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COVENANT

"This is my blood of the covenant, which will be shed for many."

MATTHEW 14:24

Sunday, June 13, 2021

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Sowers of the Seed

The Mystery of Faith. The Mystery of God.
Sunday, June 13, 2021

Pat Jones

Having faith means that despite disappointments, we trust God anyway. It's not easy but as we grow in our relationship with the Trinity it can become easier. I know about faith, having desires and believing in a miracle despite all odds and appearances. Over a 20 year period, I have become disabled because of an unknown illness. I also know of God's majesty, power and love which feeds my faith.

In our readings today, God tells us who He is. In the first reading from Ezekiel, He is the God who will take a tiny shoot and raise it to a mighty tree. It happens because of His power and might. That's why we can trust him. In the reading, God is telling the Israelites that despite where they currently are, in exile in Babylon, they will be restored. It is a message we all need to hear as we face trials: our God will restore.

The mystery of faith is what Jesus discusses in the two parables he tells in the Gospel. The farmer scatters the seeds and goes about his life and yet through the power of God, unknown to the farmer, the seeds grow and flourish. The same is true for the mustard seed. The tiny seed grows and becomes this incredibly full tree that provides not only substance but shelter. And isn't that the way God acts in our lives? As it says in the psalm, His faithfulness is "throughout the night" and that He is our "rock, in whom there is no wrong".

As we continue to hope for the desires of our hearts and even for miracles, let us, as Saint Paul says, "always be courageous". Let us walk by faith and not by sight, giving in to the mystery of God.

Amen.

Please pray for those asking for our prayers

Lucille & Luke Allen
Dan Mioduszewski
Tolhurst Family
Mia Lamb
Donald Harris
Ann Kerwin
Judy Betts
Eugene Gray
Mare Creer
Gladys Harper
Betty Jefferson
Shirley Robinson
John Bishop
Joseph Tillman
Tinney Barnes
Clarice Hardaway
Mellowees Hart
Shirlee Sullivan
Rita Pavlosky
Sylvia Scales
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Gabrielle Jordan
Carol Stanley
Leo Brennan
Helene Rucinski
Elizabeth Wright
Cynthia Hirami

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1. You can take an envelope from your pew or from the table at the entrance of the church and send in your pledge.

2. Some of you have already received a letter from the AOD at your home. You can give through that process, if you have not already.

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Please see the Gesu Electronic update this week for more information.

Sacramental Announcements

It is important to have a home church where you practice your faith with a community that supports you in your relationship with Christ. Those seeking the sacraments aside from the Holy Eucharist must be registered at Gesu Detroit for at least 3 months and worship regularly at mass prior to Baptism, First Holy Communion, Confirmation and Marriage.

Weddings

Arrangements must be made at least six months in advance and couple must be active, registered members at Gesu. Potential wedding date is not confirmed until couple meets with Fr. Phil Cooke, SJ. Officiant at the ceremony will be a priest from Gesu unless arranged otherwise.

Anointing of the Sick

Please call the Parish Office to request this Sacrament. In the case of an ***after hour emergency*** *call 313-915-0068.*

Reconciliation

Please call the parish office to schedule an appointment.

Funerals: Mass of Resurrection

Arrangements are made with conjunction of the parish and funeral home. Memorial masses are scheduled Mon.-Fri.

Readings for the Week of June 13, 2021

Sunday: Ez 17:22-24/Ps 92:2-3, 13-14, 15-16 [cf. 2a]/2 Cor 5:6-10/Mk 4:26-34

Monday: 2 Cor 6:1-10/Ps 98:1, 2b, 3ab, 3cd-4 [2a]/ Mt 5:38-42

Tuesday: 2 Cor 8:1-9/Ps 146:2, 5-6ab, 6c-7, 8-9a [1b]/Mt 5:43-48

Wednesday: 2 Cor 9:6-11/Ps 112:1bc-2, 3-4, 9 [1b]/ Mt 6:1-6, 16-18

Thursday: 2 Cor 11:1-11/Ps 111:1b-2, 3-4, 7-8 [7a]/ Mt 6:7-15

Friday: 2 Cor 11:18, 21-30/Ps 34:2-3, 4-5, 6-7 [cf. 18b]/ Mt 6:19-23

Saturday: 2 Cor 12:1-10/Ps 34:8-9, 10-11, 12-13 [9a]/Mt 6:24-34

Next Sunday: Jb 38:1, 8-11/ Ps 107:23-24, 25-26, 28-29, 30-31 [1b]/2 Cor 5:14-17/Mk 4:35-4

Gesu is Recognized for Sacred Grounds

Last week the National Wildlife Federation (NWF) came to Gesu to present us with a certificate of "Sacred Grounds".
We earned this designation for our commitment to sustainability and providing the essential elements of

Daily Examen of Consciousness

based on the spiritual Exercises of St. Ignatius of Loyola

Place yourself in God's presence. Give thanks for God's great love for you.

Pray for the grace to understand how God is acting in your life.

Review your day—recall specific moments and your feelings at the time.

Reflect on what your actions. Were you drawing closer to God, or further away?

Look toward tomorrow—think of how you might collaborate more effectively with God's plan. Be specific, and conclude with the "Our Father."

Gesu Church
MISSION STATEMENT
"We worship joyfully and serve humbly as the Spirit leads us."

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Celebration of the Eucharist

Weekday Mass:	Monday through Friday, 5:30 pm
Weekends:	Saturday, 5:00 pm
	Sunday, 8:00 am & 10:30 am
Secular Holidays:	Mass at 9:30
Holy Days:	Mass at 5:30 pm

Sacrament of Reconciliation
by appointment with the Pastor

Emergency Anointing of the Sick After Hours
call 313-915-0068.

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MASS INTENTIONS

June 14– Joan and Wayne Webber
June 15– Christopher Lee Mauer +
June 16– Joseph Tilman
June 17– Ann Kerwin

If you would like to have a mass offered for a loved one please contact the parish office. The suggested donation is $10

Rest in Peace Brandon Detroit Tolhurst

Affectionately known as "Bran," Brandon was a beloved son, brother, grandson, nephew and cousin. He was born on January 30, 2012 in Las Cruces, New Mexico and God called him home on May 31, 2021. Please join us in praying for the Tolhurst family and the loved ones of Bran.

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