



Twelfth Sunday of The Year

June 24 & 25, 2017

Mass Intentions

Saturday
5:00 PM †Ed Dubin / Genevieve Dubin
Sunday
8:00 AM †Vincent Murphy, Jr. / V. & A.M. Murphy
10:30 AM Bill Patton / R. & B. Fortunati
Monday- No Mass
Tuesday
8:00 AM Catherine Williams / R. & B. Fortunati
Wednesday
8:00 AM John Williams / R. & B. Fortunati
Thursday
8:00 AM †Harry & Mary Smith / J. & C. Williams
Friday
8:00 AM Bill & Claire Patton / J. & C. Williams
First Saturday
8:00 AM Reparation to Immaculate Heart of Mary
5:00 PM †Ed Dubin / Genevieve Dubin

Dates are available for Mass intentions. Please call the office at 251-962-3649 to request your intentions.

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR SICK

Kindly pray for our parish family and all those who are journeying in a special way with Our Lord, Jesus Christ.



Edith Scott Ashworth, Pat Chubb, Pat & Vince Cooke, Ken & Pat Cote, Pat & Sheila Clemens, **Diane Dickerson**, **Barbara Edwards**, Scott & Casey Ellyson, Jo Flynn, Frank Gajewski, Megan Glowacki, Debra Green, **June Henderson**, Brad Jarveis, Mary Link, **Curtis Malone**, Ann-Marie Mann, Richard Muller, Anna Marie Murphy, Bob & Margaret Nail, Arthur Nichols, Nicholas Patrick Palermo, Paul Peschel, Vera Patterson, Claire & Bill Patton, Richard Peterson, Jerome Radtke, Annie Rutledge, George & Margaret Schaff, Susan Scruggs, **Rick** & Pat Van Norden, Cece Vaness, **Catherine Williams**

~ Prayer Requests ~

Terry Danson – 251-961-2165 or tsdanson@gmail.com

If you know of someone or if you are homebound, ill, due to have surgery, or in the hospital and would like a visit from the pastor or receive the sacraments, please call the rectory or the office.

First Friday Memorial Mass Association

Our Loved Ones – Bob & Margaret Nail
Living & Deceased Kaiser, Klein & Murphy Families
Living & Deceased Scott & Weiss Families
Living & Deceased Bush, Alvarez & McAleer Families
Living & Deceased Mullek & McCandless Families
Living & Deceased Patton & Norton Families
Living & Deceased Shields & Self Families
Living & Deceased Cretaro Family

†James E. Link
†Deacon J. Cretaro
†Anita Warriner
†Joseph LaManna
†Doris Mullek
†Frank Mullek, Jr.
Mignon Kilday
†Joe Lacoy

Living & Deceased Kilday Family
Living & Deceased Chubb & Burns Families
Living & Deceased Lacoy & Clancy Families
Living & Deceased Kearns & Patterson Families
Living & Deceased Lang & Pope Families
Living & Deceased Altar Society Members
The Baptized Who Do Not Practice Their Faith
Holy Souls in Purgatory

This Week's Schedule

Wednesday 9:00 AM Bible Study – IM Hall
Wednesday 10:30 AM Choir Practice – Church
Friday 8:30 AM Rosary Cenacle – IM Hall
Saturday 8:00 AM First Saturday Devotions by Filipino Rosary Group followed by breakfast in IM Hall. Everyone is invited.
Sunday 2:00 PM Benedictine Oblate Holy Hour for vocations and vespers followed by fellowship in IMH



ATTENDANCE LAST WEEKEND

5:00 PM = 64 8:00 AM = 45 10:30 AM = 83 Total = 192

STEWARDSHIP

Offertory Gift for June 18 = \$2,014.00
Maintenance = \$125.00
Seminarians = \$429.00
2nd Collection – **next week** – Holy Father (Peter's Pence)
(envelopes are in the pews)

Pray for the Dead

Please pray for the repose of the soul of our Nancy Scott. Our sympathy to her family. May her soul rest in peace. Funeral arrangements will be announced later.

We extend our sympathy to Vincent Murphy, Sr. on the death of his son, Vincent, Jr., and also to their families. May his soul rest in peace.



Our Coffee with the Padre **next** Sunday will be hosted by the Rosary Cenacle from 9:00 AM to 10:00 AM. Join us for good food and fellowship.

