

ST. JOSEPH CATHOLIC CHURCH

ST. ANTHONY MISSION CHAPEL

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18TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Jesus said to them, "Amen, amen, I say to you, it was not Moses who gave the bread from heaven; my Father gives you the true bread from heaven. For the bread of God is that which comes down from heaven and gives life to the world." - Jn 6:32-33

August 1, 2021

Office Hours

Monday & Friday 9:00 a.m.–12 noon
Wednesday & Thursday 9:00 a.m.–1:00 p.m.
Tuesday **CLOSED**
(Parishioners: For any emergency or sacramental needs please contact Fr. Richard, SVD at (337) 714-9327)

Mass Schedule

Saturday Vigil: 5:00 p.m.
Sunday: St. Anthony 8:00 a.m.
St. Joseph 10:00 a.m.
Monday - Thursday - Friday 7:00 a.m.
Wednesday 6:00 p.m.

Confession

Saturday 4:00–5:00 p.m.
Weekdays following weekday masses
or by appointment

Parish Staff

Pastor: Fr. Ryszard Zawadzki, S.V.D.

Secretary/Bookkeeper: Ms. Peggie M. Bellow

Sacristan: Mr. Dan Foster

Maintenance: Mr. Terry Flugence

Musicians: Mr. Harris Flugence
Ms. Carla Bernard

Trustees: Mr. Ervin Flugence
Mrs. Dianna Darby

Victims Assistance Coordinator:
Mr. Joe Pisanco, Jr. (337) 298-2987

Sacrament of Baptism

Contact the Church office to schedule Baptisms

Sacrament of Marriage

Couples should contact the Priest 6 months prior to the wedding date. NO wedding date should be planned, till after the Marriage Preparation has been completed.

Funerals

Please call the office to inform of the death of a church member and to schedule an appointment to plan the Funeral. Only after meeting with the Secretary, should one contact the funeral home with the final arrangement.

Meetings

Ushers Association: Third Monday of every month at 6:30 p.m.—Bishop Perry Learning Center

Adult Choir Practice: Every Thursday at 6:00 p.m.

Come Lord Jesus Group: Every Tuesday at 6:30 p.m.

Knights & Ladies Auxiliary of Peter Claver: 2nd Sun of the month

Mission Statement

"As a community inspired by the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ and our ancestral heritage, we the parishioners of St. Joseph and St. Anthony profess to proclaim God's goodness. And through our faith and commitment to the Holy Word we join together in spirit, truth, love and service working together for the good of our church parish."

Mass Intentions

Sat. 5:00 p.m.: Hilda Johnson, Alexson Mathieu, Audrey Mathieu, deceased members of the Mathieu & Mouton families, Christopher J Anderson, Wilbert & Thelma Jeanlouis, Harold Anderson Sr & Ethel Mae Decuir, Mazel Norbert, for all deceased Ushers of the parish and for everyone who celebrated a birthday in July. Special Intentions for all of our church Benefactors and donors and for the wellbeing and intentions of our church members.

Sun. 8:00 a.m.: For all deceased Ushers of the parish and for everyone who celebrated a birthday in July. Special Intentions for all of our church Benefactors and Donors and for the wellbeing and intentions of our church members.

Sun. 10:00 a.m.: Joseph Leo Sias III, Christopher Anderson and the deceased members of the Decuir & Anderson families, Lionel Ryes, M/M Curley & Mary Ann Flugence, and the deceased members of the Flugence & St. Julien families, M/M Florina & John Landry, M/M Zoeway & Ernest Green, M/M Emma & Aristille Landry, Versin Fred Charles, Della Charles, Mary Helen Charles-Comeaux, Joseph Charles, Emily Charles-Brooks & Son, for all deceased Ushers of the parish and for everyone who celebrated a birthday in July. Special Intentions for all of our church Benefactors and Donors and for the wellbeing and intentions of our church members.



Prayers for the Sick:

Merciful Jesus, onto your Compassionate Heart we recommend:

Charles Lee, Gustavia Thibaux, John Albert Ledet, Clyde Tauriac, Mark Tauriac, Shavawna Flugence, Mayola Williams, Lester Mouton, Louvenia L Gibson, Audrey Armelin, Rodney Dupuis, Bessie Johnson, Emery Joe, Keith Minor, Tristan Dupepe and Sylvania Cormier.

