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# ST. JOHN VIANNEY CHURCH

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# GREAT



Then Jesus said to her in  
reply, “O woman, great is  
your faith! Let it be done  
for you as you wish.”

MATTHEW 15:28

# MITCH'S MESSAGE



My wife and I made a decision the other day that took a lot of time and prayer to come to. That decision was to *homeschool my daughter*. You heard right. We're homeschooling. Of course, most of it will be facilitated by my wife ... while pregnant ... with a one-year old, but hey, no one said parenthood would be easy! I know many of you are probably in the same boat, whether full-time or part-time. Regardless, *all of our lives* will look different this school year and parents will be taking on additional responsibilities to keep the gears of home life + education running smoothly in our homes.

I've recently read a book called *The Educational Philosophy of John Bosco* by John Morrison. If you don't know, St. John Bosco was a priest and educator who dedicated his life to the sanctification and education of street children, juvenile delinquents, and other disadvantaged youth. I'd like to share with you three of the more significant principles I got from the book that my wife and I will be implementing in our home.

## **KINDNESS & PATIENCE**

Kindness and "niceness" are two different things. You can discipline with fatherly or motherly kindness. "Niceness" in parenthood can lead to being a doormat. We also know what it's like to lose our patience or be the recipient of someone who has. Kindness and patience lets your children know that what you're doing, whether implementing rules, teaching, praising, or disciplining, is all done out of love for them.

## **REASONABLENESS & FLEXIBILITY**

Imagine doing something that is unreasonable like mowing an already cut lawn. Morrison said "[t]o be reasonable, one was to avoid complications, artificialities, exaggerations, formalism when dealing with those who were to learn." Simply asking yourself "is it reasonable to do [this or that]" helps a lot. This applies to rules, routines, amount and content of work, etc. Sometimes we adopt things from our parents that wouldn't be reasonable to do so for a child today. Every child is different so feel free to adapt your approach as you learn more about them through the process.

## **CONFIDENCE & TRUST**

Many of the principles of Bosco amount to building up the confidence and trust between educator and student. When we learn how to love our children with a sacrificial love, they are open to hearing what you have to say. Show you genuinely care for them, and they will care about what you have to say. Provide them an environment where they are heard and they will trust you.

If you are in need of resources for your children, or would like a great community of Catholic homeschool parents, feel free to contact me and I'll be more than happy to connect you. Know that we are praying for you and your children. God Bless! -Mitchell-

*Due to COVID-19 restrictions, the Sacrament of Reconciliation will not be held prior to Mass on Saturdays until further notice. Confessions may be heard by appointment only; please call Fr. Jim (563-332-7910) to schedule.*

## MASS INTENTIONS

The public celebration of all Masses takes place in the church. All Masses are live-streamed at their specific time, viewable live or later on our Facebook page ([facebook.com/sjvbett](https://facebook.com/sjvbett)) or website ([sjvbett.org](https://sjvbett.org)). Intentions for this week:

Sunday, August 16 (8:30am): The parishioners of St. John Vianney  
Sunday, August 16 (11:00am): † David & Kathy Wessel / Frank Thomsen  
Tuesday, August 18 (7:45am): † Betty Ann Smith & Jannine  
Wednesday, August 19 (9:00am): † Will Kohn  
Thursday, August 20 (9:00am): † John & Gloria Baker  
Friday, August 21 (9:00am): † Joe Zenk  
Saturday, August 22 (4:30pm): † Joyce Maher  
Sunday, August 23 (8:30am): † Wayne Cheramy / Joyce Flanders  
Sunday, August 23 (11:00am): The parishioners of St. John Vianney

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## INTENTION CANDLES

Through memorial gifts of family and friends, the candles around the statue of Mary are lit for your special intentions. To offset the expense, a gift of \$5 per candle is requested. Candles are lit by the staff only. Please contact the office to make your requests (563-332-7910 or [office@sjvbett.org](mailto:office@sjvbett.org)).

**AUGUST 16 - 22, 2020**

Frank Schosser  
Patsy Mart  
Paul Newton

Richard Pribyl  
John Golinvaux  
James Willet

Marilyn Freking  
Robert Williams  
Jack Keimig

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## CONGRATULATIONS TO:

