

# Dear Padre,

**My husband has vascular dementia and is unable to make an examination of conscience. Part of the anointing of the sick involves the confession of sins, so will it be valid when he receives it?**

If circumstances permit, the sacrament of anointing of the sick may be preceded by the sacrament of penance and followed by the sacrament of the Eucharist (*Catechism of the Catholic Church*, 1517).

However, when conditions such as your husband's don't allow this, judgment on the suitability for anointing is to be made prudently and without scruple (*Pastoral Care of the Sick*, 8). For example, anointing is conferred on people who have lost consciousness or the use of reason if, as Christian believers, they would have "at least implicitly asked for it when they were in control of their faculties" (PCS 14). Therefore, because of the degree of brain-function loss in this circumstance, the sacrament of anointing also absolves any sins.

When a habitual desire to die as a faithful Catholic is implied before a person's illness, the special grace of the sacrament of anointing has this as one of its effects: "the forgiveness of sins, if the sick person was not able to obtain it through the sacrament of Penance" (CCC 1532).

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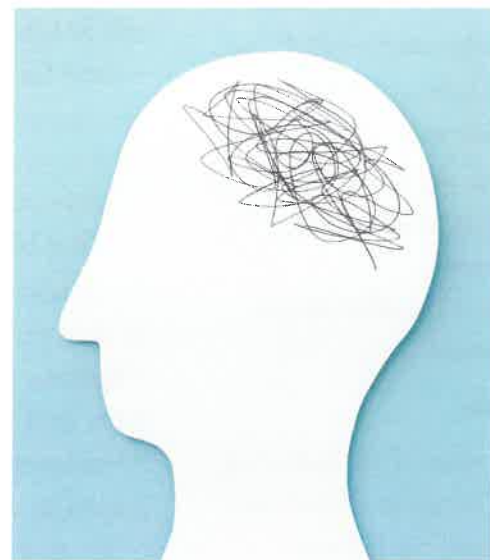
## Do you have a question for the Padre?

Go to [DearPadre.org](http://DearPadre.org) to submit your question and to learn more about *Dear Padre*.

## A WORD FROM Pope Francis

When someone is sick, we at times think: "Let's call for the priest to come"; "No, then he will bring bad luck. Let's not call him."...The idea is floating about that the undertakers arrive after the priest, and this is not true....It is Jesus himself who comes to relieve the sick person...and also to forgive his sins.

GENERAL AUDIENCE, FEBRUARY 26, 2014



## Calendar

**Monday**  
AUGUST 23  
Weekday  
1 Thes 1:1-5, 8b-10  
Mt 23:13-22

**Tuesday**  
AUGUST 24  
St. Bartholomew,  
Apostle  
Rv 21:9b-14  
Jn 1:45-51

**Wednesday**  
AUGUST 25  
Weekday  
1 Thes 2:9-13  
Mt 23:27-32

**Thursday**  
AUGUST 26  
Weekday  
1 Thes 3:7-13  
Mt 24:42-51

**Friday**  
AUGUST 27  
St. Monica  
1 Thes 4:1-8  
Mt 25:1-13

**Saturday**  
AUGUST 28  
St. Augustine,  
Bishop and Doctor  
of the Church  
1 Thes 4:9-11  
Mt 25:14-30

**Sunday**  
AUGUST 29  
Twenty-second Sunday  
in Ordinary Time  
Dt 4:1-2, 6-8  
Jas 1:17-18,  
21b-22, 27  
Mk 7:1-8, 14-15,  
21-23

# Our Parish COMMUNITY

August 22, 2021

Twenty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time (B)

Jos 24:1-2a, 15-17, 18b

Eph 5:21-32 or 5:2a, 25-32

Jn 6:60-69

Simon Peter answered... "You have the words of eternal life. We have come to believe and are convinced that you are the Holy One of God."

