

SAINT JOAN of ARC NEWS

The members of St. Joan of Arc Parish are disciples of Jesus Christ, who recognize God's love for the world & are empowered by the Holy Spirit to proclaim the Gospel to all people through joyful worship, life-long education, compassionate service, responsible stewardship, & active community living.

~ Mission Statement - Pentecost 1998 ~

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15TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

"A man fell victim to robbers as he went down from Jerusalem to Jericho. They stripped and beat him and went off leaving him half-dead. A priest happened to be going down that road, but when he saw him, he passed by on the opposite side. But a Samaritan traveler who came upon him was moved with compassion at the sight." - Lk 10:30b-31, 33

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Parish Directory / Liturgy Schedule

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LITURGY SCHEDULE

Weekdays

Monday thru Friday: 7:00 am

Weekends

Saturday: 4:00 pm & 6:00 pm

Sunday: 8:00 am, 10:00 am,
12:00 pm

Holy Day Masses

Vigil Mass: (evening prior) 7:00 pm
7:00 am, 12:00 pm, 7:00 pm

Reconciliation

Saturdays 11:00am-12:00pm
In the
Sister Carol Center

Holy Hour

Thursdays in Church at 7:00 pm

Rosary

Monday - Friday after the 7am mass

PARISH CENTER OFFICE HOURS

The Parish Center is open
Monday - Thursday from 8:30am-5pm
Friday from 8:30-4pm

Mass intentions and most services can be done in person or by calling us at 586-777-3670 during these hours.

Our after-hours emergency number: 586-777-1342.

Baptisms: Please go to our website (stjoan.church) and fill out the Baptism request form. You will be contacted to make further arrangements based on submission of that form.

Marriages: Arrangements should be made at the Parish Center at least six months prior to the desired date. Pre-marriage series required.

Registration: It is very important that every family and independent adult be registered in the Church in order to keep our records and mailings current. Please contact the Parish Office to register at your earliest opportunity: 586-777-3670.

RCIA: Please call the Parish Center: 586-777-3670

INTERESTED IN BECOMING A PARISHIONER?

If you would like to become a parishioner of St. Joan of Arc, please register at stjoan.church and we will contact you by phone. Or by calling us at 586-777-3670 during office hours.

Live Streamed Broadcasts at St. Joan of Arc

Live Stream Broadcasts have become a standard part of our celebrations at St Joan of Arc. This has increased our mass participation at daily and weekend masses. It has also allowed many of our parishioners to stay in touch with their faith community remotely.

Go to: livestream.stjoan.church to watch all live streaming and to view archived celebrations.

Weekday Masses

Monday thru Friday @7am

Weekend Masses

Saturdays @ 4pm & 6pm
Sundays @ 8am, 10am, 12pm

Holy Hour

Thursdays @ 7pm



Side Door Surprises: The side door to my house is really my “front” door. I RARELY use my front door, and as a result, it often fills with cobwebs and

other surprises. Ironically, just last week, the batteries in the electronic locks at my side door died without much warning. I usually let the lights that indicate the battery needs replacing in that lock go for about a week before I replace it. I’ve learned that’s about the amount of warning time I have. But this time, the batteries died only after two days of warning (I must have had cheap batteries in the unit). So, when I left the office (okay, very late that night) and walked over to my house, I couldn’t get in through my side door. Being a little annoyed that I hadn’t replaced the battery, I walked over to my front door but couldn’t remember if I had my front door key on my keyring. Thankfully, I had that key, but the obstacle then was navigating the box I had sitting on the other side of that door that was now preventing me from opening it enough for me to get through it. All this is to say that my life can get complicated at times! Eventually, I got through the door without much fanfare, and I immediately took the time to replace the battery that caused all of this mess.

But my side door is my primary door. And many people know that. So, as a result, I get all kinds of surprises at my side door. Sometimes I find mail for the Parish Center that people drop off after hours. Sometimes the surprise can be pop cans because people couldn’t locate the pop can recyclable bin. Sometimes, and more often than not, it is a surprise package of some snack or food. Needless to say, that’s often where my mind goes when I spot a package at my side door.

One day as I was nearing my house, I spotted a plastic bag at my door. Naturally, I was intrigued and immediately thought I had some excellent primary food items containing chocolate at my door. Whatever was in the plastic bag looked oblong. Was it a chocolate cheesecake? Was it a box of chocolate cookies? Maybe it was something for dinner. I had all of these thoughts going through my mind.

