

**Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time
August 18, 2019**

This Sunday's Holy Scriptures

Jeremiah 38:4-6, 8-10
Hebrews 12:1-4
Luke 12:49-53

FOCUS: *God's love is like a raging fire!*

In today's Gospel, Jesus outlines many of the ways in which his coming into the world will cause division, and not peace. He comes to *set the earth on fire* – not destroy it, but emblaze it with the fullness of God's love for us. The divisiveness arises not from Jesus himself, but from peoples' response to him: choosing either to build up that fire or to tamp it down. Let us be those who feed the fire of the kingdom, not extinguish it.

LITURGY OF THE WORD:

Jeremiah is imprisoned under the authority of King Zedekiah because the people are upset by his words. But a court official convinces the king to release him. The writer of Hebrews challenges the community to rid [*themselves*] of every burden and sin and to keep their eyes fixed on Jesus. In the Gospel, Jesus tells his disciples he has come not establish peace, but division.

Your Gift to God: August 11th

Queen of Peace	\$ 1010
Building Fund	\$ 15
DSA	\$ 15
St. John the Baptist	\$ 944
Building Fund	\$ 144
DSA	\$ 25

Queen of Peace Church will begin celebrating First Saturday mass beginning on September 7 at 7 AM for the intention of the Immaculate Heart of Mary.

Mass Intentions for the Week

Monday, August 19th

7 A.M. – Elizabeth Hoffer

Tuesday, August 20th – St. Bernard

7 A.M. – Irene Barton

Wednesday, August 21st – St. Pius X

7 A.M. – Victor & Julie Pavliska
Frank & Theresa Brosch

Thursday, August 22nd – Queenship of Blessed

7 A.M. – Donnie Siegel **Virgin Mary**

Friday, August 23rd

7 A.M. – Frank Steffek

Saturday, August 24th

5 P.M. – Sweet Home – John & Betty Stasny

Sunday, August 25th

7 A.M. - Sweet Home – Lena & Louis Bolom
Jimmie Bolom

9 A.M. – Koerth – Hubert & Lela Hermes

Sanctuary Candle at Queen of Peace

August 18-24: Bridgette Lonseth
August 25–31: Otto, Lydia & Toni Havel

Sanctuary Candle at St. John the Baptist

August 18 - 24: In memory of Lena Bolom
August 25 – 31: In Thanksgiving of Anniversary
Jerome & Jocelyn Bolom

Lectors – Queen of Peace

Saturday August 17 5 PM – Elaine Berkovsky
Sunday August 18 7 AM – Anthony Harper
Saturday August 24 5 PM – Sue Munsch
Sunday August 25 7 AM – Paula Janota

Eucharistic Ministers Schedule

Saturday August 17 5 PM – Charles Hermes
Sunday August 18 7 AM – Joyce Harper
Saturday August 24 5 PM – Elaine Berkovsky
Sunday August 25 7 AM – Lynette Havel

Raffle booklets for the St. John the Baptist Church Picnic are available at the entrance of the churches. Please take yours; however, you may expect them in your mail if not picked up.

Picnics & Festivals

August 25 – Sts. Cyril & Methodius, Cistern
September 1 – Sacred Heart, Hallettsville
September 1 – Sts. Cyril & Methodius, Shiner
September 1 – St. John Bosco, Vanderbilt
September 8 – Holy Cross, Yorktown
September 29 – St. John the Baptist, Koerth

Save the DATE

St. John the Baptist Catholic Church Picnic will be held on Sunday, September 29, 2019. We ask for your support for a successful picnic.

AUCTION items are needed. Please no garage sale items or used items. Contact Jocelyn Bolom at 361-293-4760 or the Church Rectory at 361-741-3206.

COUNTRY STORE is asking for homemade items: canned goods; baked goods; handmade articles such as aprons, potholders, hand towels; small plants, etc. Garage sale items are unacceptable.

Volunteers are needed in every Picnic activity during the day. Volunteers are especially needed during cleanup. We will appreciate your support.

Jocelyn and Jerome Bolom are the picnic chairpersons. Please contact them by calling 361-293-4760. They have information on each activity chairperson to be contacted that may need your help.

Picnic Time is Near

St. John the Baptist Church Picnic Meeting will be held on Wednesday, August 28th at 6:30 PM in the St. John Parish Hall. All which are interested are welcome to attend; however, committee members are urged to attend.

A very special **Thank You** to Jerry and Joyce Kurtz for the removal of the tree on the St. John the Baptist Church grounds. We appreciate you and may God grant you many blessings day by day.

CCD REGISTRATION

CCD registration for the 2019-2020 year will be held in the Queen of Peace Parish Hall, Saturday, August 17th after the 5 PM mass and on Sunday, August 18th after the 9 AM mass in the St. John the Baptist Parish Hall. We urge you to register your children during this time. We will appreciate your support and cooperation.

Those enrolling in First Communion Class (2nd Grade) and Confirmation Class (11th Grade) must bring a copy of their baptismal certificate to complete their registration.

CCD is in need of volunteers to aide and assist the teachers. Please contact Skye Anderle at 361-772-0418.

Safe Environment Training

A Safe Environment Training Class will be held Wednesday August 21, 2019 at 6:30 PM at the St. Joseph Family Center Meeting Room. This class is mandatory for individuals who are interested in assisting or participating in any school function, field trip, CCD teachers and aides, Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion, etc. Anyone interested in becoming Save Environment Compliant **must complete the online application (www.victoriadiocese.org) prior to**

KJZT #12 Sweet Home will hold a quarterly meeting on Monday, August 26th at 2 PM at the Queen of Peace Parish Hall. All members are encouraged to attend.