**Travis & Rochelle Bueter**  
as they live the Sacrament of Holy Matrimony



**WELCOME TO THE NEWEST MEMBER OF  
OUR FAITH, BAPTIZED IN CHRIST JESUS:**

**Luke Robert Valle**  
Son of Jordan and Mallory

# WEEKLY PRAYER

## READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF AUGUST 16, 2020

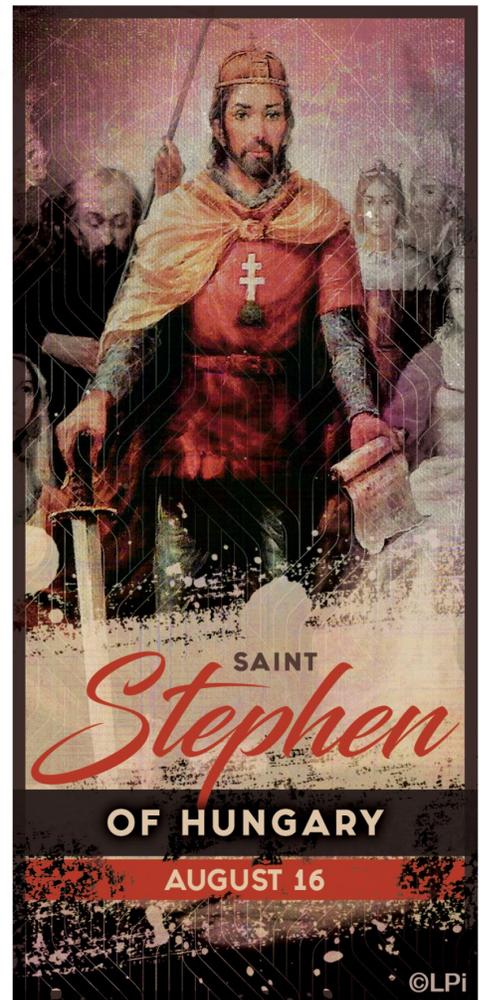
- SUN 8/16** Is 56:1, 6-7/Ps 67:2-3, 5, 6, 8 [4]/Rom 11:13-15, 29-32/  
Mt 15:21-28
- MON 8/17** Ez 24:15-24/Dt 32:18-19, 20, 21 [cf. 18a]/Mt 19:16-22
- TUE 8/18** Ez 28:1-10/Dt 32:26-27ab, 27cd-28, 30, 35cd-36ab [39c]/Mt  
19:23-30
- WED 8/19** Ez 34:1-11/Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6 [1]/Mt 20:1-16
- THR 8/20** Ez 36:23-28/Ps 51:12-13, 14-15, 18-19 [Ez 36:25]/Mt 22:1-14
- FRI 8/21** Ez 37:1-14/Ps 107:2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9 [1]/Mt 22:34-40
- SAT 8/22** Ez 43:1-7ab/Ps 85:9ab and 10, 11-12, 13-14 [cf. 10b]/Mt 23:1-12
- SUN 8/23** Is 22:19-23/Ps 138:1-2, 2-3, 6, 8 [8bc]/Rom 11:33-36/  
Mt 16:13-20

## OBSERVANCES FOR THE WEEK OF AUGUST 16, 2020

- Sunday:** 20<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time
- Wednesday:** St. John Eudes, Priest
- Thursday:** St. Bernard, Abbot and Doctor of the Church
- Friday:** St. Pius X, Pope
- Saturday:** The Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary
- Next Sunday:** 21<sup>st</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

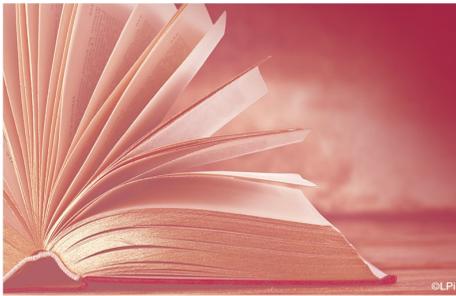
## LIVE THE LITURGY Inspiration for the week

As much as some folks may not want to admit it, we all want to be healed. Human beings suffer physically, mentally, socially, and spiritually. There are many wounds. Of all of the maladies that can afflict us, the ones that require the greatest attention are of a spiritual nature. What can happen if we are healed inwardly, brought back to center, and restored in our relationships, especially in our relationship with God? We will find the courage, strength, conviction, and hope needed to deal with the more tangible struggles that may not find an easy remedy. Inner strength, gained by persistent faith, is what allows strong, determined, and courageous people to overcome incredible challenges and hurdles. Be persistent in your faith, and seek the inner spiritual healing that you so desperately desire and need.



Live in the  
*Love*  
of God

# WORSHIP & MEDITATION



## FIRST READING

Thus says the LORD:  
Observe what is right, do what is just;  
for my salvation is about to come,  
my justice, about to be revealed. (Is 56:1)



## PSALM

O God, let all the nations praise you! (Ps 67)



## SECOND READING

Just as you once disobeyed God  
but have now received mercy  
because of their disobedience,  
so they have now disobeyed in order that,  
by virtue of the mercy shown to you,  
they too may now receive mercy. (Rom 11:30-31)



## GOSPEL

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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# GOD FIXES WHAT IS BROKEN

## GOSPEL MEDITATION

### Encourage Deeper Understanding of Scripture

We are hardwired for wholeness and crave it. When something is broken, we want it fixed. If a part of our body is not working properly, we want it healed. How often do we find ourselves saying, "I'm tired of struggling with this cold, I can't wait for my surgery to heal, or I want my treatments to make me better." Wholeness and healing restore our relationships and make us free to love as we desire. We know very well how our limitations, imperfections, and brokenness really limit us. They can easily prevent us from being and doing what we want to do.