To help with our monthly fellowship gatherings, check the schedule on the bulletin board and call the contact person listed. **Many thanks** to our Hospitality Host, Barbara Bennett, and her sidekick, Rose Hauser, for setting up, greeting and helping to make our monthly socials so enjoyable.

"Many suffer, but few know how to suffer well. Suffering is a gift from God; blessed is he who knows how to profit by it."
—St. Pio

Gospel Reflections

We read today's Gospel in the context of last week's Gospel in which Jesus sent the twelve disciples to proclaim the kingdom of heaven. In between last week's reading and today's reading, Jesus has predicted that the disciples will face difficulties in their mission. Many people will not receive them well, even within the land of Israel. Even family members will turn away from the disciples because of the disciples' commitment to Jesus and the kingdom. Today's Gospel offers the disciples consolation against this difficult truth.

This section of Matthew's Gospel should be read in the context of Matthew's intended audience, a Jewish-Christian community. The Gospel alludes to the dangers and persecutions that this community has most likely already faced and will continue to face. To reassure this community, Matthew recalls for them the encouraging words of Jesus that we read today.

In this Gospel passage, Jesus might be understood as putting suffering in perspective. The disciples of Jesus are called upon to keep their focus on God. Those who can harm the body do not have ultimate power; God does. Still persecution and suffering cannot be avoided or prevented. But Jesus reassures his disciples that God knows and cares about what happens to his children.

We might not face the same type of persecution, but we do experience difficulties as we endeavor to live a Christian life. Sometimes we let the opinions of others prevent us from doing what we know to be right. We need the reminder that what God thinks about us is more important. We are reassured by the promise that God cares for us and protects us.



PLEASE TAKE NOTE OF THE CHANGES ON THE COVER AND ON THE INSIDE OF THE BULLETIN

Church Cleaning – July 2017

Restrooms, etc. – Charlene & Jason Crump
Floors/Pews – Martha Byous, Anita Sanford

Please call Harriet Shields if you are unable to keep your commitment as posted on the schedule on the bulletin board. Cleaning instructions are posted on the cabinet door in the West Wing sink closet.

July 1 & 2

Sat: 5:00 PM
Sun: 8:00 AM
10:30 AM

Lectors

S. Henkel
L. Willis
M. Cote

Ext. Ministers

J. Caudill / Sr. Thérèse
B. & M. McCandless
E. & N. Fehn

Gift Bearers

E. & N. Fehn
S. McKinney / B. Brennan
G. Cook / C. Crump

Ushers

F. Mullek / S. Pinzone
R. Geiger / B. Brennan
J. Crump / T. Shields



Knights of Columbus

FAMOUS SPAGHETTI DINNER

Sunday, July 23 – 11:30 AM – 2:00 PM

Sponsored by K. of C. Council #2736 at their Council Hall, Hwy 98 and Old Foley Rd in Elberta.

Menu: Spaghetti and "fresh from the garden" sauce by Chef Jim Spencer, meatballs, salad, garlic bread, dessert, coffee and tea.

K of C. members will be selling tickets after the Masses. To reserve tickets – \$8 adults/\$4 children 12 and under – or for additional information, contact Jim Spencer at 850-384-5037 or spencerjkn@gulftel.com.

CATHOLIC SOCIAL SERVICES FOOD PANTRY

JUNE is our month to provide nonperishable food for the CSS pantry in Robertsedale. Bring items to IM Hall or place them in the container in the vestibule. A list of urgent items needed for June is posted on the bulletin board.

FEAST OF FAITH ~ The Collection: A Privilege

As the altar is prepared for the celebration of the Eucharist, the collection is taken up. In the early Church, this part of the Mass must have been something to behold as the people suddenly began to move, bringing forward to the deacons and priests freshly baked bread and fine wine. Then after the Eucharistic Prayer, that same community came forward again in the Communion procession, and they received back the very gifts they had given, now transformed into something infinitely more precious than bread and wine: the very Body and Blood of Christ. Beginning around the eleventh century, it became the custom for people to present money instead of bread and wine, and the procession of the faithful gradually disappeared (it survives in the liturgy of Holy Thursday). But the meaning is the same. We continue to bring the fruit of our labors and to offer them freely to God. And God continues to transform them into Christ. It is through our generous sharing of time, talent, and treasure that our parishes can preach the gospel, reach out to the sick and the imprisoned, and celebrate the sacraments.

The Old Country Philosopher Sez ~ Bob Nail

If you were the only person who had ever lived and died The Son of God would still have come, and for your sins be crucified