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Eighteenth Sunday In Ordinary Time **August 2, 2020**

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Sunday Mass Times

Saturday 5:30pm Vigil Patagonia

8:00am Sonoita

10:30am Patagonia

Daily Mass

Tuesday – 5:30pm

Wednesday – Friday 9:00am

Confessions

Saturday – 4:00pm to 4:30pm

PUBLIC MASSES SUSPENDED

Along with many of you, I too have been carefully following the pandemic's growth here in Arizona. The spike in cases has caused a tremendous stress for our hospitals and the rate of saturation within the general population appears to be moving upward at a serious pace. For these reasons it has been strongly recommended to me that we suspend public worship in our Churches, and I agree. For these reasons, as of today (July 1st) our parishes will no longer be open to the public. My hope is that this suspension will be brief, but we owe it to our healthcare workers (along with the most vulnerable among us) to take this temporary step.

At this time we're returning to the protocols we were following just prior to the reopening of our parishes. To learn how you can safely receive Holy Communion, celebrate Sacramental Penance, or view an on-line Mass, please go to your parish web site or our Diocesan web site, which provides more detail about our current situation.

Again, I anticipate this to be a brief suspension of public worship in our churches. While nothing can fully replace our ability to gather in person, now is a time to let the Church come to you in your homes.

Be assured of my daily prayers for your safety and good health, and I greatly look forward to when we can once again be in one another's company.

+Edward J. Weisenburger
Bishop of Tucson

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- **St. Therese Parish continues to work internally and expenses continue to accumulate. The budget of our parish depends greatly on the generosity of all of you, parishioners. Our budget has suffered greatly. I kindly ask for your continued financial support to maintain the parish. May the Lord bless you always, Fr. Alexander Tigga.**

***Ramon Miranda is available Monday-Friday
9:00am-2:00pm for any parish office matters.
Cell phone #520-313-4813, or
email sttheresa@dakotacom.net**

***Angel Wings Thrift & Gift Shop is closed until
further notice.**

Prayer Request

Paco Moreno	Bob Bilodeau	Don Witt
Ruben Mendoza	Dr. Jesse	Art Pena
Virginia Fain	Cruz Quiroga	Delfina Madrid
Paul Mihalik, Sr.	Sadie G.	Amelia Barrios
Lucy Mihalik	Joseph Hann	Harold Swyers
Pam D.	Waclaw Wolosik	Jeannette Swyers
Steve Biddle	Pelagia Wolosik	Ricardo Martinez
Nancy Swyers	John Swyers	

JULY 2020	Patagonia	Sonoita	Total
Regular Offering	\$	\$	\$
Goal			\$1,650.00
Over /Under Goal			\$
2nd	\$	\$	\$

Upcoming 2nd Collections:

Aug 2- Parish Priest Salary
Aug 9- Church In Africa
Aug 16- Parish Priest Salary
Aug 23- Poor & Needy

Parish Office News

Dear Parishioners,

Please feel free to contact me with

any parish business as I am

working from my home office.

Mass Intentions

Saturday Aug 1, 5:30pm
Missa Pro Populo

Sunday Aug 2, 8:00am
Missa Pro Populo

Sunday Aug 2, 10:30am
Missa Pro Populo

Parish Home Office Hours:

Contact Ramon at
520-313-4813 or
sttheresa@dakotacom.net.
Monday-Friday
9:00am-2:00pm

Sacramental Life

Baptism: Contact Parish Office one month prior to the desired date
Confirmation: Contact Parish Office for information and schedule
Marriage: Contact the Parish Office at least 6 months prior to the desired date

Angel Wings Gift and Thrift Shop

is temporarily closed because of the threat of the Covid 19 virus. Cases are spiking in Santa Cruz County.

We ask for you to please hold your donations the time being.

We again thank you for your patience and understanding with us in having to make this very difficult decision.

Angel Wings Volunteers

We Hope Everyone Has Stayed Safe & Sound and We Look Forward to Seeing Your Smiling Faces!

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OUR DEEPEST NEEDS

The word of God serves up a tremendous feast for us today. Isaiah beckons all who hunger and thirst to come to the Lord for satisfaction. The psalmist cries out, "The hand of the Lord feeds us; he answers all our needs" (Psalm 145:16). Saint Paul tells us that nothing can separate us from the love of God. Finally, in the Gospel, we hear the story of the miraculous feeding of over five thousand people from a mere five loaves and two fish. Most of us have our material needs met on a day-to-day basis. These scriptures, nevertheless, have much to say to the contemporary believer. We must ask ourselves, "Where are my deepest hungers? Where are my thirsts?" After material needs are satisfied and, in some cases, over-satisfied, many people still experience a deep longing for spiritual balance and well-being. As the loaves and fish are multiplied in today's Gospel, perhaps our prayer can be a longing for the satisfaction of the deepest needs that only God can fill.

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TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — All you who thirst, come to the water! You without money, come to the feast! (Isaiah 55:1-3).

Psalm — The hand of the Lord feeds us; he answers all our needs (Psalm 145).

Second Reading — Nothing can separate us from the love of God in Christ (Romans 8:35, 37-39).

Gospel — All ate until satisfied; they collected twelve baskets of what was left over (Matthew 14:13-21).

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READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Jer 28:1-17; Ps 119:29, 43, 79, 80, 95, 102;
Mt 14:22-36

Tuesday: Jer 30:1-2, 12-15, 18-22; Ps 102:16-21, 29,
22-23; Mt 14:22-36 or Mt 15:1-2, 10-14

Wednesday: Jer 31:1-7; Jer 31:10-12ab, 13; Mt 15:21-28

Thursday: Dn 7:9-10, 13-14; Ps 97:1-2, 5-6, 9;
2 Pt 1:16-19; Mt 17:1-9

Friday: Na 2:1, 3; 3:1-3, 6-7; Dt 32:35cd-36ab,
39abcd, 41; Mt 16:24-28

Saturday: Hb 1:12 — 2:4; Ps 9:8-13; Mt 17:14-20

Sunday: 1 Kgs 19:9a, 11-13a; Ps 85:9-14;
Rom 9:1-5; Mt 14:22-33

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Tuesday: St. John Vianney

Wednesday: Dedication of the Basilica of St. Mary Major

Thursday: The Transfiguration of the Lord;
Hiroshima Memorial Day

Friday: St. Sixtus II and Companions; St. Cajetan;
First Friday

Saturday: St. Dominic

SAINT JOHN MARY VIANNEY (1786-1859)

August 4

A busy pastor jokingly suggests the secret of John Vianney's holiness: "He died seventeen years before telephones!" Call they didn't, but visit they did, keeping Vianney eighteen hours a day in the confessional. Stories abound of reading hearts and exorcisms, but Vianney's first miracle was getting ordained. Difficulty with studies delayed him, prompting the rector's apology to the bishop, "So far to ordain just one, especially *this* one!" The bishop, who could not know he was ordaining the future patron saint of parish priests, replied, "No burden to ordain one good priest!" In Ars, only an elderly handful attended Mass, "praying," one told Vianney, "for a priest with brains." But he stayed forty-two years, fulfilling the promise he made the day he arrived. In a sculpture just outside the village Vianney points skyward: "Show me the way to Ars," he tells a boy, "and I'll show you the way to heaven." To someone who feared there was no heaven beyond the grave, Vianney smiled, "My child, it would have been heaven enough to have lived as Jesus' disciple on earth."

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PRAYER AND HUMILITY

Arm yourself with prayer rather than a sword; wear humility rather than fine clothes.

—St. Dominic

THIRST

You have put salt in our mouths that we may thirst for you.

—St. Augustine