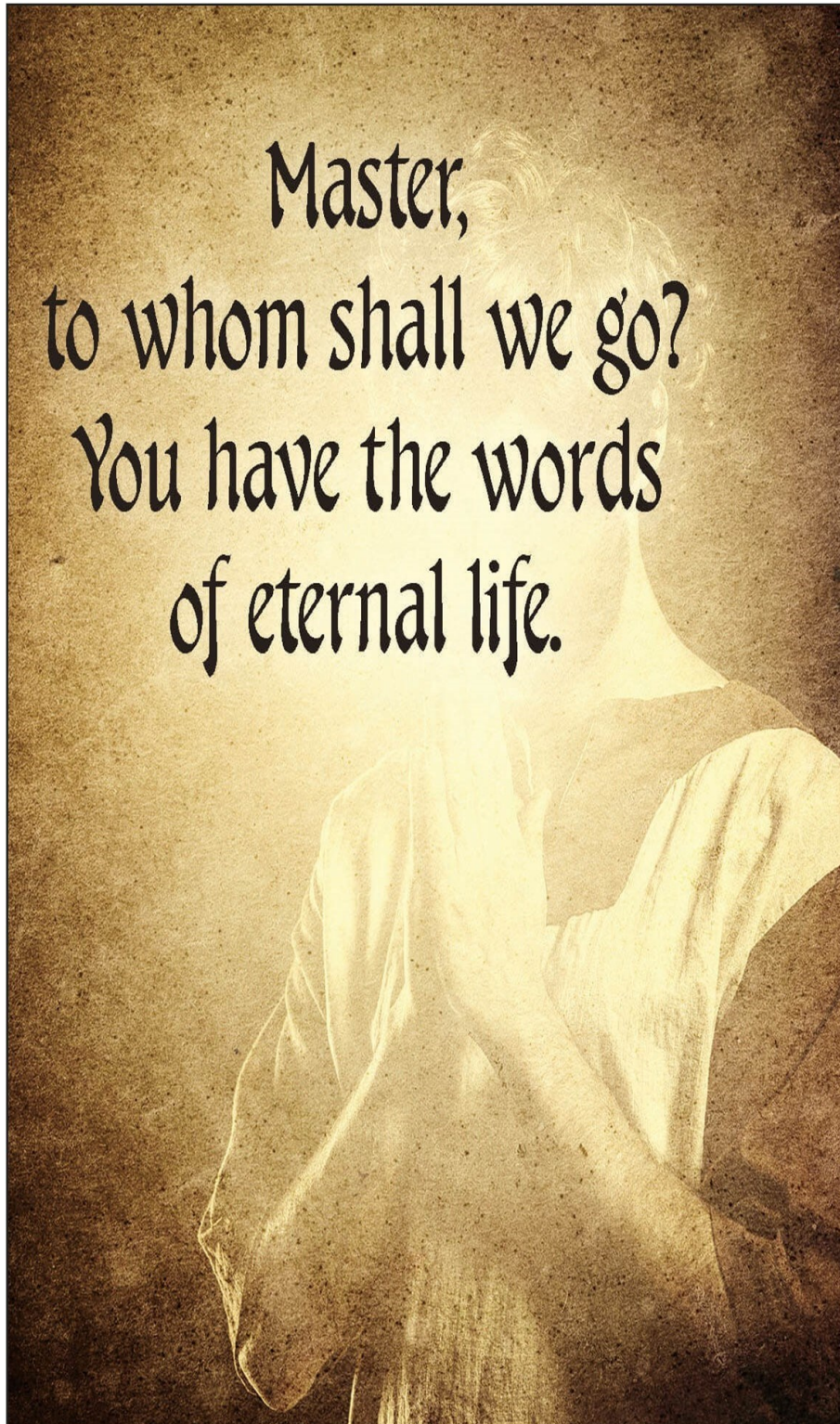


The Roman Catholic Church of Saint Ignatius of Antioch

August 22, 2021

21st Sunday in Ordinary Time



Msgr. Joseph A. Pellegrino, Pastor
715 E Orange Street
Tarpon Springs, Florida 34689

Mass Schedule:

Saturday.....4:00 and 6:30 p.m.
(Fulfills Sunday Obligation)
Sunday.....7:00, 9:00, 11:30 a.m. and
6:00 p.m. Life Teen
Weekdays.....7:00 a.m. and 9:00 a.m.
Saturday.....9:00 a.m.

