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SUNDAY, JUNE 20, 2021

12TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



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

PARISH LIFE



Mass Intentions

Monday 8:00am	6-21-21 Stephanie Coonan rq by Loving Father
Tuesday 8:00am	6-22-21 Thomas Sauickie Jr rq by Loving Family James F. White rq by Loving Family
Wednesday 8:00am	6-23-21 Elizabeth O'Donnell rq by Loving Sister Pat
Thursday 8:00am	6-24-21 Thomas Sauickie Jr rq by Loving Family
Friday 8:00am	6-25-21 Timothy Butler rq by Michael & Denise Alfano
Saturday 5:00pm	6-26-21 Alice Barry rq by Deegan Family
Sunday 9:00am	6-27-21 Anthony Policastro rq by Loving Family
10:30am	Ronald & Veronica Drella rq by Vincent & Lorraine Reitano
6:00pm	John Paseler rq by Mary Dickey

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rq by the Sagcal Family



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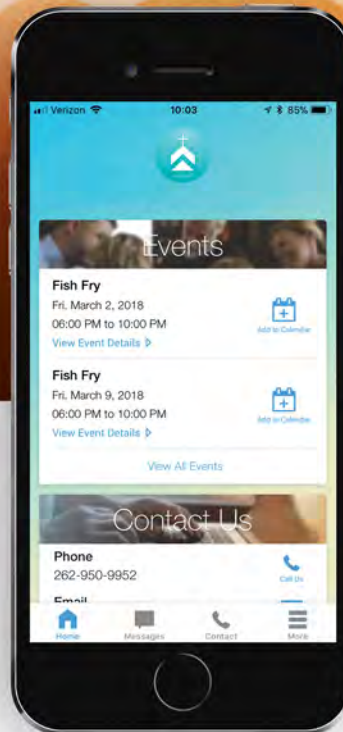
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WEEKLY PRAYER

READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF JUNE 20, 2021

SUN 6/20	Jb 38:1, 8-11/ Ps 107:23-24, 25-26, 28-29, 30-31 [1b]/2 Cor 5:14-17/Mk 4:35-41
MON 6/21	Gn 12:1-9/Ps 33:12-13, 18-19, 20 and 22 [12]/Mt 7:1-5
TUES 6/22	Gn 13:2, 5-18/Ps 15:2-3a, 3bc-4ab, 5 [1b]/Mt 7:6, 12-14
WED 6/23	Gn 15:1-12, 17-18/Ps 105:1-2, 3-4, 6-7, 8-9 [8a]/Mt 7:15-20
THR 6/24	<i>Vigil:</i> Jer 1:4-10/Ps 71:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 15, 17 [6b]/1 Pt 1:8-12/Lk 1:5-17 <i>Day:</i> Is 49:1-6/Ps 139:1-3, 13-14, 14-15 [14a]/Acts 13:22-26/Lk 1:57-66, 80
FRI 6/25	Gn 17:1, 9-10, 15-22/Ps 128:1-2, 3, 4-5 [4]/Mt 8:1-4
SAT 6/26	Gn 18:1-15/Lk 1:46-47, 48-49, 50 and 53, 54-55 [cf. 54b]/Mt 8:5-17
SUN 6/27	Wis 1:13-15; 2:23-24/Ps 30:2, 4, 5-6, 11, 12, 13 [2a]/2 Cor 8:7, 9, 13-15/Mk 5:21-43 or 5:21-24, 35b-43

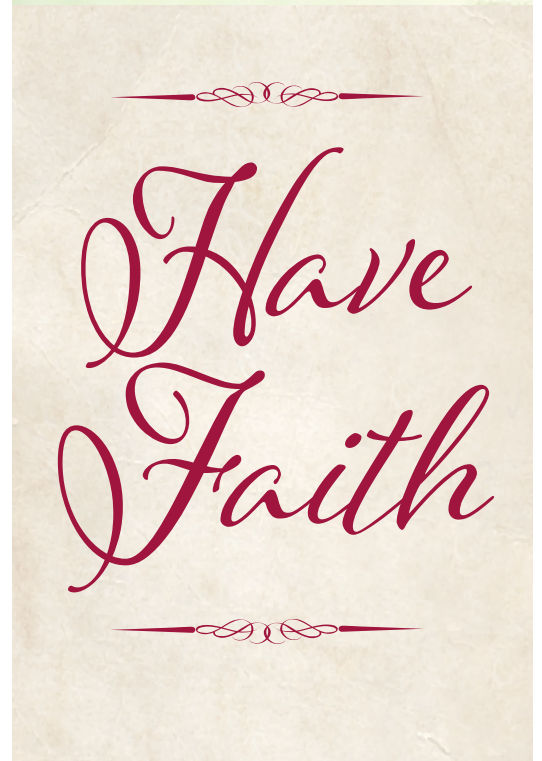
OBSERVANCES FOR THE WEEK OF JUNE 20, 2021