As I approached my door, I was already licking my chops in anticipation of the incredible surprise waiting at my doorstep.

I picked up the bag and was surprised by its weight. I then looked inside, and the surprise was on me! There was no food at all. Instead, the plastic bag contained several old bibles that someone wanted us to dispose of. Now, don’t get me wrong, I’m always happy to see the Word of God just appear on my daily path of life. BUT, I had food on my mind, just a different type of food. I wasn’t giving up hope that maybe, just maybe, another surprise was waiting for me in that bag. I looked through the bag and between the bibles rather thoroughly, hoping that maybe there was a chocolate candy bar sandwiched in there someplace. There wasn’t! Oh well. My big balloon was busted. I took the bag and put the bibles where we have similar items waiting to be burned or buried. But now that chocolate was on my mind (okay, a 24/7 reality), the hunt for some chocolate was on. And, don’t you worry, I know where ALL the chocolate is hidden on this campus, and I have the key to the key box, which then makes it all accessible!

CSA Update: Thanks to your generosity, we have \$90,740 in pledges toward our \$211,447 goal. To all who have contributed to the CSA thus far, thank you for your generosity! Even though we are at the \$90,740 mark, we still have a long way to go to reach our ultimate goal of \$211,447. What’s impressive to me is that 334 families alone have helped us reach our \$90,740 total pledged amount. The total number of families contributing thus far is only 10% of our parish! Imagine what we could do if every one of our 3,318 families gave something to the CSA!

I have to admit I’ve been amazed at the number of people lately who stop me and say, “OH, I keep forgetting to drop off my CSA stuff.” Well, don’t forget ... please! Maybe your CSA material got lost in the shuffle of papers on your counter or desk, or the material got lost in your inbox. Please do help us reach our goal. The easiest way to give is electronically at csa.stjoan.church or by following the link on the homepage of our parish website. Let’s do what we can in prayer and action to make this year’s CSA a huge success.

Sacrament of the Sick – Part Two: I began this series on the Sacrament of the Sick last week by looking at how *Extreme Unction* gave way to our current understanding of the Sacrament of the Sick. The change in the theological understanding of the sacrament (namely that it’s not only for the dying) was the work of the Second Vatican Council and

Pope Saint Paul VI. Every time I write about this topic, I recall with a smile some of my hospital visits where perplexed patients worried I was giving them their “last rites.” I remember one such visit in particular. After I said the prayers and anointed this one person in the hospital for a relatively minor situation, they had a worried look. Noticing the worried look, I asked what was wrong. With a crunch of the forehead and eyes locked on my eyes, my anxious patient asked, “Did you just give me last rites?”

Christ had enormous compassion for the sick. Christ’s many healings were not only a sign that God had visited his people but were a sign of the very nearness of the Kingdom of God. The *Catechism of the Catholic Church* reminds us (CCC 1503-1505): “Jesus has the power not only to heal, but also to forgive sins (cf. *Mk.* 2:5-12); he has come to heal the whole man, soul and body; he is the physician the sick have need of (cf. *Mk.* 2:17). His compassion toward all who suffer goes so far that he identifies himself with them: ‘I was sick and you visited me (*Mt.* 25:36).’ His preferential love for the sick has not ceased through the centuries to draw the very special attention of Christians toward all those who suffer in body and soul. It is the source of tireless efforts to comfort them.” Christ was so moved by those who suffer that he not only allowed himself to be touched by the sick, but he made their miseries his own. The prophet Isaiah reminds us that the suffering servant would take on our infirmities and bare our diseases and weaknesses. “By his passion and death on the cross, Christ has given a new meaning to suffering: it can henceforth configure us to him and united us with his redemptive Passion.”

Uniting our sufferings to the sufferings of Christ is often an overlooked practice in our human experience (okay, read this sentence again). It is hard to look beyond ourselves or our own situation when we are sick. Yet, there is incredible value in seeing how our sufferings unite us with Christ’s redemptive Passion. Our sufferings have a redemptive value, and we need to awaken ourselves to such a reality. Next week I will take a closer look at Christ’s redemptive suffering and how we participate in that reality.

Enjoy the week. Know of my prayers.

