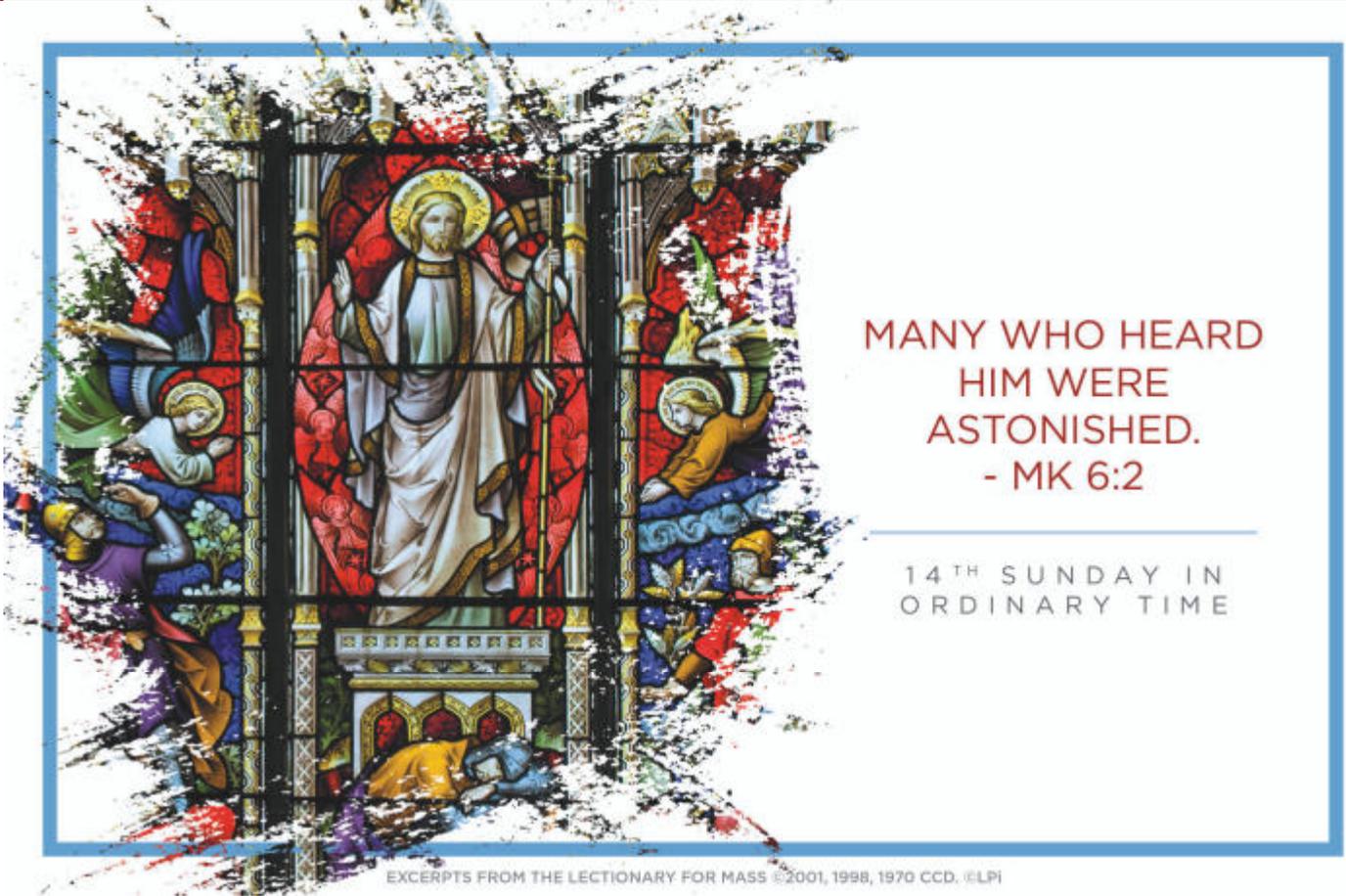




# PRESENTATION *of the* **BLESSED VIRGIN MARY**



MANY WHO HEARD  
HIM WERE  
ASTONISHED.  
- MK 6:2

14<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY IN  
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Thursdays @ 6pm