Our physical and emotional wounds and maladies are easier to identify. If my back hurts, I feel it and know what part of my body needs attention. If I am feeling intense anger, I can identify the emotion and take necessary steps to uncover its cause. Being persistent often brings greater and quicker results. But will pursuing and even achieving our physical and emotional healings really be enough? We forget that there is a deeper healing that we seek and desperately need. As we look around at humanity, there are some physical and emotional wounds and scars that cannot be made whole. They are limitations that must remain and, for one reason or another, cannot be rectified. Does this mean that the wholeness and healing that my being longs for is not possible for me? Must I settle with less than what God promises?

The answer is no. Ultimately, there is a desire that goes deeper than the physical and emotional. It is a desire that resides in our soul. What we really seek and thirst for is healing and wholeness for our soul. Inner strength, conviction, focus, grounding, love, hope, faith, courage, determination, peace, and connectedness are all words that center us on eternity. They direct us to a presence we discover in our core, which is none other than the presence of God. In God, we are healed. When we are persistent in reaching out to and establishing our relationship with God, real healing and wholeness begin to happen.

There are some limitations and some of our brokenness with which we may simply have to live. This does not mean that we have to abandon our journey to wholeness and healing. If we have done our inner soul work, we have worked toward and acquired what and who we ultimately need and desire.

## RELIGIOUS EDUCATION (all levels)

Registration for **RELIGIOUS EDUCATION, JUNIOR HIGH ALIVE, YOUTH MINISTRY, AND MUSIC MINISTRY** is open for all parishioners, preschool through 12th grade. Please go to our website, [sjvbett.org](http://sjvbett.org), and click the registration link on our home page. *If you have any questions, please contact:*



**Jeannie Moran** (Preschool—6th grade)  
[re@sjvbett.org](mailto:re@sjvbett.org)

**Jan Stevenson** (7th—12th grade)  
[ym@sjvbett.org](mailto:ym@sjvbett.org)

**Eleanor Kiel** (Music Ministry)  
[liturgy@sjvbett.org](mailto:liturgy@sjvbett.org)

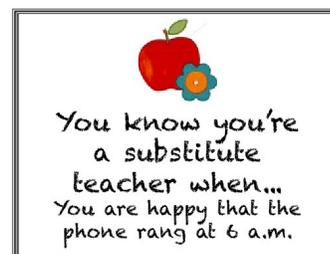


## SJV PRESCHOOL RETURN TO LEARN

SJV Preschool plans to return to school with a hybrid plan and several openings are available. Please contact the preschool if you are interested in enrolling your child and would like more details on our Return to Learn Plan. 563-332-5308 OR [preschool@sjvbett.org](mailto:preschool@sjvbett.org).

## SUBSTITUTE PRESCHOOL TEACHERS

Our preschool needs substitute teachers for the 2020-21 school year. Requirements include a current Iowa teaching or substitute license or two years of college, and Safe Environment (Virtus) certification with a background check (both completed via the SJV parish office). All preschool classes are in session during the morning hours. If you are interested in applying, please contact: **Christy Barnum, Preschool Director:** [preschool@sjvbett.org](mailto:preschool@sjvbett.org).



## ANNUAL SCHOOL SUPPLY DRIVE

Many thanks to everyone who have sent contributions for our annual school supply drive. Even though we cannot accept physical donations of supplies, your monetary donations will make a big difference in making an already challenging year just a little bit easier. There is still time to donate online, please click here: [2020 School Supply Drive](#) OR you may mail your donations to the church—clearly marked for “school supplies”—by **August 20**.

## THANK YOU FOR YOUR FINANCIAL STEWARDSHIP

We appreciate the steadfastness of parishioners continuing to send regular contributions via the mail. Many more are also giving online, which is easy and secure. If you wish to do the same, visit [sjvbett.org](http://sjvbett.org), scroll down to the **GIVE ONLINE** icon on our homepage, and follow the steps provided.

