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or on request
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Reconciliation-on request

Weekday Mass Wednesday, 12 noon

Adoration - every 1st Friday
of the month from 11 a.m. to 12 noon.
Mass at 12 noon

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New weekly series beginning August 23rd:
Vatican Museum: Beauty that unites.

Beauty creates communion. It unites onlookers from a distance, uniting past, present and future. Pope Francis has recalled this on a number of occasions. The Church has always translated the universality of the Good News into the language of art. From this premise, this dramatic moment in history characterized by uncertainty and isolation, gives rise to this initiative which is a partnership between the Vatican Museum and Vatican News: Masterpieces from the Vatican Collection accompanied by comments from the words of the Popes.

Collections 8/8 & 8/9
Offertory \$1798.00

Pope Francis Teaching on the Holiness in Today's World
Gaudete Et Exsultate (Rejoice and Be Glad)
CHAPTER FOUR
SIGNS OF HOLINESS IN TODAY'S WORLD
BOLDNESS AND PASSION



129. Holiness is also parrhesía: it is boldness, an impulse to evangelize and to leave a mark in this world. To allow us to do this, Jesus himself comes and tells us once more, serenely yet firmly: "Do not be afraid" (Mk 6:50). "I am with you always, to the end of the world" (Mt 28:20). These words enable us to go forth and serve with the same courage that the Holy Spirit stirred up in the Apostles, impelling them to proclaim Jesus Christ. Boldness, enthusiasm, the freedom to speak out, apostolic fervour, all these are included in the word parrhesía. The Bible also uses this word to describe the freedom of a life open to God and to others (cf. Acts 4:29, 9:28, 28:31; 2 Cor 3:12; Eph 3:12; Heb 3:6, 10:19).

130. Blessed Paul VI, in referring to obstacles to evangelization, spoke of a lack of fervour (parrhesía) that is "all the more serious because it comes from within".[103] How often we are tempted to keep close to the shore! Yet the Lord calls us to put out into the deep and let down our nets (cf. Lk 5:4). He bids us spend our lives in his service. Clinging to him, we are inspired to put all our charisms at the service of others. May we always feel compelled by his love (2 Cor 5:14) and say with Saint Paul: "Woe to me if I do not preach the Gospel" (1 Cor 9:16).

Faith wobbles sometimes; what counts is calling for God's help, pope says
ROME — Everyone, including the pope, experiences trials that can shake his or her faith; the key to survival is to call out to the Lord for help, Pope Francis said. "When we have strong feelings of doubt and fear and we seem to be sinking, (and) in life's difficult moments when everything becomes dark, we must not be ashamed to cry out like Peter, 'Lord, save me,'" the pope said Aug. 9, commenting on the day's Gospel story in his Angelus address. In the passage, Matthew 14:22-33, Jesus walks on the water of the stormy lake, but the disciples think they are seeing a ghost. Jesus reassures them that it is he, but Peter wants proof. Jesus calls him to walk on the water as well, but Peter gets frightened and starts sinking. Peter cries out, "Lord, save me," and Jesus takes him by the hand. "This Gospel narrative is an invitation to abandon ourselves trustingly to God in every moment of our life, especially in times of trial and turmoil," Pope Francis said. Like Peter, he said, believers must learn "to knock on God's heart, on Jesus' heart."

Pope at Audience: Recognize human dignity in every person

Pope Francis at his General Audience says in responding to the Coronavirus pandemic Christians are called to combat all violations of human dignity as contrary to the Gospel, and to work for the wellbeing of the whole human family and our common home.

By Vatican News
Pope Francis, continuing his catechesis on the effects of the current pandemic in light of the Church's social doctrine, noted how Covid-19 has highlighted how vulnerable and interconnected everyone is. "If we do not take care of one another, starting with the least, with those who are most impacted, including creation", he said, "we cannot heal the world."

Pope at Angelus: Appeal for solidarity with Lebanon

At the Angelus on Sunday, Pope Francis calls on the Church in Lebanon to continue to be close to their people, and appeals for "generous aid" from the international community.

By Vatican News
"In these days my thoughts often turn to Lebanon," Pope Francis said on Sunday, in remarks following the weekly Angelus.

In the wake of the devastating explosion that rocked Beirut last week, the Holy Father said, "Last Tuesday's catastrophe calls everyone, beginning with the Lebanese people, to work together for the common good of this beloved country."

A model of living together
The Pope noted Lebanon's "particular identity", which "has emerged over the course of time as a model of living together." Acknowledging the fragility of coexistence in the country at this time, Pope Francis said he is nonetheless praying "that, with God's help, and everyone's genuine participation, [Lebanon] may be reborn free and strong."



Newest Member of the Dimino/McTaggart Family

Miss Juliana Carmelina Dimino,
born August 6, 2020 to
John Paul and Elizabeth Dimino.

Earthquake hits North Carolina during Mass reading about earthquake

CNA Staff, Aug 11, 2020 / 03:13 pm MT (CNA).- As North Carolina experienced a moderate earthquake Sunday, local pastors encourage Catholics to relinquish control to God.

The lesson at Mass was from 1 Kings 19, wherein Elijah said, "After the wind there was an earthquake - but the LORD was not in the earthquake."

St. Gabriel Catholic Church in Charlotte experienced the earthquakes within minutes of reading "the Lord was not in the earthquake." Father Richard Sutter, the pastor of St. Gabriel, said it is a good reminder to trust in God.



August Birthdays /Anniversary

Paul Caskey	1	Lynn Kyle	2
Beau Thoren	2	Emma Garcia	4
Carson McTaggart	4	Paul Archer	5
Joey Michel	6	Faye Michel	8
Joanne Beriswill	9	Omega Larkin	10
Jose Garcia	13	Pablina Arellano	14
Tom Cooper	14	JR Pope	14
Armando Ramirez	18	Richard Henson	19
Brandy Henson	22	Filiberto Moreno	22
Lynn Betbeze	23	Kathy Elliott	25
Lisa Andresen	27	Penny Elliot	28
Mario Lemus	30		

Rich & Ree Herschede 6

Paul & Kim Caskey 10

Donnie & Vickie Dimino 14

Tommy & Bernadette McTaggart 26

Paul & Jennifer Brand 30