

Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Dear Friends, Last week, I wrote about some adventures during my recent excursion away from the parish. Two-thirds of the time, I was engaged in work-related activities, having spent time with the youth at the Steubenville Atlanta Youth Conference, and then having attended an institute for pastors of Catholic schools at the University of Notre Dame in South Bend, Indiana. Since I was already in the area, I decided to use the last four days for a little vacation time in Chicago.

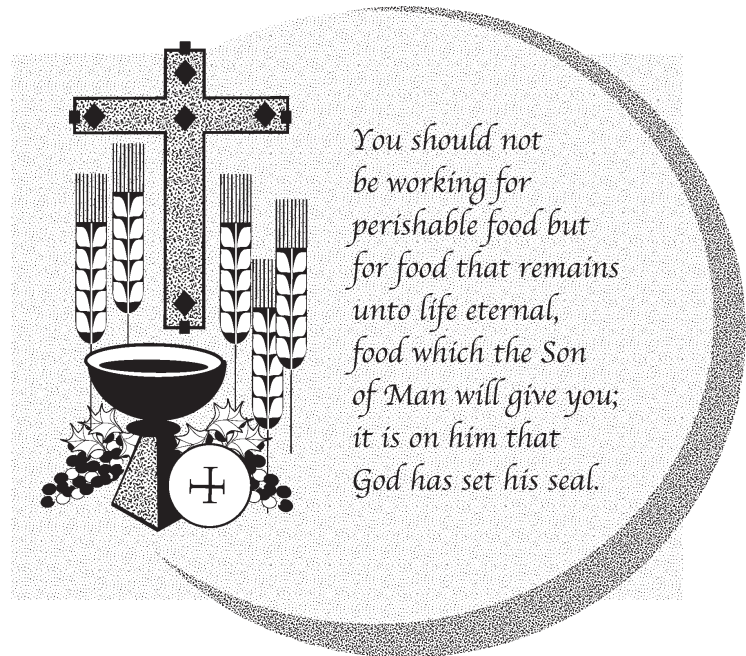
Many people have told me how much they enjoyed the city of Chicago, so I've long had a hankering to go. This was the perfect chance.

My first introduction to the city was the traffic. Returning from Notre Dame, I arrived in Chicago in a rental car. Even though I already had a notion that traffic might be bad, I discovered very quickly that a car is the less-than-ideal way to get around. At one point, I sat on the freeway for about 45 minutes to one hour only to move 1 1/2 to 2 miles. Slowly but surely, I made my way down Lake Shore Drive to my hotel. The snail's pace of the traffic didn't bother me too much because the view of the city, along with the boats and sights along the shore of Lake Michigan, enthralled me. My biggest concern was to try to avoid running out of gas while stuck in traffic. Fortunately, I was in a gas-sipping compact car.

I eventually ditched the car and utilized the public commuter rail system. I was amazed at how quickly I became acclimated to the sights and sounds of the city. My slow drive through the city had already oriented me to the most prominent attractions and enabled me to prioritize what I wanted to see. Traveling alone makes for excellent mobility. I spent the first full day visiting the attractions of Millennium Park, the carnival atmosphere of the Navy Pier, and the shops along the Magnificent Mile. I also hopped on a riverboat for a fascinating and informative architectural tour of the city. On the successive days, I visited the art museum, the Field Museum, the water fountains, and even some lovely churches. I even made the obligatory trip up to the observation deck on the 103rd floor of the Willis Tower (formerly the Sears Tower) to say that I had visited what once was the tallest building in the world and still is the tallest building in North America!

Chicago is one of those cities that has a little of everything. It has the waterfront, the big city life, the parks, the tourist interests, the quaint neighborhoods, and the shopping. I had walked my shoes to smithereens. A part of me was reluctant to leave. However, a part of me was longing to get back home.

I thoroughly enjoyed my experience of the big city. It is amazing what we as human beings are capable of building. The work of our hands can create towering edifices and a multiplicity of cultural treasures. We dedicate much of our time and creativity to incredible material pursuits. There is nothing really wrong with that. Yet, something deeper within beckons us. There is a hunger inside for something greater than



*You should not
be working for
perishable food but
for food that remains
unto life eternal,
food which the Son
of Man will give you;
it is on him that
God has set his seal.*

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what we can create for ourselves. Our own creations are not capable of filling up the expanse in our hearts that can only be filled by that which is greater than ourselves.

Jesus urges us in today's Gospel not to "work for food that perishes, but for the food that endures for eternal life." Anything less leaves us devoid of real fulfillment. Only in Jesus can we find satisfaction for the hunger in our hearts.

This week is the beginning of a new school year for St. Pius X school children. The mission of our parish school is not only to prepare children for successful lives in the world, but to form their human character and spirituality so that they can be prepared for an eternal reward. Please join me in praying for our teachers, staff, and children, that they may strive for eternal food and be fed by Jesus, the Bread of Life! God bless!



K.J.Z.T. Polka Mass

A Polka Mass, sponsored by the Catholic Family Fraternal of Texas, K.J.Z.T., will be held at St. Pius X

Catholic Church on Sunday, August 12th, at the 8:00am Mass. Kolaches, coffee and juice will be served in the Parish Hall after the Mass. For more information please contact Veronica Kleffner at (361)991-6671.

Many Thanks

Thank you so much for the items you donated to the CARE boxes for our military personnel. Three large cartons of snacks were delivered to the Coastal Bend Troop support along with several checks to benefit our overseas active personnel. Look for "thank you" notes that the service men and women will be sending: we will include some in future bulletins.