In Christ,

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July 10, 2022

Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Dt 30:10-14 | Col 1:15-20 | Lk 10:25-37

Written by
THE
FAITHFUL
DISCIPLE

GROW AS A DISCIPLE | PRAY, STUDY, ENGAGE, SERVE

My favorite line in "The Wizard of Oz," in the climactic scene when Dorothy realizes "there's no place like home," comes from Glinda: "You've always had the power to go back to Kansas," she tells Dorothy. In the first reading today, Moses tells the Israelites something similar about wisdom and power. He tells them the secret to peace and prosperity isn't "mysterious" or "remote." He says "it is something very near to you, already in your mouths and in your hearts." In the Gospel, when the scholar asks Jesus about the secret to eternal life, he answers his own question by reciting the two great commandments: love God with all your heart, being, strength, and mind, and your neighbor as yourself. "You have answered correctly," Jesus tells him. At our baptism, the Holy Spirit placed the wisdom and power to have the fullness of life in our hearts. The key is to "carry it out," as Moses advises the Israelites. Jesus echoes this message: We must "do this" – love God and our neighbor – to enjoy the life God wants for us today and eternal life with him in the future.

GO EVANGELIZE

PRAYER, INVITATION, WITNESS, ACCOMPANIMENT

One of the most heartbreaking things about being a parent is seeing children set limits for who's in and who's out. My daughter was in Kindergarten when she came home in tears, excluded from playing with her friends because she didn't color a picture exactly as directed by another classmate. Our loving Father also sees our pain when we are excluded from being loved, and so when the scholar asks Jesus, "Who is my neighbor?" Jesus refuses to set boundaries for who to include and who to exclude. In using the parable about the Samaritan, Jesus tells us that we are to treat everyone as neighbor, even our enemies. The Samaritans were enemies of the Jews, and those listening to Jesus would have been shocked that a Samaritan was the compassionate hero. This parable challenges us to consider the boundaries we set for who we consider neighbors – those worthy of our compassion and help, and perhaps those we consider "other," or whom we feel we can ignore or reject. And to recognize how the boundaries we set prevent us from sharing the Good News of God's mercy to those he seeks to heal.

PRAY Ask the Holy Spirit for the wisdom to discern who you may be excluding as a neighbor. Pray these words from Dorothy Day: "Dear God, please enlarge our hearts to love each other, to love our neighbor, to love our enemy as well as our friend."

Join EWTN & Ave Maria Radio Host

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St. Joan of Arc
RCIA
RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION FOR ADULTS

**A new RCIA
group at SJA is
starting soon!**

Fill out the contact
form for our RCIA
coordinator, Patty
Chase, at
sjascs.org/rcia

**Are you or anyone you know interested in learning
more about the Catholic Church?**

What is RCIA?

RCIA is the process through which a person becomes a fully initiated member of the Catholic Faith. It's for

- Adults and children of catechetical age (over 7 years) who have not been baptized
- Those who have been baptized in another Christian denomination who want to become Catholic
- Those who were baptized as infants in the Catholic Church but have not completed the Sacraments of Initiation (First Eucharist and/or Confirmation) and who have had no faith formation

How long does it take?

Each person is on a personal journey in his/her relationship with God. Time varies depending on the individual. We walk with you in this process.

Do I have to commit to becoming Catholic if I enter the RCIA process?

No, the RCIA process is marked by opportunities for discernment along the way, and ultimately it is about one's readiness and desire to be received into the Church.

8th Grade Can and Bottle Drive

The Class of 2023 is now responsible for the can and bottle drive.

This is an important fundraiser that helps defray the cost of their graduation events.

Bring your returnables in bags to the Parish Center - West SIDE DOOR - (near Father Andrew's House) please. There is a large plastic bin with a lid that they can be placed in..

Or you can arrange a pick-up by calling or texting Erin at 586-321-0667.

The Class of 2023



Light of the Spirit Prayer Group



2nd and 4th Wednesday of each month
at
St. Joan of Arc

The meeting will now be from
6:30pm—8:30pm

July's Meetings will be on
7/13 and 6/27

We hope that you can join us!



... the petition supporting the *Reproductive Freedom for All* constitutional amendment, which is not about protecting existing rights, but inserting a radical proposal into the Michigan constitution that would repeal or drastically alter dozens of state laws. The amendment would fundamentally change the relationships between parents and children, as well as women and their doctors.

**Signing the abortion
petition means
unlimited and
unregulated
abortions.**

Learn more at
supportMlwomenandchildren.org

or visit micatholic.org/advocacy/news-room/lansing-update

St. Joan of Arc Knitting Group

The SJA Knitting Group will begin meeting the 2nd and 4th Wednesday of each month.