JOHN 6:68-69

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## Make Up Your Mind

One can say that life is a series of choices. You have to make up your mind; which shall it be? Some of these choices are insignificant: red or green? Others are much more important: To what shall I commit my life? Shall I get married? There are some choices that are even more momentous: What kind of a person do I want to be—trustworthy or crafty? Should I even bother with God and religion?

Having spent a lifetime in the wilderness, the Israelites were poised in the land of the Amorites, ready to enter the land promised to them by God. Before they moved forward, a pressing decision had to be made. Which god were they going to worship? A Canaanite god who presumably made the land before them fertile and inviting? Or the God who delivered them from Egypt, fed them in the wilderness, brought them safely to this point, and yet with whom they

quarreled throughout their wilderness sojourn? Joshua voiced his decision: "As for me and my household, we will serve the LORD" (Joshua 24:15).

Jesus' declaration of himself as "the bread of life" (John 6:35) troubled many people. It was then, and still is today, a difficult saying. It was repulsive to many, and they thought that Jesus sounded blasphemous. Those who could not accept his claim, left him. He asked his closest followers, as he asks us today: "Do you also want to leave?" Speaking for all, Peter replied: "Master, to whom shall we go?" (John 6:67-68). How might you answer?

Sr. Dianne Bergant, CSA

## FOR Reflection

- What decisions of conscience has life placed before you? How did you decide?
- Trust in God's care and protection even if you might have chosen better.





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**Please note:** The names on the prayer list will go through a cycle. As the names are moved to the top, they will be removed as new names are added. Please contact the office to add or remove a name.

## This Week in our Parish

### Weekend Masses at St John:

Sat, 4:00 PM Vigil Mass

Sun, 11:00 AM

### Weekend Mass at St Terence

Sun, 8:00 AM

### Weekday Masses at St. John:

Tues, 5:00 PM

Wed—Fri, 8:00 AM

### Saturday August 21st

3:30 PM Recitation of Rosary at St John

### Sunday August 22nd

7:30 AM Recitation of Rosary at St Terence

10:30 AM Recitation of Rosary at St John

0000 5:30 PM Youth Group Meets

### 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 August 22nd - 28th, 2021

St. John + For our Military  
 St. Terence + Mike Breaux

### 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.

## MASS INTENTIONS

### Saturday August 21st

- 4:00PM 1. + Father Ken Williams  
 2. + William Sepulvado, Jr.  
 3. + Deacon Mike Sullivan  
 4. + Eunice & Chris Ebarb  
 5. + Rufus Leone

### Sunday August 22nd

- 8:00AM 1. The Parish Family  
 2. + Christy Wriborg  
 3. + Jeffrey & JoJo Bergeron  
 4. + Dr Sien Oey  
 11:00AM 1. + Fr. Ken Williams  
 2. + Steven Rodrigues  
 3. + Deacon Mike Sullivan  
 4. + Chris & Eunice Ebarb  
 5. + William Sepulvado, Jr.  
 6. Waylon Malmay (SI)

### Tuesday August 24th

- 5:00PM 1. + William Sepulvado, Jr.

### Wednesday August 25th

- 8:00AM 1. + Deacon Mike Sullivan

### Thursday August 26th

- 8:00AM 1. Justin Lincecum (SI)

### Friday August 27th

- 8:00AM 1. + Deacon Mike Sullivan

## Spanish Mass

On Sunday, August 29th and Sunday, October 31st at 5PM, Father Rigoberto Betancurt will celebrate our Spanish Mass and will be available for confessions.

## Parish Support

(Thank you for your generosity!)

August 14th-15th, 2021

St John	\$	4690.17
St Terence	\$	1438.00

**Note:** Please call the church office to request the Sanctuary Lamp or Mass Intention in memory of or in honor of a loved one.

## Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Pope Benedict XVI has said *"In a world where there is so much noise, so much bewilderment, there is a need for silent adoration of Jesus concealed in the Host."*

Adoration at St. John's will begin **September 8th. Just One Hour Can Change Our World!** A sign-up sheet is in the back of the Church. Please consider giving an hour each week to Our Lord in Adoration. We need at least two individuals for each time slot. If you prefer to be an alternate, please sign and give your phone number and hours available.

