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HOLY MASSES

Saturday Vigil – 5:00 p.m.

Sunday – 8:00 a.m.; 11:00 a.m. and 2:30 p.m. – Spanish

Daily – 7:00 a.m.

Holy Days – As announced in bulletin

RECTORY OFFICE HOURS

Monday & Tuesday 9 a.m. – 5 p.m.

Thursday & Friday: 9 a.m. -5 p.m.

(Closed Wednesday, Saturday & Sunday)

BAPTISM PREPARATION PROGRAM

Both parents are asked to attend the baptismal preparation class prior to the celebration of the sacrament. The ideal time to attend is during the pregnancy. Please call for an appointment.

MARRIAGES

Wedding arrangements should be made at least six months prior to the desired date. Call Rectory for an appointment.

SICK CALLS

Any time, day or night. Call the Rectory as soon as possible.

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

Tuesday 7:30 A.M. – 12:00 P.M. (concludes with Evening Prayer)

First Fridays 7:30 A.M. – 12:00 P.M. (concludes with Evening Prayer and Benediction of Blessed Sacrament)

YOUNG ADULTS

Upon reaching their 19th birthday should assume their own identity by registering with the parish.

LETTERS OF RECOMMENDATION

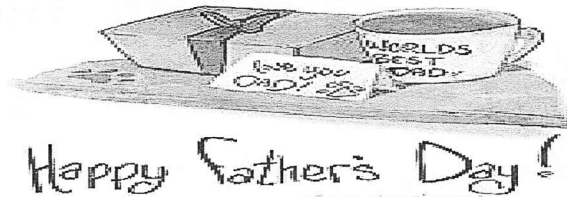
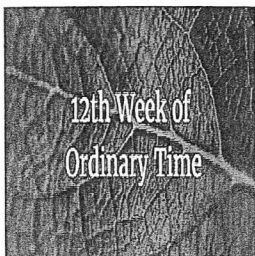
A prospective godparent or sponsor needs some evidence that he/she is an active, contributing member of the parish and leads a life in harmony with the Catholic Faith. We can only give such testimony to those who are actually parish members.

REGISTRATION OF NEW PARISHIONERS

Please call the Rectory for an appointment.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION (CONFESSION)

Every Saturday at 4 pm; Thursday before First Friday 4 pm



Matthew 10:31 Do not be afraid; you are worth more than many sparrows

As Jesus prepares his disciples to proclaim the Good News to the world, he reminds them to always remember that each human being is precious in God's sight. That truth should inform how we live today; how we do ministry and how we encounter every person we meet, including people we don't much like.

Readings for the Week of June 21st, 2020
 Sun Jer 20:10-13 /Rom 5:12-15 / Matthew 10:26-33
 Mon 2 Kgs 17:5-8,13-15a,18 / Matthew 7:1-5
 Tue 2 Kgs 19:9b-11,14-21,31-35a,36/Matthew7:6, 12-14
 Wed Is 49:1-6 / Acts 13:22-26 / Luke 1:57-66,80
 Thru 2 Kgs 24:8-17 / Matthew 7:21-29
 Fri 2 Kgs 25:1-12 / Matthew 8:1-4
 Sat Lam 2:2,10-14,18-19 / Matthew 8:5-17
 Sun 2 Kgs 4:8-11,16a /Rom 6:3-4,8-11 / Mt 10:37-42

Despite the silly joke I'm about to tell you about church growth, Jesus was a wise and competent leader, as the passage of scripture we read today from the Gospel of Matthew shows. But here's the joke: Church growth must not matter much. After all, Jesus started out with 12 and ended with 11.

Our Offering to God
 Stewardship: The collection for the weekend was \$4,584.00. The Catholic Communication \$247.00.
 Thank you for supporting the work of your parish.

I told you it was silly.

The first part of the 10th chapter of Matthew, which we didn't read, shows Jesus gathering his original 12 disciples together and preparing them to go out and preach the Good News to the people he calls "the lost sheep of the house of Israel." At least for the moment, he asks the Twelve to ignore preaching to the Gentiles and Samaritans. Presumably, he'll get to them. As, of course, he and his followers do.

But what is the Good News he asks the Twelve to proclaim? Is it that Jesus has come to die for their sins? Or that if they declare that Jesus is their personal Lord and Savior they'll go directly to heaven, not needing to pass "Go" or collect \$200 on the way? Well, not exactly.

Rather, here's what Jesus calls the Good News: "The kingdom of heaven has come near." He is insisting, in other words, that people can live in God's kingdom today by being compassionate, loving, caring, just and merciful, which are the values that will reign supreme when that kingdom finally comes in full flower in the future.



A face mask covering your nose and Mouth is required

Weekday Masses: Mon. – Sat. 7:00 a.m.
 Adoration of Blessed Sacrament:

- Tuesdays: 7:30 a.m. -12 noon.
- First Fridays: 7:30 a.m. -12 noon.
- Confessions: Sundays: 12 p.m. - 12:30 p.m.
 Saturday: 4:00 – 4:30pm
- Weekend Masses
- Saturday: 5:00 p.m.
- Sunday: 8:00 a.m.11:00 a.m.
- Spanish: 2:30 p.m.

Coming Events

- ❖ Liturgy Meeting July 16th @ 6:15 p.m. RM



St. Elizabeth Ann Seton - Parish Picnic Celebrating the gifts and call of God!

