

Mass Intentions for the Week

August 6th - August 14th

Saturday, Aug. 6

5:30 PM ☩ Sonny Messina

Sunday, Aug. 7

7:30 AM *St. Brendan & St. George Parishioners

9:00 AM ☩ Angel Gabriel Parrilla

11:00 AM ☩ Alanfaso & Anna Martustiello

12:30 PM ☩ Carlos De Bruzos

In Thanksgiving of Melissa Moremo

Monday, Aug. 8

7:30 AM *St. Brendan & St. George Parishioners

7:00 PM *St. Brendan & St. George Parishioners

Tuesday, Aug. 9

7:30 AM * St. Brendan & St. George Parishioners

7:00 PM *St. Brendan & St. George Parishioners

Wednesday, Aug. 10

7:30 AM *St. Brendan & St. George Parishioners

7:00 PM *St. Brendan & St. George Parishioners

Friday, Aug. 12

7:30 AM *St. Brendan & St. George Parishioners

Saturday, Aug. 13

5:30 PM ☩ Francis Moran

☩ William Daly

☩ Anna Bellapianta

Sunday, Aug. 14

7:30 AM *St. Brendan & St. George Parishioners

9:00 AM ☩ Hugh & Eleanor De Ghetto

11:00AM ☩ Gregory Fialkowski

12:30 PM *St. Brendan & St. George Parishioners

Eucharistic Adoration



Important Notice

There will be Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament on Friday August 12, 2016 from 8:00am to 12:00pm in Chapel.



Grupo Carismático de Oración de San Jorge

El grupo de oración se reúne todos los martes en la Iglesia comenzando con la Santa Misa 7:00 pm, luego de 7:30 pm a 9:00 pm con cánticos, alabanza, reflexión de la Palabra y peticiones.

Mass intentions:



Mass Intentions must be requested and paid only in the Parish Office. All intentions must be requested by Wednesday before 12PM. Please “Do Not” deposit into the collection baskets. Thank You!

Intenciones de La Misa:



Las intenciones de la Misa deben de ser solicitada y pagada solamente en la oficina parroquial. Todas las intenciones deben ser solicitadas antes del miércoles antes de las 12PM. Favor de “NO” depositarlos en las canastas de colecta. ¡Gracias!

Mass Celebrants - Weekend of Aug 13- Aug 14

Saturday

5:30pm Fr. Michael

Sunday:

7:30 am Fr. Charlie

9:00 am Fr. Madrid

11:00pm Fr. Junior

12:30 pm Fr. Junior

Weekend Collection July 30- July 31st

5:30PM	\$ 729.00
7:30AM	\$ 665.87
9:00AM	\$ 956.00
11:00AM	\$ 1021.00
12:30PM	\$ 824.00
Total:	\$ 4195.87
Thank you for your Generosity!	

Message from our Pastor 

In 1974 I was hospitalized for several months due to a spinal injury I suffered in a vehicular accident which rendered me permanently paralyzed from the waist down. When I felt better, I said Mass on wheelchair every night in one of the bigger wards of the hospital. After Mass, I brought Communion to other patients in their wards and rooms.

During one of those Masses, I noticed that one of the patients — a beautiful girl of about 15 — was crying. She had cancer of the bones. After Mass, I went to her bedside to talk with her. When I asked why she was crying, she told me that she was in great pain even though she was just injected with a pain killer. To distract her, I teased her about her crying. I even quoted to her the saying that it took sixty muscles to frown but only ten to smile. She was a bright girl. She got my point right away. Shortly thereafter, she smiled through her tears. Never in my life had I seen a more beautiful smile! But despite all her medicines and the loving care given her by her family, she got worse. Eventually, she was brought home. I was informed that she died a short time thereafter.

In the short time I knew her, I found out that she was a lively and courageous girl. She often had that sweet smile on her face. She hardly talked about her pains. Instead, she talked about the time she would get well, return home and resume her studies. What was the secret of her courage?

Having come from a very devout family, she took to heart, perhaps even without being conscious of it, what Jesus said in the gospel reading (Lk. 12: 32–48): “Where your treasure is, there your heart will be.” In practical terms, Jesus was telling her and us that if we want to know what is in our heart, all we have to do is look into our treasure boxes. It would not be difficult to discover what the little girl's treasure box contains: “Do not be afraid... for your Father is pleased to give you the kingdom... that no thief can reach nor moth destroy.” Her heart was set only on the Father and His gift of the Kingdom and nothing, not her pains, could separate her from Him. From her sick bed, I could sense the message she was sending: “I am not waiting for death but for life.” Having overcome the fear of death, she was looking forward to be with Jesus, the Giver of true life. St John of the Cross once wrote: “You possess God to the extent that you desire Him.” This was

also the message of St. Paul centuries back as we see in the second reading (Heb. 11:1–2.8–19): “Desire a homeland, a heavenly one.” The beginning of any spiritual journey is the desire to possess Christ which inevitably leads to participation in His mission. Then only will the “homeland, a heavenly one” — Jesus' promised Kingdom — become ours. Jesus blesses those who live with this desire: “Blessed are those servants whom the master finds vigilant on his arrival.” As Christians, we have been gifted with faith. To have faith is to learn that life is more than what we can make of it; it is more than fulfilling our potentials and abilities. Faith is learning to live the life we received from the hand of the One Whom Jesus taught us to call “Father.”