The group will meet from 12pm - 3pm in the Mother of Mary Conference room in Church.

July's meetings will be on the 13th and the 27th all knitters are welcome.

If you are interested in joining or have questions please call: Marie Byrski @ 586-943-0240.





**THREE NIGHTS
JULY 26-28, 5:30-8 PM**



**JOIN US FOR OUR NEW SUMMER
FAMILY FAITH ADVENTURE!**

The whole family is invited to a new awesome faith event. Each exciting night begins with a family dinner and moves into fun activities, games, and faith-building experiences that will help your family make memories and supercharge your domestic church. Thursday night concludes with a campfire.

\$15 per person - includes a T-shirt, meals, and materials.
(Children under the age of 5 are free).

Children must be accompanied by at least one adult.

Learn more and register online at sjascs.org/faith-camp

Readings for the 16th Sunday in Ordinary Time



THE SIXTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME – JULY 17 C

Reading One – Gn 18:1-10a

The LORD appeared to Abraham by the terebinth of Mamre, as he sat in the entrance of his tent, while the day was growing hot. Looking up, Abraham saw three men standing nearby. When he saw them, he ran from the entrance of the tent to greet them; and bowing to the ground, he said: "Sir, if I may ask you this favor, please do not go on past your servant. Let some water be brought, that you may bathe your feet, and then rest yourselves under the tree. Now that you have come this close to your servant, let me bring you a little food, that you may refresh yourselves; and afterward you may go on your way." The men replied, "Very well, do as you have said."

Abraham hastened into the tent and told Sarah, "Quick, three measures of fine flour! Knead it and make rolls." He ran to the herd, picked out a tender, choice steer, and gave it to a servant, who quickly prepared it. Then Abraham got some curds and milk, as well as the steer that had been prepared, and set these before the three men; and he waited on them under the tree while they ate.

They asked Abraham, "Where is your wife Sarah?" He replied, "There in the tent." One of them said, "I will surely return to you about this time next year, and Sarah will then have a son."

Responsorial – Ps 15:2-3, 3-4, 5

R. He who does justice will live in the presence of the Lord.

One who walks blamelessly and does justice; who thinks the truth in his heart and slanders not with his tongue.

R. He who does justice will live in the presence of the Lord.

Who harms not his fellow man, nor takes up a reproach against his neighbor; by whom the reprobate is despised, while he honors those who fear the LORD.

R. He who does justice will live in the presence of the Lord.

Who lends not his money at usury and accepts no bribe against the innocent. One who does these things shall never be disturbed.

R. He who does justice will live in the presence of the Lord.

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Reading Two – Col 1:24-28

Brothers and sisters: Now I rejoice in my sufferings for your sake, and in my flesh I am filling up what is lacking in the afflictions of Christ on behalf of his body, which is the church, of which I am a minister in accordance with God's stewardship given to me to bring to completion for you the word of God, the mystery hidden from ages and from generations past. But now it has been manifested to his holy ones, to whom God chose to make known the riches of the glory of this mystery among the Gentiles; it is Christ in you, the hope for glory. It is he whom we proclaim, admonishing everyone and teaching everyone with all wisdom, that we may present everyone perfect in Christ.

Alleluia – Cf. Lk 8:15

Alleluia, alleluia.

Blessed are they who have kept the word with a generous heart and yield a harvest through perseverance.

Alleluia, alleluia.

Gospel – Lk 10:38-42

Jesus entered a village where a woman whose name was Martha welcomed him. She had a sister named Mary who sat beside the Lord at his feet listening to him speak. Martha, burdened with much serving, came to him and said, "Lord, do you not care that my sister has left me by myself to do the serving? Tell her to help me." The Lord said to her in reply, "Martha, Martha, you are anxious and worried about many things. There is need of only one thing. Mary has chosen the better part and it will not be taken from her."

Walking With Purpose 6-Week Study is Sept 12-Oct 17.

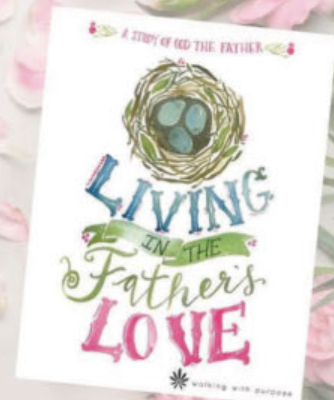
Get acquainted with the beauty of **Walking With Purpose** Bible studies with this 6-week program: **Living in the Father's Love**. This group will meet Monday mornings, 10 am to 12 noon in the Emmaus Fellowship Hall.