If you have questions, contact Mary Beth Tarver at 318. 332.9901 or the church office.

## Bible Study Class Begins September 2nd

Our next Bible Study program, "The Great Adventure" begins on **Thursday, September 2nd at 6PM.** In this study program, well-known Catholic speaker Jeff Cavins untangles the complex Biblical narrative and provides a chronological guide linking together the historical characters and stories contained in God's Word. This is an amazing program!

Interested persons may sign up at the office or contact Clairiste Byles with any questions.

## Items Needed

Please consider donating one or more of the following items to help with the Fishing Tournament Fundraiser: Baked beans, canned soft drinks and bottled water, desserts (cookies, brownies, etc.) charcoal, lighter fluid, barbecue sauce, sliced bread, frozen hamburger patties, weiners, hot dog and hamburger buns, and individual bags of chips.

## Door Prizes

If you would like to donate a door prize or help solicit door prizes for our Fishing Tournament fundraiser, please contact Frank Little or the church office. All help is appreciated.

## Society of St Vincent de Paul

In today's Gospel, Jesus asks *"Do you also want to leave?"* We must ask ourselves if we really want to hear the good news of His love for us and for others. Is the word of God able to break into our consciousness, change us and call us to hear the cries of the poor? This month, through your gifts, the Society of St. Vincent de Paul was able to hear the cries of the poor by assisting families with utility bills and other expenses. God Bless You!

## CCD Program Registration

CCD registration will be held this Sunday, August 22nd and 29th, after the IIAM Mass. The first CCD class will be held on Sunday, September 12th at 9AM. If you cannot register your child at the designated time, please contact Jean Rains.

## Fall ACTS Retreats

Consider participating in one of the upcoming ACTS retreats. Registration forms are posted at [www.stjosephchurch.net/adult-faith-formation](http://www.stjosephchurch.net/adult-faith-formation). For more information please contact Kevin Nolton at [kevinolton@gmail.com](mailto:kevinolton@gmail.com). Men's: **Sept. 16-19.** Women's **Sept. 30-Oct. 3.**

## Fishing Tournament Fundraiser Highlights

~This is our church parish's biggest fundraiser of the year and will be held at Big Bass Marina on **Saturday, September 4th.**

~Entry fee is \$80. Children 12 and under fish free

~Tournament begins at 6:30AM. Entry forms can be picked up from the church office and are also located on our website.

~Raffles: fishing rod, Split the Pot, Yeti Cooler raffle

~Grilled burgers, hot dogs and other foods will be available for purchase at Big Bass the day of the tournament; There will also be door prize drawings

~Barbecue lunches will be sold. \$10 per ticket; pick up at St. John, St. Terence or Big Bass. Local deliveries to businesses.

~Sponsorships and donations of any amount are needed. Please help us by contacting business acquaintances and others

~We need volunteers. This is YOUR church parish.

## Barbecue Chicken Dinners

We will be selling barbecue lunches on **Saturday, September 4th,** Labor Day weekend, as part of our Fishing Tournament Fundraiser. Lunches will consist of 1/2 barbecue chicken, potato salad, baked beans, dessert and bread for \$10. The dinners will be available for pickup at St John, St Terence or Big Bass Marina, beginning at 10AM on **September 4th.** Tickets may be purchased from the church office or after weekend Masses.

Date	Lectors	Eucharistic Ministers	Altar Servers	Ushers
<b>Saturday Vigil, August 28th, 4PM (Saint John)</b>	Matthew Couvillion	TBD	Masen Starks	TBD
<b>Sunday, August 29th, 8AM (Saint Terence)</b>	Carrie DeRouen	Frank Little		TBD
<b>Sunday, August 29th, 11AM (Saint John)</b>	J J Blake	TBD	Kylie Laroux Kynndi Laroux Teagan Rodrigues	TBD