Faith is inseparably linked with vigilance. One who is in the state of vigilance stands ready for the unexpected. A vigilant faith has nothing to do with passive waiting. Rather, it demands great attention to what may happen, to what is coming, and an immediate readiness “to open the door as soon as the master comes and knocks.”

Understanding vigilant faith thus, there is no doubt that our sweet little girl had it. For as Jesus said, “By their fruits you shall know them.”

It is not easy to be vigilant, to be open to the unexpected, to have all our senses always active and sharp in expectation for the coming of the Master. It is not easy to stand up to the social pressure of doing what is “in.” It is not easy to be unaffected by the media barrage that promotes the Epicurean but unchristian message of “pleasure now” as the only thing that counts in life — the easy life, a life of giving in to the desires of our senses as epitomized by the ad, “Respect your thirst.” To be vigilant is to take our faith seriously and live it daily.

Knowing our human weakness, it is not easy to be always vigilant, to live one's faith day in and day out — at home, in school, or in our workplaces — in eager anticipation for the return of the Master. But we can overcome this human tendency if we take to heart what Jesus said: “Where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.”

Just like the sick young girl in our story, let us always set our heart on Jesus and on the Kingdom He has gifted us with and which is in store for those of us whose faith is ever vigilant.

Fr. Junior Flores
Pastor



IT PLEASES GOD
TO GIVE YOU THE KINGDOM

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El Evangelio de hoy insiste en la idea del domingo pasado: podemos morir de repente. Y si esto es así, lo razonable es vivir siempre en gracia de Dios para estar seguros de la salvación. Todos queremos salvarnos. No conozco a nadie que quiera irse al infierno. Pero en este punto es frecuente una enorme falta de coherencia. Nadie que quiere ir a un sitio coge un camino que le lleva a otro distinto.

Hablaba yo de esto en Zaragoza a universitarios y les decía: «Si quieres ir a Madrid coges la carretera de Madrid, no la autopista de Barcelona» En aquel tiempo había autopista para Barcelona, pero no estaba terminada la de Madrid.

Es ridículo decir: «Yo quiero ir a Madrid, pero cojo la autopista de Barcelona porque es más cómoda. ¡¡¡RIDÍCULO!!!. Si vas hacia el Este llegarás a Barcelona, y a Italia, y a Grecia, y a la India y a Filipinas; pero no llegarás a Madrid, a no ser que des la vuelta al mundo, pues Madrid está al oeste de Zaragoza. Pues esto que no lo hace nadie con sentido común, se hace con frecuencia tratándose de la salvación eterna. Queremos ir al cielo y cogemos el camino del pecado, porque nos apetece más, aunque sea el camino del infierno.



Please pick up your envelopes at the back of the church. Any envelope left in the boxes will automatic be deleted. Once deleted you are not consider a parishioner and you will have to re-register.



Food Collection **Father English Collection**
(Sat, Aug. 20th - Sun, Aug. 21st)

Please continue to support this Catholic organization donating **Non-Perishable food**, such as: canned foods, cereal, pasta, rice, coffee, tea, peanut butter, etc.

Your continued support is greatly appreciated



Straight & Narrow Collection
(Sat, Aug.24th. – Sun, Aug. 25th)

We want to thank you for your continual support in donating items to the men and women of Straight & Narrow, plus a special thank you to the money donated to this Diocesan agency.



The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary is on Monday August 15, 2016. Mass will be celebrated: 9:00 am, 12:pm, 5:00pm, and 7:00pm. (Spanish)



**REGISTER
NOW**



Especially for: Hector Alamo, Christopher Bengen Fr. Michael Burke, Emma Bracigliano, Jose Bravo, Michael Carbonelli, Alexandra Cafferta, John Canemalla, Angela Cubati & Mary Ann DiPietro. Lucille Della Pietro, Alyssa DiGiacomo, Joseph Eagan, Steve Farrell, Frank Feeney, Gerardo Fernandez, Maria Fernandez, Rizel M. Flores Luna, Shelby Flores, Christopher Grossman, Louise Gorman Trudy Lucas, Kimberly Halupka, Melnick Hank, Theresa Hewitt, Evelyn Kemp, Marie Kennedy, Ivette Larsen, Jan Linton, Albert Mauro, Sophie Messina, Steven Mihalovic, Elena Montoya, Ana Elba LeBron, Carmen LeBron, Keith Oakley, Helen Ortiz, Andy Ponce, Thelma Reck, Anne Roback, Gerry Roback, , Lolita Rodriguez, George Sharp, Jennifer Sogka, Frank Stolair, Carl Stramiello, Barbara Urgovitch, Judid Vivar Phillip W.Wood, Nancy "Gisella" Zegarra.

We also remember those who have died.



Baptisms are **only** celebrated on Saturday. English baptisms are the 2nd Saturday of the month at 1:00pm. Spanish baptisms are the 3rd Saturday of the month at 1:00pm. Parents must provide original birth certificate of the child and should be a registered parishioners of St. Brendan & St. George Parish. Godparents must provide a Sponsor Letter from their parish. They must have all sacraments completed and must be a registered parishioner in a Catholic parish and in good standing. Parents and Godparents are required to attend a Baptismal Prep. Any further inquiries, please contact the parish office.

