

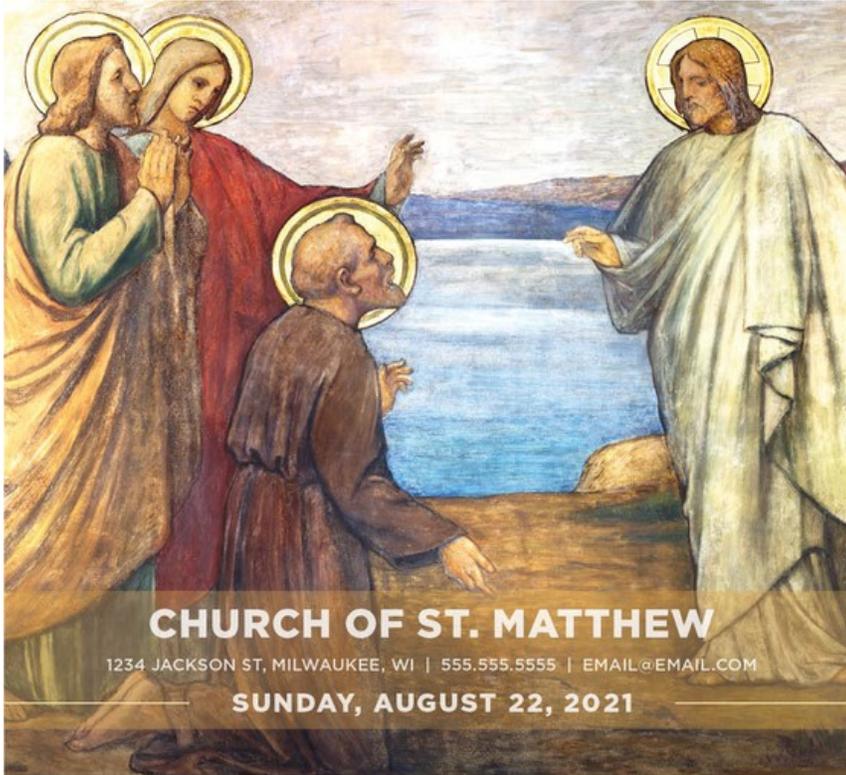
# ST. JOSEPH CATHOLIC CHURCH

## ST. ANTHONY MISSION CHAPEL

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SUNDAY, AUGUST 22, 2021

## 21<sup>ST</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Jesus then said to the Twelve, "Do you also want to leave?" Simon Peter answered him, "Master, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life. We have come to believe and are convinced that you are the Holy One of God." - Jn 6:67-69

### 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:** 2<sup>nd</sup> 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.”

**GOSPEL MEDITATION**



“Far be it from us to forsake the Lord for the service of other gods.” We struggle with our gods. They appear in the forms of things like

money, power, prestige, popularity, privilege, and self-fulfillment. We like these “gods” because they make us feel good and ask very little of us in return. When we worship them, we worship ourselves. How can you go wrong with that? We buy into the illusion that if something can give us a comfortable life, free of want and need, then it is worth setting other things aside to pursue it. In essence, we sell our souls. Our struggle with “who is God” and to whom do we belong is a real one and one that can easily find us empty and experiencing disillusionment. The devil tempted Jesus in the desert and promised him more. We are promised “more.” But in pursuing the more and the satisfying we lose track of the cost, and the cost is great. We sacrifice our very life in pursuit of something disguised as life. We sacrifice truth for something that only “feels” true. While the true and real God certainly promises us many things, many things are also required. It is not about the warm and secure feelings and self-absorption the world wants to provide, but of giving back. There can be no lukewarm stance with regard to faith. If we are in, then faith in Jesus Christ asks us to do some difficult things: work in service of God’s kingdom (not our own), love our enemies, offer no resistance to injury, that we must die to ourselves in order to find ourselves, and trust that Jesus truly gives us his flesh and blood to eat and drink. These are hard things to accept and even harder to put into practice. It is no wonder that many, who may be attracted to Jesus at first, walk away in pursuit of the more self-satisfying gods. But truth is truth. If we cannot accept it from the lips of Jesus Christ, then where else will we find it? To whom can we go? There is only one source of truth and life, Jesus Christ. Jesus has the words of eternal life and if we do not go to him, then where else will we find this gift? But we must be faithful and buy into the whole package deal that requires sacrifice and fidelity. When we do, we find ourselves, through the Body and Blood of Christ, connected to the Source of all life and then intimately bound with our brothers and sisters. We all have to decide whether we want to stay or go and if we can accept what Jesus has to say. It’s a choice we all have to make.