There is always room at the table for new women to join our morning or evening Walking With Purpose groups, and this short study is a great way to experience the beauty of the program designed especially for today's women.

Register and pay \$20 for the materials at sjascs.org/walking-with-purpose.

Stay tuned for the dates of the 20-week studies starting in October.

If you are interested in an evening group for this six-week study, please contact Kristine Hass at khass@sjascs.org or call 586-772-1282



Join the Catholic Men's Fellowship from St. Paul on the Lake for a monthly

ROSARY RALLY

NEXT: July 16, 2022, at 8:30 am

WHERE: Russell Street and the Fisher Freeway Overpass (at Eastern Market, Detroit)

We'll pray for the conversion of souls, our nation, the intentions of the month, and for your intentions.

July intentions: The sanctity of all human life and that the Michigan "right to abortion" ballot initiative is not be successful. For the safety and wisdom of our Supreme Court justices. Peace in the Ukraine and the conversion of Russia

CONTACT: rosaryrallydetroit@gmail.com for information
and to leave prayer requests
rosaryrallydetroit.com



Calendar of Events / Words on the Word

Weekly Calendar of Events

Monday, July 11th

7:00 AM Morning Mass - Live Streamed
5:30 PM Baptism of Emery C. Pray
7:00 PM Baptism of Maria Palomer

Tuesday, July 12th

7:00 AM Morning Mass - Live Streamed

Wednesday, July 13th

7:00 AM Morning Mass - Live Streamed

Thursday, July 14th

7:00 AM Morning Mass - Live Streamed
7:00 PM Holy Hour - Live Streamed

Friday, July 15th

7:00 AM Morning Mass - Live Streamed
Parish Center is Closed

Saturday, July 16th

11:00 AM Reconciliation
11:30 AM Baptism of Luke and Jake Nakai
12:30 PM Baptism of Milo A. Monahan
1:30 PM - Baptism of James M. Janicke
2:30 PM - Baptism of Olivia A Hunter
4:00 PM Sunday Vigil Mass - Live Streamed
6:00 PM Sunday Vigil Mass -Live Streamed

Sunday, July 17th

8:00 AM Sunday Mass - Live Streamed
10:00 AM Sunday Mass- Live Streamed
12:00 PM Sunday Mass - Live Streamed

Words on the Word

July 10, 2022 – Got God?

It seems like it should be so easy; God doesn't ask us to follow a complex set of difficult-to-understand rules.

One can almost hear the frustration in Moses' voice when he's speaking to the people in today's first reading from the book of Deuteronomy:

"If only you would heed the voice of the Lord, your God, and keep his commandments and statutes that are written in the book of the law," he begins. "For this command that I enjoin on you today is not too mysterious and remote for you. It is not up in the sky ... nor is it across the sea ... No, it is something very near to you, already in your hearts; you only have to carry it out."

He's speaking, of course, about making God prominent in their lives.

And yet, here we are, centuries later, still struggling as a people to do so.

Media reported a few weeks ago on a new Gallup poll, conducted in early May, which showed 81 percent of people indicated they believe in God, which is down from 87 percent who answered affirmatively 5 years ago, "the lowest percentage since the public opinion polling company first asked the question in 1944," according to a story in the *New York Post*.

What's more, the story went on to describe certain age categories and political beliefs that showed the steepest rate of disbelief.

It's an extremely disconcerting trend, to be sure, and one that, upon close review and scholarly evidence, flies in the face of fact and reason.

The scholar of the law who spoke with Jesus in today's gospel passage from St. Luke articulated it perfectly:

"You shall love the Lord, your God, with all your heart, with all your being, with all your strength, and with all your mind..." he says.

And that starts with simple belief.