### OUR WEEKLY STEWARDSHIP REPORT

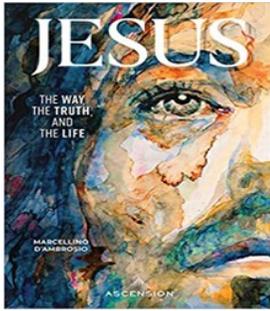
Fiscal YTD Actual:	\$131,419	Weekly Amount Received:	\$18,215
Fiscal YTD Budget:	\$123,430	Weekly Amount Budgeted:	\$24,827

# ADULT FAITH FORMATION CLASSES

We are excited to offer the following courses to help adults grow spiritually and in their knowledge of scripture and the Catholic faith. All classes will be online for this fall. (Hopefully, by spring, we can gather in person again!) We know that adults are busy and the pandemic makes schedules uncertain. These classes are offered with a wide range of flexibility, encouraging everyone to join in as they are able. All classes will have an at-home component and a gathering time online using Zoom or other platforms. If you are not familiar with Zoom, we will teach you how to use it. All are welcome! Please contact **Judy Benevento (563-343-0443** or [judybill64@aol.com](mailto:judybill64@aol.com).

## Jesus: The Way, the Truth, and the Life

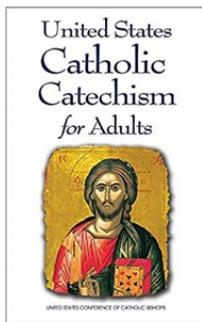
**Mondays, 6:30pm, beginning Sept. 14**



Anchored in the life of Christ, this study explores the entirety of Jesus' life—who he is, what he taught, what he did for our salvation, and what all of this means for us as Catholics today. This study was filmed in the Holy Land so Catholics can experience the extraordinary world in which Jesus lived. This study shows, in a simple way, how Jesus, the Incarnate God, is both fully divine and fully human—his intimacy with the Father, his revelation of the Father's love, and his extraordinary influence on his disciples, his followers, and even his enemies. Most importantly, this encounter with Christ will inspire and empower you to center your entire life in him. *(10-week study)*

## U.S. Catholic Catechism for Adults

**Tuesdays, 9:45am, beginning Sept. 8**



This course on the Catholic faith will enable us to grow in holiness and take greater responsibility in promoting the

**Wednesdays, 9:45am, beginning Sept. 9**

**Thursdays, 6:30pm, beginning Sept. 10**

life and mission of the Church. We'll study the Creed, sacraments, moral life, and prayer. Each chapter begins with a story of a saint or holy person, many from the U.S. It goes on to explain church teachings and their relationship to the culture. Prayers and reflection questions lead to a deeper understanding. This course is offered at multiple times for the greatest flexibility for participants, considering how uncertain schedules can be with the pandemic. We know families may be working from home and/or have kids online for school, etc. This allows a broader window for

participation. Please choose your main time to participate, but *know you are welcome to join us each week as your schedule allows*. If you want to join us more than once per week—whether to catch up with fellow parishioners, pray together, or to hear what others say about the lesson—that's fine too. You are also welcome to get the book for study, but not join us online.

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## ADULT FAITH FORMATION REGISTRATION FALL 2020

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

<b>Jesus: The Way, Truth, &amp; Life</b>	<b>\$ 25.00</b>	<b>Monday</b>	<b>6:30pm</b>
<b>U.S. Catholic Catechism for Adults</b>	<b>\$ 20.00</b>	<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>9:45am</b>
<b>U.S. Catholic Catechism for Adults</b>	<b>\$ 20.00</b>	<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>9:45am</b>
<b>U.S. Catholic Catechism for Adults</b>	<b>\$ 20.00</b>	<b>Thursday</b>	<b>6:30pm</b>

Please make checks payable to **St. John Vianney**. Scholarships available if finances are tight due to the pandemic. This form can be printed and mailed to SJV or you may contact **Judy Benevento** to register: [judybill64@aol.com](mailto:judybill64@aol.com) or **563-343-0443**.

# WEEKEND MASS RESERVATION INFORMATION

## Inside Option



Please use the link on our [website](#) or [Facebook page](#) for the weekend Mass you plan to attend. A reservation is required for each person in your family, including children, and may be made up to 15 minutes prior to Mass time. Present your reservation to an usher (either printed or electronic) when you enter the building. *Reservations for Daily Mass are not required at this time.*

## Outside Option



If you do not wish to enter a large-group setting, you may participate in Mass from our parking lot. Come at Mass time, follow along online (in your vehicle, on your mobile device) and receive Holy Communion during the Eucharistic procession. An Extraordinary Minister will come outside at the main wooden doors; process to the carport, masked and social distanced, and receive Holy Communion.

This option also requires a reservation; go to our [website](#) and click on the parking lot option for Mass. Reservations are by person, not by vehicle.

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# WEDNESDAY TAIZÉ PRAISE AND SJV'S GOT TALENT

In addition to Taizé Praise, we are now offering **SJV'S GOT TALENT** on alternate Wednesday evenings at **6:30pm** on the [SJV Facebook page](#). Make sure to "tune in" every Wednesday for either Taizé Praise or SJV'S GOT TALENT to give God praise through music! Would you like to offer a talent to share with our parish? Please contact **Eleanor Kiel** ([liturgy@sjvbett.org](mailto:liturgy@sjvbett.org)) for details on how to submit your video.



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