Confession Schedule:

Saturday.....3:00– 3:45 p.m.
and after the 6:30 p.m. Mass

Chapel Open for Prayer:

Monday through Friday...7:30 a.m. - 2:30 p.m.
Saturday 9 a.m. - 2:30 p.m.

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Rev. Chuck Dornquast at 345-3338

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Thursdays after 9 a.m. Mass until 10:15 a.m.
First Friday of the Month 9:30 a.m. - 9:00 p.m.

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Floating with the Lord

"I am the wheat of God. I must become the pure bread of Christ." St. Ignatius of Antioch

In the second book of his science fiction trilogy, *Perelandra*, C. S. Lewis presents a Paradise being tempted by evil. But instead of painting a lush Garden of Eden, as the *Book of Genesis* paints, C. S. Lewis presents a planet with a huge sea on which there are floating islands. The waves on that planet are so large that the floating islands go up and down with the swell. Sometimes an entire island is on the bottom of the swell and the ocean is a wall. Anyone on the island would not be able to see anything other than the island or the sea. Sometimes an entire island is on top of the waves, and an inhabitant of the island could look out and see the world just as someone here on earth might see the world from the top of Pike's Peak or Mount Everest. Everything on *Perelandra* is beautiful. There are dolphin-like fish in the sea that spout water the colors of the rainbow. The floating islands are lush and green. The fruit on the islands is so delicious that the first inclination one has after he or she takes a bite, is to eat some and then pick and hoard as much as possible.

An explorer from earth named Ransom lands on one of the islands on a trip to what he thinks is Venus. He finds far more than he expected. After adjusting to his island, Ransom notices off in the distant water a human form. As his island floats closer he sees that it is a woman traveling from island to island on the back of the dolphin like creatures. She is tall. She is beautiful. And she is green. He would later learn that she was Trindiri, the queen of the planet and with her husband the King, its only human inhabitants. All would seem to be ideal, but then Ransom sees a dragon flying through the skies. He realizes that this wonderful world is under attack by the forces of evil. "Why do you sleep on this floating island?" the dragon calls out to the beautiful green lady. "Because God has told us to trust in Him," she responds. "But you would be much safer if you slept on solid land instead of a floating island," the devil responds. "Look, over there is a continent. It doesn't float, it just sits there. Why do you risk everything trusting in God? You should sleep on solid ground." And so, C. S. Lewis presents the ancient quandary of man: To trust in what he or she sees or to trust in God. To trust in the spiritual which cannot be seen, or to trust in the physical which our eyes can focus on.

I won't tell you the ending of *Perelandra*, because the C. S. Lewis trilogy is worth reading and reflection. Instead, I want you to consider this, the disciples of the Lord are presented in John 6 as on a *Perelandra*. They loved hearing the words of the Lord. They loved experiencing the warmth of His Presence. They had just eaten bread He multiplied. They had seen Him heal people. They had heard about His Kingdom. What was even better, they had heard Him call them to be leaders in His Kingdom. But now Jesus had given them a teaching that demanded their absolute trust in Him, their absolute faith in Him, even though this teaching was completely against what their eyes, ears and senses were telling them. He told them that He was the Bread of Life. He told them that they needed to eat His Flesh and drink His Blood for them to have eternal life.

