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A MINISTRY OF THE CAPUCHIN FRANCISCANS SINCE 1877

August 20, 2023



## 20<sup>th</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Then Jesus said to her  
in reply, “O woman,  
great is your faith! Let  
it be done for you as  
you wish.” And the  
woman’s daughter was  
healed from that hour.  
- Mt 15:28

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### MASS TIMES

**Saturday - 4:00 pm**

**Sunday - 8:00 am, 10:00 am, 6:30 pm**

*Weekend Mass may be viewed online: [www.saintjosephparish.org](http://www.saintjosephparish.org)*

**Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday - 12:05 pm**

**OFFICE HOURS: Monday-Thursday: 9:00 am-3:00 pm**

**Friday: 9:00 am-12:00 pm**

**ST FRANCIS XAVIER CATHOLIC SCHOOLS.... 920-735-9380**

### CELEBRATION OF THE SACRAMENTS

**Marriage:** Active parish membership of 6 months is required before a wedding date may be set.

**Reconciliation:** Saturdays from 9 until approximately 9:30 am or call for an appointment.

**Baptism:** Please call the Parish Office 2 months in advance.

**Anointing of the Sick:** Please call the Parish Office anytime.

## REACHING IN, REACHING OUT, REACHING GOD

### Br. Ray's Reflections

I have been overwhelmed by the images that have come out of Maui this week. The people of Lahaina, although completely heartbroken over the suffering that has come to their people and their land, refuse to allow it to destroy their beautiful spirit. Reporters have interviewed residents who ran from the flames with only the clothes on their back and yet they continue to be grateful for life. They have also been a witness of faith. The news showed a group gathered for Sunday Mass in a nearby church. When parishioners who had lost homes and family members in the fire were interviewed, they spoke about God's grace and their faith getting them through this tragedy. Many who lost everything continue to help others in the community. No tragic events are ever welcomed, but when seen with the eyes of faith one begins to witness the light of the Divine in the compassion and love of those who survive. We are seeing the Kingdom of God on the island of Maui. One person said, "Our 'Aloha' way is to be community to one another and with this terrible tragedy, our community has only gotten stronger." May we all learn from the community of Maui.

Since hearing this news, I was wondering how we can help our brothers and sisters in Maui. I thought we can take up a collection and send it to Catholic Relief Services but that seems somewhat impersonal. Then, this morning a parishioner called with an idea. She said she has a friend in the neighboring parish to Lahaina and thought if we were to send our contributions to the parish, they could use it to help with direct needs in a quicker manner than larger agencies. The neighboring parish is St. Anthony of Padua in Wailuku. From what I understand, they are already assisting people from Lahaina and our contributions could be very helpful in the immediate future. We will take up a collection after all the Masses for the next 2 weeks and send St. Anthony's a check or, if you wish, you can go right to the St. Anthony website and make a donation online for the Maui Relief Fund. In the memo/note area, you may want to let them know you are sending the contribution with prayers from St. Joe's Parish in Appleton. Let's do what we can to help our brothers and sisters in Maui.

Contact information: [stanthonymaui.org](http://stanthonymaui.org)

### Pizza & BINGO!



Come join us for a pizza lunch and an afternoon of Bingo on **Tuesday, September 5 at 12:45 pm!**

Please call the Parish Office at: 920-734-7195 to let us know you are coming. **Reservations will be taken until Friday, September 1 at 2:00 pm. No lunch reservations will be taken after Friday at 2:00 pm.** This allows us to order food accurately. All are welcome! Sponsored by the St. Joseph Senior Committee.

### Ministry Fair Planning Meeting

Are you a Committee Chairperson? A Great Party Thrower? Creative Dreamer? Do you love organizing events? Come and join us for the Ministry Fair planning session. We will be meeting in the Great Hall on **Wednesday, August 23<sup>rd</sup> at 6:30 pm.** If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Jane Wilz, Coordinator of Volunteers, at: 920-734-7195 or email: [jwtlz@stjoesparish.org](mailto:jwtlz@stjoesparish.org).

### Family Fun Night

Please join us on **Wednesday, August 23 from 6:30 - 8:00 pm in Holly Hall for a Game Night & Backpack Blessing.** We will gather to play some silly games and at the end of the evening, have a blessing of backpacks to honor students and educators entering the 2023-2024 academic year. All are welcome! Sponsored by Faith Formation.



