

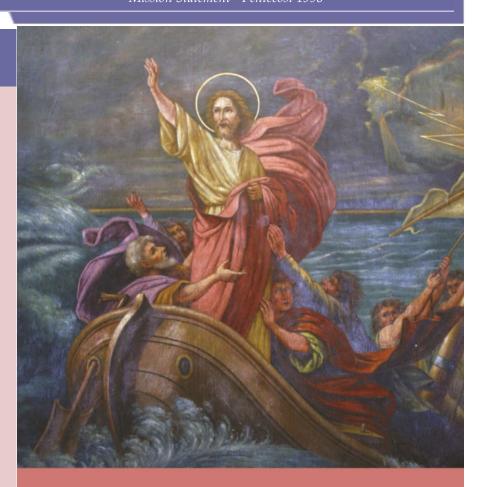
# SAINT JOAN of ARC NEWS

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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#### 12TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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He woke up, rebuked the wind, and said to the sea, "Quiet! Be still!"
The wind ceased and there was great calm. Then he asked them,
"Why are you terrified? Do you not yet have faith?" - Mk 4:39-40

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#### LITURGY SCHEDULE

#### Weekdays

Monday thru Friday: 7:00 am Wednesday: 6:00 pm

#### 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

Wednesdays: 5:00 pm Saturdays 11:00 am - 12:00 pm 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 - 5:00pm Friday: 8:30am—4:00pm

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.** 

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#### 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 Wednesday @ 6pm

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

> Holy Hour Thursdays @ 7pm

#### **TALLer Tales**



Getting More than You Bargained For: A couple of weekends ago, we had our 2nd Annual Kickoff to Summer Event. It was a grand celebration, and I

loved seeing so many younger families on campus. Thankfully, the weather cooperated, except for the wind (which was a significant factor in the purpose of this story).

I enjoyed seeing many of our parishioners and their grandchildren together. But one grandparent certainly got more than she paid for on this particular Sunday! This specific grandma is well-known in our parish and community. For the sake of this story (of course, I want to give her "some" type of anonymity), her name is Mary Beth. Maybe she and her husband, whose name might be Tommy, might own a famous butcher and meat market in Eastern Market (speaking of Eastern Market, we had some AWESOME chicken and beef kabobs from Ronnie's Meats in Eastern Market this past weekend for Father's Day. If you've never been there, you need to stop by there and see their incredible selection of meats).

Mary brought her little grandson Gregory to the event. "They" only lasted an hour, but that one little hour created a lifetime of memories, especially one "special" moment at the petting zoo that I'm sure will be the topic of many stories for generations to come.

As the ever-convincing Grandma, Mary tried convincing Gregory to get a tattoo. She stood in line for a long time, hoping that watching the other kids' excitement would persuade him to get one of these little drawn on masterpieces. When the time came for him to get his masterful tattoo on his arm, he was VERY reluctant, so Grandma decided to go first. He watched diligently but, in the end, wouldn't give in. So, poor Grandma walked away, trying to erase the tattoo from her arm. As she walked away, she wondered what all the other kids in line thought about this Grandma getting a tattoo!

After the failed tattoo session, Mary and little Gregory wandered over to the petting zoo. Once again, the petting zoo was a particular hit among the young and old. The rabbits were so cute and soft (we found out from the family who owns the animals that the rabbits they had were all rescue rabbits). Mary and little Gregory spent time petting the rabbits and watching the chickens and goats run around their little pen. Then, they

wandered over to where the cow and goat were isolated. A huge gust of wind blew through as they sat on the curb, watching with great delight at the joy of God's creatures and just enjoying a bit of grandma and grandson bonding time. At the same time, the cow decided it had to go to the bathroom. Mix wind and urine and visitors nearby, and what do you get? A grandma sprayed with cow urine! UGH! She certainly got more than she bargained for ... but it created a lifetime of memories with little Gregory at her expense!

**Farewell to Father Adam:** It's hard to believe that Father Adam will be moving on after only a year at SJA. He may have only been here a year, but he will undoubtedly be remembered for a long time.

Moving on is one of the most challenging aspects of a priest's life. When you arrive at a parish, you get entrenched in people's lives pretty quickly as you walk with them in the joys and sorrows of everyday life. We arrive at a parish knowing that one day we will move on, but moving on is always difficult, both for the priest and the people.