*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, and Mazel Norbert. 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.:** Anna Trahan, Morris St. Julien Sr and Lisa Trahan. 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, John C Francis, M/M Daniel Montgomery, M/M Aaron Kimble, Mae Helen Bernard, Damien Bernard and Gregory Bernard. 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 Thibeaux, Emery Joe, John Albert Ledet, Mark Tauriac, Shavawna Flugence, Mayola Williams, Lester Mouton, Louvenia L Gibson, Audrey Armelin, Rodney Dupuis, Bessie Johnson, and Sylvania Cormier.

## **What Are the Requirements for Infant Baptisms?**

- Infant baptism is for children from birth until generally their 4th - 7th birthday.
  - All children who are baptized must have at least one godparent. See below for more information
  - The parents must intend to raise the child in the Catholic Faith
  - Infants must be generally baptized in the parish that at least one of their parent's attends. For Baptisms at a different church, shrine, or oratory, a permission letter from your pastor may be needed
  - The child's birth certificate should be available for presentation to the parish
  - The parent's marriage certificate should be presented to the parish. However, even for parents married outside of the Church, Baptism is not to be denied to the infant. If you are currently married outside of the Church, this is an ideal time to have your marriage blessed to rectify this. The process is rather simple. Contact your local parish to learn more on how to do this.
- Each parent must also generally attend a Baptism Preparation Seminar.

## **What Are the Requirements to Serve As A Godparent?**

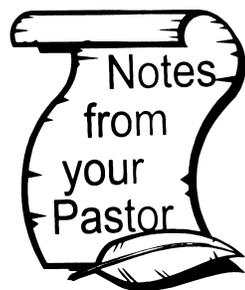
All baptisms (infant, older child, or adult) require a godparent. Being a godparent is both a great honor and a serious responsibility. For that reason, the Church has put a number of laws in place in regards to who may rightfully serve as a godparent.

- Godparents must be baptized, have attained the use of reason and have the intention of fulfilling their role as a godfather of a godmother.
  - A godparent must be a confirmed Catholic and have received their First Holy Communion
- A godparent must be Catholic. A godparent may not be protestant or any other denomination than Catholic. A person who is not a baptized Catholic must first convert to Catholicism through the Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults in order to become Catholic.
- A godparent must be actively practicing the Catholic Faith. What does that mean? A godparent must live a life in conformity with the teachings of the Church including weekly attendance at Mass, rejection of artificial contraception and abortion, and a godparent must not support politicians who promote and support abortion, et cetera.
  - Godparents cannot be the father or mother or spouse of the person to be baptized.
  - The godparent must, either in person or through proxy, physically hold or touch the one baptized, or receive him immediately after baptism from the sacred font or from the hands of the minister.
  - The godparent must be at least sixteen years of age, unless for a just reason the minister admits younger persons or unless a different age is stipulated by the Bishop.
  - The godparent must know the rudiments of the faith. They must intend to help teach the godchild the Catholic Faith.
  - The godparent must not be married outside of the Church, unless they have since had their marriage recognized in the Church. However, marriage is not a requirement. A single Catholic may serve as a godparent, assuming all other requirements here are met, of course.

The godparent must generally attend a Baptism Preparation Class.

Only one godparent is required. Two godparents are permitted but if you choose two, they must be of the opposite sex with one serving as the godmother and one as the godfather. They do not have to be married to each other. While it is not possible for a non-Catholic to serve as a godparent, a non-Catholic who is a baptized Christian in a protestant denomination may serve as a Christian witness to the Baptism, but the godparent to the Baptism must be Catholic and meet the above requirements since a godparent is above all responsible for the spiritual upbringing of the child. A non-Catholic could not fulfill this requirement. A non-baptized person may not serve as a godparent or as a Christian witness.

**PASTORS CORNER**



“We are all members of the Body of Christ. As such, our membership requires that we tend to those under our authority in the same way as we take care of our bodies. No person hates his or her own body. They nourish it and tenderly care for it just as Christ does with the Church.