GOSPEL MEDITATION



"You cannot see the forest for the trees" is a widely known saying that can bring wisdom to our understanding of our journey. Often, our sight becomes limited to what is immediately before us. We lose

touch with lessons and experiences from the past and promises and hope for the future. As human beings, we have the privilege of being able to choose things. What I like and don't like, want, and don't want can be major preoccupations of our minds and hearts. Our preferences and desires begin to define us more than the simple fact of our being. Who we are matters more than what we are or what we have? If we don't move beyond the external and superficial stuff to what really is of essence, we risk becoming very unsettled, disorientated, angry, and unhappy. We fail to see the bigger picture of hope and promise that lies ahead and the Divine Presence that has sustained and carried us before. We like it when the "now" time of our lives satisfy us. Even the people who witnessed Jesus feed the five thousand got confused and distracted. It felt good when thousands of people were able to eat. They wanted to know what they could do to get this to happen again! But Jesus quickly reminds them that this is not the point of this sign. As much as the now time of our lives is of concern, it is not what is ultimately important. We need to learn the difference between being and doing, drawing more strength from who we are and who God is rather than what is happening around us and the choices we can make. Jesus is the true bread that came down from heaven. Jesus is the very incarnate presence of God who sustains life and assures us that we will not perish. This is not easy to understand and feel. We have to practice being in the presence of ourselves, others, creation, and God. We are brought to a holy place when we encounter the sacredness of being. This is real prayer. Then, we learn to trust. It is when we cease trusting that we start to become afraid, uncertain, apprehensive, and doubtful, and overly self-concerned. We even start to grumble. God has our back. That is the essential powerful message of the living bread come down from heaven. God, who is alpha is also omega, the beginning and the end, and has everything in between in his care as well. A woman once remarked that her most powerful God moment happened when she and her husband cuddled with their new baby for a time. Without exchanging words and using only the affection communicated through sight and touch, they rested in being with each other. This brought them to the sacred, where they realized that a greater Being was with them. It was real. They knew that they were part of something bigger, intimate, and profound. When we rest in the Living Source of life, we will find that our souls are no longer hungry or thirsty.

SUNDAY'S READINGS

FIRST READING:

Then the LORD said to Moses,
"I will now rain down bread from heaven for you.
Each day the people are to go out and gather their
daily portion;
thus I will test them,
to see whether they follow my instructions or not."
(Ex 16:4)

PSALM:

The Lord gave them bread from heaven. (Ps 78)

SECOND READING:

... be renewed in the spirit of your minds,
and put on the new self,
created in God's way in righteousness and holiness of truth.
(Eph 4:23-24)

GOSPEL:

"I am the bread of life;
whoever comes to me will never hunger,
and whoever believes in me will never thirst." (Jn 6:35)

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OBSERVANCES FOR THE WEEK OF AUGUST 1, 2021

Sunday: 18th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Monday: St. Eusebius of Vercelli, Bishop;
St. Peter Julian Eymard, Priest
Wednesday: St. John Vianney, Priest
Thursday: The Dedication of the Basilica of St. Mary Major
Friday: The Transfiguration of the Lord
Saturday: St. Sixtus II, Pope, and Companions,
Martyrs; St. Cajetan, Priest; BVM
Next Sunday: 19th Sunday in Ordinary Time



REFLECT

FIRST READING

Early in their Exodus journey, the Israelites expressed fear and frustration to Moses. God heard and responded to their "grumbling" by sending bread from heaven. When you have you experienced God answering your plea for help?

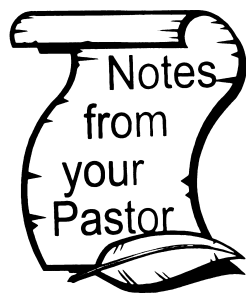
SECOND READING

Paul told the Ephesians that as believers in Christ you should "put away" the bad parts of "your former way of life." How have you done this in your life as a believer in Christ?