Sunday:	12th Sunday in Ordinary Time; World Refugee Day; Father's Day
Monday:	St. Aloysius Gonzaga, Religious
Tuesday:	St. Paulinus of Nola, Bishop; Sts. John Fisher, Bishop, and Thomas More, Martyrs
Thursday:	The Nativity of St. John the Baptist
Saturday:	BVM
Next Sunday:	13th Sunday in Ordinary Time

LIVE THE LITURGY

Inspiration for the week

Do we trust that God will take care of us and has things under control? When life gets difficult, shaky or painful, we may find ourselves wondering what we may have done to deserve this fate. Often, we go to great lengths to explain suffering away, as if it has no purpose and ought not to exist. In an attempt to get God on our side in our battle against suffering, our prayer can mirror a question asked by the disciples: do you not care that we are perishing? As we are asking that question of God, God is asking of us: do you not yet have faith? It is for certain that God does not intentionally inflict pain upon us. God has no sinister plot to test our faith or trip us up. Rather, the unconditional, restorative and rejuvenating power of God's love can bring light out of the greatest darkness and gives hope in the midst of deep despair. We have to be patient and ride out the storm. It is our task to deepen our faith that God will calm the wind and draw meaning out of that which seems senseless.



WORSHIP & MEDITATION



FIRST READING:

Thus far shall you come but no farther,
and here shall your proud waves be stilled!
(Job 38:11)



PSALM:

Give thanks to the Lord, his love is everlasting.
(Ps 107)
Or Alleluia.



SECOND READING:

So whoever is in Christ is a new creation:
the old things have passed away;
behold, new things have come. (2 Cor 5:17)



GOSPEL:

Then he asked them, "Why are you terrified?
Do you not yet have faith?"
They were filled with great awe and said to one
another,
"Who then is this whom even wind and sea
obey?" (Mk 4:40-41)

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GOSPEL MEDITATION

Encourage Deeper Understanding of Scripture

As we look at our lives and world events, do we ever find ourselves wondering if God is sleeping? After all, maybe God's patient, unconditional love has run its course and He is finally fed up with humanity's reluctance to accept the truth about who we are. God really can't be that patient! All throughout human history, many have prayed to God for intervention or for particular needs. Because their prayers were not answered in the way they wanted or anticipated, they felt that God may have abandoned them. Were they right? It seems that we are continuing, at a rapid rate, down a path of destruction. Do you not care, God, that we may be perishing? When the boats of our lives are rocking and the seas tumultuous, we want to know that we have God's attention. Even more so, we want God's intervention.

Maybe the storms and the waves are necessary. If we listen, they can teach us valuable lessons. Without them, we would never learn that we have the strength to endure, understand the uselessness of fear and worry, or develop the ability to really trust. If God immediately rushed in and simply calmed things down before they got difficult, what good would that really be? We would miss opportunities to learn how to drink more deeply of life, treasure its complexity, irony, and beauty and fully engage ourselves in surrendering to the love of our Creator. It is easy to walk on the surface of life without immersing ourselves in its messiness. Life has to burn its way through us in order to bring us to a place of secure trust. It's unfortunate that some prefer a shallower journey.