Hence Jesus says that unless we eat the flesh of the Son of Man and drink his blood we will have no life within us. Through these words Jesus was preparing the way for the revelation of his continued Divine Presence in the world through the Sacrament of the Holy Eucharist. Jesus was inviting them to a new life through his very person but many failed to understand him and left him. But those who had faith in the Lord those who had been called by the Father they trusted in Jesus. They trusted that in time their hearts would be open to what Jesus was saying. We know how shocking and difficult are the words of Jesus if they were heard literally, telling the disciples to eat his flesh and drink his blood. Now not only the religious leaders but Jesus own disciples are deeply scandalized as they found this teaching too difficult to accept. It is Jesus’ dramatic way of saying that we must accept him totally, without any conditions or reservation. His thoughts and attitudes, his values, his life-view must become totally ours. Above all we are to identify with him in the offering of his flesh and the pouring out of his blood on the cross the symbol of God’s unutterable love for us. In the holy Eucharist with which this chapter is closely linked we recognize in our going to communion the acceptance of that challenge to be totally one with Jesus. It is not enough for him to come to us we also have to go all the way to him, with him. When the Body of Christ is offered to us we respond with a total act of faith in the Real Presence of Jesus and a total commitment to the community we serve. Only with a deep unconditional trust in Jesus will we have that deeper insight into the real meaning of Jesus words. It requires an absolutely open mind ready to receive him fully. This indeed is a gift of God who alone can attract us and keep us closer to him. Like the twelve disciples who chose to stay with the Lord and made their total commitment so also let us make our commitment to him to say Lord to whom shall we go, you have the words of eternal life.

*Fr. Ryszard Zawadzki, SVD*

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**Readings for the Week of Aug 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2021**

- Sunday: Jos 24:1-2a, 15-17, 18b/Ps 34:2-3, 16-17, 18-19, 20-21, 22-23 [9a]/Eph 5:21-32 or 5:2a, 25-32/Jn 6:60-69
- Monday: 1 Thes 1:1-5, 8b-10/Ps 149:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6a and 9b [cf. 4a]/Mt 23:13-22
- Tuesday: Rv 21:9b-14/Ps 145:10-11, 12-13, 17-18[12]/Jn 1:45-51
- Wednesday: 1 Thes 2:9-13/Ps 139:7-8, 9-10, 11-12ab [1]/Mt 23:27-32
- Thursday: 1 Thes 3:7-13/Ps 90:3-5a, 12-13, 14 and 17 [14]/Mt 24:42-51
- Friday: 1 Thes 4:1-8/Ps 97:1 and 2b, 5-6, 10, 11-12 [12a]/Mt 25:1-13
- Saturday: 1 Thes 4:9-11/Ps 98:1, 7-8, 9 [9]/Mt 25:14- 30
- Next Sunday: Dt 4:1-2, 6-8/Ps 15:2-3, 3-4, 4-5 [1a]/ Jas 1:17-18, 21b-22, 27/Mk 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23**

**Our Giving**

**Aug 14<sup>th</sup> & 15<sup>th</sup>, 2021**

<b>St. Joseph:</b> (51 Envelopes)	<b>\$1,322.00</b>
<b>St. Anthony:</b> (22 Envelopes)	<b>684.00</b>
	<b>\$2,006.00</b>

**2<sup>nd</sup> Collections:**

<b>Building Maintenance Fund:</b>	<b>25.00</b>
<b>Building Insurance:</b>	<b>50.00</b>
<b>Catholic Communications:</b>	<b>30.00</b>
<b>TOTAL:</b>	<b>\$2,111.00</b>

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**July Assessment Paid: \$1,001.22**

**Stewardship Quotes:**

“If it does not please you to serve the Lord, decide today whom you will serve...As for me and my household, we will serve the Lord.” **JOSHUA 24:15**

When we commit to serve the Lord, we must be willing to become a disciple in the work of the Lord. A disciple is a person who spends time in prayer every day, joyfully participates in charitable works and generously supports their local parish and Church mission. If we say we serve God, we must actually do something and not merely talk about it!

Mass	Lectors	Extraordinary Ministers of Communion	Altar Servers	Ushers
<b>SATURDAY</b> August 28, 2021 5:00pm	Lesia Handy	Cynthia Jackson		
<b>SUNDAY</b> August 29, 2021 8:00am	Erroll Greig			
<b>SUNDAY</b> August 29, 2021 10:00am	Jennifer Harris	Brenda Washington		

**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 August 21<sup>st</sup>, 2021. The next group is **Group A:** Marie Francis, Jennifer Harris and Gaynell Kimble – August 28<sup>th</sup>, 2021.

**St. Anthony – September, 2021:** (**Group C**) Anne Tate, Theresa Jones, Marie Decuir, Rosemary Lee and Lorita Jeanbatiste. *Your hard work and time dedicated is appreciated!*

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*In Memory of Our Parents*  
**John & Edith Smith**

*In Loving Memory of*  
**John Smith**  
*By Sarah and Jane Smith*

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**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

\* CCD registration forms are in the rear of the church. Please complete a form for each student and return to the office as soon as possible.

21ST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



**Inspirations for Your**  
It wasn't your alarm clock that woke you up this morning, it was **GOD'S GRACE & MERCY.**  
**AMEN!!!**