



Mother of Good Counsel Catholic Community

Catholic Church serving in Eastern Kentucky since 1913

Our Parish COMMUNITY

July 9, 2023

Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time (A)

Zechariah 9:9-10 / Romans 8:9, 11-13 / Matthew 11:25-30



Eucharistic Services:

- 7:00 pm Wednesday -
Word & Communion Service
- 5:00 pm Saturday - Holy Cross in Jackson,
Vigil Mass
- 11:30 am Sunday - Mass

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Sunday after Mass; other times by appointment.

Office Hours: Wed - Friday 10 am to 5 pm

Ministers for next Sunday, July 16, 2023

Sacramental Minister : Rev. Bob Damron

Lector: Christina Elsoueidi

Ministers at MGC

Lori Helfrich, Parish Life Director

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Mother of Good Counsel Prayer by B.J. Ewen

Holy Mary, our heavenly mother,
keep us in your care.

Give us your good counsel

as we strive to be disciples of your son Jesus
and help us to grow in faith and in our love for God.

Bless our parish which is named in your honor.

Help us in our lives as we humbly pray and help
us be attentive to the needs of our families and our
community.

Amen

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Parish Mission Statement

Inspired and sustained in our Catholic faith through life-giving worship, we Mother of Good Counsel Catholic Community, have as our mission to bring Christ and the teachings of the Catholic faith to one another and the larger community in a ways that draw us together as a supportive family, yet reaches out with a genuine concern for all people, so that we can be authentic witnesses in an area where Catholics are few in number.

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Flood Anniversary Mass

Flood Anniversary Mass - On July 29th at 5 p.m. at St. George parish in Jenkins, KY, Bishop John Stowe will celebrate Mass to commemorate the one-year anniversary of the historic floods.

Oral History & Flood Remembrance

The Long Term Recovery Group of Perry County is creating some oral histories of the 2022 flood. If you are interesting in sharing your experience of the flood contact Lori Helfrich.

Camp Noah

A camp for children grades K-5 in communities affected by disaster will take place July 10-14 from 9:00 am to 3:00 pm. Camp Noah is looking for volunteers ages 16 and older to help lead activities for children affected by last year's flooding in Eastern Kentucky. Email slindsay@perrylib.org or see the poster located in the gathering space.

Perry County Farmers Market

The Perry County Farmers Market regular market is back. The market hours are Thursdays from 4 pm to 7 pm and Saturdays from 8 am to 12 pm at the Farmers Market Pavilion at Triangle Park.

Northfork Local Food

Northfork Local Food is conducting a survey as a follow up to the Healthy Cities Food Assessment. Please complete their survey. They are gathering responses to gather demographics and opinion on local food systems. Your responses will help them better to inform strategies to improve our community food systems, to make food more accessible and readily available for all. Your voice matters!. Just copy/ click the link to take the survey: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/FQM88T8>
Thank you all for your wonderful support!

Help for Struggling Marriages

Do you have little or no communication in your marriage? Are you thinking of separation or divorce, or are you already separated or divorced but want to try again? Retrouvaille (REH-troh-vye) is a peer ministry for hurting marriages, consists of a Weekend experience and six additional four-hour-long Post Weekend Sessions. The next Cincinnati weekend is scheduled for September 8-10. For information or to register, go to www.helpourmarriage.com. Registrations accepted on a space available basis; confidentiality assured.

Prayer for Vocations

O Lord of the harvest, your Word finds a home in our hearts, calls us to community, and invites us to generous service of the human family. Bless with courage and spirit your priestly people, called to full participation in the one Body of Christ. May many choose to respond in public service to your call offered in Jesus' name. Amen.

— Prayer written by Cardinal Joseph Bernardin

Second Collection

Next week we will take up the Collection for the Church in Central and Eastern Europe. This collection supports the Church in more than 25 countries that still struggle to recover from former communist rule. Funds from this collection support pastoral care, catechesis, renovations, and seminary formation. your support restores the Church and builds the future in this region. Please prayerfully consider how you can support the collection next week. More information can be found at www.usccb.org/ceec.

