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THE NEWS-BULLETIN FOR THE TRIPARISHES OF ST. JOSEPH, IMMACULATE HEART OF MARY, ST. FRANCES XAVIER CABRINI

He awoke, and rebuked the wind, and said to the sea, "Peace! Be still!" The wind ceased, and there was a great calm. He said to them, "Why are you so afraid? How is it that you have no faith?" They were greatly afraid, and said to one another, "Who then is this, that even the wind and the sea obey him?"
 Mark 4:39-41

Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time June 20, 2021

St. Joseph
 76950 Gum Street
 Grosse Tete, LA 70740
Holy Mass:
 Sunday: 9:00am

Immaculate Heart of Mary
 11140 Highway 77
 Maringouin, LA 70757
Holy Mass:
 Saturday: 4:00pm
 Tuesday — Friday: 8:30am

St. Frances Xavier Cabrini
 3523 LA. Highway 78
 Livonia, LA 70755-0128
Holy Mass:
 Sunday: 11:00am

St. Catherine of Siena Mission
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The Mass Readings for The Week of June 20, 2021

Monday: Gn 12:1-9; Ps 33:12-13, 18-20, 22; Mt 7:1-5
 Tuesday: Gn 13:2, 5-18; Ps 15:2-4ab, 5; Mt 7:6, 12-14
 Wednesday: Gn 15:1-12, 17-18; Ps 105:1-4, 6-9;
 Mt 7:15-20
 Thursday: Vigil: Jer 1:4-10; Ps 71:1-6ab, 15ab, 17;
 1 Pt 1:8-12; Lk 1:5-17
 Day: Is 49:1-6; Ps 139:1-3, 13-15;
 Acts 13:22-26; Lk 1:57-66, 80
 Friday: Gn 17:1, 9-10, 15-22; Ps 128:1-5; Mt 8:1-4
 Saturday: Gn 18:1-15; Lk 1:46-50, 53-55; Mt 8:5-17
 Sunday: Wis 1:13-15; 2:23-24; Ps 30:2, 4-6, 11-13;
 2 Cor 8:7, 9, 13-15; Mk 5:21-43
 [5:21-24, 35b-43]

Devotional Life in The TriParishes

MON	Post-Mass	Prayer for the Gifts of The Holy Spirit
TUE	Post-Mass	Devotion to Our Mother of Perpetual Help
TUE	9:00am	The Holy Rosary—Home of Ruby Hafford
TUE	4:00pm	Charismatic Prayer Group—at St. Joseph Parish Hall
WED	Post-Mass	Devotion to St. Joseph
WED	5:00pm	The Holy Rosary at St. Catherine
WED	6:00pm	The Holy Rosary at St. Joseph Church
THU	Post-Mass	Litany of Jesus Christ, Priest and Victim / Vocations
FRI	Post-Mass	Devotion to the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus

The Sanctuary Lamp Burns for these Intentions the Week of June 20, 2021

Immaculate Heart of Mary: in loving memory of Mary Webber
St. Joseph: in loving memory of Thelma Stephens
St. Frances: in loving memory of Johnny & Joycelyn Newton
St. Catherine: in loving memory of Jessie Arnaud



Vocation

Life can remind us of life-eternal; Death can remind us of death-eternal. Each day we must choose to live or die physically or spiritually. What we do daily either builds us up or tears us down. Priests and religious are unique proclaimers of eternal life. If you feel God is calling you to be one, you contact Father Josh Johnson at (225) 336-8778, jjohnson@diobr.org, or visit www.diobr.org/vocations

Thoughts along the way

Fr. Christopher Decker

Hello All,

As the days draw onward for my upcoming move to St. Mary's in New Roads, the rectory here in Livonia is becoming more and more like I found it when I arrived nearly six years ago. Over the years, I've added my own little touches and decorative elements and now they're packed up and ready for the next chapter of my life as a priest. I admit that it doesn't get any easier to transfer assignments. It isn't just the rectory that transforms and takes on something of the personality of the pastor, but the heart of the pastor transforms as he encounters the unique expression of faith in the people whom he serves. As I've been packing, I have taken some time to meditate and pray with these little icons that hang in my heart from the gifts that so many of you have offered in opening your hearts, homes, and lives to me. That is the beautiful exchange of heart speaking to heart.

As we celebrate this month dedicated to the Sacred Heart of Jesus, it seems to weave well in Jesus' desire to make His heart known to us. This is why He unfolds for us the depths of God's heart in the parables about the Kingdom of God that we heard last Sunday in the Gospel and why He calms the storms in the presence of His disciples. Jesus wants us to let these occasions of activity while here on earth provide a little icon to hang in our hearts so that we may understand and believe that He truly desires us to know Him, trust in His love, and strive to be joined to the Kingdom of God that is ultimately built in our hearts first.