Saturdays @ 4pm

## ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

Monday-Friday

24 hours a day

## DAILY MASS

MONDAY—SATURDAY

8am

## WEEKEND MASSES

SATURDAY VIGIL

5:30pm

SUNDAY

8am, 10:30am, 4:30pm

## OUR MISSION

OUR PARISH MISSION IS TO BRING SOULS TO THE SALVATION WHICH JESUS CHRIST HAS WON FOR US, BY OUR PROCLAMATION OF AND WITNESSING TO THE SPLENDOR, BEAUTY AND FULLNESS OF THE CATHOLIC FAITH.

JULY 4TH, 2021 | 14TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



# OUR PARISH

JULY 4, 2021

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### It is very easy to donate to our parish!

#### You can donate:

- Online via Faith Direct ([faithdirect.net/CA689](http://faithdirect.net/CA689))
- In the collection baskets before/after Mass
- Mail your donation to the office
- Drop off your donation in the mail slot



### LAST WEEKEND'S COLLECTIONS

06/27/2021

\$6,216.50

*Thank you for your generous donations!*

## Outdoor Marian Statue Project

OUR GOAL HAS BEEN REACHED

**THANK YOU!!!**

Goals: New Granite Marian Statue, Masonry work, landscaping, irrigation, stone benches, lighting, & security.

*You can donate by visiting the parish office, online via Faith Direct under the "Marian Statue" category, or by placing your donation in the collection clearly marked "Marian Statue"*



# DEACON LAWRENCE KLIMECKI



An old story tells us about the first time man saw a camel. According to the story the first man to ever see a camel was frightened by the creature's size and so he ran away. The next time he saw the camel he kept himself at a safe distance and just observed the beast. The third time he encountered the camel he was emboldened enough to approach the animal and feed it some tufts of grass. By this time the man had lost all his fear of the camel and the fourth time he saw it he put a saddle on it and rode it across the desert. He had lost his fear, but he had also lost any sense of what a truly extraordinary creature the camel was.

There is an idiom that dates back to before the time of Jesus, “familiarity breeds contempt.” It means that we often lose sight of the goodness of a thing or person because we encounter that person or thing every day. Our closeness to the person, or thing, blinds us to the great value of what we have in that person.

Jesus came to His “native place.” He preached to those who had known Him since childhood, His friends, neighbors, and relatives. And although they were impressed by His wisdom and eloquence still they could not get past the fact that they knew him as just the carpenter. They took offense at Him and ultimately rejected Him. But perhaps the most telling remark in the Gospel account is that because of their lack of faith Jesus could perform no mighty deeds. We see this frequently in scripture, it is through a persons faith that they are rewarded with miracles.

God does not use miracles to persuade us to believe or to show unbelievers His power. He does not overpower us with His might, instead He invites us to follow Him. When we do that, when we accept the quiet invitation of God to follow Him, then He will reward us by showing us His power and majesty. But first we must come to Him out of love.

God invites us to come to Him, not by showing us great miracles, but through gentle nudgings of our hearts.

When we stand up for the Truth that God has revealed to us through His Church, we do not need to do so in a belligerent way. Rather let us follow the example of Jesus and invite, patiently respecting the absolute freedom of others to accept or reject Him. But when our hand is stretched out in love and rejected, that does not mean we give up, only that we wait for another opportunity to extend the invitation once again.

We are Christ’s messengers in the world and how we deliver that message informs the world about Our Lord. Instead of delivering the message by criticizing and condemning, let us remember to deliver the message as Jesus Himself did, with patience, respect, and love.

