



Twenty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time
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Masses:

Saturday Vigil: 4:00 P.M.
 Sunday: 7:45 A.M. and 10:30 A.M.
 Holy Days: 7:00 A.M. and 6:00 P.M.

Confession:

Saturday: 2:30–3:30 P.M. or by appointment

Weekday Mass (Chapel):

Wednesday: 6:00 P.M.
 Thursday and Friday: 8:30 A.M.
 First Saturday: 9:00 A.M.

Chapel Open for Prayer

Monday through Thursday: 6:00 A.M. – 7:00 P.M.
 Friday: 6:00 A.M. – 3:30 P.M.
 Sunday: 12 Noon – 7:00 P.M.
 First Friday Exposition: 9:00 A.M. – 12:00 Noon

Marriage Requirements at least six months in advance:

Meet with Father Culotta @ 980-1810, ext. #2
 Visit wedding link on Website prior to meeting

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Howard Bayless	David Howard	Cecilia Ragusa
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Carlos Godinez	Georgeann Moseley	Santo Vizzina
Joseph Guenther	Rosalie Nabiolo	Jeanne Welsh
Gary Haworth	Mark Newton	Stephen Wilkens
	Jean Purner	

Mass Intentions

Mon. Aug. 28- 10:30 A.M. at Somerby Retirement
Wed. Aug. 30- 6:00 PM - Jack and Viv Norris (S.I.)
Thurs. Aug. 31- 8:30 A.M. - Bill and Susan Webb (S.I.)
Fri. Sep. 1 - 8:30 A.M. - James W. McKeon
Sat. Sep. 2- 9:00 A.M. - Josephine Romano
Sat. Sep. 2- 4:00 P.M. - Florence Chapman
Sun. Sep. 3- 7:45 A.M. - Jim Downey
Sun. Sep. 3- 10:30 A.M. - People of the Parish

Weekly Readings

28 Mon -1 Thes 1:1-5, 8b-10/Mt 23:13-22
29 Tue -1 Thes 2:1-8 (426)/Mk 6:17-29
30 Wed -1 Thes 2:9-13/Mt 23:27-32
31 Thu -1 Thes 3:7-13/Mt 24:42-51
1 Fri -1 Thes 4:1-8/Mt 25:1-13
2 Sat -1 Thes 4:9-11/Mt 25:14-30
3 SUN -Jer 20:7-9/Rom 12:1-2/Mt 16:21-27

Financial Information

	<i>Week of 8/20/17</i>
Weekly Offertory	\$ 19,012
Building Fund	\$ 118,966
Holy Days	\$ 1,171
	\$ 139,149
	<i>Year to Date</i>
Weekly Offertory	\$ 518,563
Building Fund	\$ 664,931
Holy Days	\$ 11,901
Total Collected	\$ 1,195,395
Budgeted	\$ 1,067,348

A set of car keys was found on the bench outside of the Chapel several weeks ago. The key chain has the "Footprints in the Sand" poem attached. The keys can be retrieved at the main office.

♪ Youth Choir ♪

Looking for Musical talent

Do you play an instrument? The Youth Choir is looking for Youth or Adult musicians to join our Youth Choir Ministry. We play mass once per month and sometime twice per month. We are in need of a Guitarist, Keyboardist, Bassist and Drums. Please contact Raul Gomez if you are interested in supporting our Youth Choir.

Raul Gomez
St Mark Youth Choir Director

Side Doors of the Church

For all Masses beginning September 2nd-3rd BOTH side doors to the Church transept will be open for entrance, exit and return. This is especially helpful for parents with children, persons with disabilities, and anyone who may need the added convenience.



You are invited to attend
First Friday Adoration
September 1st 9:00am-Noon.

Our communal worship at Mass must go together with our personal worship of Jesus in Eucharistic adoration in order that our love may be complete."

Saint Pope John Paul II

First Saturday Mass: September 2nd at 9:00 am

Knights of Columbus

On Sunday, Aug. 27th, the 7:45 AM Mass will be offered for the Deceased Members of the Knights of Columbus Council 13446.

