

# PARISH CALENDAR

## Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time

June 19, 2016

The Lord is the strength  
of all His people!

Saturday, June 18	..... 5:00 p. m.	Mass
Sunday, June 19	..... 7:00 a.m.	Mass
	..... 9:00 a.m.	Mass
	..... 5:00 p. m.	Mass
Monday, June 20	..... 7:45 a.m.	Morning Prayer
	..... 8:00 a. m.	Communion Service
	..... 9:00-11:00 a.m.	Food Pantry Open
Tuesday, June 21	..... 7:45 a.m.	Morning Prayer
	..... 8:00 a. m.	Communion Service
Wednesday, June 22	..... 7:45 a.m.	Morning Prayer
	..... 8:00 a.m.	Communion Service
	..... 9:00-11:00 a.m.	Food Pantry Open
	..... 7:00 p. m.	<b>New Lector Training - Church</b>
Thursday, June 23	..... 7:45 a.m.	Morning Prayer
	..... 8:00 a.m.	Communion Service
	..... 7:30 p. m.	<b>Prayer Meeting - Church</b>
Friday, June 24	..... 7:45 a.m.	Morning Prayer
	..... 8:00 a.m.	Communion Service
	..... 9:00-11:00 a.m.	Food Pantry Open
Saturday, June 25	..... 4:00-4:45 pm	Confession
	..... 5:00 p.m.	Mass



### NEXT SUNDAY READINGS:

**1 Kings: 19:16b, 19-21: Elijah chooses Elisha to be his successor.**

**Gal:5:1, 13-18: The Spirit calls us to live in freedom.**

**Luke:9:51-62: Let nothing keep us from following Jesus.**

### **Living Catholic in the 808: And Another Thing About the Bible**

Last week I shared about opening the Bible and praying with His Word. Well, Bible Studies are also important – it can help you gain a better understanding of the Bible's meaning.

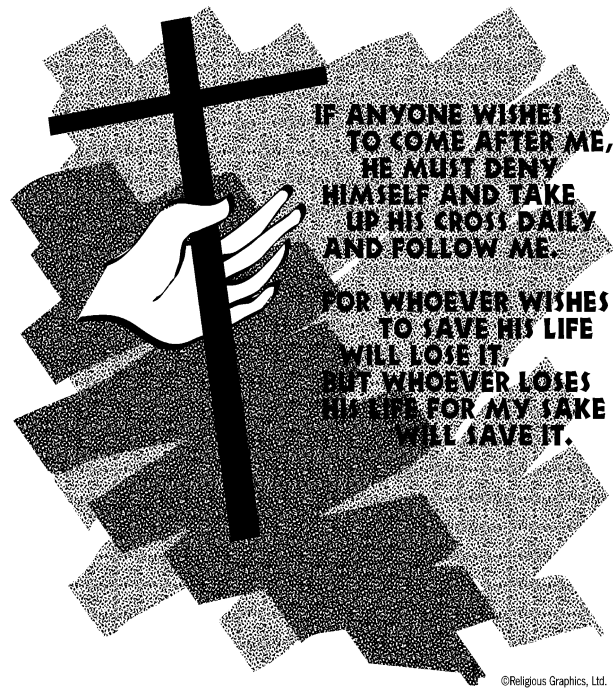
How many of you have picked up a Bible and read a passage hoping to gain a better understanding but were left even more confused? Well, if that is how you felt, then Bible Studies are a great way for you to get all of those questions answered.

And even if you feel like you “get it,” how do you know that your interpretation is right? Unfortunately, it is because people do not fully understand and come up with their own interpretations that we have so many different translations of the Bible and so many arguments between people.

With good Catholic Bible study, the studies will be backed up by multiple, different passages, The Catechism of the Catholic Church, sayings of our Church Fathers and more.

Through His Word, Jesus will speak straight to your heart when He has a message just for you. But Jesus is also trying to tell you His story as well. He wants you to get to know Him and understand Him like He knows and understands you.

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# ANNOUNCEMENTS

**PETER PENCE COLLECTION:** Next week, our diocese will take up the Peter's Pence Collection, which provides Pope Francis with the funds he needs to carry out his charitable works around the world. The proceeds benefit our brothers and sisters on the margins of society, including victims of war, oppression, and disasters. Join our Holy Father as a witness of charity to those who are suffering.

**WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER:** "On this Father's Day weekend, think about giving Dad a weekend getaway with his wife. It may not be a new car, but a weekend alone, free of distractions, may be just what Dad needs to rev up his relationship with Mom. The next Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekends are: **Oahu - September 23-25 and Maui - August 26-28.** For more information contact Lee & Tanya Barbero @ (808) 268-1578 on Maui or Jose & Mary Elizabeth Alvior @ (808) 391-2045; or visit our website at [www.hawaiiwwme.org](http://www.hawaiiwwme.org). Get your spot reserved now.

**WORD OF LIFE:** "Clinical labels may describe some aspect of an individual's functioning, 'but they don't tell the whole story. . . . It's like looking at a stained-glass window. . . From the inside. . .with the sun shining through it, the effect can be brilliant. From inside our family, love illuminates our life with Charlie.\* What may seem dreary to others, perhaps even unbearable, is actually filled with beauty and color." –"A Perfect Gift" 2015-16 Respect Life Program USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities ([www.goo.gl/ARzBL6](http://www.goo.gl/ARzBL6))\*Name changed for privacy

## WEEKLY READINGS

**Jun 19 Sun: 12<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time**

Zech:12:10-11, 13:1; Ps 63; Gal:3:26-29; Lk: 9: 18-24

**Jun 20 Mon: Ordinary Weekday**

2 Kings: 17:5-8, 13-15a, 18; Ps 60: 3, 4-5, 12-13; Mt 7:1-5

**Jun 21 Tue: Memorial of Saint Aloysius Gonzaga, religious**

2 Kings: 19:9a-11, 14-21, 31-35a, 36; Ps: 48:2-3ab, 3cd-4, 10-11; Mt:7:6, 12-14

**Jun 22 Wed: Ordinary Weekday**

2 Kings: 22:8-13; 23:1-3; Ps 119: 33, 34, 35, 36, 37, 40; Mt: 7:15-20

**Jun 23 Thur Ordinary Weekday**

2 Kings 24:8-17; Ps 79: 1b-2, 3-5, 8, 9; Mt: 7:21-29

**Jun 24 Fri: Solemnity of the Nativity of John the Baptist**

Isa: 49:1-6; Ps 132: 1b-3, 13-14ab, 14c-15; Acts:13:22-26; Lk: 1:57-66, 80

**June 25 Sat: Ordinary Weekday**

Lam: 2:2, 10-14, 18-19; Ps 77: 1b, 2, 3-5, 6-7, 20-21; Mt 8:5-17

## A FIRST EXPERIENCE OF ADULT BAPTISM

The first time I experienced the baptism of an adult at an Easter Vigil, I was struck by the impact the sacrament seemed to have on one man in particular. Joe had been raised in the Jewish faith and, late in his life, embraced Christianity. Our parish experienced eleven adult baptisms that night and Joe was one of the last to be baptized. As the organist, I had a particularly good view of the newly baptized as they emerged from the baptismal font. When Joe, who usually had a serious look about him, emerged from the waters, his face was absolutely radiant. When he stood up, I played the introduction to the acclamation and the roof was nearly lifted off the church as the congregation sang, "You have put on Christ, in him you have been baptized. Alleluia, Alleluia!" I couldn't wait to talk with Joe about the experience.

## NOTES ON STEWARDSHIP

In today's Gospel Jesus tells his disciples that if they wish to follow him they must deny themselves and take up his cross daily. In Jesus' time the cross was not something nice or cool that one could hang on the wall or around one's neck. It was an instrument of torture and execution. His point: We are to lay down our lives and let him take control. Good stewards hand over their lives to Jesus no matter the cost. They realize that all they take with them into the next life is their relationship with Christ Jesus. What are we pursuing? A life that tries to bring fulfillment to ourselves or a life that brings us closer to Jesus? (*International Catholic Stewardship Council e-Bulletin*)

## THE BODY OF CHRIST

A week later I sat with Joe and a group of the newly baptized and asked Joe what it was like to be baptized. He said, "When I came up out of the water and looked into the faces of the people in the church, I realized that I was finally one of them." Joe had been clothed with Christ in so many ways that night. To be clothed in Christ means that we become Christ for one another. It also means that we heed the call issued forth from Christ in today's Gospel to take up the cross daily and follow him. It also means that we are clothed with another manifestation of Christ in our Christian experience, namely, we become part of this community that is the body of Christ. One consolation about being a Christian is that we never take up our crosses alone. We always have the support and love of the body of Christ. As the long stretch of Ordinary Time opens before us, let us pledge to support one another as we take up our crosses daily and follow in the footsteps of Christ, in whom we have been baptized