Eucharistic Revival and Table Fellowship

Our parish will continue to learn about the Eucharist, our next small faith sharing group will take place on Sunday July 30 following Mass. As part of our group we will also be sharing a meal on that day. Some resources are included below to help us grow in our appreciation of the Eucharist.

5 Practical Things You can do this week to grow in your appreciation of the Eucharist :

1. Share a meal with family this week and offer a prayer of thanksgiving before you begin eating.
2. Offer a meal to someone who is serving the community - first responder, health care personal, pastoral minister, or social worker.
3. Spiritual Reading on the Eucharist - see below for some suggestions.
4. Pray the the Anima Christi after receiving the Eucharist
5. Make a donation (food or monetary) to a organization that helps fight food insecurity in thanksgiving for Jesus presence the whole of humanity.

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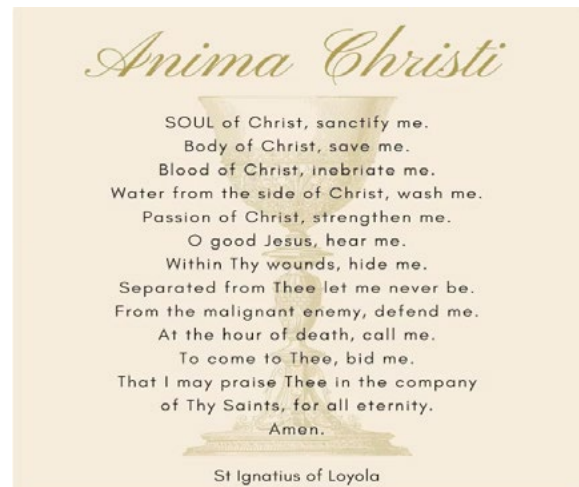
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Agustine's Sermon 272 on the Eucharist

<https://tinyurl.com/52mj6upy>

Books to Read

Eucharistic Adoration After Vatican II by Edward Foley
Eating Together, Becoming One By Thomas O'Loughlin
Mystagogy of the Eucharist by Gilbert Ostdiek, OFM



Upcoming Events

- 7/12 - Rosary, Word & Communion Service,
- 7/16 - Parish Council following Mass

The Dilemma

FR. JOSEPH JUKNIALIS

The question: How do you know when to keep on trying, resisting, refusing to give up, and when to accept life as it is and surrender to the idea that it will never be perfect or the way you would like it to be? My Answer: I don't know; I have never figured it out.

Obviously, there are issues with which one will always struggle—racism, hunger and poverty, greed, raising children. Then there are those other times, usually during personal challenges, when we realize that the life we are living is the hand we've been dealt and we have to accept, whether it's illness, aging, or something else. But what about those issues that lie in between, those we could change and that deserve to be changed?

One of the blessings of acceptance and surrender can be an inner peace that comes to our lives. When Jesus says, "You will find rest for yourselves. For my yoke is easy, and my burden light" (Matthew 11:29-30), he calls forth from us a willingness to trust in his presence through all that we are dealing with. None of that eliminates pain or struggle, but it can ease the suffering. The difference is that pain tends to be physical and might not be eased, while suffering tends to be psychic and emotional, and may be eased with acceptance.

The question still remains, however, as to what to do with all those times in between, and how to know the difference. That, Jesus says, has been revealed to "the childlike" (see Matthew 11:25). ●

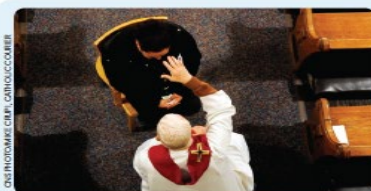
Reflect

Have you ever experienced the peace that comes with surrendering?

Take my yoke upon you and learn from me, for I am meek and humble of heart; and you will find rest for yourselves.

MATTHEW 11:29

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A WORD FROM POPE FRANCIS

All of us have something we need to be cleansed of, or purified from. All of us. May the knowledge of this fact inspire us all to live in solidarity, to support one another and seek the best for others....[Jesus] comes to save us from the lie that says no one can change.