For some of the disciples, this was too hard to accept. They left the island of trust. They were convinced that the spiritual would not make such outlandish demands on their senses. They left Jesus and returned to their previous lives. The Twelve told Jesus what was happening. Perhaps they were implying Jesus should tone down His teaching some. Maybe they were just pointing out that the Lord was losing followers. Whatever. The fact is that Jesus was not going to rescind a word. He came to make the spiritual real. He came to bring a reality to the world that was beyond the capacity of man to understand. He came to bring the Gifts of God that were far greater than man's fondest hopes. He would not compromise the truth. "Will you go, also, Peter," He asks the leader of His Twelve. "Lord, where can we go, You alone have the words of eternal life." And with that confession of faith, Peter stays on the floating island of hope and faith. He did not know with his senses how it is possible for Jesus to give His Body and Blood for the food they would need for the journey to God. Peter did not know with his senses, but he knew with his heart that all was beautiful with Jesus and that it would be infinitely foolish to trust in the senses rather than trust in the Lord.

And Jesus said in today's gospel, "It is the spirit that gives life, while the flesh is to no avail. The words I have spoken to you are spirit and life."

We are called to believe in the Lord, to trust in Him. We are called to stay on the floating island of faith rather than to trust in our own ability to make sense of the world. We are called to

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give an infinitely greater credence to the spiritual we cannot see over the material we can see. We are called to faith.

It is quite normal for us to go through periods of doubting the teachings of the Lord. It is normal for us to ask, "How is God only one, if the Father is God, the Son is God and the Spirit is God?" It is quite normal for us to ask: "How can Jesus be both fully God and fully man?" It is quite normal for us to ask: "How can this bread and wine, material objects before the Mass, now be the Body and Blood of Jesus Christ?" It is quite normal for us to want to stand on the material world of our senses and ignore the new world of the spiritual.

When these types of doubts come to our mind, be they flashing through, or lingering and challenging us, we need to stop and consider the Gifts of the Lord. We need to reflect on our Savior, Jesus Christ. We reflect on the wonders He provides that are beyond our imagination, too good to be true, but, yes, they are true. We are children of God. We think about the peace that we have when we are united with Him and the chaos we have when we turn from Him. And, so, we trust completely in the Lord. We trust Him over our own senses. We trust that floating on the island of faith is infinitely better than standing on the material ground of physical senses. For what else can we do? Where else can we go? He alone has the words of eternal life.

And so we believe. We believe in that which we do not see. We believe in that which our human senses cannot reveal. We believe in the Lord, in His Love, and in His teaching. We believe that God exists for eternity in a Trinity of Persons. We believe that the Second Person of this Trinity became man to restore the spiritual to the physical, to restore man to his rightful place in the spiritual world, and we believe He gave us His Body and Blood, the Eucharist, as both an intimate sharing in His Presence and a union of all believers into the eternal swell of His love.

And we come to Church this Sunday and pray as we pray every day of our lives. We pray the prayer of the father of the epileptic boy in Mark 9:24 whom Jesus asked, "Do you believe?" We join this man and pray, "I do believe, Lord, but help those parts of me that do not believe." We are human, yes, but we have been entrusted with the mystery of the Divine. We have been given the Gift of the Eucharist.

Floating on the island of faith is infinitely superior to clasp the deadly limitations of life without God, the limitations of the physical. When we float on the island of faith, we experience deeper and deeper revelations of God's Love. Sure, we are tempted to trust only our senses. We are tempted to stand on the material. We are tempted to limit ourselves to the here and now. We are human. But we are also spiritual. And deep within us, deep within every single one of us there is the Voice of Faith prodding us to exclaim with Peter, "I will not leave you Lord. You alone have the words of eternal life."

Today we pray, as we do everyday, for faith.