As we bid farewell to Father Adam, we thank God for how he enriched our lives in the short year he was among us. He was ever present before and after Masses. He was a stable presence in the morning at the school for drop-off and in the afternoon for pickup. I could hear his laughter in the morning in the school office from down the hall as he joined the morning school office chatter before going to "his" door to greet students. He would randomly show up in classrooms to chat or say hello. He would show up half an hour before confessions simply to catch all the "early birds" so the confession line wouldn't grow too long. He would drop anything to visit a sick parishioner and was always on call for this or that emergency. He would join in and get in the midst of all the Parish Center lunchtime talk as if he had been here for decades, always bringing a millennial's perspective to everything we did. He would accept and dish out the banter as fast as anyone else. He was always prepared to lead us in worship. He offered inspiring and insightful homilies, often getting us to think about the meaning of the words in the original language of Sacred Scripture. He could easily participate in the off-the-cuff bantering we would frequently do at the end of Mass. He "sometimes" tried to be the peacemaker between those who claimed it was too cold versus those who thought it was too hot in the office. He would quickly pick up the phone if things were busy and jump right in with stuffing envelopes or doing some random task that needed to be done. He always made sure things were set

up for Mass and coordinated who was going where for the distribution of Holy Communion. If you asked him to do anything or if you needed help, there was never a question or a delay; he just quickly got up and did what was needed.

It's an exciting time in his life as a priest. On Monday, he will turn 33, but then on Monday, July 1, he begins a new mission as THE spiritual leader and father of St. Anne Parish and School in Warren. He will also become the moderator of the Family of Parishes, which includes St. Faustina, St. Louise de Marillac, St. Mark and St. Mary, Our Lady Queen of Family Parishes, all located in Warren. It's a significant new chapter for him as he takes on these awesome responsibilities in the name of Christ the Lord.

I can't help but recall, as I often do for my own prayer, the words of the "stock" homily in the ordination ritual of a priest. They are poignant words filled with so much meaning, and I offer them now to Father Adam as he leaves us. "Impart to everyone the word of God that you yourself have received with joy ... let the holiness of your life be a pleasing fragrance for Christ's faithful, so that you may build up by word and example that house which is the Church of God.... You will also exercise in Christ the office of sanctifying; for by your ministry the spiritual sacrifice of the faithful will be made perfect ... Understand, therefore, what you do, and imitate what you celebrate. Always remember that you have been taken from among the people and appointed on their behalf in those things that pertain to God. Fulfill, therefore, the ministry of Christ the Priest with abiding joy and genuine love. Seek not your own concerns but those of Jesus Christ. Finally, dear son, united with your Bishop and subject to him, fulfill the office of Christ, Head and Shepherd to the best of your ability. Strive to gather the faithful together into one family, so that you may lead them to God the Father, through Christ, and in the Holy Spirit. Keep always before your eyes the example of the Good Shepherd, who did not come to be served but to serve and who came to seek and to save what was lost."

I know ... we know ... Father Adam will do all these things exceedingly well! Thank you Father Adam! God bless and Godspeed!

Enjoy the week. Know of my prayers.

In Christ,

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# Week of June 23, 2024



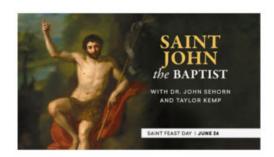
#### The Woman at the Well | Drawing Closer to God: Lent | Episode 4

In this episode, Ms. Kim draws Christ's encounter with the Samaritan woman at the well from John 4. Through this scene, Ms. Kim explains how Jesus is the living water that guenches our thirst and gives us eternal life.



#### Saint Paul the Apostle and His Letters | The Augustine Institute Show

John Dr. Prothro as he discusses Saint Paul and his Letters on The Augustine Institute Show!



#### St. John the Baptist | Catholic Saints

Join Dr. John Sehorn and Taylor Kemp as they talk about St. John the Baptist, the forerunner to Christ.

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#### Along the Way

#### Thank You!

Thank you all very much for your kindness, love, and support during this past year. It has been an honor for me to serve you and the entire community here at St. Joan of Arc. This year has gone by extremely fast, and I wish we could have had more time together. But alas, we never fully know God's plan for our lives. While I am definitely saddened to leave, I am simultaneously excited to see what God might have in store for me at St. Anne.

