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Diocesan policy requires that an appointment be made with a priest of your parish at least SIX MONTHS in advance. DO NOT set a final date for the wedding prior to your interviews with the priest.

TO MARRY FOR LIFE is a program of Catholic preparation for sacramental marriage. In addition to being a civil contract, marriage is also a covenant of unconditional love. Living out this covenant is a grace bearing sign to each other and to society of the love of Christ for us. Marriage is, thus, a sacrament and a calling from God to a holy state in Life.

CONFESSIONS

By appointment or 30 minutes before
Saturday and Sunday Mass.



AUGUST 1, 2021

**18TH SUNDAY IN
ORDINARY TIME**

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." - Jn 6:32-33

PRAYER


For Protection from Storms and Hurricanes

Father, all the elements of nature obey your commands. Protect us, and all your people during this season of storms and hurricanes. Calm our fears, and help us to prepare our hearts as well as our homes. Help us to see you in all we may encounter, and help us to minister to each other in your name. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

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MASS INTENTIONS & READINGS & OBSERVANCES

Sun	Vigil	Ex 16:2-4, 12-15/Ps 78:3-4, 23-24, 25, 54 [24b]/Eph 4:17, 20-24/Jn 6:24-35	
	August 1	5:00 pm All Parish Families; Cary Hester †; Ken & Bett Broussard †	
Sun	Vigil	1 Kgs 19:4-8/Ps 34:2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9 [9a]/Eph 4:30—5:2/Jn 6:41-51	
	August 8	5:00 pm Byron Ready †; Vincent Brucia †	
		10:00 am All Parish Families; Dene LeBlanc †; Henry Chargois †	

Readings for the week of August 1, 2021

Monday: Nm 11:4b-15/Ps 81:12-13, 14-15, 16-17 [2a]/Mt 14:13-21
Tuesday: Nm 12:1-13/Ps 51:3-4, 5-6ab, 6cd-7, 12-13 [cf. 3a]/Mt 14:22-36 or Mt 15:1-2, 10-14
Wednesday: Nm 13:1-2, 25—14:1, 26-29a, 34-35/Ps 106:6-7ab, 13-14, 21-22, 23 [4a]/Mt 15:21-28
Thursday: Nm 20:1-13/Ps 95:1-2, 6-7, 8-9 [8]/Mt 16:13-23
Friday: Dn 7:9-10, 13-14/Ps 97:1-2, 5-6, 9 [1a and 9a]/2 Pt 1:16-19/Mk 9:2-10
Saturday: Dn 6:4-13/Ps 18: 28, 3-4, 47 and 51/Mk 17:14-20

Observances for the week of August 1, 2021

Sunday: 18th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Monday: St. Eusebius of Vercelli, Bishop; St. Peter Julian Eymard, Priest
Tuesday:
Wednesday: St. John Vianney, Priest
Thursday: The Dedication of the Basilica of St. Mary Major
Friday: The Transfiguration of the Lord
Saturday: St. Sixtus II, Pope, and Companions, Martyrs; St. Cajetan, Priest; BVM
Next Sunday: 19th Sunday in Ordinary Time



BEAUTIFY THE SANCTUARY
We invite you to donate toward the flower arrangements in memory of a loved one, to celebrate a birthday, an anniversary, a baptism, or any other special family occasion or a church feast. The name of the donor and the occasion will be published in the parish bulletin.
Donation: \$40; Contact Gezel Frank 786-3684.

MASS SCHEDULE & PARISH OFFICE HOURS

No Daily Mass | Saturday Vigil Mass 5:00 pm | Sunday Mass 10:00 am

The Parish Office is open Monday—Friday from 8:30 a.m.—4:30 p.m. Please note that we are closed from 12 noon—1:00 p.m. for lunch.

PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS



ALTAR SOCIETY RAFFLE

Get a jump on Fall Ya'll with "Fall Decorations"

Our Lady of Lourdes Altar Society will be selling tickets the weekends of August 21 & 22 and August 28 & 29 for a chance to win decorations for the Fall, (1st, 2nd, & 3rd prize). Tickets 6 for \$5.00 or \$1.00 each. For more information, please contact Sheryl Reynolds (409) 289-6930.



SPREAD THE WORD: We are so happy and grateful to announce that the parish organizations can now meet and use the parish buildings. Please contact the parish office beforehand so the dates and times can be added back on the parish calendar.

PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

VIDOR KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS #5789 will hold their monthly business meeting in the parish hall meeting room Thursday, August 5th at 6:30 p.m.

ST. JOSEPH ROSARY In conjunction with the Universal Church celebrating a "Year of Saint Joseph, our parish will pray the St. Joseph Rosary before each Mass on the first weekend of every month (August 7-8)

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COLLECTIONS

July 17-18, 2021 _____ \$2,863.00

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2021 BISHOP'S FAITH APPEAL

If you have not made your gift to the Bishop's Faith Appeal, please prayerfully consider doing so. We ask you to pray to the Holy Spirit as you consider your blessings. **You may find BFA envelopes on the tables at the entrance of the church.**



DIOCESAN NEWS & EVENTS

CHRIST IN YOU CATHOLIC MEN'S CONFERENCE AUGUST 21, 2021 (7 A.M. -3:30 P.M.)

Where: St. Francis of Assisi Parish, Orange Texas; featuring Most Rev. David L. Toups, S. Th. D; Fr. Sinclair Oubre, J.C.L.; Fr. David Michael Moses; Joe McClane; Fr. Anthony McFarland. Tickets on sale now: ChristInYou.Info

WOMEN'S ACTS RETREAT

We are excited to announce that a St. Francis Women's ACTS Retreat will be held August 26-29, 2021. Accommodations for this retreat are limited to 32 retreatants, and the registration list is based on the order in which forms and deposits are received on the registration date. The fee for this retreat is \$170.00 per person, with a \$50 deposit and \$120.00 balance due on August 26th. Only one registration form per person will be accepted. Financial difficulties should not prevent anyone from attending this retreat. Contact Jeanne Boudreaux at 337-529-6798 with any questions.

Practicing Faith

Question: I would like to make some new resolutions about practicing the faith in our family during the New Year. Do you have any suggestions?

Answer: The family is the most essential space for the formation of values and character.

Practicing your faith as a family can happen both internally and externally. Consistent prayer together builds habits that can last a lifetime. With younger children, praying together as a family in the evening or at dinnertime could be doable most nights. In the evening, select a few common prayers such as the Our Father, Hail Mary, or Guardian Angel prayer. Ask each of your children to thank God for three things that day and include a time for children and adults alike to pray aloud for special needs in your family. This practice could be done with older children, committed to intentional efforts in the midst of increasingly busy schedules. Look for opportunities to practice the faith outside the home as well. Sunday Mass should already be part of your family's weekly routine. Consider setting other monthly goals as well. This could be a family service project in your city, attending the sacrament of Confession together, or hosting a hospitality night in your home. Get your children involved in the planning process. Ask them where they would like to volunteer or whom they think is having a hard time and might need a special night just for them. Rather than simply imposing new practices, your whole family can have a dynamic role understanding and integrating faith and life. ©LPi

PUZZLE

Unscramble words from today's Gospel:

FOOD	MANNA	LIFE
THIRSTY	FAITH	HUNGRY
MIRACLE	BREAD	COMES

fodo	<u>f o o d</u>	
mrcael	_____	
mnana	_____	
berad	_____	
lfie	_____	
cmose	_____	
hnurgy	_____	
fatih	_____	
thritys	_____	

MISSION

If you believe in Jesus, you can look forward to heaven one day. Read Revelation 21:3-7 with your family. Heaven will be wonderful!

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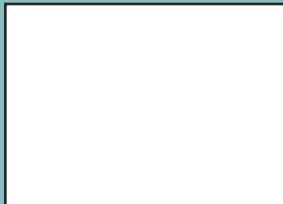
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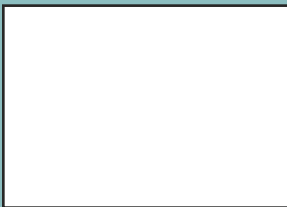
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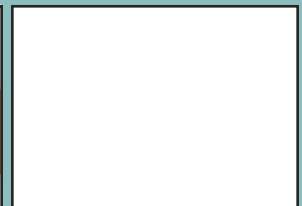


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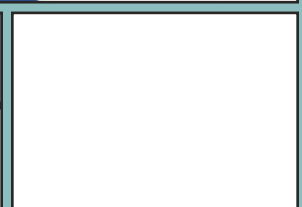
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