Yours in Christ,



Lord, grant eternal rest to the souls of our dearly departed, especially for
ALL WHO HAVE DIED FROM CORONAVIRUS plus
JOAN MULLINS, BLESSING OGBENIKA, JANICE TROND,
BARBARA McCONVILLE, DOLPH SANTELLO,
BENJAMIN MULEA, REV. RICHARD ARCHAMBAULT

and for all those we hold in our hearts who have died,
may they rest in the arms of God.



Here are our current Covid safety procedures:

A facial mask MUST be worn by ALL who are unvaccinated while in ANY buildings on Church property.

*You will notice that the ropes eliminating the use of every other pew have been eliminated.

However please keep a safe distance from other households.

*Those distributing communion will continue to wear masks.

*At the Sign of Peace, please do not make physical contact with those from another household.
A gesture and a smile convey the giving of peace safely.

*We continue to keep the collection baskets at the doors of the Church and no Holy Water.

*Communion under both species remain suspended. Missalettes return in Advent.

While the general dispensation is now removed, there are specific instances where the dispensation will continue.

Go to our website www.st.ignatius.net for all the details.



LIVE STREAM MASS SCHEDULE

9 a.m. Weekdays,

4 p.m. & 6:30 p.m. Saturdays &

9 a.m., 11:30 a.m., & 6 p.m. Sundays

Go to Our Website...www.st.ignatius.net and click on Live

Milosz Gasior will be playing during the 11:30 a.m. Mass on Sunday, August 22.

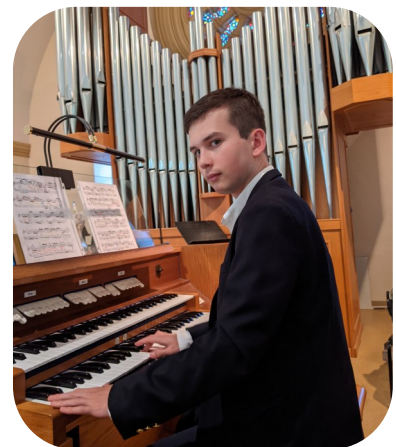
Imagine being told that your two-year-old has moderate to severe autism. Imagine being told by a school psychologist that your five-year-old's IQ is zero. Now imagine looking at your 18-year old playing the piano in front of audiences –Chopin, Mozart, or Bach– but still not being able to choose his socks. Milosz's achievements on the piano are exceptional – all due to his hard work and unwavering support from his family. They want the world to know how much he has achieved and help to give him the voice that he lacks.

Due to the coronavirus, many of his upcoming performances, have been canceled. A YouTube channel featuring his playing has been created which can be found by searching for

“Milosz Gasior Defying Autism with Music” on your browser.

He needs one thousand subscribers. He is halfway to reaching this goal. You are invited to listen and to subscribe. Your support will increase Milosz's visibility and his ability to network with organizations that can help him to overcome his challenges and ensure his success.

It doesn't cost any money, just a little time and effort—plus you get to hear some wonderful music.



Let the Children Come to Me Dejen que los Ninos Vengan a Mi

Here at St. Ignatius we are always willing to work with each individual family in meeting their needs for their child's start or continuing faith formation classes. Please do not hesitate to contact our staff with any questions or concerns.

Please note: Changes for our Sessions:

Sunday - **Pre K through 5th grade**

from 10 a.m. – 11:15 a.m.,

Sunday - **9th grade Confirmation** at 4:30 p.m.

Monday - **3rd through 8th grade**
from 6:30 p.m. - 7:45 p.m.

Sacramental Preparation for First Communion and Confirmation.

If your son or daughter is entering **1st grade** or **8th grade** this school year now is the time to start preparation for the Sacrament.

Typically **1st grade starts** the preparation process for **First Communion** and then the sacrament is received in **2nd grade**.

8th grade starts the preparation process for **Confirmation** and then the sacrament is received in **9th grade**.

If your child attends 1st grade or 8th grade in a catholic school, they do not need to attend the first year of preparation. Students attending 2nd grade in a **Catholic Elementary School** and students attending 9th grade in a **Catholic High School** need to attend the faith formation classes here at our parish to receive the sacrament of First Communion or Confirmation.