Pax Vobiscum

14th Sunday in Ordinary Time



## Outdoor BBQ

Friday, July 9th | 5:30pm



Barry & Sue McLeod's Home  
2804 Carissa Way  
Sacramento, CA 95821

All food and beverages will be provided! Cost for previous Senior Joy Members- FREE! Non-member - \$5

If you wish you may renew your yearly membership for \$15 at the BBQ or wait until our first event in September. Come hear some of the fun events we have planned for the upcoming year! Guests are welcome!

Please call for reservations by July 2nd to Sue McLeod 916-486-1340

## Altar Server Retraining Sign-Ups

Interested in serving the Lord as an Altar Server? Sign-up and view requirements on our parish website: [presentationparish.org/altarserver](http://presentationparish.org/altarserver)



### Necessary Trainings:

July 6th  
July 13th,  
July 20th  
July 27th

at 6:00pm

Training is coming up for new servers (grade 4 and above)! All previous servers must be retrained as well.

## FORMED®

The parish office staff recommendations:



## WEEKLY MASS INTENTION

|                       |                          |
|-----------------------|--------------------------|
| Monday 07/05          | Steven Robles (D)        |
| Tuesday 07/06         | Perry & Mitos Mejica (L) |
| Wednesday 07/07       | Adriana Robles (D)       |
| Thursday 07/08        | Steven Robles (D)        |
| Friday 07/09          | Adriana Robles (D)       |
| Saturday 07/10—8am    | Lucille Gruenwald (D)    |
| Saturday 07/10—5:30pm | Eva Anchors (D)          |
| Sunday 07/11—8am      | Diana Anderson (L)       |
| Sunday 07/11—10:30am  | People of the Parish (L) |
| Sunday 07/11—4:30pm   | Fr. Steve Peterson (L)   |

Please include in your prayers...



### ...the sick of our parish family:

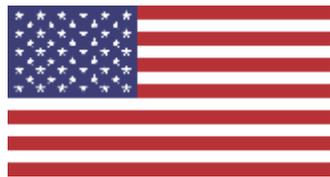
Tom Pera Vienna Golsong DM Prayer Line  
Grecielia Zuranich Josie Garcia Irene Pericic  
Mari Farnsworth Brad Martin Camille Burgess

### and the recently deceased of our parish:

Irene Pericic Jack Meissner Jim Beresford  
Gary Carroll Lucille Moessinger Carl DiCapo  
Sandra Klimecki Pat Civitello Ted Derdowski  
Robert Murphy Pauline Mitchell  
Mary Kate Funk Joseph Paquette  
Bruce Linton Devid Matteucci Wally Dondero



Join your fellow parishioners to pray for our parish!  
 Gather on **Thursday evenings at 7:00pm**  
 out on the grass by the church.  
 Bring a chair or blanket to sit on.  
 Looking forward to seeing everyone there!



God, source of all freedom, this day is bright with the memory of those who declared that life and liberty are your gift to every human being. Help us to continue a good work begun long ago. Make our vision clear and our will strong: that only in human solidarity will we find liberty, and justice only in the honor that belongs to every life on earth. Turn our hearts toward the family of nations: to understand the ways of other, to offer friendship, and to find safety only in the common good of all.

We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

**The Blessed Sacrament will remain reposed on Monday, July 5th due to the holiday. Adoration will resume on Tuesday, July 6th after the 8am Mass. The Parish Office will be closed as well!**



### How does our parish attract inquirers each year who consider becoming Catholic?

The short answer is you! When any parish has many inquirers year after year, it is the fruit of the Holy Spirit as parish members open their hearts to welcome others. Members of a welcoming and evangelizing community take seriously their call to share the Divine message of salvation.

It happens in parish families, in the workplace, in gatherings with friends and neighbors, and in daily contacts. Give thanks to God as he continuously strengthens each of us who seek to do his will in offering a gentle, humble, and clear welcome to the Catholic faith.

“Go out into the whole world and proclaim the Gospel to every creature.” (Mark 16:15)

**For more information call 916.482.8883**

## Children's Faith Formation



### REGISTER NOW!

The faith formation program we are using is called:

### PFLAUM GOSPEL WEEKLIES

This program differs from other programs in several significant ways that make it an effective way to teach your children. We will be using this program along with a one-room schoolhouse approach this year.