As I become the moderator and a member of the in solidum team of priests who pastor St. Anne Parish, Warren; St. Mark Parish, Warren; St. Faustina Parish, Warren; St. Louise de Marillac Parish, Warren; St. Mary, Our Lady Queen of Families Parish, Warren, that form Central Macomb Vicariate Family 3 (Communion of Saints Family of Parishes), please pray for me! It is a bit daunting, but I'm confident that with your prayers and God's grace, all things are possible.

One of the greatest graces is that I leave St. Joan having experienced your love – the

profound love of Jesus through you. I have greatly enjoyed getting to know you and I thank you for inviting me into your homes and your families. To minister to the people of God at the happiest and the saddest moments of life is such a privilege.

Thank you especially to Msgr. Mike, Fr. Rich, Dcn. Tom, Dcn. Dom, and the entire staff for their leadership and guidance. We are incredibly blessed at St. Joan to have a prayerful and committed staff that love the Lord and serving His people.

DANKE!
THANK YOU!
MERCI!
GRAZIE!
GRACIAS!
DANK JE WEL!

I greatly appreciate all your kind words and gifts as we bid farewell. Please know that you will always hold a special place in my heart. Please feel free to reach out anytime via email anowak@st-anne.net and to visit me on Mound Road. I'm not too far away and you may see me here for a sports game or two when the school year begins

again. Don't be surprised though, if I have on green and white, instead of red and white. St. Anne's famous Sausage Festival is September 20-22, make sure to stop by for some good Polish food, Polka music, and to say hi!

When I was studying Spanish in Mexico back in 2014, I was blessed to study with a Benedictine Monk, Br. Ignacio – now Fr. Ignacio. When we were departing Cuernavaca for our perspective homes he said to me, "I'll see you in the Eucharist." This is something that I have never forgot and has made parting just a bit easier. And so, I say to you, until we meet again face-to-face, I'll see you in the Eucharist.

Again, thank you so much for *everything*. Know of my prayers for you and please continue to pray for me!

Blessings, Fr. Adam

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#### Readings for the Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

## St. Joan Arc

#### THIRTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - JUNE 30 B

#### Reading One - Wis 1:13-15; 2:23-24

God did not make death, nor does he rejoice in the destruction of the living. For he fashioned all things that they might have being; and the creatures of the world are wholesome, and there is not a destructive drug among them nor any domain of the netherworld on earth, for justice is undying. For God formed man to be imperishable; the image of his own nature he made him. But by the envy of the devil, death entered the world, and they who belong to his company experience it

#### Responsorial – Ps 30:2, 4, 5-6, 11, 12, 13

R. I will praise you, Lord, for you have rescued me. I will extol you, O LORD, for you drew me clear and did not let my enemies rejoice over me. O LORD, you brought me up from the netherworld; you preserved me from among those going down into the pit.
R. I will praise you, Lord, for you have rescued me. Sing praise to the LORD, you his faithful ones, and give thanks to his holy name. For his anger lasts but a moment; a lifetime, his good will. At nightfall, weeping enters in, but with the dawn, rejoicing.
R. I will praise you, Lord, for you have rescued me. Hear, O LORD, and have pity on me; O LORD, be my helper. You changed my mourning into dancing; O LORD, my God, forever will I give you thanks.
R. I will praise you, Lord, for you have rescued me.

#### Reading Two - 2 Cor 8:7, 9, 13-15

Brothers and sisters: As you excel in every respect, in faith, discourse, knowledge, all earnestness, and in the love we have for you, may you excel in this gracious act also.

For you know the gracious act of our Lord Jesus Christ, that though he was rich, for your sake he became poor, so that by his poverty you might become rich. Not that others should have relief while you are burdened, but that as a matter of equality your abundance at the present time should supply their needs, so that their abundance may also supply your needs, that there may be equality. As it is written: Whoever had much did not have more, and whoever had little did not have less.