All returning families should have received a registration in the mail by now.



Open Registration

this Sunday and August 29th
from 10:15 a.m.- 1 p.m. in rooms 2 & 3.

Confirmation Packet Sunday

Sunday, August 29th at 4:30 p.m. in hall

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YOUTH ACTIVITIES

Bart Kovacic—Life Teen Director

727-251-2476 or ignatiuslifeteen@tampabay.rr.com

Life Teen Nights:

Every Sunday our
Life Teen group meets
for a night filled with
food & friends.

We explore our
Faith, Life, and being the
Sons and Daughters of God.
Come to our 6 p.m. Life
Teen Mass and
join us afterwards in the hall.



Samantha Trapp—Edge Director

727-251-2476 or strapp@ignatius.net

Our 6-8 grade ministry, known as **EDGE**,
is a dynamic middle school youth ministry.
Edge provides an opportunity to grow in faith by
developing a relationship with Jesus
through social activities.

It is all about making a difference in their hearts
& empowering them to seek Christ.

All Middle School Youth are invited

Thursday, August 26th
for Deserted Island
A Night of Friendship
in the hall at 6:30 p.m.



Life Teen Bible Cafe

Wednesday, September 1st,
at the Youth House
from 6-8 p.m.

Rosary Makers



All are welcome to join in
Monday mornings
from 9:30 a.m. - noon
in the hall.

Do you know of anyone
who would like
to become Catholic?

Do you know someone
– and that could be you –

interested in learning more about
the Catholic Faith?



If so, join Deacon Mike for an
Information Session about the
Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults-RCIA.

An information session will be held on
Tuesday, August 24th, in room 2
of the Parish Life Center at 7 p.m.

All are welcome to attend!

This is an open session to come and dialogue
about the process of becoming Catholic,
as well as the process for those who
want to complete their Sacraments.

Please spread the word to family and friends
who might be interested.

That is the way most inquirers come to the
Church – through YOU!

Please contact Deacon Mike at
mike.waldron51@gmail.com or ext. 224.

Weekly meetings of RCIA
begin Tuesday, September 7th at 7:00 pm.

(Children needing their sacraments should
contact Fran in Faith Formation)

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Brothers in Christ

All men of the parish
are invited on
Wednesdays at 6 a.m.
in the hall.

For more info contact Jim at
12345678wow@gmail.com



Adult Choir



Adult Choir meets
this Thursday at 7 p.m.
in the Church.

Scouts

Fridays at 7 p.m....

Boy Scouts in hall

Cub Scouts in rooms 9-12



Polish School



Polish School meets this
Saturday at 9 a.m.
in rooms 7-12.

Children's Choir



Rehearsals start late September!

Our **Children's Choir**
is open to all children of the parish in grades 2 – 8.
The children rehearse one evening a week
and sing weekly at the 9 a.m. Mass.

Details on dates & times to come!

Interested in Joining?

Contact Brandon Vennink, Music Director at
ext. 206 or email at bvennink@ignatus.net

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JESUS IS THE EUCHARIST



**On Friday, September 3rd
Adoration begins at 9:30 a.m.
in our Chapel
and ends with
Benediction at 9 p.m.**

Please be a witness to praise
and thank God in the Eucharist
by signing the Adoration Book
in the front of the Church as you leave Mass.

Women's Council



**All ladies of the parish
are invited to attend
our first monthly meeting
and luncheon,
Thursday, September 16th.**

We begin with the rosary in the Chapel
at 11:30 a.m.

Choice of turkey or tuna sandwich
with potato salad and desert will be served.
Compliments of Tom Dobies.

**Please RSVP to Jean at 727 543 5106 or
Kath at 216 214 4127 with
sandwich selection before September 7th.**

Please leave a voicemail if unavailable.