That's the balancing act that comes with faith. It is not God's job to prevent us from encountering the torrential rains and winds of life. Many believe that if faith is done the right way, that God will provide for smooth sailing. That's not how it works. God permits us to ride out the difficult stuff knowing that the storm will eventually be calmed. Do we not have faith that God will do this? True faith trusts in the steadfastness of God's love when the seas are calm and when they are choppy. God's unconditional loving presence shines through all of it and endures forever. Knowing this allows us to put our boats out into uncharted waters without hesitation. Knowing that we prefer the comfort and safety of what we know to be still waters, how do we feel when Jesus says, "Let us cross to the other side?"

LITURGICAL LIFE

RESPONDING *to the Call*

EVERYDAY STEWARDSHIP

Recognize God In Your Ordinary Moments

Waking God

A show of hands, ladies and gentlemen. Have any of you been given the silent treatment and had absolutely no idea why?

On the flipside, have any of you have sworn you're not going to demean yourself by explaining, for the thousandth time, that you need extra help with the kids before soccer practice, or that you feel ignored when your spouse doesn't ask how your day went?

But sadly, love doesn't give you the ability to read minds. And in the end, we learn the lesson again and again, we have to verbalize our feelings, our needs, our wants. Expecting your partner to anticipate your needs is guaranteed to end badly.

It's the same with God, even though, oddly enough, He does have the ability to read minds. But He still desires us to explain ourselves to Him, doesn't He? "I'm feeling scared of this." "I'm really worried about that." "God, I think I need x, y and z. Help me. Please."

Jesus slept on that boat, as it was tossed and turned by the waves, until his disciples woke him. "Why were you sleeping?" they ask. Well, geniuses, he was sleeping because they hadn't woken him up yet. They had wasted time cowering in fear, waiting for him to act. They gave him the silent treatment and they didn't even know it.

God doesn't desire us to verbalize our needs as a way of keeping us submissive. He's not that petty. What He desires is the communication — that's what really counts. That act of opening yourself up, of becoming vulnerable, of relying on Him, trusting Him. If it feels like God is asleep in your life, ask yourself this, have you tried waking Him up?

— Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS

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WHY DO WE DO THAT? Catholic Life Explained:

Question:

What do the colors of the priest's and deacon's vestments mean?

Answer:

In the Roman Rite of the Catholic Church, the colors of the vestments evolved over the course of several centuries and there was wide variation both in the colors used, and in the feasts and seasons associated with particular colors. It was Pope Innocent III (d. 1216) who gave us the basic outline that was later prescribed by Pope Saint Pius V in 1570. The various colors remind us of the dominant themes of a particular season or celebration.

- White: Used for the seasons of Christmas and Easter and in celebrations of the Lord, of Mary, the angels, and saints who were not martyrs. This color is also used in Masses for the dead, at baptisms, weddings and other festive celebrations.
 - Red: As the color of both blood and fire, red is used on Palm Sunday and Good Friday, as well as Pentecost and special celebrations of the Holy Spirit. Moreover, red is used on the feasts and memorials of the Apostles and those saints who died as martyrs.
 - Violet: The color for Advent and Lent. Violet may also be used in Masses for the dead and on All Souls Day (November 2).
 - Green: A color of life and hope, green is used throughout Ordinary Time.
- Other colors: Rose may be used on the Third Sunday of Advent and the Fourth Sunday of Lent, black may be used in Masses of the dead and on All Souls Day, gold or silver may be used on solemn occasions in place of white, red, or green.

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that we are perishing?"
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great calm. They were
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said to one another, "Who
then is this whom even
wind and sea obey?"**

- Mk 4:38c-39, 41

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QUESTIONS OF THE WEEK

Invite Parishioners to Reflect and Respond to Scripture

First Reading:

Much of the book of Job addresses the mystery of suffering and God's role in human affairs. Today we hear part of God's response to Job's questioning with images of the sea and raging waters, representing God's power and omniscience. What helps remind you it is God who governs the universe with purpose and fidelity?

Second Reading:

Paul encouraged the Corinthians to have the conviction of faith that since Christ died for all, believers should now live for him. In doing so, we become a "new creation." How have you seen this happen in your life as a person of faith?

Gospel:

Early in their following of Jesus, the disciples' witness of the miracle of Jesus calming the storm at sea led them to ask: "Who then is this whom even wind and sea obey?" How would you explain to others who wonder about the divinity of Jesus?



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—St. Clare of Assisi

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- Mk 4:30-32b

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