GOSPEL READING

We hear today the introduction of Jesus' extended "bread of life" discourse. In referring back to the ancient Israelites who ate "manna" (bread) in the desert, Jesus tells the crowds: "I am the bread of life." How would you explain to someone how Jesus sustains you?

PASTORS CORNER



John 6:24-35

Today's liturgy and the Word of God present us with Jesus as the Bread of Life. Bread is a substance known and used by every society on the face of the earth. It is a gift of God to humanity adapted by the nature in order to be a source of nourishment. In the Old Testament we have to God who took care of his people by giving them food for their survival. He gave them Manna in the desert which was the type of divine bread placed before his chosen people. In the New Testament Jesus calls himself the Bread of Life and tells us that those who eat him will live forever. Jesus presents himself as the person who wants to be part of us. He is what the whole world needs, he satisfies all those who partake of him, there isn't a person on the world who can't tolerate him, and there isn't a person who won't enjoy him when they meet him. He tells the disciples that he is the real bread we all need this bread that has come down from heaven and they have to believe in him. To believe in a person is to make an investment of one's whole self. It is an act of faith, of trust and a letting go. It is much more than just accepting what a person says as being true. Indeed, the person who comes to him will never go hungry. In the first reading from the Book of Exodus God becomes the provider when there was a real lack of food for the people of Israel and they were afraid that they may die, God comes to their aid giving them bread from heaven. In the second reading, Paul invites all to possess life eternal by giving up sin and selfishness. He tells the Ephesians not to live an aimless life but a life centered on Jesus.

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Coronavirus Prayer:

Almighty and merciful Father, who show your love to all your creation. We come before you asking for a quick control of the Coronavirus currently ravaging our world.

Hear graciously the prayers we make for those affected by the virus in various parts of the world. Grant healing to the sick, eternal life to the dead and consolation to the bereaved families. We pray that an effective medicine to combat the sickness be speedily found. We pray for the relevant governments and health authorities that they take appropriate steps for the good of the people. Look upon us in your mercy and forgive us our failings. *Amen*

Our Giving

July 24th & 25th, 2021

St. Joseph: (73 Envelopes)	\$1,341.00
St. Anthony: (27 Envelopes)	<u>568.00</u>
	\$1,909.00

2nd Collections:

Building Maintenance Fund:	10.00
Building Insurance:	5.00

TOTAL: **\$1,924.00**

June Assessment Paid: **\$1,897.65**

"No one shall appear before the Lord empty-handed, but each of you with as much as he can give, in proportion to the blessings which the Lord your God has bestowed upon you."

Mass	Lectors	Extraordinary Ministers of Communion	Altar Servers	Ushers
SATURDAY August 7, 2021 5:00pm	Michael Keefe	Linda Johnson		
SUNDAY August 8, 2021 8:00am	Tonya Hebert			
SUNDAY August 8, 2021 10:00am	Brenda Washington	Tyrone Rogers		

Please Note: Lectors, Ushers, Altar Servers and Extraordinary Ministers of Communion; by calling for a replacement when you are scheduled but cannot serve, you honor your commitment and help to ensure that there is no interruption for mass. Thanks!!

God's Housekeepers:

St. Joseph: Thanks to all of the ladies in **Group C** that cleaned the church on July 31st, 2021. The next group is **Group A:** Marie Francis, Gaynell Kimble and Jennifer Harris – August 7th, 2021.

St. Anthony – August, 2021: **(Group B)** Theresa Cormier, Dianna Darby, Laura Chretien, Jaleesa Richard and Beverly Rixner. *Your hard work and time dedicated is appreciated!*

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In Memory of Our Parents

John & Edith Smith

In Loving Memory of

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

* On Friday August 6th we will celebrate the *Feast of the Transfiguration of the Lord* during the 7:00am mass followed by an *Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament*. Come and join us in this beautiful devotion



To Everyone who Celebrated a Birthday in July



The next Baptismal class will be held on **Monday, August 30th** at 7pm in the Bishop Perry Learning Center. The actual baptism will take place during the 5pm vigil mass on **Saturday, September 4th**.