

# Dear Padre,

**Our parish used to be united. Now we have Filipino Catholics, Vietnamese Catholics, and Mexican Catholics, all with their own Masses and activities. Why can't we just be Catholic?**

**T**he word *catholic* means "whole," "universal," "complete." To be Catholic, we must include everyone. I once served as a pastor of the only Catholic parish in a town of 20,000 people, more than half of whom were Catholic. The seventeen Baptist churches included a First Southern with services only in English, a First Baptist with services only in English, a First Baptist with services only in Spanish, and a Southern Baptist with services only in Spanish.



The Catholic Church goes out of its way to make sure that never happens to us and that all people feel part of the Church. One way to make a person feel welcome is to offer Mass in his or her native language, which is why my parish offered Masses in Spanish and Vietnamese as well as in English.

It wasn't just about language or nationality. We had Sunday-evening Mass to accommodate the many

people who worked Sunday mornings. And we also had events that brought the entire parish together. The result was that we had six weekend Masses rather than six different communities.

It's difficult to form one Church. It's difficult to be Catholic. But for 2,000 years we've found it to be worth it. Culturally diverse faith communities acknowledge our differences; more importantly, we celebrate our Catholic wholeness through this diversity!

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## A WORD FROM *Pope Francis*

*Do not be afraid of migrants. Migrants are those who always bring us richness....Today there is the temptation to build a culture of walls, to raise walls, walls in the heart, walls on the land....And those who raise a wall, who build a wall, will end up a slave within the walls he has built, without horizons.*

DIALOGUE WITH TEACHERS AND STUDENTS, APRIL 6, 2019

## Calendar

**Monday**  
JUNE 21  
St. Aloysius Gonzaga,  
Religious  
Gn 12:1-9 • Mt 7:1-5

**Tuesday**  
JUNE 22  
Weekday  
Gn 13:2, 5-18  
Mt 7:6, 12-14

**Wednesday**  
JUNE 23  
Weekday  
Gn 15:1-12, 17-18  
Mt 7:15-20

**Thursday**  
JUNE 24  
Nativity of  
St. John the Baptist  
Is 49:1-6  
Acts 13:22-26  
Lk 1:57-66, 80

**Friday**  
JUNE 25  
Weekday  
Gn 17:1, 9-10, 15-22  
Mt 8:1-4

**Saturday**  
JUNE 26  
Weekday  
Gn 18:1-15 • Mt 8:5-17

**Sunday**  
JUNE 27  
Thirteenth Sunday  
in Ordinary Time  
Wis 1:13-15; 2:23-24  
2 Cor 8:7, 9, 13-15  
Mk 5:21-43 or  
5:21-24, 35b-43

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# Our Parish COMMUNITY

June 20, 2021

Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time (B)

Jb 38:1, 8-11

2 Cor 5:14-17

Mk 4:35-41

## A Real Force of Nature

**O**ne of the forces of nature that we have been unable to control is unruly water. We are actually helpless when caught between torrents of rain from above and surging water from below. It is no wonder the ancestors of ancient Israel who lived between the Tigris and Euphrates Rivers characterized cosmic evil as tumultuous water that only the great creator-God could control. This is the scene described in the reading from Job. This water is not destroyed; it is only harnessed. We will have to wait for the end of time for such water to be abolished. ("The sea was no more," Revelation 21:1.) This divine power over water is praised in the psalm response as well.

Belief in God's absolute power over chaotic water and cosmic evil lies behind the story of Jesus calming the sea. This story doesn't simply recount a display of Jesus' extraordinary command over the forces of nature. It is certainly that, but it is actually much more. It stands to reason that, if only the great creator-God can exercise control over this fearsome watery threat, and if Jesus can effortlessly exercise control over such water, then Jesus is somehow this great creator-God. In today's Gospel, the audacious disciples, who initially were frightened by the ferocity of the squall, were astounded by Jesus' authority over the storm. They declared, "Who then is this whom even wind and sea obey?" (Mark 4:41).

It is clear from this story that Jesus is the real force of nature.

*Sr. Dianne Bergant, CSA*

## FOR Reflection

- ★ Spend some time thinking about how Jesus has protected you from harm.
- ★ Pray for the grace to trust in God.



