

## Eleventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

Dear Friends: One of the valuable lessons that I learned as I was growing up was patience and the benefits of waiting. My parents would probably disagree with me because I wasn't always very good at either. In fact, being the youngest child, I probably got more of what I wanted, when I wanted than my siblings. Nonetheless, I still managed to learn somewhere along the way what I wasn't always successful at as a child. As I tell you this, I can imagine my parents' sigh of relief!

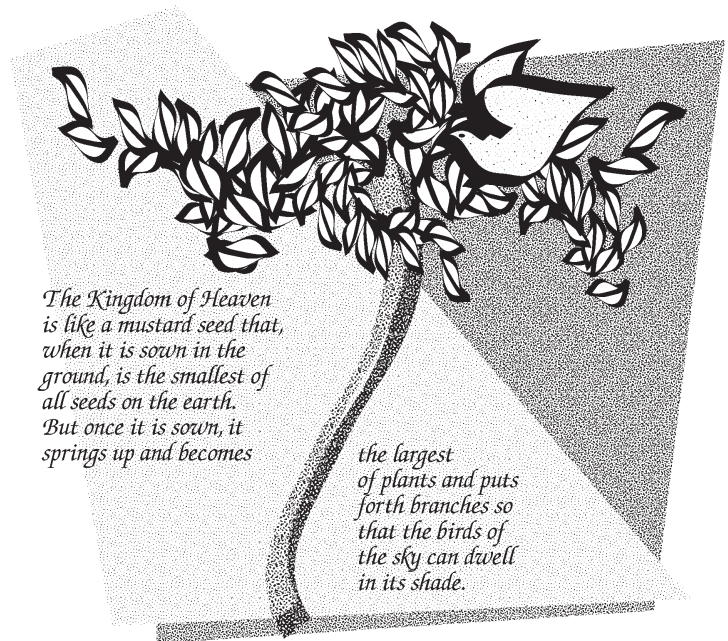
There were plenty of examples and situations that contributed to my learning this lesson. My parents, for example, had to postpone a lot of things that they wanted, in order to make sure that my brothers and I had our needs taken care of. Their frugality and perseverance helped me to see that sometimes it is necessary for a while, to forego certain things for a greater good. I also had a number of circumstances in which I had no choice but to wait for the things that I desired until I had saved up enough money. The patience required helped contain my passion and taught me self-control. In the process, I learned that there were some things I didn't need in the first place.

When I think of my father on this Father's Day, it is evident to me that much of the time he spent as a father involved patience, trusting, and waiting. He did his work day in and day out, not always seeing what the outcome would be. He taught us, he nudged us, he encouraged us as children. Much of what he did was planting seeds in terms of our moral, spiritual, and physical upbringing. He watered, he nurtured, and he waited. As each day passed, he probably never really noticed the changes that were occurring within us. Nor, I am sure, did he know what the eventual outcome would be. All he had to do was be faithful to the task and leave the rest up to God.

Such is the way of faith. We do our work while believing and trusting that God will accomplish what he wants to accomplish through our labors. Everything comes one step at a time, knowing that we are not fully in charge of what happens. God is active at each and every moment, imparting His grace upon us, beckoning us, guiding us, and teaching us. We grow, we falter, we advance again in maturity, and we begin to bear fruit.

This is the message of the Gospel this weekend. Jesus likens the Kingdom of God to a man planting seed on the land. He goes to sleep each night and rises each day, hardly noticing that what he has planted has grown and matured until it is ready for harvest.

Often, it may seem that we are not progressing spiritually. It may be true that some people do not make much progress in terms of their spiritual lives. But for those who dedicate themselves to their spiritual growth, progress does take place even if it is not immediately evident. Regardless of whether or not change is noticed, it is important to wait patiently, persevere in faith, and remain true to the daily task. Little by little, faith will increase. We should not judge ourselves on where we think we should be. Rather, we should rely on the fact that God is active within us and have faith that God is



*The Kingdom of Heaven  
is like a mustard seed that,  
when it is sown in the  
ground, is the smallest of  
all seeds on the earth.  
But once it is sown, it  
springs up and becomes*

*the largest  
of plants and puts  
forth branches so  
that the birds of  
the sky can dwell  
in its shade.*

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drawing us more deeply into his life of love. The Kingdom of God is growing within and we must be patient. All we need is faith the size of a mustard seed.

