

TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

August 23, 2020

Mass Intentions

<i>Tues.</i>	6:30 A.M.	Gilbert Kacir
<i>Wed.</i>	6:30 A.M.	Louie & Rosie Hanzelka
	*8:15 A.M.	Living & Deceased Members of the Alfred & Leon Proschko Family
<i>Thurs.</i>	6:30 A.M.	Ervin Rainosek <i>St. Monica</i>
<i>Fri.</i>	6:30 A.M.	Gilbert Kacir <i>St. Augustine, Bishop & Doctor of the Church</i>
<i>Sat.</i>	5 P.M.	Jim & Cheryl Delvige
<i>Sun.</i>	7 A.M.	Shirley Chumchal
	9 A.M.	Vaclav "Jimmie" Roznovsky
	11 A.M.	Parish Family <i>Pro Populo</i>

*Due to the extra steps as the children arrive for school the Mass will begin at **8:15 A.M.** to prevent the rush to get into the Church.

Sanctuary Candle Intention

The Sanctuary Candle will burn this week in memory of Jesse Gomez.

Prayer List

Contact Theresa Bordovsky at 293-3124 or
Ann Marie Bludau at 798-2959.

This Sunday's Holy Scriptures

Is 22:19-23; Rom 11:33-36; Mt 16:13-20

Your Gift to God: August 16th

St. Joseph Parish Support	\$3,386
Online Giving Parish Support	\$1,840
Building Fund	\$225
Online Building Fund	\$25
St. Ann Parish Support	\$945
Online Giving	\$283

May God reward your generosity!

Ever Consider Online Giving?

Visit the parish website, click on the Online Giving icon and follow the instructions to setup your online giving account.

Liturgical Assignments

Lectors

<i>Sat.</i>	5 P.M.	Charles Kvinta
<i>Sun.</i>	7 A.M.	Kendra Wenske
	9 A.M.	Anthony Harper
	11 A.M.	Gabriel Espinosa

Ushers/Hospitality

<i>Sat.</i>	5 P.M.	Charlie & Carolyn Hoepfl, Debbie Caka, Rhonda Hansel
<i>Sun.</i>	7 A.M.	Tommy & Roberta Wenzel
	9 A.M.	Glenn & Darlene Renken, Bobby & Bea Welfl
	11 A.M.	Vicky Vasquez, Gerardo Rivas Raquel Gomez, Jose Martinez

Clase de Preparacion Bautismal

La clase de preparación bautismal será el primer Sabado, **Septiembre 5, del mes a las 9:00 a.m.** en el Salon Parroquial. Hable con Susanna Trujillo para mas información.

Website Updated

The parish website has received a much needed overhaul to seek to make it more accessible and user-friendly. Take a look and get a sense of what is available at one's fingertips.

Weekly Contributions

For precautionary reasons the collection baskets will not be passed during Mass. Baskets will be available at the front of church for those who wish to leave their weekly contribution. Otherwise you may continue to drop your envelope off at the parish office during regular business hours, placed in the drop box (left of the office front door) or mailed to P. O. Box 734.

Please Note: Confessions

Wednesday confessions will be heard from **5 p.m. to 5:30 p.m.** On **Saturdays** confessions are available from **4 p.m. to 4:40 p.m.**

Unfortunately longer than expected....

As has been demonstrated in past years by the clergyman's OCD issue with missalettes walking off in droves...the missalettes are helpful and meant to assist in everyone's full participation...and a very expensive subscription for the parish. Now that we are getting back to school and church attendance has grown a bit...and the pandemic continues to raise much needed concerns—folks are invited to take an English (blue vinyl-covered) missalette/songbook home—in fact— don't leave it here once you pick it up. Simply bring it with you to Mass and take it home. The Spanish language missalettes/songbook combo in the red vinyl cover is a bit of a different subscription issue in that the songbook does not change—meaning the Misal can go home but the red cover and Flor y Canto book remains and is unavailable to be used. When Advent approaches—and our new missalettes and English songbooks arrive, (ka-ching, ka-ching!)—you'll be asked to bring the blue covers back so they can be sanitized and re-used with the new editions...and the priest can resume his hobby of counting “missing missalettes” and needlessly filling bulletins with “Wanted” notices yet again.

