

Nineteenth Sunday In Ordinary Time

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Jesus' Instructions To Us

Peter brazenly tests Jesus about His identity: "Lord, if it is You . . ." Then it is that same Peter who becomes frightened and cries out to be saved when he does what Jesus commands him to do: "Come." With challenging truthfulness and saving power, Jesus responds both to Peter's brazenness and to his fright. When we act like Peter, Jesus responds to us as He did to Peter. To be certain of Jesus' challenging truthfulness and saving power, we need only to follow His command, "Come."



Living Liturgy

Feast Of The Assumption



On Tuesday, August 15, we celebrate the Feast of the Assumption; the day we recall Our Blessed Mother being assumed into Heaven and crowned queen. In the Gospel reading we hear proclaimed once again the Cantic of Mary, recorded in the Gospel of Luke (*Luke 1:46-55*). It is the Virgin Mary's song of joy in response to her cousin Elizabeth's greeting (*Luke 1:41-45*), and summarizes Mary's deep faith and trust in God. "My soul magnifies the Lord..." Take a few moments and pray this stewardship prayer. Consider its implications for your life. How do you magnify the Lord? How do you make God "bigger" in your day-to-day world? How do you share God's compassion with others, especially the poor?

Assumption Of Mary

The celebration of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary is a holy day of obligation. Masses will be Monday, August 14, at 5:00 p.m. (Vigil Mass) and Tuesday, August 15, at 8:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m. Assumed body and soul into Heaven, Mary enjoys now what we have been promised. We ask her intercession on our behalf when we face our death and we trust that she will be there for us. We pray, "We look for the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come."



Pope Francis' Prayer Intention

"That artists of our time, through their ingenuity, may help everyone discover the beauty of the creation."

Offertory Giving

Today's Gospel reveals what miraculous things can happen when one embraces a single-minded faith in Jesus Christ. Peter gets out of a wind-tossed boat when the Lord calls him. His faith is tested by his obedience to Jesus who is calling him out onto the water. In the midst of the waves and the wind, Peter gets out of the boat and walks toward Jesus. Good stewards heed Christ's call to them. Sometimes that call directs them to take on seemingly impossible challenges. This week, reflect on how the Lord could be calling you out of the safety of your own "boat" to take on the impossible.

Weekly Budgeted Need	\$7,242.00
Last Sunday Aug. 6	
Envelopes	\$7,400.00
Loose	<u>626.00</u>
Total	\$8,026.00
Progress Report	
Cumulative Budget	\$43,452.00
Cumulative Income	<u>42,420.00</u>
Behind	<\$1,032.00>

Bethlehem Catholic Mission

This weekend we welcome Father Jacoub Nasser's group, the Bethlehem Catholic Mission from the Roman Catholic Church in Bethlehem in the Holy Land. Brother Gabriel Sada will speak to us about the Christian struggle in the Holy Land. The group will also have some beautiful olive wood carvings which are all handmade by the Christian people there. This is a Church mission to maintain the existence of the Catholic people in the Holy Land. Catholics used to be the majority there, but the percentage has now dropped to less than 1.5%.

Formation Of Children's Choir

The organist for the 8:30 a.m. Sunday Mass would like to start a Children's Choir. Parents would meet first to organize. Parents of interested children will meet Wednesday, August 23, at 7:15 p.m. in the church. The Children's Choir will practice Wednesday, August 30, about 7:10 to 8:00 p.m. The Choir would sing at the scheduled 8:30 Youth Masses. Please attend the organizational meeting if you are interested.



Mass Intentions Requested

Monday, August 14

(Dt 10:12-22; Mt 17:22-27)

No 8:00 a.m. Mass

5:00 p.m. Gail Garay

Tuesday, August 15 Assumption of Mary

(Rv 11:19a; 12:1-6a, 10ab; 1 Cor 15:20-27; Lk 1:39-56)

8:00 a.m. Parishioners

7:00 p.m. Doris C. Segal

Wednesday, August 16

(Dt 34:1-12; Mt 18:15-20)

6:30 p.m. Purgatorial Society

Thursday, August 17

(Jos 3:7-10a, 11, 13-17; Mt 18:21-19:1)

8:00 a.m. George R. Duchmann

Friday, August 18

(Jos 24:1-13; Mt 19:3-12)

8:00 a.m. Marvin C. Wingerter, Sr.

Saturday, August 19

(Jos 24:14-29; Mt 19:13-15)

5:00 p.m. Robert Jenevein, Jenny Jenevein, John Ragusa, Claire Ragusa, Maurice Poche, Lori Roszczynialski, Capt. Pete Vogt, John Lacourrage, Imelda Gares, Roger Doucette, Curtis & Vita Owens, Eugene Blanchard Jr., Rosemary Poche, Tina Mangano, Ken & Adele Salzer, Louis Mangano Sr. & Jr., Lee & Yvonne Tracey, Roszczynialski Family, Joseph D'Antoni Jr.