#### Gospel - Mk 5:21-43 or 5:21-24, 35b-43

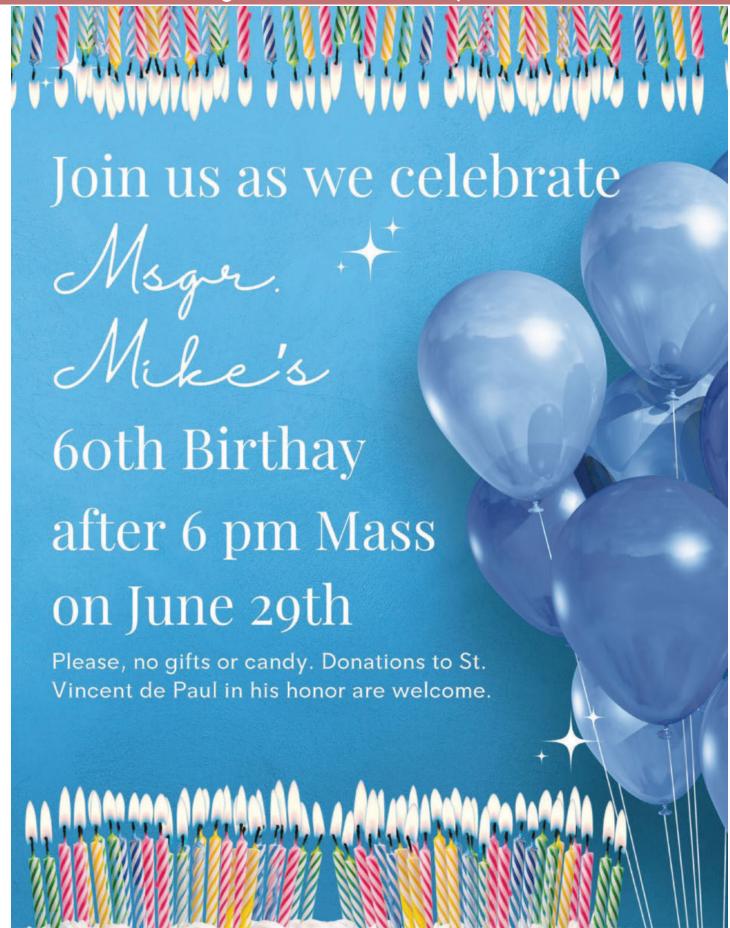
When Jesus had crossed again in the boat to the other side, a large crowd gathered around him, and he stayed

close to the sea. One of the synagogue officials, named Jairus, came forward. Seeing him he fell at his feet and pleaded earnestly with him, saying, "My daughter is at the point of death. Please, come lay your hands on her that she may get well and live." He went off with him, and a large crowd followed him and pressed upon him.

There was a woman afflicted with hemorrhages for twelve years. She had suffered greatly at the hands of many doctors and had spent all that she had. Yet she was not helped but only grew worse. She had heard about Jesus and came up behind him in the crowd and touched his cloak. She said, "If I but touch his clothes, I shall be cured." Immediately her flow of blood dried up. She felt in her body that she was healed of her affliction. Jesus, aware at once that power had gone out from him, turned around in the crowd and asked, "Who has touched my clothes?" But his disciples said to Jesus, "You see how the crowd is pressing upon you, and yet you ask, 'Who touched me?'" And he looked around to see who had done it. The woman, realizing what had happened to her, approached in fear and trembling. She fell down before Jesus and told him the whole truth. He said to her, "Daughter, your faith has saved you. Go in peace and be cured of your affliction."

While he was still speaking, people from the synagogue official's house arrived and said, "Your daughter has died; why trouble the teacher any longer?" Disregarding the message that was reported, Jesus said to the synagogue official, "Do not be afraid; just have faith." He did not allow anyone to accompany him inside except Peter, James, and John, the brother of James. When they arrived at the house of the synagogue official, he caught sight of a commotion, people weeping and wailing loudly. So he went in and said to them, "Why this commotion and weeping? The child is not dead but asleep." And they ridiculed him. Then he put them all out. He took along the child's father and mother and those who were with him and entered the room where the child was. He took the child by the hand and said to her, "Talitha koum," which means, "Little girl, I say to you, arise!" The girl, a child of twelve, arose immediately and walked around. At that they were utterly astounded. He gave strict orders that no one should know this and said that she should be given something to eat.