Date: Sunday, August 16, 2020
 Time: 12:00 pm Location: Lawn area behind the church. Detail information to follow.

- ❖ SEAS Anniversary Celebration Sept 12th



Charlie Baker, John Banach, Janet Bonasera, Nicholas Botticello, Arlene Briggs, Milta-Valentin-Cosme, Sue Dietzen, Jeremy Dolce, Andy Dziduch, Vincent Filutze, James Gibbons Jr., Arlene Kuhn, Jack Pencek, Joel Rivera, and Jack Van Dermot. Call with a new name or email: to st.elizannseton@netsync.net
 Listings are normally for Three weeks only.



Memorials

James Andrews by Kathleen Andrews



One Brick at a Time

A wall stood in front of a man's bakery, a barrier that was 16 feet high and 30 feet long. One summer, for reasons known only to the man, he demolished it. Then he asked his 12-year-old son Will and his brother Harry to rebuild the wall — by hand. The boys were stunned. It seemed like a herculean task, bordering on the impossible. But they got to work. Every day, after school, they mixed concrete and laid brick upon brick. After a year and a half of work, they laid the final brick and stood back to examine the new wall. Their father came by and said to them, "Now, don't you ever tell me you can't do something." Then he walked back into his bakery. The boy named Will never forgot the lesson of that project. "I learned that you don't set out to build a wall," he said. "You don't start by saying 'I'm going to build the biggest, baddest wall that's ever been built.' You don't start there. You say, 'I'm going to lay this brick as perfectly as a brick can be laid.' If you do that every single day, soon you will have a wall." The boy grew up to be the successful actor we know as **Will Smith**.

Does God Shortchange Some of Us?

We are used to hearing about people who don't believe in God. Their books fill the shelves at stores. They make the rounds on talk shows. They go out on the lecture circuit. They make the argument that the universe just happened, that death is final, that we give life whatever meaning it has. That's one issue. Some Sunday we can talk about that. Today we talk about another issue: How do we understand God's nature? What is God like? We always assume in the church that God is a good God. We think it's terrible to say anything bad about God. We may think only unbelievers attribute bad things to God. Nevertheless, even the people of God may have such thoughts. We know the psalmist wondered if God would forget him forever. And do I even need to mention the book of Job? Job practically screams at God, "Why don't you just leave me alone long enough to swallow my own spit?"² Many of us admire C.S. Lewis, the great British scholar and prolific writer. For part of his adult life, he didn't believe in God at all. In part under the influence of J.R.R. Tolkien, he became a Christian. He wrote books that have fed our faith. We love his Narnia stories, some of which have even been made into films. Lewis had his own struggles with faith. We saw that in the movie of several years ago, *Shadowlands*. Somewhat late in life he fell in love and married an American poet, Joy David man. After only four short years, she died of cancer. Lewis struggled greatly with his faith. He recorded his thoughts in a diary and published them as *A Grief Observed*. He says in the book that he does not worry that he will go back to being an atheist. He knows he will continue to believe in God. He worries rather that he will believe terrible things about God: "Sooner or later I must face the question in plain language. What reason have we, except our own desperate wishes, to believe that God is, by any standard we can conceive, 'good'? Doesn't all the prima facie evidence suggest exactly the opposite?"³ Lewis writes very dark words about God in his grief diary, words that come from a committed Christian.



(Vigil) Saturday, June 20th, 2020- The Immaculate Heart of The Blessed Virgin Mary
5:00 p.m. Richard Frey by His Children



Father's Day

Sunday, June 21st 2020 Twelfth Sunday In Ordinary Time

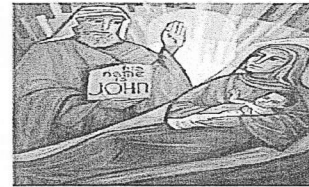
8:00 a.m. Mark H. Maslakowski by Cindy Maslakowski
 Children & grandchildren
11:00 a.m. Carlo Ruiz, Deacon Jose 'Ruiz by Maria
 Kuschel
2:30 p.m. Bernardo Valentine Rivera by the Family

Monday, June 22nd, 2020 Weekdays-Paulinus of Nola, Bishop, St. John Fisher, Bishop and Thomas More, Martyrs

7:00 a.m. Charlotte Murphy by Estate

Tuesday, June 23rd, 2020-Weekday

7:00 a.m. Mildred Schrantz by Leonard & Dorothy
 Schrantz



Wednesday, 24th, 2020-The Nativity of St. John the Baptist

7:00 a.m. Parishioners of Seas

Thursday, June 25th, 2020- Weekday

7:00 a.m. Charlotte Murphy by Estate

Friday, June 26th, 2020- Weekday

7:00 a.m. Parishioners of SEAS

Saturday, June 27th, 2020- St. Cyril of Alexandria, Bishop and Doctor of the Church BVM

7:00 a.m. Leonard Lagano Jr. Cindy Maslakowski

(Vigil) Saturday, June 27th, 2020- St. Cyril of Alexandria, Bishop and Doctor of the Church BVM

5:00 p.m. Charles & Virginia Ricksecker by Nancy
 Renckens

Sunday, June 28th 2020- The Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Times

8:00 a.m. Deceased Members of Larivery, McLeod,
 Kimmitt & Braunschweig Families
11:00 a.m. Fr. Dennis Riter by Dave & Suzanne Nicosia
2:30 p.m. Marie Valentine Rivera by the Family

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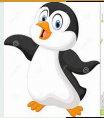
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