Let us give thanks today for our fathers, whose unselfish love and patient guidance has helped us to grow and be formed into who we are. Step by step, God brings all things to fulfillment. Happy Father's Day!



### **Summer Sacrament Series**

Looking for something to do this Summer? How about growing in knowledge and faith? Join David Bayardo for his Summer Sacrament Series every Tuesday at 7PM in the church. Come learn the history and living theology of the Sacraments. "Ever since the creation of the world, his invisible attributes of eternal power and divinity have been able to be understood and perceived in what he has made." Romans 1:20

### **Office of Vocations**

The Office of Vocations is sponsoring "Explore," a summer experience for young men who want to understand

their faith better, know themselves better and make new friends from throughout the diocese. Explore is for young men who are enrolled in high school or who will be enrolling this fall. The program is staffed by priests and deacons, along with seminarians and others thinking about a vocation to the priesthood. This is a good opportunity for male altar servers, Columbian Squires, etc.

Cost for attendance is \$30, and includes food, lodging and theme t-shirts. Registration deadline is June 30. Please encourage any young men in your parish that may have an interest in this program to contact Amy Palomo at (361) 882-6191, ext.697 or at [apalomo@diocesecc.org](mailto:apalomo@diocesecc.org). You may also get more information at <http://www.diocesecc.org/index.cfm?load=event&event=157>

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Rectory Office Hours:  
*Monday-Friday, 9:00AM-5:00PM*

### **Schedule of Services**

Masses:*First Friday: 5:30PM - Anointing of the Sick*  
*First Saturday: 8:15AM Vigil at 5:30PM.*  
*Sunday: 8AM, 10AM, 12PM, 5:30PM (Youth Mass)*  
*(Babysitting at 10, 12 & 5:30 Sunday Masses - Ages 6mo-5yrs - in Parish Hall Nursery)*  
*Weekdays: Monday through Friday 8:15AM,*  
*Wednesday & Friday 5:30PM*  
*Holy Days: 7AM, 12PM & 6:30PM (Vigil 5:30PM)*

*Confessions: Saturdays - 4-5PM and 6:30-7:30PM*  
*Marriages: By appointment only and notice six months in advance.*  
*Weddings take place on weekdays any time and*  
*on Saturdays no later than 3:00PM*  
*Baptismal Instruction: Pre-register through the office.*  
*Anointing of the Sick: On request and at the 5:30PM Mass on First Fridays*

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### Can you spend one hour with the Lord?

Join us for an hour of adoration every Thursday evening from 7 p.m. - 8 p.m. It is the perfect opportunity to spend some quality time with the Lord, present in the Blessed Sacrament. You won't regret it!

### Let Freedom Ring! A Fortnight for Freedom.

Religious Liberty in the United States is being threatened by the recent HHS Mandate. Join together with Catholics and Bishops around the nation to pray for the upholding of our most cherished freedom and the protection of our conscience rights. Please participate in a Fortnight for Freedom beginning this week on June 21st:

**June 21st, 7pm, Corpus Christi Cathedral**

Mass imploring God for the protection of Religious Liberty in this country.

**June 27th, 6pm, Corpus Christi Cathedral**

Prayer and Adoration with a reflection by the Bishop on Religious Liberty.

**July 4th, 10:00 a.m. at St. Pius X Parish**

Conclusion of the Fortnight for Freedom with Mass on Independence Day

In addition, please pray the rosary each night of the Fortnight, asking the Blessed Mother to watch over our nation.

### Congratulations to the following graduates who received a scholarship!

**Christopher Janosek Scholarship:**

- Matthew McClung
- Clara Tamez
- Maria Kroeger
- Zach Pekar
- Sarah Green
- Lauren Rodriguez
- Jared Cruz-Aedo
- Vicente Flores, Jr.