An “Informed” Decision

Most will remember the “old days” when an adult who wanted to be baptized or received into the Church would undergo several meetings with Father then “become” Catholic. The Church wants those who consider joining it to be as informed as possible about what “they are getting themselves into.” The best way to get a good and broad overview of the Church and its teachings is the Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults (R.C.I.A.). **It begins on September 13th**, meets weekly (except holidays) and concludes at Easter when the candidates receive all of their Sacraments of Initiation (Baptism, Eucharist and Confirmation). If you have been thinking about joining the Church or know someone who has always said that they are eventually going to become a Catholic, now is the time to encourage them to take the next step. For more information contact Deacon Dennis Kutach at (361)741-2657 or at deacon@stj catholicchurch.com.

Baptismal Preparation Class

The next English Baptismal Preparation Class will be held **Saturday, September 12th at 9:00 a.m.** in the Family Center Meeting Room.

Safe Environment Training

A Safe Environment Training class will be held **Wednesday, August 26th at 6:30 P.M.** at the Family Center Meeting Room. This class is mandatory for individuals who are interested in assisting or participating in any school function, field trip, CCD aide. Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion, etc. Anyone interested in becoming Safe Environment compliant **must complete the online application (www.victoriadiocese.org) prior to attending the class.**

Online Auction



August 21st – August 28th

CDA Meeting

The Catholic Daughters will meet **Monday, August 31st** at 6:00 P.M. in the Family Center to discuss the budget and to review the rules. Light refreshments will be served. All CDA members or any lady of the parish interested in learning more about the Catholic Daughters is encouraged to attend. Hope to see you on the 31st!

Gratitude

The parish family extends its appreciation and gratitude to KJZT Family Life for their generous contribution to parish life during the pandemic. Donations were received for both parishes – St. Joseph and St. Ann. St. Ann Society #37 Hochheim and St. Joseph, Yoakum is proud to be Society #1, Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary, and serve as the place this organization has its roots...and continued active presence!

A prayer for these uncertain days:

Loving God, Your desire is for our wholeness and well being.

We hold in tenderness and prayer the collective suffering of our world at this time.

We grieve precious lives lost and vulnerable lives threatened.

We ache for ourselves and our neighbors, standing before an uncertain future.

We pray: may love, not fear, conquer.

Inspire our leaders to discern and choose wisely, aligned with the common good.

Help us to practice safety and reveal to us new and creative ways to come together.

Call us to profound trust in your faithful presence,

You, the God who does not abandon.

Auction is Open!

The online auction opened on Friday morning...if you haven't signed up as a bidder consider doing so now. Wonderful items, great variety, and neat offerings--all from the ease of wherever you are comfortable--just need to go to the website, click on the online auction link and give everything a look...hopefully placing a bid or two...or three...well, you get the picture.

Payment will be just like the traditional picnic auction. When you come to the office you can pay with check or credit card. Next Sunday at noon in the Family Center those buyers who wish can take care of business then and pick up their items. Or, simply call the following Monday and make arrangements. For those who might have a difficulty getting their items it's possible they can be delivered. This is a unique year and we want to accommodate the supporters to make this as easy as possible...all for a needy and good cause!

Faith Formation Update CCD Program 2020-2021

With the necessary restrictions and distancing required, we will only have actual weekly, in-person attendance CCD, for those students preparing for First Communion (2nd grade students and any in higher levels who haven't yet received **First Communion**) and **Confirmation** (11th grade students as well as any 12th grade students who didn't receive the Sacrament this last year). Again...to be clear...the **only** students who will attend classes in person are **Sacramental Preparation Students**.

Both the First Communion and Confirmation Classes will be held in the **Parish Family Center**. **First Communion will meet on Wednesdays from 6:30-7:30 p.m.** according to the calendar. **Confirmation Class will meet on Sunday mornings from 10-11 a.m.**

As this year provides us with new challenges, St. Joseph Church will be offering a Homeschooling program for this year's faith formation learners. Please understand, **ONLY** those preparing to receive First Holy Communion OR Confirmation this year will physically meet in person. ALL other grade levels will be provided with a homeschool program, upon registration. To register for the homeschool faith formation program you can complete a registration form located in the back of the church or on the church website. **Registration deadline is Friday, September 4th**. Materials will then be ordered and once here the information will be posted. Only families who register will be provided with the homeschooling faith formation resources. Please check the website, Parish Facebook, and the bulletin for further updates on other faith formation opportunities in the future.

Last Week for Raffle

Buy and sell those raffle tickets for one of the best raffles in our area. Drawing will be next Sunday in the Family Center at noon. We are planning to livestream (using WiFi with its special challenges) the drawing. Extra raffle tickets available in the church entrances as well as through the office.

"You are Peter and upon this rock I will build my Church."