### Congratulations Calendar Raffle Winners

August 6—Diana Staedt—\$25  
August 7—Elizabeth Becker—\$25  
August 8—Audrey, William & Brady Hagman—\$25  
August 9—Amy & Duane Charais—\$25  
August 10—Ruth Janssen—\$25  
August 11—Jane & Steve Wilz—\$25  
August 12—Nathan Vosters & Ty Hensel—\$25

### The Family PB&J Drive



Help us stock the shelves! The Family's First Annual PB&J Drive runs until August 31. Accepting donations of non-perishable peanut butter and jelly to help families in need in our community. Collection boxes are in the Great Hall and Parish Office.

More information at: [www.thefamily.net](http://www.thefamily.net). Thank you for your generosity.

### Please Pray For...

Please pray for all our parishioners who are ill: **Lynn Bayness, Jackie Groth, Thomas Holston, Hunter Prill, Susan Richard, Mary Witzak**

Remember also our nursing home residents and shut-ins, and pray for the intentions recorded in our Prayer Book of Intentions.

Please pray for our parishioners or family members of parishioners who have died: **Rita DeGroot**

# AUGUST 20, 2023 / TWENTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

## Confirmation Retreat



On Saturday, August 12<sup>th</sup>, twenty-four of our Confirmation candidates gathered for a retreat. They took time away from their everyday lives to intentionally encounter the Holy Spirit and their faith. During the retreat, they spent time in prayer, discussion and fun. Each candidate entered into the experience with an open heart and mind to where the Spirit is calling them. Please keep these young people in your prayers as they finish their preparation and celebrate the Sacrament on October 21<sup>st</sup>.

**Come, Holy Spirit**

**Fill the hearts of your faithful**

**Enkindle in them**

**The fire of Your Love.**

**Send forth Your Spirit,**

**and they shall be created.**

**And you shall renew the face of the earth. Amen.**



## Fall Bible Study – 1 Corinthians: Living as Christians



Join us for six weeks of study on another amazing book from the New Testament. We'll meet on six Friday mornings, 10:00 – 11:30 AM in St. Joseph Parish Center from September 22 through October 27 to consider a deeper conversion in Christ by studying the first of Paul's writings to the Corinthians.

**Pre-register on or before Noon on Friday, September 8,** so we can order study materials for those registered. Cost of study materials is \$8.00 (cash or checks payable to St. Joseph Parish). Include payment in an envelope with your name and phone number and return envelope through weekend collection or mail or drop off at the Parish Office.

We look forward to learning and sharing faith with you!

## Non-Raffle Raffle

Thank you to everyone who has already returned their donation for our Non-Raffle Raffle. Your gift helps us with some of our summer bills.

Everyone is a "winner" by your generous participation! As of August 9, \$15,741 has been collected so far. If you have not returned your envelope yet, there is still time to do so. Thank you!

## Financial News

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| Tithing Needed .....       | \$16,777.00 |
| Last Week's Tithing.....   | \$10,131.50 |
| Auto Withdrawal .....      | \$645.00    |
| Children's Collection..... | \$21.00     |
| IRA's/Donations .....      | \$300.00    |

**Thank you for your financial support!**

## Readings for the Week of August 20

**Sunday:** Is 56:1, 6-7

Ps 67:2-3, 5, 6, 8 (4)

Rom 11:13-15, 29-32

Mt 15:21-28

**Monday:** Jgs 2:11-19

Ps 106:34-35, 36-37, 39-40, 43ab and 44

Mt 19:16-22

**Tuesday:** Jgs 6:11-24a

Ps 85:9, 11-12, 13-14

Mt 19:23-30

**Wednesday:** Jgs 9:6-15

Ps 21:2-3, 4-5, 6-7

Mt 20:1-16

**Thursday:** Rv 21:9b-14

Ps 145:10-11, 12-13, 17-18

Jn 1:45-51

**Friday:** Ru 1:1, 3-6, 14b-16, 22

Ps 146:5-6ab, 6c-7, 8-9a, 9bc-10

Mt 22:34-40

**Saturday:** Ru 2:1-3, 8-11; 4:13-17

Ps 128:1b-2, 3, 4, 5

Mt 23:1-12

**Next Sunday:** Is 22:19-23

Ps 138:1-2, 2-3, 6, 8 (8bc)

Rom 11:33-36

Mt 16:13-20

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## Faith Formation Registration



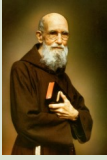
On-line registration for the 2023-2024 Faith Formation year for grades K-11 is available at the following link:

<https://app.gabrielsoft.com/auth/wigbdiocese/85/REManagement/Register>. This link is also available on our website under Education/Faith Formation.

