

June 26, 2016
13th Sunday in Ordinary
Time

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All Saints Catholic Church

Mission Statement: "We envision a process of transforming all baptized Christian, clergy, and lay into maturing persons knowing themselves in community, growing in their relationship to God, lived in individual and shared ministry responses to their baptismal call."

Dear Parishioners,

Scripture tells us in Luke 24:30-35 that following Jesus' death, two disciples were walking along the road to Emmaus. Jesus was walking with them, but they didn't recognize Him! This week we share with you a few passages from the book "Encounter Jesus" by Fr. Dave Pivonka, TOR, and Deacon Ralph Poyo (Servant Books) on the subject of recognizing Jesus.

"Are we any different? Jesus is constantly in our midst, but do we see Him? He is present to us and speaks to us at every liturgy. Do our hearts burn? Do we encounter Him in the breaking of the Bread?"

"Sunday's Encounter: For a large number of Catholics, the only time put aside for God is Sunday Mass. And oftentimes their experience of Sunday Mass is less than prayerful and heart-burning. There are a million reasons why this may be the case.

"One mom said to me, 'You can't imagine how frustrating it can be getting my kids ready for Mass in the morning. By the time I walk into the church, I am already at the boiling point.' Going to Mass is not supposed to be a near occasion of sin, but I get it. I know that it can be difficult.

"The Mass may not seem to impact us the way we would like or know that it should. Perhaps the music or the preaching is not the style we prefer. Maybe the sacred space is not so sacred....Who has never said something like, 'I would get more out of the Mass if the music were different, if Father would slow down, if Father would speed up, if the child behind me or spouse beside me were better behaved,' and on and on and on? Probably everyone has been distracted, preoccupied, or otherwise engaged during Mass at one time or another....If we are honest, the prayer of our heart is that we are able to get out of the parking lot as quickly as heavenly possible.

"While we can hope for and perhaps work for change, the greatest change that has to take place is in us. It is in our hearts.

"Don't get me wrong. Music, preaching, and environment all matter. But nothing affects your encounter with God more than the heart you bring to worship. Nothing. If we are to encounter Jesus more personally and profoundly in the Mass, our hearts must change.

"But I have to say that the most common reason I hear from people is that they simply don't get anything out of going to Mass. The translation here is: They don't encounter God.

*"In the end, we get what we give, which is often very little. It's sad too, because the reality is that every time we go to Mass, there is the possibility of a life-altering experience."
- Fr. Dave Pivonka*

SACRAMENT of BAPTISM: Preparation class for parents and godparents is required. Please contact the church office to make arrangements.

SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE: Preparation for marriage must begin at least six months before the anticipated date of the wedding. Please contact the church office to set up an appointment to speak with Father.

Parish News & Events

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Mass Times & Intentions

Sunday 6/26: 10am For the People of the Parish
Tuesday 6/28: 6:00pm Prayer Service with Deacon Fred
Thursday 6/30: 9:00am (At the Community Care Center)
Prayer Service with Deacon Fred
Friday 7/1: 8:30am Prayer Service with Deacon Fred
Saturday 7/2: 4:30pm For JoAnn & Jim Allman

Please contact Rita in the Church Office to schedule a Mass Intention.

Altar & Rosary Society

As a reminder to all registered women of All Saints Parish, you are by design, an Altar & Rosary Society member as well. Membership dues of \$10.00, payable to the Altar & Rosary Society, are due annually in January. If you have not already done so, please pay your dues as soon as possible.



BIRTHDAYS

6/26: Teresa Powell, Jacey Freestone, Paola Young
6/27: Lettie Baudler
6/29: Nicole Ball
6/23: Melanie Trichel
6/30: Garrett McAndrews, Pedro Leyva
7/2: Eric Nixt

ANNIVERSARIES

Bob & Janet James
6/26/1971
Justin & Kelly Smith
6/29/2002
Jordan & Valeria McPheron
7/2/2011

Financial Report

for the week of June 19th

Regular Tithes \$2,027.00
Children: \$7.96
Building Fund: \$325.00



4 Keys to the Joy of Love

The Joy of Love, or in Latin, *Amoris Laetitia* is an Apostolic Exhortation. Pope Francis wrote this document to summarize the conversations that bishops from around the world had at two consecutive meetings, discussing the mission of marriage and family life. As an exhortation, *Amoris Laetitia* is meant to be read by all Catholics, and it hopes to inspire a greater response to God's invitation in us all!

Themes of Amoris Laetitia

An Invitation to Love: Pope Francis reminds us that the Church's vision of marriage is not simply a list of "doctrinal, bioethical and moral issues", but instead is a "gift given for the sanctification and salvation of the spouses" (paragraph 72). The sacrament of marriage is "not a 'thing' or a 'power', for in it Christ himself 'now encounters Christian spouses'" (73). Pope Francis reminds us that the Church's vision is a treasure, given to strengthen us and give us joy!

Next week: *The Choice of Love*

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Liturgical Ministers

Saturday 7/2

Rosary Leader: Mary Doud
Ushers: Jodi Bassett, Denny Donnelly
Greeters/Gifts: Marvin & Janet Bassett, Carol Knowlton
Cross Bearer: Denny Donnelly
Servers: Nick Doud
Lector: Roni Wilson
Commentator: Sharon Doud
Eucharist: Deacon Fred, Donna Donnelly, Sister

Sunday Ministers 7/3

Ushers: John Gulbranson, Patrick Gulbranson
Greeters/Gifts: Needed
Cross Bearer: Patrick Tiernan
Senior Server: Larissa Crawford
Junior Server: Alli Boyle
Apprentice Server: Cam Tigges
Lector: Gary Riordan
Commentator: Amy Doud
Eucharist: Deacon Fred, Jessica Johnston, Joyce Van Pelt