### Sacrament grades will break out for additional preparation



Registration and more information online at:  
[presentationparish.org/cff](http://presentationparish.org/cff)

## Journey with St. Joseph Pilgrimage

**June 19 - December 7, 2021**

Pope Francis has declared this year as the Year of St. Joseph for the Universal Church. The faithful of the Diocese of Sacramento are encouraged and invited to "Journey with St. Joseph" on a pilgrimage through our eleven parishes named for St. Joseph.

**VISIT: [SCD.ORG/JOURNEY-ST-JOSEPH](http://SCD.ORG/JOURNEY-ST-JOSEPH)**

to learn more and download a Pilgrim's Prayer Booklet! This prayer booklet has been designed to guide pilgrims in prayer. Physical copies will be available at each pilgrimage site. The booklet contains special guidelines and tips, instructions on the plenary indulgence offered during the Year of St. Joseph, and many prayers to inspire pilgrims for the journey!

## Benny's Corner



Mreh – blink, Blink, BLINK!

"Fireworks, Benny," Papa announces as we watch out the giant window. Sparkles of white, and blue and red burst high in the night sky like gigantic stars and stream down to disappear before our eyes.

"Mree-mrom!" I exclaim in my happiest voice. I swish my tail and blink, blink, blink with the brilliance filling the sky. The sparkle reminds me of the twinkle in Papa's eyes when he laughs and teases others.

"Da-Da's Very Smart Cat knows about freedom, too? We call this day 'Independence Day.' The thirteen colonies declared their separation from British rule in 1776. Then, the Constitution followed in 1787 and the Bill of Rights in 1791."

My tail flicks. Mental note: TREAT TIME. I look up at Papa Pastor and give him my serious CIT stare. It means 'Cat-holic-In-Training.' "Mree!" I remind him.

"What is it?" he asks.

"MREE! MREE! MREE!" I myow in my I-mean-Cat-business voice. (something like his I-mean-Papa-business voice).

"Benkovski, a treat? Before we finish our talk about the Fourth of July?" He reaches for my treat jar and pours treats into his palm. "Here, come to Da-Da for a treat."

Mro-mray! Getting good at that CIT stare. I rush over, eat the morsels, and lick his hand 'thank-you.' Then I sit to listen to his wise words.

He speaks in his quiet listen-to-me voice.

"Benny, God gave each person free will, freedom to choose good over evil. To follow our deposit of faith . . . Sacred Scripture and Tradition handed on from the time of the Apostles. The Magisterium relies upon it for divine revelation."

I think hard 'bout 'freedom.' Reminds me of what Benedict XVI said: "As Son, Jesus brings a new freedom: not the freedom of someone with no obligations, but...someone totally united with the Father's will. . . to attain the freedom of inner oneness with God."

[Jesus of Nazareth: Infancy Narratives]

Pawz up and Happy Independence Day,  
Benny

# GROWING WITH THE *Gospel* CYCLE B



## COLOR

Read the Gospel of the week and color the image.



14th Sunday in Ordinary Time • Mark 6:1-6a



## PUZZLE

Unscramble words from today's Gospel reading:

|        |         |         |
|--------|---------|---------|
| Jesus  | power   | prophet |
| taught | miracle | heal    |
| wisdom | town    | faith   |

|         |  |
|---------|--|
| Jseus   | <u>J</u> <u>e</u> <u>s</u> <u>u</u> <u>s</u> |
| pwero   | _____  |
| phetrop | _____  |
| fathi   | _____  |
| tnow    | _____  |
| wisomd  | _____  |
| taghtu  | _____  |
| mirclea | _____  |
| hale    | _____  |



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Read today's Gospel with your family. Talk about ways that people sometimes turn Jesus away. Pray together, asking God to keep you close to Jesus.

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