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June 23, 2024

# Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Jb 38:1, 8-11 | 2 Cor 5:14-17 | Mk 4:35-41

Written by THE FAITHFUL DISCIPLE

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

St. Boniface, an English Benedictine monk who died in the 8th century, wrote in a letter: "In her voyage across the ocean of this world, the Church is like a great ship being pounded by the waves of life's different stresses. Our duty is not to abandon ship but to keep her on her course." Oceans and seas, lakes and rivers, baptism. The role of water in daily life and its use as a metaphor are woven throughout our Scriptures. In today's readings, we hear two references to the sea. First, we have God talking to Job out of a storm, reminding the prophet that he - the Lord - is the one who created the seas and keeps them firmly in their place. The Gospel passage provides us with a stark reminder of that truth. As the disciples and Jesus cross the sea, a storm crops up and threatens to sink their boat. But one command from Jesus and the water is still. St. Boniface had it right. We really all are on that ship with Jesus on its voyage across the ocean of this world, and trusting in him to keep us on course and safe from harm ensures we reach the destinations he intends for us.

#### GO EVANGELIZE

PRAYER, INVITATION, WITNESS, ACCOMPANIMENT

How to do our part to keep this great ship that is the Church on course? Trust in Christ, trust that he is present within us and guiding us each day. No one is immune from stormy seas, and like the disciples, we can turn to Jesus in times of peril. He asked the disciples: "Why are you terrified? Do you not yet have faith?" Like the disciples, we must experience the change of heart that is necessary to place complete trust in Jesus to replace our fear and anxiety. God has things under control. Of course, that is what can be so scary sometimes. I know God will take care of everything, but what if I don't like how he does it? What if I want him to answer my prayers one way and he answers them a different way? This is where Jesus might ask me: "Do you not yet have faith?" And I would have to reply, "I'm working on it."

PRAY We are assured throughout Scripture that God loves us, cares for us, and sustains us. But how do we move from knowing that in our heads to feeling it in our hearts? Prayer. If we center our life on Jesus and his commands, trusting in him will become second nature. Take some time this week and pray with today's Psalm (107:23-24, 25-26, 28-29, 30-31), which praises God for his love for us and gives voice to trusting in his providence.

# PRESCHOOL AND ELEMENTARY

# SUMMER STORYBOOK HOUR

Parents and caregivers, bring your preschool and early elementary—age children for a story, snack and fun faith—related activity.

(And a little coffee break for you!)



#### When?

Each Wednesday in July at 9 am

#### Where?

The Emmaus Fellowship Hall in the Sr. Carol Center.

#### Respond

Let us know by the Tuesday before each session if you're coming.

Call 586-772-1282 to leave a message or respond at sjascs.org/storyhour

Siblings of all ages are welcomed.



Presented by the Office of Faith and Family Formation

#### Calendar of Events / Words on the Word

#### Weekly Calendar of Events

#### Monday, June 24th

7:00 AM Mass - Live Streamed

#### Tuesday, June 25th

7:00 AM Mass - Live Streamed 12:00 PM Card Club - St. Perrigin Room

#### Wednesday, June 26th

7:00 AM Mass - Live Streamed

5:00 PM Reconciliation

6:00 PM Mass - Live Streamed

#### Thursday, June 27th

7:00 AM Mass - Live Streamed

7:00 AM Summer Reading Club - St. Perrigin

7:00 PM Holy Hour - Live Streamed

#### Friday, June 28st

7:00 AM Mass - Live Streamed School Offices Closed for Summer Break

#### Saturday, June 22nd

11:00 AM Reconciliation

12:30 PM Baptism of Lily Mae Shubnell

4:00 PM Mass - Live Streamed

6:00 PM Mass - Live Streamed

7:00 PM Happy Birthday Celebration Monsignor

#### Sunday, June 23rd

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

#### June 23, 2024 - False Evidence Appearing Real

Fear of heights. Fear of tight spaces. Fear of snakes. Fear of blood. Fear of long words (hippopotomonstrosesquippedaliopobia; it's a thing!).

And fear of spiders. That's a common one, and media outlets had a field day recently when reports surfaced of a new infestation of spiders – joro spiders – headed toward the east coast this year. These aren't just spiders, mind you, but spiders that are 4-inches long. And they fly. And they're venomous. And they lay up to 1,000 eggs at a time.

