

# Our Lady Star of the Sea Catholic Church

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**The 18th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**August 02, 2020**



### Parish Mission Statement:

*Our Lady Star of the Sea Church is a multi-cultural faith community in the historic St. Roch neighborhood. With the support of the Archbishop, we commit ourselves to prayer and service in our community. We are one family centered around Jesus and the Eucharist. Empowered by the Holy Spirit, we are working to build the kingdom of God.*

Parish is staffed by  
**The Divine Word**  
Missionaries

### Parish Staff

#### Pastor

Rev. Emanuel Tanu, SVD

#### Secretary

Ms. Carol Ali Jenkins

#### Housekeeper

Ms. Mira Cosey

#### Catechetical Leader

Patricia Smith

#### Director of Music Ministry

Mr. Richard Cheri

#### Vigil Mass Organist

Dr. S. Carver Davenport

#### Office Hours

Tuesday - Friday  
9:00am - 3:00pm

#### Weekday Mass Schedule

Evening Mass  
6:00pm Tuesday

Morning Mass  
7:30am

Wednesday-Friday

#### Weekend Mass Schedule

4:00pm Saturday Mass  
10:00am Sunday Mass

#### Reconciliation

Saturdays from 3:00-3:45pm  
and by appointment.

## Parish Ministries

### Pastoral Council

Mr. Eric Pepin

### Finance Council

Mr. Eric Johnson

### Environment Ministry

Mr. Eric Pepin

### Building & Grounds Committee

Troy Millon

### Extra Ordinary Ministers of the Holy Eucharist

Mrs. Monique  
McConduit  
Mrs. Shirley  
Weaver

Altar Servers  
Mrs. Venus Boutte

### Lectors

Dr. Sheryl Smith

### Hospitality/Ushers

Synod Group  
Mr. Gerard Mahlmeister  
Ms. Terese Poche'

Development Committee  
Ed Perkins

### Parish Advocates Ministry

Carol Ali Jenkins

### Samaritans Ministry

Mrs. Emma Sampson

### Youth Ministry

Ms. Sukari Tassain

### Ladies Guild

### Prayer Ministry

Ms. Marion Henry  
Mrs. Cindy  
Giavotella

Isaiah 43 Mentor  
Ms. Arletta Chambers

### Health Ministry

Mrs. Sabera Pepin

Adult Dancers  
Mrs. Pamela Johnson  
Mrs. Delisia Crayton

### KPC Knights

Bro. Eric Pepin

### KPC Ladies Auxiliary

Lady Sabera Pepin

### KPC Jr. Knights/Daughters

Bro. Reginald Crayton  
Lady Delisia Crayton

## Prayer Corner 2020

**Saturday, June 27, 4:00pm, Mass for all Parishioners.**  
**Sunday June 28, 10:00am, Mass for Linda Thomas, Annie P. Oliver, Sybil Rattley, Shirley Vaughn , Darryl Steward and Ernest Owens.**  
**(Donation: \$5.00)**

### The Sanctuary Candle Burns This Week

*In Loving Memory of Nelda Millon*

*Offered By Our Lady Star of the Sea*

If you would like to have our sanctuary lamp burn in memory of a loved one or for a special intention, please contact the office.) **(Donation: \$10.00 )**



### PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR SICK...

Sidney Dominick, Erin Palmer, Arthurine Alexis, Naomi Edgerson, Clifford Edgerson, Tiara Jenkins, Henry Pratcher, Brenda Savoy, Stella Gilley, Rodney Ricard, Dollie Rouseve, Hallie and Owen Pratcher, Willie Solomon, Gloria Thomas, Carolyn Varnado, Doris Westrey, Charles Harrison, Leah Chambers, Ernest Gabriel,3rd., Jewel Barnes, Brenda Johnson, Brenda Bazile, Joann Goodman, Diane Dooley, Helen Steward and Deacon Allen Stevens.

### Weekly Income for July 25-26, 2020

<b>Saturday &amp; Sunday</b>	<b>\$520.00</b>
<b>Online Giving</b>	<b>\$1,131.00</b>
<b>Food Bank Online</b>	<b>\$58.00</b>
	<b>Total \$1,709.00</b>



**Thank You:** For Your Continued Generosity and Support!  
 Please remember that it takes \$6,100.00 per week to cover the Parish's operating expenses

**There will be no second collection.**

### Bible Readings For the Week

Sunday Is 55:1-3	Rom 8:35, 37-39	Mt 14:13-21
Monday Jer 28:1-17		Mt 14:22-36
Tuesday Jer 30:1-2,12-15,10-14		Mt 15:1-2
Wednesday Jer 31:1-7		Mt 15:21-28
Thursday Dn 7:9-10,13-14		Mt 17:1-9
Friday Na 2:1,3;3:1-3,6-7		Mt 16:24-28
Saturday Hb 1:12--2:4		Mt 17:14-20

## Pastor's Corner

**God is Good all the time!  
 And all the time God is Good.**



Today we celebrate **the Eighteenth Sunday in ordinary Time.** Today's gospel tells us the story of **the Multiplication of the Loaves.** How could with only 5 barley loaves and two fish, Jesus feed 5 thousand people, and still left over 12 baskets full? It's Amazing, isn't? That is a miracle. And that is exactly what can happen to us when we **place our faith and trust in God,** when we place your resources in God's hands. For the bible says: **nothing is impossible for God.**

### **Focus on God, not on your problems.**

Perhaps you are facing what seems to be a hopeless financial situation right now; perhaps you are making ends meet every month. Perhaps, your life is like feeding 5 thousand people with only 5 barley loaves and two fish every day. Whatever your situation is right now, **remember this: God is always bigger than your problem.**

Do not focus on how big your problem is, **focus on how big your God is.** Do not focus on your 5 loaves and two fish, don't even focus on your 5 thousand people or 5 thousand problems. **Focus on Jesus;** focus on the one who can solve your problem, focus on the one who can make a miracle for you.