All attending wear masks.
Bring a non-perishable food item
for the food pantry.

Word in Action

We attend Mass every week.
We observe and participate in
the sacred rites given to us
through the centuries of our
Catholic Faith.

Also included in what we
experience are the many
Traditions that have been incorporated into the
mysteries that is - the Eucharist.

Dr. Pitre will explain, in easy terms the many
scripture passages that have come to define the
Mass. We have heard the readings many times
before, but have we ever come to understand
where they appear in the Mass and why?

Travel with Deacon Sam as he leads this ten-week
study of the "Source and Summit of our faith",
the Mass, the Eucharist.

The classes run September 23rd thru December 2nd.
Classes meet Thursdays from 10:30 a.m. - 12 noon.

Registration is not required.

If you choose, study guides for
'Eucharist: Discovering the Mass in the Bible'
may be purchased from

"Augustine Institute.org" online.

Come with a Bible and notebooks for recording
your thoughts as you participate in the class.

This study will deepen your understanding of the
Mass and bring to you profound meaning and
purpose of Sacred Scripture, Sacred Tradition,
and Church History into your Catholic life.

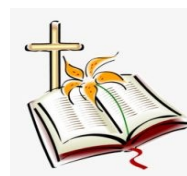
Classes are open to all.

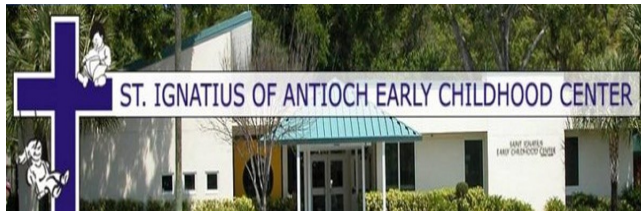


Lectors Needed.

Have you ever considered proclaiming scripture at mass?
Upcoming training session, September 19th at 1:15 p.m. in the Church.
Open to all registered members of St. Ignatius.

Contact the Parish Office to sign up. Lectors are needed for all Masses.





**A Catholic school
for two, three and four year olds.**

We are dedicated to the goal of providing developmentally appropriate programs aimed at the total child.

Contact Sharon Nease
at (727) 937-5427

or snease@ignatius.net
to schedule a tour and see
what makes our center outstanding!

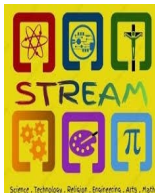
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Clearwater, Florida

A STREAM Certified School
Enrolling K-Grade 8

Contact Mary Stalzer to schedule
your tour today!

Phone: 727-799-6724
or email: mstalzer@gacsfl.com



Hurricane Season is HERE!

**Please take note
of our hurricane
procedures.**

Mass will not be celebrated if the
government restricts travel to emergency
vehicles and/or orders an evacuation
of the Tarpon Springs area.

Eucharistic Ministers will not distribute
communion to the homebound or hospitals.
Parishioners with special needs should call
Laura at ext. 221 for forms for shelters.



Come & Pray in the Chapel...

**Monday – Friday
7:30 a.m.-2:30 p.m.
Saturday from
9 a.m.-2:30 p.m.**

Altar Servers Needed

**Do you have a child
in 4th grade or older
interested in becoming an
Altar Server?**



**The Altar Server's Ministry
is a unique one in the
Catholic Church.**

**Other than priests and deacons,
no one else is allowed to so closely play a
part in the preparation of the Eucharist.**

**Your participation as an Altar Server
is special. When you serve the priests
and deacons, you serve the people of
God, and above all, you serve Christ.**

**We are looking for servers for all of our
Masses, especially our
Saturday 6:30 p.m. and
Sunday 7 a.m. Masses.**

**For more information, email us at
server@ignatius.net**

Dropped Your Landline? E-mail Change? Other Changes?