Oh, my.

One of the more responsible media outlets took the time to put many of the most obvious fears to rest, including, perhaps most importantly, that these spiders, well-known in the south, actually are harmless to human beings. Their bite, for example (when they do bite) is essentially like a mosquito bite.

But it's natural for our fears to get the better of us. And, usually, that fear is largely unwarranted, which is why some folks point out that FEAR is usually the result of False Evidence Appearing Real.

That's not always the case, of course. If one is bobbing in the middle of the ocean and surrounded by sharks, the danger is real.

But the fact remains that there is good news, even about fear, as reported in today's gospel from St. Mark. The disciples are foundering on a boat in a storm and shout out for Jesus.

"He woke up," the gospel says, "rebuked the wind, and said to the sea, 'Quiet! Be still!'

"Then he asked them, 'Why are you terrified? Do you not have faith?' They were filled with great awe and said to one another, 'Who then is this whom even the wind and sea obey?'"

Bottom line – when we have Jesus in our boat, even our fear can turn to awe.

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#### Mass Intentions / Weekly Readings

#### Mass Intentions

Monday June 24, 2024 The Nativity of Saint John

the Baptist (White)

7:00 am Fr. Charles DeSantis

Tuesday June 25, 2024 Weekday (Green)

7:00 am Deceased members of the Calisi Family

who died in the month of June

Wednesday June 26, 2024 Weekday (Green)

7:00 am Special Intention for Rachel and Joseph

Allemon on their wedding anniversary

6:00 pm Allen Laturno

Thursday June 27, 2024 Weekday, Saint Cyril of

Alexandria, bishop and Doctor f the

Church (Green/White)

7:00 am Herbert Thelen

Friday June 28, 2024 Saint Ireanaeus, Bishop

and Martyr (Red)

7:00 am Hugo Calisi

Saturday, June 29, 2024 Vigil for the Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time (Green/Red)

4:00 pm Grace & Sam Valenti, Lewis & Charlotte

McQuillan, Mary Lou Racine, bonnie Batche, Joseph & Irene Fontecchio, Andrew Ferguson, Special Intentions for

Hanna Filipowicz, Thomas Sloan, the J. Champine Family, the Thomas Family, Alison Reslow, Lorraine Jonas, Pam Haisenleder, Linda Frank and for James &

Marie Therese Belloli on their 61st

Wedding Anniversary

6:00 pm Richard & Virginia Robinette

Sunday, June 23, 2024 Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time (Green)

8:00 am The Intentions of SJA Parishioners

10:00 am Tim McCarthy

12:00 pm Jerome & Geraldine Rogier, Joseph

Drouin, Tina Roberts, Carmen Bucek

#### **Daily Readings**

Monday, June 24 Friday, June 28

Isaiah 49:1-6 2 Kings 25:1-12 Acts 13:22-26 Matthew 8:1-4

Luke 1:57-66, 80

Tuesday, June 25

Acts 12:1-11 2Kings 19:9b-11,14-21,31-35a, 36 Matthew 16:13-19

Mathew 7:6, 12-14

Wednesday, June 26

2 Kings 22:8-13;23:1-3 Matthew 7:15-20

Thursday, June 27

2Kings 24:8-17 Matthew 7:21-29 Sunday, June 30

Saturday, June 29

Wisdom 1:13-15;2:23-24 2 Corinthians 8:7, 9, 13-15

Mark 5:21-43



#### 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."

#### Mary Louise Orsini Richard Wheeler

"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.

## **Liturgical** Life

# CATHOLIC

#### The Perfect Storm

I am writing this on a Saturday morning. Saturdays are my writing days, when my husband takes over the kids and the house and I disappear into the office with an enormous cup of coffee and noise-canceling headphones. Saturdays are sacred — if work can be called sacred.

But Saturday morning is also the only time I'm able to consistently get to confession. Every other time the sacrament is offered in my area during the week, I seem to have unavoidable commitments — but on Saturday morning, all I have is work, and how can I let work come before a sacrament, as much as I might secretly want to?

I've spent a good deal of time being bitter about this, because it's just not convenient, having to carve out time from work to run to the other side of town, especially when I get there and there's a line. I sit there in the sanctuary, waiting my turn, checking the clock, stewing, fretting. Obsessing over forgetting one of my sins. Thinking of how much work I have when I get home.

