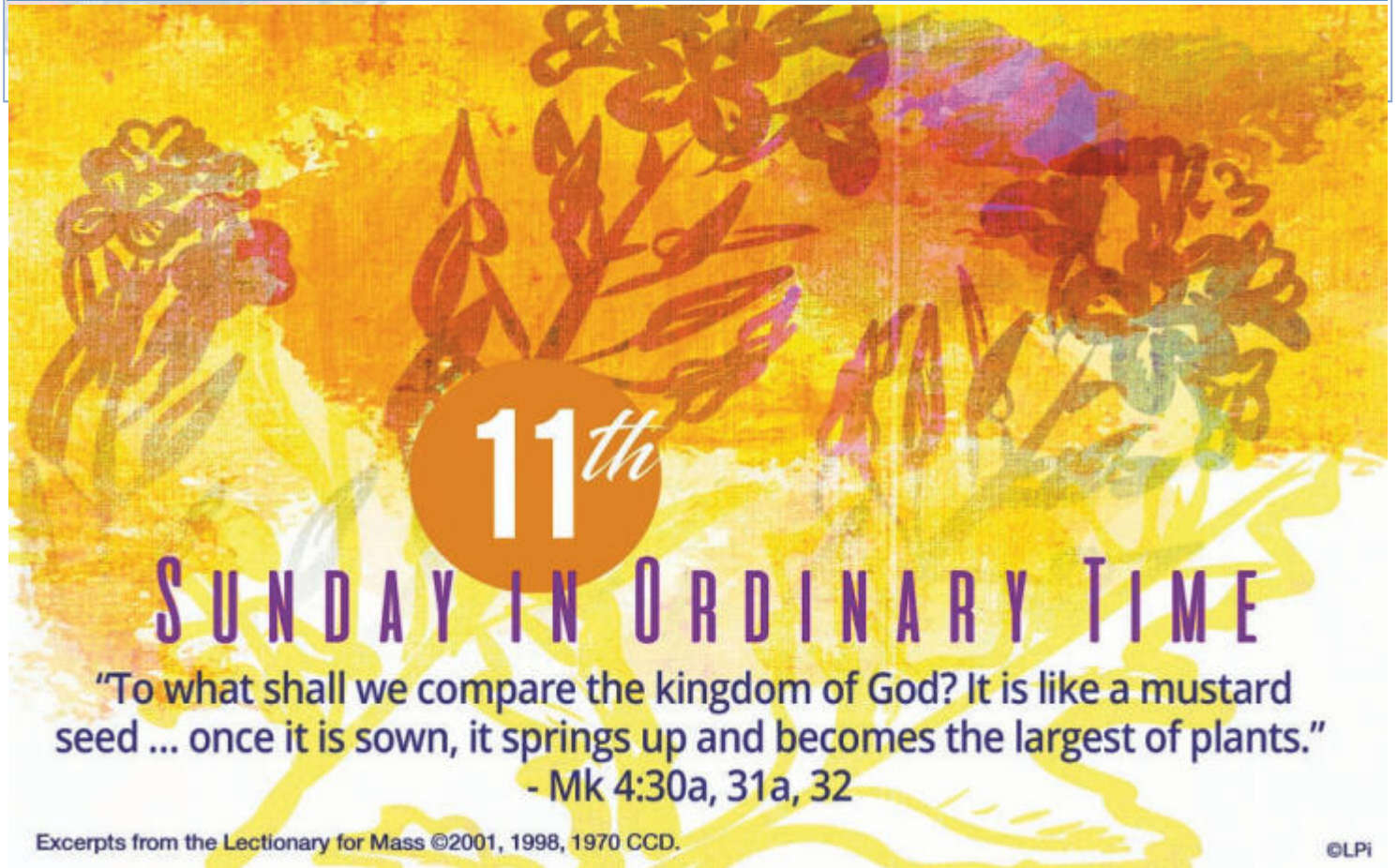


JUNE 13, 2021 | ELEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



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## MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday 5 pm  
Sunday 8 am, 9:30 am & 11 am

## WEEKDAYS

Monday-Thursday 8 am

## HOLY DAY MASS SCHEDULE

Mass times for Holy Days will be announced in the bulletin.

## CONFESSION SCHEDULE

Saturday 4 to 4:45 pm  
First Sunday after the 11 am Mass &  
By Appointment

*"Lord, it is  
good to give  
thanks to  
you."*

*Psalm 92*

## ADORATION

Holy Hour for Life, third Thursday of each month & First Friday.

## ROSARY

Prayed every 2nd Wednesday.

## PARISH REGISTRATION

Call the Parish Office, pick up a form in the Church vestibule or visit our website to join.

## BAPTISM

Celebrated on the 2nd, 3rd & 4th Sunday. Contact the Parish Office.

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THE MUSTARD SEED

Jesus' parable about a man scattering seed on the land draws our attention upon the sure and steady growth of God's Kingdom. Just as the seed is silently, mysteriously and independent of human efforts, so is it with the Kingdom of God. For sure, the farmer spares no effort to prepare the ground well for the sowing of the seed. Yet once the seed is sown

there is nothing more to be done until the harvest, the grain develops on its own. Here our blessed Lord presents the awesome power of God's Kingdom that cannot be contained and will grow continuously on earth until the day of the harvest; that is, until the Final Judgment and the return of Christ Jesus in glory.

This also highlights the action of divine grace in each soul. God's power silently, mysteriously and continuously works to change us, to make us more faithful, more compassionate and more courageous to do what is right and just. Although we must be cooperative with God's grace or power, the initiative for our living and changing *always* lies with God. Thus, we place our *trust* in the Holy Spirit, the Lord the Giver of Life.