Please remember to pray for *James W. Key, Jr., Keith N. Wade, Sr., William Edgar Wilder, Jr., James R. Heitz, Craig A. Monson, Thomas E. Smith, and James A. Downey as well as their families."*

Monthly grocery collection the Center of Concern in Eutaw occurs the first Sunday of each month (and the preceding Saturday). Saint Mark the Evangelist is the primary support for the CoC, but our donations declined over the Summer months, and now the shelves in pantry are nearly empty. So please be generous with your donations during the ensuing several months until the situation stabilizes. If you have any questions or would like to volunteer additional services, please contact Peter Bibbo

Liturgical Schedule	Saturday September 2, 2017 4:00	Sunday September 3, 2017 7:45	Sunday September 3, 2017 10:30
Extraordinary Minister of Communion	Darlene McCulloch, Cathy Johnson, JoAnne Rixey, Rebecca Blythe	Theresa Romano, Jose Marrero, Lou Inzinna, Katherine Rall	David and Eleanora Castagnetta, Heidi Swanson, Joe Scotch, Sarah Hebert, Steve Shoemaker, Tom Slonneger, Mary Beth Crumly
Ushers	Mike Burns, Pam Griese, Brandon Moseley, Pat Kantaris	Kurt Friend, Francis Dsa	Larry Swetonic, Phillip Troha, Kevin Camp, Paul Roche, Rachel Camp
Lector	Ruth Breipohl -1 Barbara Varner - 2	Michael Matlock - 1 Ginny Willis - 2	Lisa Arrington - 1 Sandy Fleury - 2
Mass Coordinator	Mike and Pat Kantaris	Leonard and Heidi Mueninghoff	David and Eleanora Castagnetta
Altar Server	Jonathan Zaleski, Levi Hardegree, Elizabeth Zaleski, Ella Sciarra, Emelia Mitchim, JackAnthony Henson	Gail Sanson, Tilly Gwaltney, Troy Gwaltney, Ethan Lee, Jessica Heberlein	Kristy Gray, Amalia Trujillo Valino, Tanner Gray, Laura Valderrama, Grant Rakers, Mary Molay
Greeters	Denisse Perez, Tom Lager, Joanne Angell	Anthony and Diane Cuicchi	Coni Edwards, John Edwards, Bill Tevendale
Altar Linens	Gerie Elkourie		
Cantors	Anna Vaughn	Ken Jannot	John Floyd

Boston Butts, Pulled Pork, Smoked Ribs and Chicken

Don't forget to get your orders in for your Labor Day weekend activities. Remember, the funds raised will go towards our Parish Youth Ministry Programs. See the table in the Narthex after Mass or place your order at either KofC13446@aol.com or 866-622-7865. \$30 for Butt, \$12/lb for Pulled Pork, \$20 for slab of Ribs, and \$10 for Smoked Chicken. Be sure to include your name, a good contact number and eMail address, and exact order. You should also receive a confirmation eMail of your order.

All orders must be in by Sunday Aug. 27th.
Pick up will be Friday Sept. 1st at PLC between 3:30 - 5:30"

TRAVELING VOCATION CHALICE

We thank all those who signed up to host the Traveling Vocation Chalice in their homes during the year. This weekend, as we begin this wonderful program at St. Mark, Father Joe will send the Chalice home at the 10:30 a.m. Mass. Thank you, Teresa Palmer, for hosting the Traveling Vocation Chalice this week!

If you would like more information on the Traveling Vocations Chalice Program, please contact Kristin Sessions (205)529-6356 or kprs205@hotmail.com.

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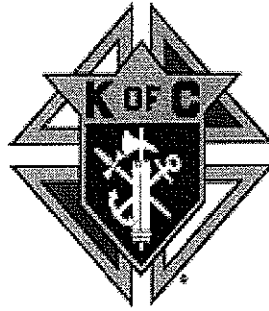
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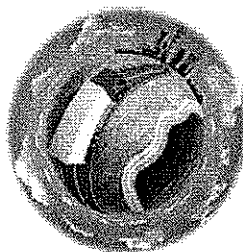
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Fr. Joe
Hope and Joy,

The past few weeks have been confusing for the parishioners of OLV. I am writing to explain what has happened and what the Diocese is doing to try to get Fr. Liju back as soon as possible.