This is also the work of the father of the family. As we honor our earthly fathers this weekend, it's important to give thanks to Our Heavenly Father by worshipping Him in the Sacred Mysteries at the Holy Mass. From there we receive the very lifeblood of Jesus to propel us back into family life where the building blocks of God's Kingdom are mined, shaped, and readied for God to assemble into a beautiful temple dedicated to Him. All this is possible because The Lord plants a desire for Himself deep within each of us. It is the father's work in the family to aid in teaching his spouse and children how to listen for this desire and lead them in being virtuous men, not given over to the spirit of the age, but rather to the Spirit of God that helps heart speak unto heart.

May Jesus' Sacred Heart beat in your chests, men. It's from that source, fed by the Eucharist and grown in the gymnasium of prayer that will help you to know God, seek Heaven, and aid your families in the great adventure of walking towards Salvation in Christ.

Pax,

Fr. Chris

A Father's Day Prayer

God,
 Bless all the fathers in the world. Father, we ask that You guide them to be good role models and loving to their children. We also ask that You help them to be a father like You are. Give them grace and patience to handle situations in a loving way.
 Amen



The TriParishes will have a reception for Father Chris on Sunday, June 27th, after the 11:00am Mass at St. Frances. All are welcome.

St. Joseph Family Festival



Once again we are able to plan for our St. Joseph Family Festival which will be held on Sunday, September 19, 2021. There will be a meeting on Sunday, June 20th at St. Joseph Parish Hall after the 9:00am Mass for anyone interested in helping with the festival. This is also a time when students can plan to earn service hours. We welcome feedback on any new ideas or changes to existing forum.

St. Joseph Senior Potluck Luncheons Resume



St. Joseph Senior Potluck Luncheon will resume on Wednesday, July 7th, at St. Joseph Parish Hall starting at 11:30am. All Seniors are welcome.



Looking for Catechism Teachers for all 3 Parishes. Please pray on this and see if God is calling you to this ministry. Call Peggy at the Parish Office if interested.

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Your Stewardship for June 13, 2021

Immaculate Heart of Mary	
Offertory Collection	\$1,436.00
On-Line Giving	\$105.00
India Appeal	\$242.00
St. Joseph	
Offertory Collection	\$2,930.00
On-Line Giving	\$175.00
India Appeal	\$316.00
St. Frances	
Offertory Collection	\$2,979.00
On-Line Giving	\$343.00
India Appeal	\$497.00

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PICK OF THE WEEK

June 20, 2021

WATCH

BAPTISM IN THE HOLY SPIRIT & FIRE

As we celebrate the Nativity of John the Baptist this week, we remember his words: "He will baptize us with the Holy Spirit and fire" (Mt 3:11). Jesus came to baptize us in the Holy Spirit, and the power and grace that comes from baptism in the Holy Spirit changes lives. Explore the meaning of this sacrament in this episode of The Wild Goose!



LEARN

TRUE REFORMERS: EPISODE 1 - ST. THOMAS MORE

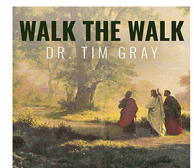


St. Thomas More was one of the greatest humanists of his age but also a man devoted to the spiritual life. His lifetime of learning, charity, and service to the public good of England enabled him to stand a patient and holy witness—and one of the greatest of modern martyrs.

LISTEN

WALK THE WALK: FOLLOWING CHRIST AS HIS DISCIPLE BY DR. TIM GRAY

Being a disciple of Jesus has always been synonymous with being a Christian. From the Scriptures and from his own experience, Dr. Tim Gray explains how Christian discipleship calls us to follow in the footsteps of Christ as engaged participants in God's plan. In doing so, we bear witness to the Lord in our families, workplaces, and communities.



Our parish has a FORMED subscription. To set up your free account visit formed.org/signup and select our parish.

Reconciliation (confession) is celebrated at Immaculate Heart of Mary on Saturday from 3:00—3:45pm. If you'd like to celebrate the Sacrament of Reconciliation outside the scheduled time, please call the office to arrange a time with the priest.

Marriage Couples are asked to contact the priest at least six months before the desired date.

Baptism Celebrated on the 3rd weekend of each month. A Baptismal Seminar is required before a baptism can be properly scheduled. Please contact the parish office during early months of pregnancy.

Pastoral Care of the Sick Please call the parish office to arrange for Holy Communion or Anointing of the Sick.