### **Whatever you have, it's never too small for God.**

Today's gospel tells us clearly that Jesus didn't expect his disciples to have enough bread and fish to feed the 5,000 people. He only expected them to place their five loaves and two fish in his hands. It is the same with us. Jesus would never ask us to give what we don't have. Jesus only asks us to put in his hands whatever we have, if we really want a miracle to happen. In faith, I guaranty this: whatever you give back to God, or put in God's hands, he will not only multiply it to benefit others, but he will also give back to you in abundance!  
**Gratitude.**

The gospel tells us that **Jesus** took the loaves and the fish and "Looking up to heaven, He said the blessing." When we recognize and be grateful for God's blessings, God will bless us with more. Being grateful and giving thanks to what we already have is the key to experience more abundance in our life. Amen

**Our Lady Star of the Sea Pray for us**

### A Vocation View:

Jesus multiplies the gifts we give to Him. Share your talents with Him and many blessings will surface.

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PROPOSED NEW

**MURAL OPTIONS PREFERENCE FORM**

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

Place an (X) next to your preference:

- Restore Original Mural (\$58,000)
- Restore Existing Mural (\$49,750)
- Create New Mural (\$52,500)

Please add any additional comments below:

*Liturgical Ministers Schedule*

**Lectors:**

**August 8-9, 2020**

Vigil: 4:00pm Patricia Cureaux

Sunday: 10:00am Anthony Carter

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*This letter has been sent to parishioners*

**Greetings Our Lady Star of the Sea Family,**

We hope that this letter finds you and your loved ones in good health physically, mentally and especially spiritually. We, like you, we are sure, have greatly missed our opportunities to worship and fellowship together during these trying times.

Be assured, that despite all of the difficulties which we have been facing, the Pastoral Council, Finance Council and Building and Grounds Committee have all been working diligently to move forward our renovations of our home to its former glory.

We have begun the process of new sidewalks in front of the Church and on N. Prieur, a handicap ramp and landscaping on the exterior of the Church and will soon have a beautiful and safe access to our place of worship. We hope to eventually improve the outdoor lighting and add security cameras.

At the same time, we are pushing forward with work on the interior of the structure. We have already installed Wi-Fi, in hopes of being able to more reliably stream our Eucharist. The first restorative step is to have the plaster repaired on the side and backwalls of the Church. We have contracted one of the most renowned local plasterers to restore the former glory of our historic structure.

As we all know, the most beloved and iconic feature is our beautiful, spiritual altar mural. Unfortunately, time and nature have taken their toll on this great artwork. **The Buildings and Grounds Committee** solicited proposals for a new mural to which we received a few proposals. After review of the submissions we narrowed the choice to two artists and asked for updated proposals with some recommended changes. We received response from one of those artists **Ms. Elise Grenier**. **Ms. Grenier** has 35 years of experience in restoration and creation of liturgical art and has done work in Florence, Italy. She worked with the plasterer we contracted with on the mural in the lobby of the restored Lakefront Airport after Katrina. Ms. Grenier offered to provide us at no cost with an analysis of the existing artwork and the wall underneath to determine if there was any possibility of restoring the existing mural. In the process, she discovered that the original mural was still reasonably intact beneath the existing image.

Through her analysis, and based on her experience doing restorative work, she has determined that we have the opportunity to restore either the original mural or the existing mural, or to have a new mural created. In order to have either the original or the existing mural restored, it would be necessary for the plasterer to repair the existing plaster at a cost of \$33,000. To have the new mural installed the plasterer would have to strip and apply new plaster to the wall at a cost of \$41,000.

The artist has proposed to restore the original mural at a cost of \$25,000 over a period of 3 months. She can restore the existing mural at a cost of \$16,750, also over a period of three months. To create a new mural would cost \$11,500 over approximately the same amount of time. Pictured on the next three pages are the three proposals with the total cost of each including plastering being:

**Original Mural - \$58,000**  
**Existing Mural - \$49,750**  
**Proposed New Mural - \$52,500**

We want to give each of you a chance to make your preference known before we make a recommendation to the Finance and Pastoral Councils, so they can advise Fr. Tanu. You will find attached to this letter a form to use to express your preference of the three options. We ask that you complete the form and return it no later than August 10, 2020.

**You may either drop it off at the Rectory or in the offering basket at Mass, by email to [olss.bngc@gmail.com](mailto:olss.bngc@gmail.com) or you may mail it to the church at:**

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