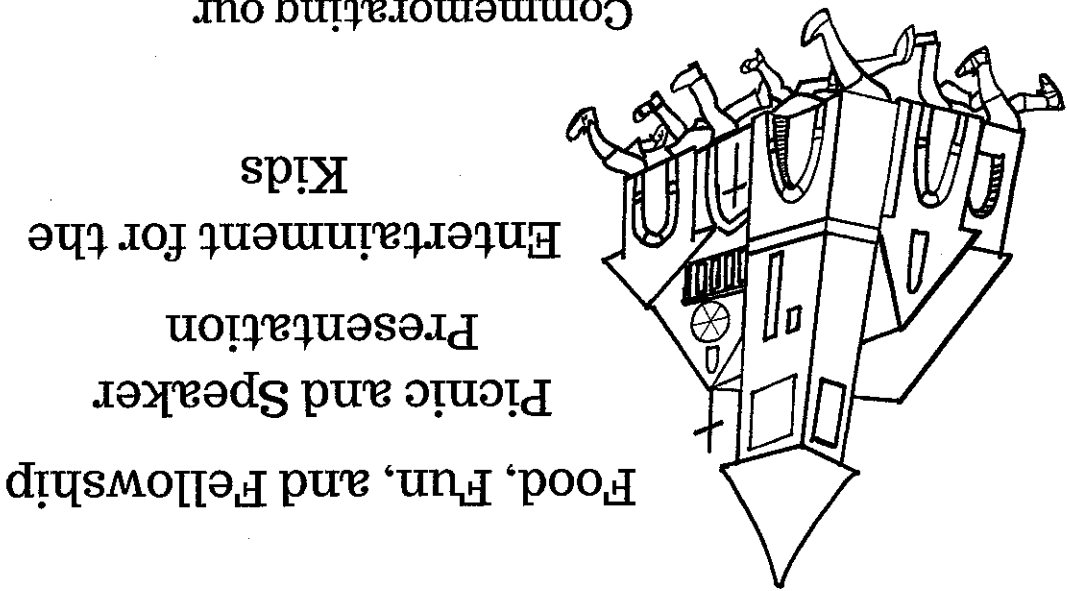
Fr. Liju is here on a "R-1 Visa." In order to stay in this country, he had to apply for an extension of that visa. To qualify for an "extension of stay", Fr. Liju should have been physically present in the US at the time the petition was filed and received by Immigration Services. Through no fault of his own, Fr. Liju was traveling outside the country at the time.

Immigration Services discovered this and questioned the Diocese about it. Through our immigration lawyer, we filed a petition explaining what happened and asking for forgiveness for the oversight. At first, we were told that the petition had been granted, permitting Fr. Liju to stay in the US while his extension was being considered. Unfortunately, we were given the wrong information. Although Immigration Service apologized for this, they were not willing to permit Fr. Liju to stay while considering his extension.

Fr. Liju has had to return to India to be physically present for an interview at the American Consulate to have his extension considered. The Diocese is moving forward as quickly as possible to get Fr. Liju the meeting he needs and the extension we all want. It is our hope that the matter will be cleared up within the next few weeks or months. Saint Mark will keep the parishioners of OLV in our prayers and we look forward to Fr. Liju safe return.

To the Parishioners at Our Lady of the Valley:

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Food, Fun, and Fellowship
Picnic and Speaker
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Entertainment for the
Kids

Commemorating our
Past, Present, and Future



Join us for our Anniversary Celebration
Sunday, September 17
Immediately following 10:30 Mass

Hamburgers and Hotdogs provided by
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Special Guest:
Joe Paprocki

Our Parish on the Move

Saint Mark the Evangelist Catholic Church

Sep 2017 (Central Time)