*He woke up, rebuked the wind, and said to the sea, "Quiet! Be still!"  
The wind ceased and there was great calm.*

MARK 4:39



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## Parish Staff

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**Prayer List:** Vivian Halleck, Bessie Mowad, Vicki Martin, Eddie Richard, Jiles Bowling, Tom Hambleton, Bennett King, Norma Bergeron, Clifford Shuff, Roy & Pam Beasley, Ezra Thibodeaux, Bill & Mary Hurd, Donald Behan, Joanna Presseau, Lisa Brown, Bobby Bowen, Piper Rae Pate, Cameron Johnson, Jake & Mary Ann Rivers, Alan Nichols, James Edwards, Addie Procell, Trisha Adams, Sue Ferguson, John Wayne Behan, Timbo Sepulvado, Don Speaks, Marti Vienne, Lexie King, Gary Mitchell, Justin Lincecum, Betty P Skinner, Mary Jane Olsen, Caitlin Pine, Beth Prejean, Beckie Bayer, Leroy Parrie, Clauriste Byles, Sr., Tia Airhart Fontenot, Marty Starks, Trent Chaney, Ginger Mogedan, Cyndle Eyre, Doug Wag-es, Margaret Zammit, Debbie Britt, Hannah Salley, Freddie Grappe, Lucille Wagenspack, Seth Freeman, Billie Cass, Millie Craig, Celeste Peacock, Patrick Calais, Tim Richardson, Fr. Juan Garcia, Dr. Jo Beth Miller, Evelyn Bouillion, Jim Wyatt, Janice Ezernack, Shirley Funderburk, Rodney DeRouen, Joni Bynog, Bobby Slaydon & Kathy Ann Crysel

## Sanctuary Candle

The Sanctuary Candle burns night and day near the tabernacle to honor the presence of Christ. You may arrange to have the Sanctuary Candle at St. John's or Saint Terence burn in memory of a loved one for a week of your choice by contacting the church office. The candle will be booked on a first-come, first-serve basis.

## This Week in our Parish

### Weekend Masses at St John:

Sat, 4:00 PM Vigil Mass

Sun, 11:00 AM

### Sunday Mass at St Terence: 8:00 AM

### Weekday Masses at St. John:

Tues, 5:00 PM

Wed—Fri, 8:00 AM

### Sunday June 20th

7:30 AM Recitation of Rosary at St Terence

10:30 AM Recitation of Rosary at St John

5:30 PM Faith, Food & Fun

### Tuesday June 22nd

6:30 PM KC's Meet

### Wednesday June 23rd

10:00 PM Money Counter Meeting / Brunch

### Thursday June 24th

6:00 PM Choir Practice

6:00 PM Anniversary Committee Meets

### Saturday June 26th

9:00 AM Set up for Anniversary Celebration

### Anointing of the Sick /Ministry to the Sick

Please call the church office if someone is in a hospital, nursing home, shut-in, and would like to be visited or receive the sacraments.

### Sacrament of Baptism

Call the office in advance to register for seminar.

### Funerals

Arrangements may be made by calling the office

### Parish calendar online:

<http://www.stjohnmany.org/calendar>

### Sacrament of Matrimony

Couples are required to call the church office at least 6 months prior to the desired wedding date



## The Sanctuary Candle

Week of June 20th – June 26th, 2020

St. John + Ben Partida

St. Terence + Deacon Mike Sullivan

## Parish Support

(Thank you for your generosity!)

June 12th-13th, 2021

St John	\$	5192.56
St Terence	\$	1887.00

## MASS INTENTIONS

### Saturday June 19th

- 4:00PM 1. + Eleanor Gill  
2. + Peter, Maria Hoa & Maria Loan Nguyen  
3. + Walter Lee  
4. + Dickie Remedies  
5. + Rufus Leone

### Sunday June 20th

- 8:00AM 1. The Parish Family  
2. + Christy Wriborg  
3. Norma Bergeron (SI)  
11:00AM 1. Living & Deceased Members of the Blake, Byrd, Pedersen & Wimer Family  
2. + Ben Partida  
3. + Wesley Eaves  
4. + Roy Cedars  
5. Justin Lincecum (SI)

