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Worship Times

Saturday Vigil Mass, 4:00p
Sunday Mass, 11:15a, En español, 1:30p
Daily Mass, Holy Days Consult Bulletin
Sacrament of Reconciliation Saturdays, 3:00-4:00p

Sunday Mass, 9:00a
Holy Days 7:00p
Communion Service Consult bulletin
Sacrament of Reconciliation By appointment

Welcome, New Parishioners

We are a Stewardship Community, sharing our time, talent, and treasure, in the most life-giving ways possible. Parishioners are expected to participate in weekly worship, in our community life, and in our service among our dear neighbors.

Sacramental Life ~ Baptism, Confirmation, Eucharist, Matrimony

For Sacrament preparation, you must be a registered, active member and attend preparation sessions.

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA)

For those who desire to explore the Catholic Faith, spirituality, customs, and practices.

Anointing of the Sick

For those with chronic illness or who are pre-surgery. contact Father John or Sister Janis

Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

July 21, 2019

At the heart of the Universe is God’s desire for unity and reconciliation, to restore us to Original Grace. Holding God’s desire up to culture’s jagged, judgments only fortifies your gospel call and God’s purpose for you and our neighbors.

When you welcome the stranger, you welcome Christ, who is always in creative disguise. In both Genesis and the gospel, guests bring important information to their hosts. Neither the Three Visitors nor Jesus, *just happen* to be passing by there, looking for a place to rest and eat. *They had a purpose in their visits, a purpose in their presence.*

What is God’s purpose for us today? What is God saying to you when people of other nations seek asylum and want to live and work among us? What does God say to you today about Christian hospitality? What is God’s purpose?

God’s Word challenges you to be hospitable people, especially in a suspicious culture, ever fearful of those different than us: refugees, immigrants, aliens, strangers, Blacks, and Muslims, can all be mistrusted and feared. Think about what Mr. Trump said about four women of color (all U.S. citizens and Representatives), to realize how evil has a way of striking fear into others’ lives. There are many people we avoid or judge as different from us. Ask: am I uncomfortable around people I perceived as not sharing my values, beliefs, social customs, dress, or speak, or share my political views, ideologies or religious traditions. You may not be as open and welcoming as we think.

The Visitors God sent to Abraham and Sarah gave voice to *God’s presence, purpose, and promise.*

God rewarded their kindness to strangers with Isaac’s miraculous birth.

Even more than that, their hospitality begins our Salvation Story bonded in a sacred Covenant.

God doesn’t *just happen* to have us living in this time and place. God presence has a purpose: be who you say we are, steadfast Way Walkers, who put their faith into action.

LIFE. FAMILY. PARISH. MAKE THEM BETTER.

God’s blessings.



Julie and Patrick generously host international students and I serve as the Academic Advisor to their high school students. This year we prepared to welcome Minh Nguyen, a Catholic senior from Vietnam. We just received word this week that Minh has been denied a student visa and his passport is flagged as a “threat” to our country.



Ilhan Omar, Alexandria Ocasio-Cortez, Rashida Tlaib, Ayanna Pressley

☞ Sunday Scriptures

Gen. 18:1-10a	Col. 1:24-28
Ps. 15:2-5	Luke 10:38-42

☞ Reflecting & Acting on the Word _____

Jesus doesn’t “*just happened*” to show up in the various situations, the signs of the times, disguised in your neighbor. His presence is purposeful.

Whatsoever you do to the least, you do unto me.

☞ July Intentions

21	+Dorothy Keller
28	+Fran Hefty r/b Barb



July 28

Acolyte	Anahi
Proclaimer	Mary H., Kathy J
Altar Linens	Zenaida
EM	BECKY, ALEX, Jr; Mark, Sarah K
Greeter/ Usher	Carmen, Cheryl

*There can be no keener revelation
of a society’s soul
than the way in which it treats its children.*

– Nelson Mandela

at the launch of the Nelson Mandela Children’s Fund

J U L Y	
21	16th Sun OT
23	Communion Service, 12:15p SSJ Associates, 7:00p
24	Choir, 7p 
27	PARISH YARD SALE
28	17th Sun OT
30	NO Communion Service
A U G U S T	
4	18th Sun SOT
7	Choir, 7p 
11	19th Sun OT
13	Communion Service, 12:15p
14	Choir, 7p 
15	Feast of the Assumption, Mass, 7p 
18	20th Sun OT
19	GIVE BLOOD, Elkin Rescue, 1:30-6:00p 
 21	RCIA Inquiry, 7:15p; Choir 7p
25	21st Sun OT
27	Communion Service, 12:15p SSJ Associates, 7p
28	Choir 7p 

Thank You very much for your generosity!

Tri-C Donations Store brands are best.	
JULY	Jello / Instant pudding
AUGUST	Flour (sm. bags)
SEPTEMBER	Shampoo



Birthdays & Anniversaries

21 Crystal Coggins
24 Landon Garcia
Kevin Robinson



28 Lorraine Benfani
26 Sydney Kelly, Frank Simon
28 Paul Ardizzola



The Sisters of St. Joseph ~ Maxim 51

Return happiness freely to those who dish out unhappiness.

-  *I choose respect and kindness in my interactions.*
-  *I pray for those who hurt, anger, or disregard me.*
-  *How do I respond to those who may ignore recycling?*

St. S Yard Sale ~ Sat., July 27, 8:00a ~ 2:00p



Drop off items:
7/20, 10:00a & 2:00p; after Mass, 7/21
For other times, please call / text
Becky Dursee, (910)232-9975

We DON'T accept:
Lg. appliances Books w/out covers Unframed glass Clothing
Opened paint Lg. /CRT TVs Cribs/Baby equipment
Building supplies Broken/soiled items

RCIA INQUIRY AUGUST 21, 7:15P



Are you interested in exploring the Catholic Faith?
Are you an *adult who has never been confirmed*?
Call S. Janis (336)835-3007 for more information.

Walking the Word

Migrants are persons... They are the symbol of all those rejected by today's globalized society... The weakest and most vulnerable must be helped... This is a tremendous responsibility, from which no one is exempt if we wish to fulfill the mission of salvation and liberation, in which the Lord himself has called us to cooperate.

Parish Life Committee

Ron Berryman
Aileen Cahill
Jason LaCashio
Eileen & Leo Ouellette
Joanna Salvatore

Finance Committee

Tom Cirone
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Julie Colglazier (ex officio)

At the Grandmothers School, in Maharastra, India about 30 women over 50 are learning to read and write.

Many grew up in wretched poverty, without access to even primary education, unlike their brothers.

The school, opened in 2016, affords students autonomy as well as dignity.

“Earlier I used to just put my thumbprint on bank documents, one grandmother said, “now I can sign my own name ~ imagine that!”

~ AARP Magazine June/July, 2019