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<p>Koic BBQ table-Youth 7:45am - Mass (Koic deceased) 9am - 1st Comm Parents(SH) 9am - PSR 10:30am - Mass-Youth</p>	<p>7pm - Scouts(PLC downstairs)</p>	<p>12pm - Grief Support(Cont)</p>	<p>4:30pm - 1st Comm Parents 4:30pm - PSR 6pm - Mass 6pm - Youth Choir(SH left) 7pm - Adult Choir-1st Rehearsal</p>	<p>6am - 6P Koic Cooking 8:30am - Mass</p>	<p>First Friday Exposition to noon 8:30am - Mass / Rosary 4pm - 6P Koic BBQ(SH)</p>	<p>Greene City- Food 9am - Mass First Saturday 2:30pm - Confessions 4pm - Mass</p>
<p>Greene City- Food 7:45am - Mass 9am - No PSR 10:30am - Mass /No Nursery</p>	<p>Labor Day 9am - Mass 7pm - No Scouts</p>	<p>6:30pm - Comm-Com.(Cont) 9am - Mass</p>	<p>4:30pm - No PSR 6pm - Mass 6pm - Youth Choir(SH left) 7pm - Adult Choir</p>	<p>8:30am - Mass</p>	<p>8:30am - Mass / Rosary 9:30am - Bereavement Ministry</p>	<p>Stewardship-Liturgical 2:30pm - Confessions 4pm - Mass-Youth Choir 5:30pm - Supper Club(laway)</p>
<p>Stewardship-Liturgical 7:45am - Mass 9am - Confirm. Parents(SH) 9am - PSR 10:30am - Mass /Nursery /Donuts 12pm - Pastoral Council (RCIA) 5pm - Youth Mass</p>	<p>Priests' Retreat 7pm - Scouts(PLC downstairs)</p>	<p>9am - Lectio Divina (Scripture) 12pm - Grief Support(Cont) 6:30pm - SVdop (Cont)</p>	<p>4:30pm - PSR 6pm - Communion Service 6pm - Youth Choir(SH left) 6:45pm - Adult Ed (RCIA) 7pm - Adult Choir</p>	<p>8:30am - Communion Service 9:15am - Adult Ed(SH)</p>	<p>8:30am - Communion Service</p>	<p>Catholic Charities Appeal 2:30pm - Confessions 4pm - Mass</p>
<p>Catholic Charities Appeal 14th Anniversary Church 7:45am - Mass 9am - PSR 10:30am - Mass /Nursery 11:30am - Church Picnic 11:30am - Joe Paprocki-Speaker 11:30am - PC Event Retreat</p>	<p>7pm - Mercy Assoc.(SH) 7pm - RCIA-begins(RCIA&Chapel) 7pm - Scouts(PLC downstairs)</p>	<p>9am - Lectio Divina (Scripture) 6:30pm - Child Protection</p>	<p>4:30pm - PSR 6pm - Mass 6pm - Youth Choir(SH left) 6:45pm - Adult Ed (RCIA) 7pm - Adult Choir</p>	<p>8:30am - Mass 9:15am - Adult Ed(SH) 12pm - Finance Council (cont) 4pm - First Light</p>	<p>8:30am - Mass / Rosary</p>	<p>Catholic Charities Drive 2:30pm - Confessions 4pm - Mass</p>
<p>Catholic Charities Drive 7:45am - Mass 9am - Adult Ed(SH) 9am - PSR 10:30am - Catechetical Sunday 10:30am - Mass /Nursery 12pm - 8:3P EWLector Training</p>	<p>7pm - RCIA (RCIA&Chapel) 7pm - Scouts(PLC downstairs)</p>	<p>9am - Lectio Divina (Scripture) 11am - Shawl Ministry (RCIA) 12pm - Grief Support(Cont) 6:30pm - SVdop (Cont)</p>	<p>4:30pm - PSR 6pm - Mass 6pm - Youth Choir(SH left) 6:45pm - Adult Ed (RCIA) 7pm - Adult Choir</p>	<p>8:30am - Mass 9:15am - Adult Ed(SH)</p>	<p>8:30am - Mass / Rosary</p>	<p>Catholic Charities Follow-up Greene City- Food 2:30pm - Confessions 4pm - Mass</p>