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Mass Intentions / Weekly Readings

Mass Intentions

Monday July 11, 2022 Saint Benedict, Abbot (White)

7:00 a.m. Sam Ciaramitaro and Paul Rothrock

Tuesday July 12, 2022 Weekday (Green)

7:00 a.m. Daniel Voss

Wednesday July 13, 2022 Weekday, Saint Henry (Green/White)

7:00 a.m. Raymond Stanglewicz and Thomas Pillar

Thursday July 14, 2022 Weekday (White)

7:00 a.m. A. Joseph Rademacher

Friday July 15, 2022 Saint Kateri Tekakwitha, Virgin (White)

7:00 a.m. Raymond & Theresa Brazier and the deceased members of the Calisi family that died in the month of July

Saturday, July 16, 2022 Vigil for the Sixteen Sunday in Ordinary Time (Green)

4:00 p.m. Blair Zernick, Timothy Hollern, Bonnie Batche, Edward & Henry Blind, Jeri Bandy, Josephine Ciaravino, Joan Weber, Dr. Lori Karol, Doris Beaupre and Special Intentions for the Thomas Family, for the J. Champine Family, and for Mark Beaupre

6:00 p.m. Dr. Jacqueline Elizabeth Fox

Sunday July 17, 2022 Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time (Green)

8:00 a.m. For the Intentions of Saint Joan of Arc Parishioners

10:00 a.m. John Ptaszek

12:00 p.m. Mary Lou Wholihan, Lorraine Moore, Anna Mae Reinhard

Daily Readings

Monday, July 11

Isaiah 1:10-17
Matthew 10:34-11:1

Tuesday, July 12

Isaiah 7:1-9
Matthew 11:20-24

Wednesday, July 13

Isaiah 10:5-7, 13b-16
Matthew 11:25-27

Thursday, July 14

Isaiah 26:7-9, 12, 16-19
Matthew 11:28-30

Friday, July 15

Isaiah 38:1-6, 21-22, 7-8
Matthew 12:1-8

Saturday, July 16

Micah 2:1-5
Matthew 12:14-21

Sunday, July 17

Genesis 18:1-10a
Colossians 1:24-28
Luke 10:38-42



I Am The Resurrection & The Life

“Heavenly Father, welcome home those who you have called from this world and grant peace and consolation to their families.”



John McCabe II

“I said to the man who stood at the Gate of the Year: Give me a light that I may tread safely into the unknown. and he replied: Go out into the darkness and put your hand into the hand of God. That shall be to you better than light, and safer than a known way.”

Minnie Louise Haskins



Reporting Sexual Abuse

Individuals with knowledge of sexual abuse by clergy or other Church representatives are urged to contact local law enforcement and/or the Michigan Attorney General's Office at 844-324-3374 or aginvestigations@michigan.gov.

Individuals also may contact the Archdiocese of Detroit by visiting protect.aod.org calling the toll-free, 24/7 victim assistance line at 866-343-8055 or by emailing vac@aod.org. There are no time limits or restrictions on individuals wishing to report abuse. Every complaint shared with the Archdiocese of Detroit, regardless of its source or the date of the alleged activity, is reported to civil authorities. No complaints are held back, pre-screened or disregarded.

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PICK OF THE WEEK

July 10, 2022

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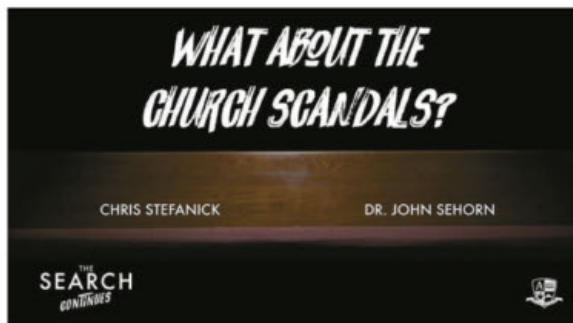
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In some way or another, we have all been affected by Church scandals. In this episode of The Search Continues, Chris Stefanick and Dr. John Sehorn discuss how we are to respond to these evils. In doing so, they remind us to fight for the Church and perpetually call her members to live up to their callings.

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TRUTH TO INSPIRE: ST. KATERI TEKAKWITHA

St. Kateri Tekakwitha, otherwise known as the "Lily of the Mohawks," became our first Native American Saint after her canonization in 2012. During her life, young Kateri suffered much ridicule due to her counter-cultural decision to remain a virgin out of love for Christ. As we celebrate Kateri's feast day today, enjoy this short audio book that describes Kateri's journey to Our Lord within the context of her native tribe.

St. Kateri Tekakwitha Lily of the Mohawks



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To Love With God's Love:

With God's love, the seemingly impossible becomes possible.

With His love, a

complete stranger becomes a neighbor and a course of action that may have a hundred reasons to reject, is chosen with ease.

