IN ORDINARY TIME SEPTEMBER 12, 2021

The Lord God is my help, therefore I am not disgraced.

— Isaiah 50:7



IT'S ALL ABOUT CONTROL

From toddlerhood to old age, we grow in mastery of our own lives, our bodies, and our destiny. This mastery is hard won, and we don't let go of autonomy easily. Much of this self-mastery involves the avoidance of pain or discomfort, so when we hear things like "take up your cross" and "lose your life," we tend to resist the message.

James says that faith without works is dead. Ouch! That is really a direct message! One way to look at this, as well as the part about losing our life to find it, is that faith is a process of more and more openness to God's direction of our lives. It is very hard for us to give up control, but perhaps what we are being asked to do is not to become passive and babyish, but to allow God to direct where our self-mastery will lead and what it will accomplish. We are asked to relinquish the need to control the results of our efforts; to risk, as Jesus did, the loss of everything we are working to achieve. We are asked to let God take the lead and to control the results, even though we may never see those results.

Sat., Sept. 11, 4:30 p.m. Dennis McCloskey, Huval Family, Louis Perschall Sr, Nick Sita, Henry Mauthe, Cliff Dantin, **and for the living:** Leigh Karge, Karge Family and Special Intention

Sun., Sept. 12, 7:30 a.m. Joseph O'Rourke, Al Satches, Carol Pieri, Laurie Lee Kent, David Tucker, Larry Kass Sr., Louis Meyer, Patrick Marchand, **and for the living**, Jon Craig

Sun., Sept. 12, 9:15 a.m. William Gereighty, **and for the Living**: Chambless/Perilloux Family

Sun., Sept. 12, 11:00 a.m. Raymond Brewn, **and for the living,** Parishioners

Mon., Sept. 13, 8:00 a.m. John Stahel
Tues., Sept. 14 NO MASS

Wed., Sept 15, 8:00 a.m. Margaret Mary Mule'

Thurs., Sept. 16, 8:00 a.m. Frank Minyard

Fri., Sept. 17, 8:00 a.m. for the living: Cynthia Stahel

PRAYER LIST

Chuck Armstrong
Louise Cashmere
Nicole Boroughs
Cindy Hebert
Michael Guthrie
Anne Kirsten Ziifle

Starlette Rome
Lisa Vallee
Robert Till
Catherine Atkins
Ashli Pierre
Vincent Murphy
Ethel Istre

Mangerchine Family



August 28 and 29

Envelopes	\$ 1,491.00
Loose	\$ 1,644.50
Bldg. And Preservation Fund	\$ 10.00
E-giving	\$ 820.00

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Envelopes	\$ 1,105.00
Loose	\$ 623.95
Bldg. And Preservation Fund	\$ 416.00
E-giving	\$ 515.00

Thank you to all for the continued contributions. If you wish to give online, please go to: https://giving.parishsoft.com/app/giving/stjohnfolsom.

THE CANDLES BURN IN HONOR OF:

Sanctuary Parishioners

At this time, we will continue to light the Sanctuary Lamp in near the Tabernacle in Jonathan Hall.

Due to Hurricane Ida, we cannot purchase flower arrangements at this time.

POPE FRANCIS' SEPTEMBER PRAYER INTENTION An Environmentally Sustainable Lifestyle

We pray that we all will make courageous choices for a simple and environmentally sustainable lifestyle, rejoicing in our young people who are resolutely committed to this.

PARISH SCHOOL OF RELIGION

Our Parish School of Religion will begin this Monday, September 13th for Classes for grades 8 and below. You can still register online or pick up a form on one of the tables in Jonathan Hall. please contact Amanda Fraisse at amanda.stjohnsfolsom@gmail.com

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS CAR SHOW

The Knights of Columbus Council 10176 has been canceled for this year.

FEEDING THE LINEMEN

Sending a huge thank you to St. John's Knights of Columbus for preparing hot meals for three days at the park so the linemen workers could refuel and continue working those long hours to restore power. God Bless You!

OUTREACH

Thank you to the St. John's Outreach Ministry for reaching out to our community making sure parishioners were safe and not in any immediate need.

GIVING TO GHANA

Due to Hurricane Ida the Mission for Ghana has been canceled.

HAITI RELEIF

Haiti was hit by a 7.2 magnitude earthquake last week which has caused extensive damage, loss of life, and dislocation of people. Catholic Relief Services (CRS) is on the ground in Haiti providing immediate relief to those impacted by the Hurricane. Besides prayer, the greatest need for the country right now is money. If you would like donate to CRS, you may do so https://www.crs.org/our-work-overseas/ where-wework/haiti or contact the Office of Justice and Peace at Catholic Charities by calling (504) 592-5692 or e-mail kfitpatrick@ccano.org.

On Wednesday, September 15th, **SACRAMENT OF PENANCE** (Confession), will be available here at St. John's from 5:00-6:00 p.m. and throughout the Archdiocese. You are encouraged to take advantage of this opportunity with your family.

PARISH TELEPHONE/INTERNET

Currently the parish telephone and internet are out of service. The office is open Monday through Thursday 7:30 a.m. -3:30 p.m. and Friday 7:30 -noon. Our temporary office phone number is 985-264-4707. If you have an emergency such as anointing of the sick, please call 985-474-9898. Thank you for your patience.



FEAST OF FAITH OFFERING AND INTERCESSIONS

In this holy moment—with the consecrated bread and wine, the Body and Blood of Christ, upon the altar we pray for a share in the fruits of Christ's sacrifice. We offer to God what God has given to us, and we intercede for the Church and the world. We pray for the pope and for all the bishops, and we mention the bishop of our local church by name. We pray for the clergy and for all the people of God. We pray in a special way for those who have died. And we pray for ourselves, that one day, with Mary and all the saints, we may come to that place where Jesus already reigns. These prayers of intercession, like the General Intercessions earlier in the Mass, broaden our focus and remind us that the Eucharist is offered not just for those gathered, but for the salvation of the entire world. The Eucharistic Prayer leads us from an intense focus on Christ, present in the consecrated host in the hands of the priest, to a loving sweep of prayer that embraces the world.

REMINDERS

First Saturday Mass at 8:00 a.m.

PSR 1st-8th grade, Mondays, 6:15-7:30 a.m. Weekly Wednesday Adoration, 8:30 – 9:30 a.m. First Friday Adoration Benediction, 8:30 – 9:30 a.m. Men's Study Group in Odilo Hall, Thursdays, 6:30 p.m. Knights of Columbus meeting, Thurs., Oct. 14th at 7 p.m. Weekly Wednesday Evening Adoration, 6:00 – 8:00 p.m. Friday Morning Adult Bible Study, 9:00 a.m., in Library

On Monday, September 13th at 9:00 a.m. in Jonathan Hall, our Church history class will continue our exploration into the Mystery of God with Bishop Barron as our guide.

Our Bible study group will not meet on Tuesday September 14th. Stay tuned for further notification.