Saturday mornings: a perfect storm, I sometimes call it in my head.

I forge ahead, though. I've never gotten up and dashed back to my desk. I make it into the confessional and I stammer out my pathetic little list and receive absolution. Then I go before the tabernacle to perform my penance.

It's while I am kneeling there that it happens. Always. God awakens, and he cries into the depths of my heart: "Quiet! Be still! Why are you terrified? Do you not yet have faith?"

After teaching all day by the shore of the sea, Jesus asks his disciples to remove him from the crowds. He wants to escape the noise, the clamor, the disquiet. But the clamor follows him, because the world is full of it. Storms crop up wherever we go.

Jesus sleeps through the storm, because he understands what the disciples do not: the storms of the world cannot hurt us. They are only so much noise.

"Who then is this whom even wind and sea obey?" - Mark 4:41

- Colleen Jurkiewicz Dorman

#### Why do we do that? Catholic Life Explained

#### Question:

We are considering homeschooling our children. Does this present a problem when it is time for them to receive the sacraments? What must we do?

#### Answer:

Homeschooling is legal in all fifty states and like other types of education, has its advantages and its drawbacks. There are many factors to consider, and each family has to decide what the best way to educate its children is. With religious education, many dioceses have a formal policy that outlines procedures and expectations, some of which include more than just academic information. Call the religious education office to find out what they are for your area.

In general, though, an appointment with your parish priest to discuss your situation is the best first step. An opportunity to discuss what is available, what the expectations are for each sacrament, and how you can best prepare your child helps make your time of preparation more effective. The priest can direct you to good catechetical materials, parent information classes, and other choices and possibilities for your child. All parents need to be part of their child's religious education, taking a lead in instilling the values and beliefs of their faith. Communication and information helps us all to teach and preach the Gospel as Jesus did.

#### St. Basil's First Friday Vigil



#### **Quarterly First Friday Evening Vigil of Reparation**

You are invited to participate in a 5 -hour night vigil of reparation modeled after the vigils at Fatima to console the Sacred Heart of Jesus and the Immaculate heart of Mary.

When: July 5, 2024 7 pm to 12 midnight

Where: Saint Basil the Great Church, 22800 Schroeder, Eastpointe 48021

7 pm-Sorrowful mysteries of rosary and confession

7:30 pm- Mass of the Sacred Heart of Jesus

**8:30 pm-** Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament followed by procession of the Most Blessed Sacrament inside church w/hymns; additional confession time following procession if needed.

9 pm-Chaplet of Divine Mercy

Litany of the Sacred Heart of Jesus

Consecration to the Sacred Heart of Jesus

9:30 pm- quiet adoration and staggered 10-minute break

**10:00 pm** – Joyful mysteries

\*Luminous mysteries will be prayed time permitting

10:30 pm - Prayers of Reparation and prayer for the entrustment of the family

11pm- Glorious mysteries

Litany of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Consecration to the Immaculate heart of Mary

11:30 pm- Procession of the statue of Our Lady of Fatima inside church w/hymns

11:45 pm -Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament

Vigil concludes with prayers for intentions of the Holy Father, one our Father, one Hail Mary, and one Glory be

We welcome you to join us even if you are not able to stay for the full 5 hours.

#### Prayers Needed

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# Bringing Home the Word

Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time (B)
June 23, 2024

# A Real Force of Nature

Sr. Dianne Bergant, CSA

ne of the forces of nature that we have been unable to control is unruly water. We are actually helpless when caught between torrents of rain from above and surging water from below. It is no wonder the ancestors of ancient Israel who lived between the Tigris and Euphrates rivers characterized cosmic evil as tumultuous water that only the great creator-God could control. This is the scene described in the reading from Job. This water is not destroyed; it is only harnessed. We will have to wait for the end of time for such water to be abolished. ("The sea was no more" Revelation 21:1.) This divine

### **Sunday Readings**

Job 38:1, 8-11

Who shut within doors the sea, when it burst forth from the womb?

#### 2 Corinthians 5:14-17

So whoever is in Christ is a new creation: the old things have passed away.