In today's Gospel, we have Jesus' very famous parable of the Good Samaritan, a parable that seeks to answer a simple question: "Who is my neighbor?" And the answer is just as simple: anyone in need.

The priest in the parable feared being made unclean, because the laws dictated that those who associated with the sick and dying were to be cleansed for seven days before partaking in religious services again, and for him to even check to see if the man was dead meant he risked defilement, so he not only passed this man by, he did so on the opposite side of the road, so as to completely avoid any contact.

The Levite, too, was afraid, but for different reasons, because this road was obviously full of bandits and thieves and they were known to use decoys as a way to lure those passing by and those decoys were usually sick and seemingly dying people. Given how treacherous and unsafe the road was, the Levite let his fear dictate his choice and he chose to not just pass him by, but, like the priest, to do so on the opposite side, so as to, again, avoid any contact with the man.

It was only the Samaritan, someone who was not well-liked by the Jewish people and probably a mutual dislike, who chose to take the risk. He risked becoming undefiled, he risked possibly being ambushed by thieves and bandits, and, if that wasn't enough, he not only tended to this unknown

man's wounds, he brought him to an inn.

The wounded man might have been a bandit himself and, in spite of that, the Samaritan paid for him with money he may or may not have needed for himself.

This is the model that Jesus gives us; this is what it means to be a neighbor and to love our neighbor as ourselves, because love, true Christian love, produces charity and charity, in the words of St. Gertrude: "makes its own what belongs to our neighbors." Any charitable deed, any work that we do, must be motivated by love, not simple, emotional and attached love, but love in its truest form, that is, sacrificial, unassuming and selfless. Sacrificial love takes on the burden of another and makes it your own.

It was St. Mother Teresa of Calcutta who put it well, she said: "If we pray, we will believe; If we believe, we will love; If we love, we will serve."

Yet, unfortunately, when we turn on the news today this is not the case, we have found more ways to hurt, to kill, to defame, to denounce and to destroy each other than to love one another. And, while it certainly comes down to respecting another, to understanding each other, there is unfortunately, one thing that is still missing.

When we speak of love, we speak of it as if it is our own, but it is not, even Jesus reminds us of this, because in order to truly love we need to experience love, and that can't happen unless we spend time with the source of love, He who is love itself.

Without God, all love is still wanting. That is why while the world tells us to stop praying, it is only by praying that the world can find peace, can find true love again.

In fact, at every Mass this is made clear, because, when the priest, holds up the Eucharist he is holding before

you a beating heart, holding the essence, the very source and the center of all of our love, which is probably why science has shown in that in most Eucharistic miracles tissue from the heart is present in the host.

What we *receive*, when we do so mindfully and with reflection, becomes a part of who we *become*. We then love not with our own abilities, but with God's, so that we're able to truly love everyone, through, with and in Him.

Then with St. Mother Teresa, we too can say: "I see God in every human being. When I wash the leper's wounds, I feel I am nursing the Lord himself."

Our lives then should be motivated and led strictly and only by the love of God. Granted, sometimes we tend to get in His way, and not let His love work. That's the struggle of being a Christian, of letting His Will be done in spite of our own, because true love gives of itself in spite of itself. There is nothing greater in the entire universe than to know that we are men and women freely-governed and led by God's Will and by our love for Him.

Our Gospel today began with a question: "what must I do inherit eternal life?" The answer is simply this: to love God with the entirety of ourselves, with all our heart, all our being, all our strength and all our mind, and, by doing so, everything else follows, love of neighbor, peace of heart, and obedience to His Will. When we do that, we not only love with a supernatural love, we do the seemingly impossible, we go out to our neighbor, and like the Samaritan, we serve the Lord.

You are in my prayers this week.

Fr. Andrew adawson@sjascs.org

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Bringing Home the Word

Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time (C)

July 10, 2022

"And Who Is My Neighbor?"

Fr. Mark Haydu, LC

This question from Luke 10:29 posed to Jesus—"Who is my neighbor?"—prompts one of the most famous stories ever told with its equally famous lesson: A neighbor is one who I love as myself. A priest walked by the beaten and abused man. Even though he was someone dedicated to God and his worship, the priest didn't have time to become his neighbor. Perhaps he didn't want to risk ritual impurity by dealing with the bloodied body of this unknown man. Whatever his reasons, he had more important commitments than helping the poor.