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Readings for the Week

Monday

July 10
Weekday
Gn 28:10-22a
Mt 9:18-26

Tuesday

July 11
St. Benedict,
Abbot
Gn 32:23-33
Mt 9:32-38

Wednesday

July 12
Weekday
Gn 41:55-57;
42:5-7a, 17-24a
Mt 10:1-7

Thursday

July 13
Weekday
Gn 44:18-21,
23b-29; 45:1-5
Mt 10:7-15

Friday

July 14
St. Kateri
Tekakwitha, Virgin
Gn 46:1-7, 28-30
Mt 10:16-23

Saturday

July 15
St. Bonaventure,
Bishop and Doctor
of the Church
Gn 49:29-32;
50:15-26a
Mt 10:24-33

Sunday

July 16
Fifteenth Sunday
in Ordinary Time
Is 55:10-11
Rom 8:18-23
Mt 13:1-23 or
Mt 13:1-9

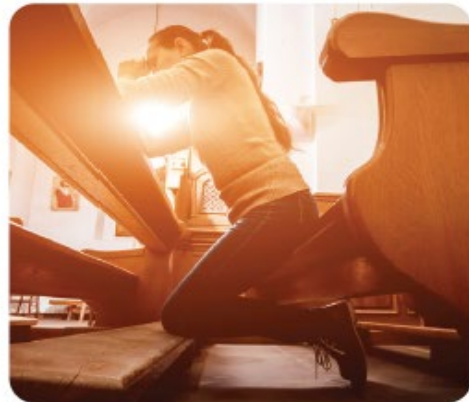


Dear Padre,

In 1961, I became a member of the Catholic Church when I married a Catholic man. I divorced him and left the Church in 2007. Now I am a member of the United Methodist Church. Is it possible for me to rejoin the Catholic Church, and if so, what are the requirements? I miss "the church of my heart," the Catholic Church.

It certainly is possible for you to come back, and now is the time to do it. Simply return to your local parish and begin attending Mass regularly. Before you receive the Eucharist again, you should make an appointment to celebrate the sacrament of reconciliation. If you are not quite ready to do that, at least begin with coming to church regularly. When you are ready, introduce yourself to the priest and tell him that you would like to celebrate the sacrament of reconciliation because you have been away from the Church for a number of years. The priest might encourage you to come to confession at a regularly scheduled time or perhaps make an appointment so you can spend more time together.

It is not necessary to go to classes or to rejoin the RCIA, but there may be some adult faith formation classes you could participate in. Again, your priest or parish could guide you. That tug you are feeling is nothing less than the Holy Spirit. Welcome Home! ●



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7/9 : Sandy Angel & Dan Helfrich

7/15: Clay messer & Arthur Neace

Prayer Family

Arthur Neace



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Prayer List

Joey Napier, John Meehan, Roy Varghese, Brian Campbell, Matt Tuttle, Willie Gomez, Joe Fehribach, Louise Ayres, Charles McDaniel, Jon Latunik, Deb Night, Harvey Richardson, Delois McIntosh, Karen Davis, Zachary Hollan, Deedee Wells, Sherrian Noble, Stephanie Welch, David Napier, Martha Huggins, Roger Noyes, Christina Askew, Charles Brotherton, Willow Brockman, Tina Dawhare Fields, Valarie Maggard Dye, Marleen Combs, Robert Caldwell, Monica Spare, Don Davis, The Rice Family, Maria Hall, Neal Boggs, Jackson Varela, Cecilia & Lucia Cory, Julie And Jonah Spencer, Jace Combs, Mandi Dishner, Brandon Robinson, Michael Whitaker, Thomas Stidham, Chris Pulliam, Roy Pulliam Quentin Davis, Janie Morgan, and Abby Turk.

If you know of someone who needs a pastoral visit or is in the hospital and would appreciate a visit contact the parish and let Lori know about the request.

Pope Francis Prayer Intention

Intentions for July
For a Eucharistic life

We pray that Catholics may place the celebration of the Eucharist at the heart of their lives, transforming human relationships in a very deep way and opening to the encounter with God and all their brothers and sisters.