Sunday, August 20

(Is 56:1, 6-7; Rom 11:13-15, 29-32; Mt 15:21-28)

7:00 a.m. Henry Jorns

8:30 a.m. Cinda R Melerine, Stephen Hall, Sister Loretto Tighe, C.J. Lightell Sr., Jennifer Papa, Ronnie & Betty Lambert, Ben Spansel, Mary Ann Barrois Adelfio, Tom & Pat Cuccia Family, Andrew Lambert, Zelda Reuter, Audrey Cortez, Capt. Jim Roark, George Dehm

10:30 a.m. Parishioners



Pray For The Sick

Audrey Bonnet, Diana Bradshaw, JoAnn Brewin, Mary Brown, George & Wanda Butko, May Caballero, Patricia Cuccia, Dotsy Chedville, Deacon Pat Downey, Steve Dunn, Marcelle Ernewein, Carroll Fourcade, Gail Garay, Jeanette Gomez, Deacon John Howard, Virgie Hurstell, Allen & Joan Jagneaux, Maria Kalcic, Gloriette Kiern, Elizabeth Kittel, Vito Montalabano, Jessie O'Dell, Ed Roszczynialski, Adele Salzer, Cathy Smith



WEEKLY EVENTS

Legion of Mary—Monday 7:00 p.m. in St. Anthony Hall

Tuesday Morning Rosary—Tuesday after the 8:00 a.m. Mass and the St. Jude Novena in St. Anthony Hall

RCIA Track I—Changed to Wednesday at 7:00 p.m. in Classroom 8 due to Holy Day of Obligation

Patriotic Rosary—Thursday at 7:00 p.m. in the Church

Widows Group—Friday at 11:00 a.m. at Slidell Seafood House, 348 Robert Boulevard, Slidell, for lunch then return to the Parish Hall. For information, contact Pat Langsford at 985-863-3445.

CCD Registration Continues

CCD registration for 2017-18 continues in the Church Office until **Wednesday, August 16**. CCD classes will begin with Mass at 8:30 a.m. **Sunday, August 20**—a month early this year. Please call the Church Office if you have any questions.



PARENTS MEETING AFTER 8:30 A.M. MASS ON SUNDAY, AUGUST 20, IN PARISH HALL

Remember, there will be **NO registration on the first day of classes.** Registration will reopen Monday, August 21, at 1:00 p.m. in the Church Office during regular office hours.

KC Pancake Breakfast

The Knights of Columbus will sponsor a Pancake Breakfast on Sunday, August 20, from 8 a.m. to 12 p.m. in the Parish Hall at \$5.00 per plate. Meal includes pancakes, sausage, juice, milk and coffee. Proceeds are used to finance scholarships for our own Church Parish's high school seniors. Come join us!



Tabernacle Lamp

This week the Tabernacle lamp in the Sanctuary burns in honor of the **Blessed Virgin Mary**.



Altar Flowers Donation

The lovely arrangements adorning the altar were donated in memory of **Joseph D'Antoni, Jr.**, beloved husband of Lucy D'Antoni on the anniversary of his death.



Thank You From The Antonians

The Antonians of Sts. Peter and Paul would like to thank all the parishioners who donated so generously to the Christmas in July project for the Pregnancy Help Center in Slidell and the Battered Women’s Shelter. You can be assured that each donation will be given with a spirit of love and compassion for the women and children helped by these ministries. May God bless each of you.



Parish Guide Book & Directory

We are happy to announce that you will soon be receiving in the mail your new Parish Guide Book and Directory. This booklet contains important information about our Church Parish, its ministries, the Sacraments, Parish Life and a Parish Directory with contact information for parishioners. We hope you find this confidential guide helpful.

SPP Stained Glass Window Prints

Prints of the stained glass windows of Sts. Peter and Paul are still available for sale. The original paintings were completed by local artist and parishioner Diane Bourgeois and were auctioned at the 2016 Summer Soiree. The proceeds from this sale go toward the needed funds for the 2018 Youth Washington Trip. The prints are available for purchase at \$20.00 each or both saints for \$35.00. Contact the Church office or Danny Bourgeois at 504-376-3701.

Slidell Life Chain—Sunday, October 1

Please join us for the 26th Slidell Life Chain on Sunday, October 1, from 2:00 to 3:00 p.m. on Gause Boulevard. This is an annual silent prayerful protest against abortion sponsored by the St. Tammany Right to Life organization. Sts. Peter and Paul Church is assigned the area **in front of Slidell Memorial Hospital**. Pro-lifers will hold signs proclaiming “Abortion kills children” and “Jesus heals and saves.” Call Michelle Gorney at 985-882-7210 or 985-640-8765 to pick up signs in advance. If you have signs from last year, please feel free to bring them.



An Open House will follow at 3:00 p.m. at the Slidell Pregnancy Help Center, 550 Gause Blvd., Suite 2, Slidell.

Our Lady Of Lourdes Fishing Rodeo

Our Lady of Lourdes is holding its 17th Annual Ray Ohler Fishing Rodeo Saturday, September 23, at the Dock of Slidell, 118 Harbor View, Slidell. Cash prizes will be awarded. For more information visit www.Redfishforcash.com

Fatima Rosary At SMM

St. Margaret Mary Church invites you to join the presentation and recitation of the rosary in honor of the Jubilee 100 Year Anniversary of the appearance of Mary at Fatima. The rosary will be in St. Margaret Mary Church on August 13, at 6:00 p.m. After the rosary, Fr. Alex will share his call to the priesthood. The rosary will also be recited on September 13 and October 13 in honor of the Fatima appearances.