**Please keep the
Parish Office informed.
Send an email to
kcreamer@ignatius.net**

<i>DATE</i>	<i>MASS INTENTIONS</i>	<i>EVENTS</i>
Saturday, August 21	4:00 p.m. + Robert & Robbie Hogan 6:30 p.m. + Nancy Pinto	Confessions 3 p.m. - 3:45 p.m. and after the 6:30 p.m. Mass
Sunday, August 22 <i>21st Sunday in Ordinary Time</i> <i>Joshua 24:1-18</i> <i>Ephesians 5:21-32</i> <i>John 6:60-69</i>	7:00 a.m. + Bill Sanchuk 9:00 a.m. For the People of Our Parish 11:30 a.m. + Robert Bressie 6:00 p.m. + Salvatore Galvagno	Food Drive this Weekend 10:15 a.m. Faith Formation Open Registration in rooms 2,3 7:30 p.m. Life Teen Night
Monday, August 23 <i>St. Rose of Lima</i> <i>1 Thessalonians 1:1-10</i> <i>Matthew 23:13-22</i>	7:00 a.m. + Agostino Menna 9:00 a.m. + Scott Harlib	Pray in the Chapel 7:30 a.m.— 2:30 p.m. 9:30 a.m. Rosary Makers - hall
Tuesday, August 24 <i>St. Bartholomew</i> <i>Revelations 21:9-14</i> <i>John 1:45-51</i>	7:00 a.m. + Marilyn Lacitra 9:00 a.m. + Sofi Hrocich 10:30 a.m. + Barbara Matthews	Pray in the Chapel 7:30 a.m.— 2:30 p.m. 6:30 p.m. RCIA in Evangelization Office
Wednesday, August 25 <i>St. Louis &</i> <i>St. Joseph Calasanç</i> <i>1 Thessalonians 2:9-13</i> <i>Matthew 23:27-32</i>	7:00 a.m. Vocations to the Priesthood & Religious Life 9:00 a.m. + Edward Rufer	6:00 a.m. Brothers in Christ - hall Pray in the Chapel 7:30 a.m.— 2:30 p.m.
Thursday, August 26 <i>1 Thessalonians 3:7-13</i> <i>Matthew 24:42-51</i>	7:00 a.m. + William Brennan 9:00 a.m. + John Astrab, Jr.	Pray in the Chapel 7:30 a.m.— 2:30 p.m. 6:30 p.m. Edge - hall 7:30 p.m. Adult Choir - Church
Friday, August 27 <i>St. Monica</i> <i>1 Thessalonians 4:1-8</i> <i>Matthew 25:1-13</i>	7:00 a.m. + Josephine Roman 9:00 a.m. + Fr. Michael Hannon	Pray in the Chapel 7:30 a.m.— 2:30 p.m. 7:00 p.m. Boy Scouts - in hall 7:00 p.m. Cub Scouts in rooms 9-12
Saturday, August 28 <i>St. Augustine</i> <i>1 Thessalonians 4:9-11</i> <i>Matthew 25:14-30</i>	9:00 a.m. + Michael Beecher	Pray in the Chapel 9 a.m.— 2:30 p.m. 9:00 a.m. Polish School - rooms 7-12
Saturday, August 28	4:00 p.m. + Dan Smith 6:30 p.m. + Noreen Haddon	Confessions 3 p.m. - 3:45 p.m. and after the 6:30 p.m. Mass
Sunday, August 29 <i>22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time</i> <i>Deuteronomy 4:1-8</i> <i>James 1:17-27</i> <i>Mark 7:1-23</i>	7:00 a.m. For All Life, From Conception to Natural Death 9:00 a.m. For the People of Our Parish 11:30 a.m. + Arthur Tessarairo 6:00 p.m. + Richard Hill	10:15 a.m. Faith Formation Open Registration in rooms 2,3,4 4:30 p.m. Confirmation Packet Sunday in hall 7:30 p.m. Life Teen Night

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