Sunday Readings

Deuteronomy 30:10–14

[Moses said,] "No, it is something very near to you, in your mouth and in your heart, to do it."

Colossians 1:15–20

He is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation.

Luke 10:25–37

[Jesus said,] "A Samaritan traveler who came upon him was moved with compassion at the sight."

A Levite, a member of the tribe in charge of the temple, wasn't his neighbor either. He also found reasons to justify leaving this man to bleed to death along the road. Perhaps he thought someone else would stop and help. It's easy to abdicate our responsibility.

Then a Samaritan, one disdained by the Jews, happened by. He stopped to help, lifted him up, carried him to safety, and paid from his own pocket for future care; he became totally involved. In an obvious sense, Jesus is telling us to be good Samaritans—that is, to be compassionate and generous to neighbors in need—not just people like us, but to aliens and strangers.

But on another level, perhaps we represent the wounded person by the roadside, in need of healing and restoration from sin. Like the Samaritan, Jesus was scorned by many. But it is Christ himself who wants to pick us up, bind our wounds, and pay for our care. And he pays this debt, of course, on the cross. Are we willing to admit that we need healing from a "Samaritan" like Jesus?

*A neighbor is one
who I love as myself.*

A Word from Pope Francis

Each day we have to decide whether to be Good Samaritans or indifferent bystanders. And if we extend our gaze to the history of our own lives.... All of us have in ourselves something of the wounded man, something of the robber, something of the passers-by, and something of the Good Samaritan.

—Fratelli Tutti, Encyclical,
October 3, 2022



REFLECTION QUESTIONS

- How am I like the Good Samaritan?
- How am I like the traveler in need of healing?

A Great Spiral Staircase

Fr. Donald B. Willard, CSsR

When I was a student at Franciscan University in Steubenville, OH, my faith gradually came to life. Already I had a good sacramental life. I participated in the eucharistic celebration every day, experienced reconciliation weekly, and studied the Catechism. In short, I was a good Catholic. But at the university I had the opportunity to go with a group of students on a mission trip to Mexico. It was during this time that my faith began to really come alive. All of a sudden, the grace of the sacraments took on a new meaning. Not only was I working on my own salvation with the grace of God, but also I realized that the gifts I was given were gifts I could share.

I began to practice various ministries in my daily life: I assisted the poor, I was a reader and extraordinary minister of holy Communion, and I engaged in theological discussions and prayer with others. I even started teaching the faith in religious-education classes. As I became more engaged in living my faith, the meaning of the sacraments took on new depth—my spiritual life was transformed by my experiences.

Give More, Receive More

I recognized that the more I gave of my time, talent, and treasure, the more I received. Jesus told us that to give is greater than to receive, but it wasn't until I experienced sharing my faith in



words and deeds that I understood that offering up the gift of faith increases our own faith.

When we help someone in need, when we offer God's love, and when we permit the Holy Spirit to work through us, God touches the lives of real people. By seeing the action of God in the world, our desire to serve is intensified, our faith is enhanced, and our love for God and neighbor is increased.

That mission trip to Mexico afforded me the opportunity to put my faith into practice in a new way. Also, it allowed me to experience the faith of many people, and together we helped one another grow closer to the Lord. When

we live our faith through charity, our hope increases. The increase in hope makes our faith grow, and that allows us to do even greater works of charity. This pattern builds a great spiral staircase of virtue that helps to lead us to heaven. Faith without works may be dead, but faith with works reveals the love of God present in lives and produces fruit that will last for eternity.

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*Caring God, when we see
someone in need,
let us stop and be present
to the needs of that person.
Help us to become honorable
people doing honorable deeds
and be good neighbors
to one another. Amen.*

—From *Celebrating the Gospels: A Guide for Parents and Teachers*, by Gaynell Cronin

WEEKDAY READINGS

July 11–16

Monday, St. Benedict:
Is 1:10–17 / Mt 10:34–11:1

Tuesday, Weekday:
Is 7:1–9 / Mt 11:20–24

Wednesday, Weekday:
Is 10:5–7, 13b–16 / Mt 11:25–27

Thursday, St. Kateri Tekakwitha:
Is 26:7–9, 12, 16–19 / Mt 11:28–30

Friday, St. Bonaventure:
Is 38:1–6, 21–22, 7–8 / Mt 12:1–8

Saturday, Weekday:
Mi 2:1–5 / Mt 12:14–21


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