### Tuesday June 22nd

- 5:00PM 1. + Ben Partida

### Wednesday June 23rd

- 8:00AM 1. Deacon Mike Sullivan

### Friday June 25th

- 8:00AM 1. + Raymond Remedies

## Mission Statement

We, the people of St. John the Baptist Catholic Church and St Terence Mission, in union with the Holy Father and our Bishop, being filled with the Holy Spirit, strive to promote and deepen the Catholic faith in the lives of all who share in our life together. As Disciples, we seek to worship God and find His kingdom among us and in the world around us. Our calling is to proclaim the Kingdom of God through the proclamation of the Word, the celebration of the Eucharist, the Sacramental life, community service, evangelization, and Christian education.

## Money Counters

We are in the process of making a new schedule for our money counters. Please contact Sheila at the church office if you are interested in volunteering to help count weekly collections, or if you are currently a money counter and need to make changes. The annual meeting (a brunch) for money counters will be held at 10:00 AM on Wednesday, June 23. We appreciate each person that gives their time to provide this important service for our church.

## St. John's History Project

We are preparing an exhibit of church history for our anniversary kickoff on June 27th. If you have photos, programs or other artifacts that you would be willing to loan to the church for the occasion, please contact Thomas and Sarah Andries at

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or, drop off at the church office. We need all items no later than Monday, June 21st.

## Knights of Columbus Special-Called Meeting

There will be a special-called meeting of the Knights of Columbus on Tuesday, June 22 at 6:30PM. All members, please make plans to attend.

## Bake Sale

Saint John the Baptist and Saint Terence will be sponsoring a bake sale after all Masses on the weekend of July 3rd-4th to help with the expenses of our anniversary celebration. Please let us know if you are able to donate a baked good such as a cake, cookies, brownies, cupcakes, etc. If you can help, please contact Carol Wriborg or the church office.

Date	Lectors	Eucharistic Ministers	Altar Servers	Ushers
Saturday Vigil, June 26, 4PM (Saint John)	Edie Gowen Rosie Sullivan	TBD	Paul McCormic	TBD
Sunday, June 27th, 8AM (Saint Terence)	No Mass	No Mass		No Mass
Sunday, June 27th, 11AM (Saint John)	Mary Murphy	TBD	Reese Koss Kylie Laroux	TBD

## Saint Terence Mass Schedule

There will be no Mass at Saint Terence Mission next Sunday, June 27th. All parishioners are invited to join us for the Mass of Thanksgiving at 11AM at Saint John the Baptist, celebrating the 150th Anniversary of our church parish.

## Remember in Prayer

Please pray for the repose of the soul of Dickie Remedies, brother of Robert Remedies and Melver Pritchard, mother of Michael Beasley. "Eternal Rest grant unto them O' Lord and Let the Perpetual light shine upon them. May they rest in Peace." Amen.

## Anniversary Celebration Events / Please Volunteer!

Our 150th anniversary celebration kicks off next weekend, June 27th and continues through November. For a full calendar of events and ways that you can help, please visit [www.stjohnmany.org/anniversary](http://www.stjohnmany.org/anniversary).

## Mass Schedule Change

There will be no daily Mass this Thursday, June 24th.

## Society of Saint Vincent de Paul

In the Gospel today, Jesus calms the sea and then asks the disciples "Why are you lacking in faith." In our life's journey, we also must learn to believe in God's presence and to trust in His care. This month, through your gifts, the Society of St. Vincent de Paul was able to continue to show God's love and care to others by assisting families who call upon us for help with food, utility and rent payments. Thank you.

## Anniversary Committee Meeting

There will be a meeting of the Anniversary Planning Committee this Thursday, June 24th at 6PM. Anyone interested in helping us with the anniversary celebration is encouraged to attend.

## Second Collection

There will be a second collection next weekend, June 26-27 for Peter's Pence. Please be generous.

## Pastoral Council Meeting

The Pastoral Council meeting will be held on Tuesday, June 29th at 6PM.

## Parish Work Day

We will have a work day on Saturday, June 26th, beginning at 9AM to set up. Please help us if you can.