Jesus then instructs further by means of the parable involving the tiny mustard seed. God's Kingdom on earth begins very small and grows to be enormous and abundantly with life. Simply recall the pitifully small group of disciples whose faith, hope and love spreads through the centuries to become the great multitude the Catholic Church now is in our own day.

The same also holds true for each soul. Our dear Little Flower puts it in this way:

*"I will look for some means of going to heaven by a little way which is very short and very straight, a little way that is quite new...It is your arms, Jesus, which are the lift to carry me to heaven, And so there is no need for me to grow up. In fact, just the opposite: I must stay little and become less and less."* - Saint Thérèse of Lisieux, *Story of a Soul*

MASS INTENTIONS (LS-live stream)

Saturday/Sunday, June 12/13  
ELEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

- 5:00 PM † Paul Cinoa
- 8:00 AM † Kathryn Van Nest
- 9:30 AM † Joshua Valentine (LS)  
People of the Parish
- 11:00 AM (L) Greg English

Monday, June 14  
8:00 AM † Mary Pesale

Tuesday, June 15  
8:00 AM † Bernard Cinoa

Wednesday, June 16  
8:00 AM (L) Carmen Belen

Thursday, June 17  
8:00 AM † Amanda Palmer

Saturday/Sunday, June 19/20  
TWELFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

- 5:00 PM (L) Charlotte Veres &  
† Bob Veres
- 8:00 AM (L) Jean Kazimierczyk
- 9:30 AM † Joseph & Mary Pedula (LS)
- 11:00 AM † Deacon John Dumschat  
People of the Parish



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Collection for May 29/30	\$1,426.-
Collection for June 5/6	\$1,707.-

PARISH ACTIVITIES

Monday—Thursday

\* Daily Mass, 8 am

Tuesday, June 15

\*Bible Study, 7:30 pm, Church Hall

Thursday, June 17

\*Holy Hour For Life, 7 pm

Saturday/Sunday, June 19/20

\*Food For Families Collection

**MASS INTENTIONS** Would you like to have a Mass said for the repose of the soul for someone deceased or for someone living? Please contact the Parish Office at 908-638-6211. The offering is \$10. Mass cards are available and can be mailed for your convenience.

**SANCTUARY LAMP** You may have the Sanctuary Lamp burn in memory of a loved one or for the intention of someone living. Contact the Parish Office if you are interested. The offering is \$10 per week.



The Sanctuary Lamp burns constantly to proclaim the Real Presence of Our Lord, Jesus Christ, in the Tabernacle.

This week the flame is dedicated to:

**KAITLIN PEONI**

From her loving Gramma & Granpa

**FLOWERS FOR THE SANCTUARY** If you would like to donate flowers for our sanctuary or tabernacle, please contact MaryJean. You can donate in memory of a loved one or for someone living. Arrangements will be made with a local florist, no hassle on your part. Call today.



The Sanctuary Flowers this week are for the:

**Intentions of Kaitlin Peoni**

From her loving  
Gramma & Granpa

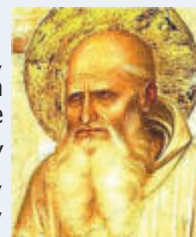
**PARISH PRAYER LIST** If you would like to place a name on the Parish Prayer List please contact the Parish Office or send an email at [parishoffice@sjchb.org](mailto:parishoffice@sjchb.org). The first name can be listed for privacy reasons.



*Let us always pray for one another!*

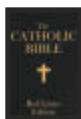
**PRAY FOR THE SICK:**

St. Romuald, (feast day June 19th) whose only desire was that souls might draw closer to God, pray that all who seek the Lord may approach Him with a whole heart, a heart set on Him alone, that in perfect devotion, all might find Him present in their souls, in their spirits, and be elevated in their lowliness to His divine love. **We pray for:** Cathy Bush, William Honachefsky Sr, Vincent Scarponi, Mark Mueller, Joseph, Donald Tomko, Nate Strunk, John & Maria Lepore, Stephanie Hoelper, John Hayth, Michael Tingolie, Lyzah Hennig, Holly, Teresa, Jessica, Mark H., Rich Finn, Frank Drzewiecki and all those homebound in our parish community.



**HOLY HOUR FOR LIFE** Join us on Thursday, **June 17** at 7 pm as we pray together for the intentions of defending life, marriage and religious liberty for all. There will be time for quiet reflection too. All are welcome and encouraged to come.

**BIBLE STUDY** St. Joseph's Bible Study Group meets every **Tuesday** in the Church Hall at 7:30pm. If you have nothing planned, come learn more about the greatest book on earth!



**FOOD FOR FAMILIES** The collection for June will take place on the **June 19 & 20**. Suggested items needed to donate are: *Black tea, plain oatmeal, unsweetened cereal, canned pears & oranges, pea & lentil soups, spinach, hygiene products such as, toothpaste, shampoo, conditioner etc.*



**LORD'S HOUSEKEEPERS** Looking to volunteer at Church? Why not sign up to help clean St. Joseph Church! If you are interested please speak to Father James or email the Parish Office.



**K-CLUB NEWS** The 15th & 16th weekly winners are **Dee Savare & Frank Gregory**.

There is still time to submit your payment of \$40 to the K-Club. Make your check payable to "St. Joseph K of C." and mail them to the Parish Office. Good luck!

**THANK YOU** The Knights of Columbus 8th Annual Charity Golf Day was a big success. Thank you to all who participated in this fundraiser and for supporting Council 10627. See you next year!



"You love me more than sparrows, God  
You meet my every need.  
And all You ask is that my faith  
is like a mustard seed."

~Anne Peterson



† We Welcome by Rite of Baptism: Trevor Dante Feci into the One, Holy, Catholic, Apostolic Church.†



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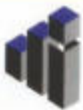
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