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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 15, 2021
**THE ASSUMPTION
OF THE BLESSED
VIRGIN MARY**

“From this day all generations will call me blessed: the Almighty has done great things for me and holy is his Name. He has cast down the mighty from their thrones, and has lifted up the lowly.”
- Lk 1:48b-49, 52

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	Rv 11:19a; 12:1-6a, 10ab/Ps 45:10, 11, 12, 16 [10bc]/1 Cor 15:20-27/Lk 1:39-56 5:00 pm All Parish Families; Cary Hester †; Barbara Parker †
	August 15	10:00 am Lavergne Grimes †; Beamon Minton †
Sun	Vigil	Jos 24:1-2a, 15-17, 18b/Ps 34:2-3, 16-17, 18-19, 20-21, 22-23 [9a]/Eph 5:21-32 /Jn 6:60-69 5:00 pm Rev. Paul E. Sumler (Special Intention); Margaret Melancon †; Henry Chargois †
	August 22	10:00 am All Parish Families; Kelly Haydel †; Patricia White †



Readings for the week of August 15, 2021

Monday: Jgs 2:11-19/Ps 106:34-35, 36-37, 39-40, 43ab and 44 [4a]/Mt 19:16-22

Tuesday: Jgs 6:11-24a/Ps 85:9, 11-12, 13-14 [cf. 9b]/Mt 19:23-30

Wednesday: Jgs 9:6-15/Ps 21:2-3, 4-5, 6-7 [2a]/Mt 20:1-16

Thursday: Jgs 11:29-39a/Ps 40:5, 7-8a, 8b-9, 10 [8a and 9a]/Mt 22:1-14

Friday: Ru 1:1, 3-6, 14b-16, 22/Ps 146:5-6ab, 6c-7, 8-9a, 9bc-10 [1b]/Mt 22:34-40

Saturday: Ru 2:1-3, 8-11; 4:13-17/Ps 128:1b-2, 3, 4, 5 [4]/Mt 23:1-12

Observances for the week of August 15, 2021

Sunday: The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Monday: St. Stephen of Hungary

Thursday: St. John Eudes, Priest

Friday: St. Bernard, Abbot and Doctor of the Church

Saturday: St. Pius X, Pope

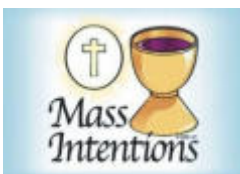
Next Sunday: 21st Sunday in Ordinary Time

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



One of the greatest acts of charity is to pray for the living and the dead. The greatest and most powerful prayer we have is the Mass, since the fruits of the Mass are the very fruits of Jesus' redemption. For that reason, all are encouraged to have Mass offered for loved ones who have died, or even for the living who have some need. This is an ancient Catholic practice, and all are encouraged to take it up. In our parish there are many requests for scheduling such Mass intentions. The following policies are now being implemented in order to accommodate the numerous Mass requests.

You may call parish office the beginning of 2022 to schedule Mass Intentions (January - December).

1. Universal Church discipline as contained in the *Code of Canon Law* (canons 945 – 958) of the 1983 Code of Canon Law strictly regulates the offerings made for the celebration of Mass.
2. Canon Law does not permit us to keep Mass intentions for only those Masses that can be celebrated by our priests within a calendar year.
3. A Mass intention may be requested for a Mass for: a deceased loved one or a living person who is sick or suffering.
4. A maximum of six (6) intentions per year from **any one individual** may be scheduled at the parish with no more than two (2) scheduled for a Mass (Vigil, Sunday, Weekdays, & Holy Days).
5. The schedule of Mass intentions is subject to change according to the Mass schedule and there is no promise that they will be said on the scheduled day due to unforeseen circumstances.
6. For many years, the customary Mass Stipend was \$5.00; however, now the suggested amount in some Diocese's in U.S. is a minimum of \$10.00.

FLOWERS IN SANCTUARY

AUGUST 14-15

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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.

PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION REGISTRATION: We are happy to announce that CCD registration will begin after each Mass. Kindergarten through 8th grade CCD Classes will begin Sunday, September 12th from 8:30 a.m. – 9:30 a.m. and 9th through 12th grade classes will begin Wednesday, September 8th from 6p.m. -7p.m.

LOURDES SENIOR CITIZEN GROUP will meet Monday, August 16th at 10 a.m. in parish hall.

VIDOR KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS #5789 will hold their family social in the parish hall meeting room Thursday, August 19th at 6:30 p.m.

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.

OUR LADY OF LOURDES BEREAVEMENT FOOD COMMITTEE provides a luncheon meal for families of loved one's funeral here at the parish (if requested by the family). Members of the Bereavement Food Committee, donate food/beverages for these meals and/or time for set-up, serve and clean-up of the parish hall. There is a sign-up sheet for any one interested in serving the parish in this ministry. For more information, contact Merline Broussard (409) 658-4501.

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COLLECTIONS

July 31-August 1, 2021 _____ \$3,926.00

Building Fund _____ \$ 184.00



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

Charismatic Renewal at St. Anne Catholic Church on September 11, 2021 at 10:00am



"The Charismatic Renewal invites all to rediscover our freedom! Let us again enjoy fellowship at St. Anne's Catholic Church Hall, on Saturday September 11, 2021 from 10 am till noon. We are having a Renewal,

with Bishop David Toups teaching and leading us in understanding the Impact of the Charismatic Renewal on the Catholic Church. Save the date and plan to join us in a thanksgiving celebration of all our blessings. We ask for your prayers, for a successful Renewal and for all ministries in our Diocese."

WHY DO WE DO THAT? CATHOLIC LIFE EXPLAINED

Question: What are we celebrating on the feast of the Assumption of Mary?

Answer: The Assumption, along with the Immaculate Conception, are two Marian dogmas that have been infallibly defined by the church. The Assumption proclaims the reality that Mary was taken up body and soul into heaven. This was God's special gift to her in response to her total giving of self to God's plan and will. The church believes that Mary was immaculately conceived, that is, conceived without original sin. This led the church to believe that she did not suffer one of the key consequences of original sin, death and corruption. The Orthodox Church celebrates the Dormition of Mary, the belief that Mary did not die but rather fell asleep and was thus assumed into heaven. What significance does this feast have for our lives as Christians today? This feast is above all an assurance and hope of our continued life with God. Modeling ourselves on Jesus and living the Christian life molded by Jesus' values is certainly the sure path to God. As a result, God will not leave us orphaned or alone to suffer the emptiness of death. Rather, we believe that death is merely a transformation of our present state into an even more glorious and eternal relationship with God. This is the hope and assurance that Mary's assumption celebrates. It is a celebration of our assumption as well. She is one of us, providing a model of what God has in store for all who love and give of themselves to God. ©LPi

Pray for Vocations

I am the living bread that came down from heaven.

Are you called to keep your eyes fixed on Christ and run the race of faith to heaven as a priest, deacon or in the consecrated life?

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