#### Mark 4:35-41

[Jesus] woke up, rebuked the wind, and said to the sea, "Quiet! Be still!" The wind ceased and there was great calm. power over water is praised in the psalm response as well.

Belief in God's absolute power over chaotic water and cosmic evil lies behind the story of Jesus calming the sea. This story doesn't simply recount a display of Jesus' extraordinary command over the forces of nature. While certainly that, it is actually much more. It stands to reason that, if only the great creator-God can exercise control over this fearsome watery threat, and if Jesus can effortlessly exercise control over such water, then Jesus is somehow God. In today's Gospel, the audacious disciples, who initially were frightened by the ferocity of the squall, were astounded by Jesus' authority over the storm. They declared, "Who then is this whom even wind and sea obey?" (Mark 4:41). It is clear from this story that Jesus is the real force of nature.

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#### A Word from Pope Francis

Jesus, begged by the disciples, calms the wind and waves.
And he asks them a question, a question which also pertains to us: "Why are you afraid? Have you no faith?" (v. 40). The disciples were gripped with fear, because they were focused on the waves more than on looking at Jesus.

ANGELUS, ROME, JUNE 20, 2021



## REFLECTIONS OUESTIONS MEETIONS

- Have you ever had a "close call" when the worst did not happen?
- Did you remember to thank God?

## Turn Off Your Phone and Listen!

Fr. Bob Pagliari, CSsR

I asked the forty college students I'm teaching this semester to observe a public conversation between two other students on campus and to report back about how effective or ineffective their listening skills were. Not surprisingly, most examples of poor communication involved one person punching text messages into a mobile phone while pretending to listen to what the other person was saying.

Is anyone surprised by this?
Remember when our parents told us to be mindful of others? Mind full! What is our mind filled with these days when we're talking with someone else? Effective listening means paying attention to the other person. Only when our mind is full of nothing else but what the other person is saying, are we truly being mindful of



them and giving them our undivided attention.

Like all texting-while-driving temptations (our phone should be locked away in the glove compartment before we even put our car in gear!), when it comes to listening to others, our multitasking endeavors and phone distractions should also be turned off and stowed away so we can give our undivided attention and our full mind to others. No exceptions. Anything less is disrespect!

I can distinctly remember an incident, before the advent of message machines, when I was in my superior's office and his landline phone began to ring. I asked if he was going to answer it. He replied that whoever it was could call back because it was far more important that he pay attention to me. That was mindful listening. And I've never forgotten how respected he made me feel.

Prayer is defined as talking with God, which includes listening. How often do we give our undistracted, un-multi-tasked, mindful attention to God when we pray? †

## Wisdom from Catholic UPDATE

From "The Science of Religion: Presence and Power in the Sacraments" by Robert E. Justus, MD

Many studies have indicated an association between attending religious services and overall happiness/life satisfaction. Also, longitudinal evidence suggests that those attending religious services are subsequently more generous and more engaged in civic activities. Experimental evidence shows that prayer increases forgiveness, gratitude, and trust. Religious service attendance is also linked to decreases in the likelihood of divorce and increases in the probability of lasting marriages, the building of lasting friendships, and the securing of social support. Interestingly, the factor that is most predictive of health benefits is attending religious services, not private spiritual practices, or self-assessed spirituality/religiosity. Specifically, it is the communal aspect of religious practice that is associated with better health outcomes. \*\*

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Creator God, when life is overwhelming, teach us to pause and breathe, and then to look for your son Jesus in the midst of the storm. We pray in his name. Amen.

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#### WEEKDAY READINGS

June 24-29

Monday, Nativity of St. John the Baptist: Is 49:1–6 / Acts 13:22–26 / Lk 1:57–66, 80

**Tuesday**, Weekday: 2 Kgs 19:9b–11, 14–21, 31–35a, 36 / Mt 7:6, 12–14

Wednesday, Weekday:

2 Kgs 22:8-13; 23:1-3 / Mt 7:15-20

**Thursday,** Weekday: 2 Kgs 24:8–17 / Mt 7:21–29

Friday, St. Irenaeus: 2 Kgs 25:1–12 / Mt 8:1–4

**Saturday,** Sts. Peter and Paul: Acts 12:1–11 / 2 Tm 4:6–8, 17–18 / Mt 16:13–19



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