Arts At The Abbey

“Arts in the Abbey,” a daylong spiritual and immersive art experience on the grounds of St. Joseph Abbey, will feature a talk by Professor James Patrick Reid, M.Div., artist and former instructor at the New York Academy of Art and the Art Students League. Reid, whose commissioned work can be found in churches nationwide, is currently on faculty at the Fashion Institute of Technology/SUNY.

Reid’s lecture, “Invisible Things Clearly Seen: The Spiritual Dimension of Art,” will draw the audience into a study of masterpieces throughout history, including the sacred art of Dom Gregory de Wit, O.S.B., a Dutch Benedictine monk commissioned in 1946 to execute a series of murals at the Abbey.

Co-sponsored by Abbey Art Works, “Arts at the Abbey” takes place Friday, August 25, and includes a full day of activities curated by Abbey Art Works artist-in-residence Lyn Taylor. Attendees can tour de Wit’s murals, attend a unique hands-on experience on the drawing techniques of Leonardo Da Vinci, and visit ABBEE Honey, the Abbey’s beekeeping operation. The cost for the day is \$25.00 (includes lunch) or \$15.00 for the lecture only. Register at www.saintjosephabbey.com.arts-at-the-abbey The Abbey is located at 75376 River Road, Covington.

What We Give Away

The more you love, the more you will find
That life is good and friends are kind.
For only what we give away
Enriches us from day to day. B. S. Rice

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Assumption of the Blessed Virgin— August 15

On November 1, 1950, Pope Pius XII defined as a truth revealed by God that the Immaculate Mother of God, Mary ever Virgin, when the course of her life on earth was finished, was taken up body and soul into Heaven. Such is the dogma of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin.



“It was surely fitting, it was becoming, that she would be taken up into Heaven and not left in the grave till Christ’s second coming, who had passed a life of sanctity and of miracles such as hers...Who can conceive that God should so repay the debt, which He considered to owe to His Mother for the elements of His human Body, as to allow the flesh and blood from which it was taken to molder in the grave? Or who can conceive that the virginal frame which never sinned, was to undergo the death of a sinner?...

“She died, then, because even our Lord and Savior died. But though she died as well as others, she died not as others die; for, through the merits of her Son, by whom she was what she was, by the grace of Christ which in her had anticipated sin, which had filled her with light, which had purified her flesh from all defilement, she had been saved from disease and malady, and all that weakens and decays the bodily frame” (Cardinal Newman).

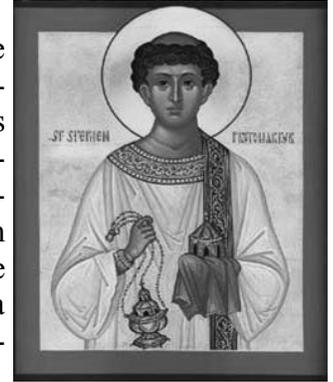
Jesus and Mary both passed through the gate of death into Heaven. In her own way, Mary was crucified with Jesus. She patiently stayed on earth, after His Ascension, so long as God willed.

From her place in Heaven she still abides invisibly with us, ever our refuge, our comfort, our hope. Through the Communion of Saints, of which she is the Queen, we share in the joy and glory of her Assumption, to which the Entrance Song of the Mass of August 15 gives us the key.

St. Stephen, King—August 16

Patron of Hungary

The son of Geysa, the fourth Duke of the Hungarians, and of Sarboth, his wife, who had been recently converted to Christianity, St. Stephen was born in 977 at Gran, then the capital of Hungary. After a thorough Christian education under the care of St. Adalbert, Bishop of Prague, and of Theodatus, a virtuous Italian Count, he succeeded his father upon the latter’s death in 997.



He established a solid peace with all neighboring nations and then turned his attention to rooting idolatry out of his country. His methods were those of persuasion and exhortation, but many of his subjects, on account of their attachment to the religion of their ancestor, rebelled and besieged their King in Vesprin. St. Stephen prepared himself for battle by fasting, almsgiving and prayer. Though his forces were inferior in number to those of the rebels, he nevertheless completely routed them.

The work of propagating the Faith now went on with renewed vigor. Churches, monasteries and Bishoprics were founded. The king sent an embassy to Rome to obtain from Pope Sylvester II the confirmation of his foundations; and, in order to gratify the wish of his subjects, he also besought for himself the title of King. The request was granted, and the Pope sent a rich crown to the holy King. The prelate who brought the crown from Rome anointed and crowned St. Stephen King in the year 1000.

The devotion of St. Stephen toward the Blessed Virgin Mary was such that he placed all his dominions under her special patronage. In war, which he never undertook without necessity, he was always victorious; nor was he ever the aggressor. His time was divided between the duties of religion and those of his station; he kept his soul constantly recollected in God. In the midst of the world, he practiced great mortification and humility. He died August 15, 1038.

All articles taken from Lives of the Saints