**Emil Habeeb Scholarship:**

- David Acker
- Garrett Cox
- Christina Robertson
- Natasha McCarty
- Alexandra Harrel
- Beatriz Adriana Rivera

## Comings and Goings

*The Week at a Glance*



Sunday, June 17 – FATHER’S DAY

*Catholic Daughters’ sale of Bingo/Merienda tickets after Masses*

*1:30PM – Baptisms - CH*

Tuesday, June 19

*6-8AM – Men’s Journey – CC#1&2*

*10:00AM – Journey – CC#2*

*10AM-3:00PM – K. of C. - Cafeteria*

*6:30PM – Men’s Club - PH*

*7:00PM – Sacrament classes – CH*

*8:00PM – Night Angels – CC#1*

Wednesday, June 20

*7:00-8:00AM – Joyful Pillars – CC#2*

*6:30PM – Legacy of Faith - PH*

*8:00PM – Youth Band practice - CH*

Thursday, June 21

*1:00PM – Bridge – CC#1&2*

*7:00PM – Adoration – CH*

Sunday, June 24

*9:00AM – 2:00PM - BLOOD DRIVE*

*2-4PM – Catholic Daughter’s Bingo/Merienda – PH*

*2:30PM – CMSE - YC*

*7:30PM – Vietnamese Mass - CH*

### Financial Report for week ending 6/10/2012

**Operating Revenue:**

Sunday Collection .....	\$ 20,203.84
Other Income .....	\$ 1,365.00
<b>Total Operating Revenue.....</b>	<b>\$ 21,568.84</b>

**Other Contributions:**

Catholic Communications .....	\$ 35.00
Peter’s Pence.....	\$ 5.00
Acts of Charity.....	\$ 10.00
Catholic Charities.....	\$ 55.00
Janosek Scholarship.....	\$ 25.00
Catholic Charities.....	\$ 10.00
<b>Total Other Contributions.....</b>	<b>\$ 140.00</b>

**Total Contributions 6/10/2012 ..\$ 21,708.84**

Loan balance on Youth Bldg  
as of May 31, 2012.....\$1,048,130.29

### Men’s Club

The next Men’s Club meeting will be held on Tuesday, June 20: 6:30PM meal and 7:00PM meeting. All men are invited. For more information, contact Randy Sykora at 960-3220.

**RELIGIOUS EDUCATION  
VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL**



**June 25th – 29th**

**8:30 am – 12:00 pm each day**

It is not too late to register, the last day is this coming Wednesday. The 4-5 year old group is filled already. You do not have to be registered at St. Pius X to attend. All are welcome! You can obtain the registration form from the parish office or on line at [stpiusxcc.org](http://stpiusxcc.org).

**ADULT FAITH FORMATION**



**COMING IN THE FALL: EPIC!**

Do you know the story of our faith family? Would you like to know more about some of faith family's heroes? Plan to join a one-year journey through church history this fall. Watch for more information on our website or in the bulletin. Or ask Sr. Annette at 993-0299 or [awagner@stpiusxcc.org](mailto:awagner@stpiusxcc.org)

**SUMMER READING FOR ADULTS**



Have a little time to yourself this summer? Don't forget the Parish Adult Library has a wide range of books—from biography to prayer and spirituality. You can find the library in the church, next to the Ladies Room. Check-out and return is on the honor system. Enjoy!

**Altar Servers June 23-24**

**Sat. 5:30 p.m.**  
MC Zach Pekar  
Dalton Zawicky  
Kyle Pekar  
Jacob Rivera



**Sun. 8:00 a.m.**  
MC David Acker  
Logan Campbell  
Kevin Beckwith

**Sun. 12:00 p.m.**  
MC J.J. Arizmendi  
Quarter Morrison  
Ace Castillo  
Christian Castillo

**Sun. 10:00 a.m.**  
MC Blake Martin  
MC Matthew Montez  
Aaron Martin  
Andrew Montez  
Michael Speed

**Sun. 5:30 p.m.**  
MC Alex Rossi  
Franceska Alvarado  
Millicent Alvarado

**Lectors**

**VIGIL OF THE NATIVITY OF ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST**

JUN 23 SAT 5:30 P.M. Peter Anzaldua  
JUN 23 SAT 5:30 P.M. Dotti Hill-Duerr

**ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST**

JUN 24 SUN 8:00 A.M. Alpha Patterson  
JUN 24 SUN 8:00 A.M. Joe Skrobarczyk  
JUN 24 SUN 10:00 A.M. Denise Hyde  
JUN 24 SUN 10:00 A.M. Larry Hyde  
JUN 24 SUN 12:00 NOON Delbert Hooper  
JUN 24 SUN 12:00 NOON Geraldine Rice  
JUN 24 SUN 5:30 P.M. Angie Quiroz  
JUN 24 SUN 5:30 P.M. Frank Pompa