A confirmation email will be sent after you've submitted this form with more information about payment options. The calendar will be available on our website in mid-August.

AUGUST 20, 2023

**SCHEDULED MASS INTENTIONS**



**Blessed Solanus Casey**  
**Pray for Us**

**Tuesday, August 22**

12:05 pm Intentions of the Art, Phyllis & Gary Malchow Families

12:30 pm St. Anthony Devotions

**Wednesday, August 23**

12:05 pm Dec. Charles & Mary Langman

**Friday, August 25**

12:05 pm Souls in Purgatory

**Saturday, August 26**

4:00 pm Dec. Deacon Roy Baumruk

**Sunday, August 27**

8:00 am Dec. Agnes Miller

10:00 am Dec. Barbara Hansen

6:30 pm Members of St. Joseph Parish

**THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH**

**Monday, August 21**

6:00 pm World Relief Presentation, Holly Hall

**Tuesday, August 22**

6:30 pm Parish Council Meeting, Holly Hall

**Wednesday, August 23**

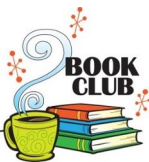
6:30 pm Family Fun Night, Holly Hall

6:30 pm Ministry Fair Meeting, Great Hall

**Saturday, August 26**

9:00 am Private Reconciliation

**Book Club**



The next St. Mary/St. Joseph book club discussion will take place on Tuesday, September 12, at 6 pm in Room L4 at St. Mary. The book selected for discussion is **The World Played Chess** by Robert Dugoni. The bestselling author returns with an emotionally arresting follow-up to *The Extraordinary Life of Sam Hell*.

For October 10, our book selection is **The Things we Cannot Say** by Kelly Rimmer. Looking further ahead to November 14, our book selection is **Have You Seen Luis Velez?** by Catherine Ryan Hyde. For more information, contact Mary Schulz, 920-809-4474. New members are welcome to attend anytime.

**Church Chuckles**

What do you call someone who can't stick with a diet? A desserter.

Why did the can crusher quit his job? Because it was soda pressing.

ST JOSEPH PARISH

**Fall Festival - September 9 & 10**



Fall Festival is only a couple weeks away! We need your help to make it a success. Please take a leaf from the tree (if they're still there). Ticket sales for the dinner and raffle baskets begin this weekend. See the sign-up sheets in the back of church if you're able to volunteer during the event. If you are donating an item from the tree, please bring it to the Parish Office as soon as possible.

We are in need of your assistance in setting up the Fall Festival tables, chairs, canopies & equipment on Saturday, September 9, at 10 am in the west parking lot and taking it down following the raffle basket winner's drawings on Sunday, September 10 at Noon. Many eager hands make for QUICK projects, so please consider signing up for set-up or take down. The sign-up sheets are in the back of church. Call the Parish Office at: 920-734-7195 with any questions.



**Christmas Stars**, an annual holiday-themed musical revue, will hold open auditions by appointment on Saturday morning, August 26 at the Xavier Fine Arts Theatre. Students entering Kindergarten through 8<sup>th</sup> grade in 2023-2024 who enjoy singing and dancing are invited to audition.

An online application and audition scheduling instructions are available at the Join Our Cast link on the production's website: [www.christmasstars.org](http://www.christmasstars.org). Music and accompaniment are provided by the producers.

**GriefShare - Loss of Spouse Session**

**Monday, August 28 - 10:00 am - 12:00 pm**  
**St. Joseph Parish, Rooms 209-211**

Two hour session created specifically for those who've recently suffered the loss of their spouse. Our compassionate facilitators, Judy McKendry and Joel Staffaroni, start you down the path of healing as you adjust to your new way of life. Class size is limited. Registration at: [www.griefshare.org](http://www.griefshare.org) is required to reserve your place.

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