**Women's Circle Meeting Postponed**

Women's Circle yearly dues were due June 1. Please send check to Susan Dougherty at 658 Moray Pl., C.C., TX 78411.

The Women's Circle meeting scheduled for June 27 is being postponed so that those who wish, can attend the reflection on Religious Liberty by Bishop Mulvey at the Cathedral. The meeting will be rescheduled for July.

**Catholic Daughters**

The Catholic Daughters will have a Mexican Bingo/Merienda on Sunday, June 24, 2012, 2-4 PM in the Parish Hall. It's an afternoon of fun, refreshments, live music, and great prizes. Donation \$8.00.







## Pray for the Kingdom of God

### Welcome, New Parishioners!

Please welcome Patrick Rosalinda Vela and son Sebastian.. We invite them to become an active part of our growing faith community!

### Blood Drive

The next Blood Drive at St. Pius is scheduled for next Sunday, June 24, from 9AM to 2PM. Come and give the gift of life. All donors are entered for a chance to win many prizes and all participants get a free t-shirt and a Sonic coupon.

### Centennial of the Diocese of Corpus Christi

Corpus Christi College Academy. - A desire for accessible Catholic education for youth of the Diocese of Corpus Christi by both Bishop Emanuel B. Ledvina and Catholic layman John Dunn resulted in one of Bishop Ledvina's biggest achievements; the establishment of the Corpus Christi College Academy for the high school education of boys. Situated on land donated by Dunn for the purpose of Catholic education it developed into a regional boarding school making Catholic education accessible to the youth of the area. Run by the Benedictines it opened in 1928 with 55 students. Over the years many of the men who graduated became leaders in the Catholic community of the diocese, entering professions and business, holding public office and remaining faithful to the values learned at the academy by leading a fully developed Catholic lives. The school closed in 1972.

### Accept God's Gifts Without Fear

Have you ever held back from accepting all of God's blessings and gifts because you were afraid to surrender to his goodness? Yet there is no good reason not to "Be glad in the Lord and rejoice, you righteous; exult, all you upright of heart" Psalm 32:11. Enjoy the world around you. God reveals himself through his creation so we can know him, be amazed by him, and love him. Imagine how he feels when we overlook or reject it. Instead, take time to notice and meditate upon



what God's creation tells you about him. Recapture joy. God has given each of us gifts to be enjoyed – people who love us, fulfilling activities, steady jobs or comfortable homes. Enjoy these gifts given from a loving Father without worry of a later price. Laugh at yourself. Humor invites us to examine life in a different way and to find delight in it. Avoid treating your life too seriously. Becoming more lighthearted will make it easier for you to trust God. Look to what's right instead of what's wrong. Don't let bad feelings drive out good ones. For example, we often miss the "angels" God sends because they don't take the form we expect. Know that God's goodness is all around but you have to learn to recognize and appreciate it.

### Why Do Catholics Confess Their Sins to a Priest?

On Easter Sunday, Jesus appeared to the Apostles in the Upper Room and said, "Peace be with you" (John 20:19). He breathed on them and said, "Receive the Holy Spirit. Whose sins you forgive are forgiven them and whose sins you retain, they are retained" (John 20:22-23).

With that, Jesus established the normal way we receive forgiveness of our sins, through the Sacrament of Penance and Reconciliation. He knew we would need to be assured of his forgiveness by hearing the words, "I absolve you of your sins in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit."



## Mass Intentions

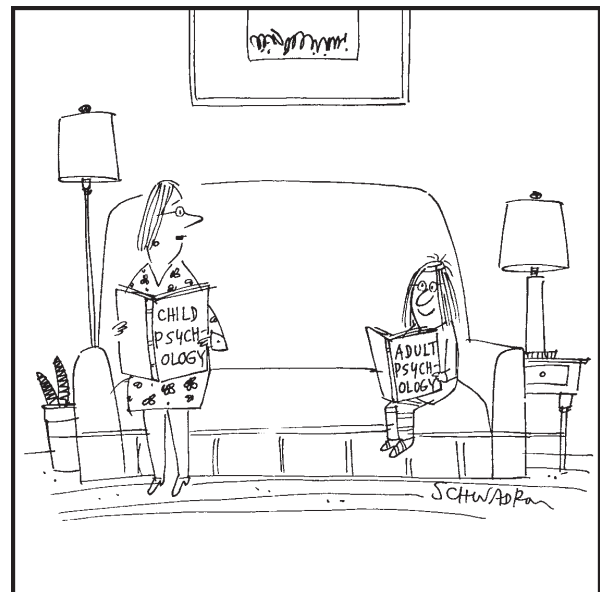


- Sat. 6/16 5:30PM Max Almendarez, John Boyd & Lloyd Swoboda  
by Boyd, Swoboda & Almendarez families
- Sun. 6/17 8:00AM For the Parishioners  
10:00AM Felicitas Rodriguez' Anniversary. by  
Elvira Wendl  
12:00PM John Alaniz by Alaniz family  
5:30PM FATHER'S DAY NOVENA
- Mon. 6/18 8:15AM FATHER'S DAY NOVENA
- Tue. 6/19 8:15AM FATHER'S DAY NOVENA
- Wed. 6/20 8:15AM FATHER'S DAY NOVENA  
5:30PM Buddy Moore's Anniversary by Lory Moore  
Berniece Zimmerman by the Sehy family  
Bill Traeger by M/M Herbert Janesek  
Nicolas Aguilar's Anniversary by Marcie  
Aguilar & family  
Jim Yaklin by Rene & Yolanda Ramirez  
Juan D. Leal by Wife & daughters  
Erich Wendl by Marie Habeeb  
Dawson Boone by Alice Didear & family  
Family Peace by Thuy Hoang
- Thu. 6/21 8:15AM FATHER'S DAY NOVENA
- Fri. 6/22 8:15AM FATHER'S DAY NOVENA  
5:30PM Sandra Sykora's Anniversary by Randy &  
Jeraldine Sykora
- Sat. 6/23 5:30PM FATHER'S DAY NOVENA
- Sun. 6/24 8:00AM For the Parishioners  
10:00AM Elsie Samperi's Anniversary by Mary Fodor  
12:00PM Jonathon Palacios by family  
5:30PM FATHER'S DAY NOVENA  
7:30PM Gio A Kim Nguyen Van Nguyen



## Please Pray for our Sick & Shut-Ins...

Frank Baish, Manuel Balbin, Madison Beckwith, John Boyd, Frances Branning, Sr. Patrick Bruen, Stella & Michael Campos, Ashley Carroll, Florinda De La Garza, Mark DeGaish, Sandy DeGregorio, Minga DeLosSantos, Samantha Didear Deste, Bobby Floyd, Frances Galvan, Jackson Gavarkovs, Elida Gonzalez, Bobby Gough, Glenda Graham, Charlotte & Tommy Groner, Jared Groner, Terry Groner, Coleen Habeeb, Marie Habeeb, Rose Marie Hand, James Hartman, Corina Herndon, Cathy Hervey, Chris Holland, Elizabeth Johnson, Dorothy Krause, Pam Lane, Ed Lewis, Dorothy Mathews, Michael McCloskey, Virginia Medrano, Robert Miller, John Morgan, Dan Murray, Patricia Paris, Phil Perabo, Robert M. Pope, Pat Reddick, Marguerite Ross, Tim Salch, Amber Saylor, Terry Schacherl, Josephine Sheldon, Tina Shepherd, Msgr. Richard Shirley, Willie Mae Shirley, Mary Pat Slavik, Maxine Sommers, Luz Villarreal, Mary Lois Webster, Bea Wilson, Linda Witt, Sarah Zuniga and all those who asked for and need our prayers.



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