Men's Club

The Men's Club is having another Food Handlers class on August 14 at 6:30 in the Cafeteria. If anybody is interested, please bring \$10.00 cash to pay for the class.

Please Welcome New Parishioners
Please welcome Gladys Lippincott and Travis, Haley Bennett and daughter, and John and Pita Huffman..

We invite them to become an active part of our growing faith community!

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

Happy Anniversary

Happy Anniversary to Frank and Martha Kolda who are celebrating their 60th Wedding Anniversary this weekend. They are long-standing active members in the parish. Frank in the Alhambras and Martha in the Altar Society and Sultanas. Congratulations to you both!

From the Parish Mailbox

To Father Hesse and Parishioners from Linda McKamie: All of us at Catholic Charities of Corpus Christi, Inc. want to thank you and tell you how grateful we are for wonderful, faithful friends like you who understand the need and provide us with the means to care for those who are lost, hungry, homeless or hopeless. Because of you, we can reach out to them with help and hope. God bless your kind and caring hearts.



SAVE THE DATE
August 21st

Feast of St. Pius X Celebration

Mass at 6:00 PM
Family Picnic and Games at 7:00 PM

St Pius X Women's Group

New Study!

When we say we are Catholic, we are not simply saying something about what we believe or who we are. Our Faith is meant to be put into practice. At its heart, Christianity is a way of life. And being Christian means daring to "walk the walk", daring to live our lives for Christ, daring to allow Christ to transform our lives so we can live for him.

Put Your Faith into Practice With

Walking Toward Eternity: Daring to Walk the Walk

This group will meet on Fridays, 9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m., starting September 7, 2012. For more information, please contact Sarah Morrison @ sfm011@grandecom.net or 361-816-8246.

Acts of Charity Committee Meeting

The Acts of Charity committee will meet on August 13 at 6:30 pm in CC#1. We always welcome new people and new ideas to the committee. Our goal is to reach out those who are in need of various types of assistance. So... anyone interested is invited to come to the meeting.

Comings and Goings

The Week at a Glance



Sunday, August 5

Sale of Men's Club BBQ tickets

8:00-10:00AM – RCIA – CC#2

1:30PM – Baptism Class – CC#1

5:00-9:00PM – Diocesan Vocations Dinner - PH

Monday, August 6

8:00AM-2:00PM – Teacher In-Service – CC#1

2:00-3:00PM – Sultanas - R

Tuesday, August 7

7:00-9:00AM – Men's Journey – CC#1&2

10:00AM – Journey – CC#2

12:30PM – MAP – CC#1

6:00PM – CMSE – CC#1

8:00PM – Night Angels – CC#2

Wednesday, August 8

7-9AM – Joyful Pillars – CC#2

9:00AM-12:00PM – MAP – CC#1

6:30-8:30PM – Edge/Lifeteen movie night - YC

Thursday, August 9

1:00PM – Bridge – CC#1&2

7:00PM – Adoration – CH

Sunday, August 12

Men's sale of BBQ tickets

8:00AM – Polka Mass – CH, PH

8:00-10:00AM – RCIA – CC#2

Share Your Faith

During the school year, the children in grades 1-5 who attend the 10am or 12 Noon Mass are invited to leave church and attend the "Liturgy of the Word" for children in another location. Adult leaders who want to lead this activity, read the readings, share their faith, profess the Creed, and offer prayers of intentions are certainly impressed by the sincerity and participation of the children. If you would like to be one of the leaders, contact Sister Barbara Bluntzer at the church office to volunteer and get further information.

Around the Diocese

Peer Grief Support Group. – Are you widowed or divorced? Having a difficult time? You need not go through it alone. There are no counselors, or ministers, just people just like you that have experienced the same pain. The group is sponsored by the Diocese of Corpus Christi, Family Life. It is faith based. All faiths are welcome. We meet for ten weeks from September-November on Mondays at St. Patrick's Parish Hall at 7PM. For more information, call John Moses at 813-5825.

YOUTH CORNER




No LifeTeen Sunday August 5.

MOVIE Night for all Edge and Life Teen on Wed., Aug. 8, in the Youth Building from 6:30 - 8:30PM.


ADULT FAITH FORMATION

COMING IN THE FALL: EPIC!



Learn the major people, places and events in our story as church. See the workings of the Holy Spirit among Jesus' followers. Join Sr. Annette in CC-2 for a one-year journey through church history. Monday evening class begins September 10. Tuesday afternoon class begins September 11.

FIRST TUESDAY SNAPSHOTS



Interested in learning more about your faith but cannot commit to a schedule of classes? Join Sr. Annette every First Tuesday of the month to take a look at just one aspect of our Catholic faith or tradition. We begin Tuesday, September 4, by reflecting on "What kind of God do you believe in?" Meet in CC-2.

ABOUT RCIA

The Rite of Christian Initiation (RCIA) is for ---any non-Catholic who wants to find out more about the Catholic faith

--any baptized Catholic who wants to complete initiation by receiving Confirmation and First Holy Communion

--any Catholic who has been away from the Catholic community and wants to be re-introduced to the Catholic way of life

St. Pius X faith community begins inquiry sessions this Sunday, August 4 in CC-2. For more information, contact Sr. Annette Wagner at 993-0299 or awagner@stpiusxcc.org



Altar Servers Aug 11-12

Sat. 5:30 p.m.

MC Tessa Heines
Theonna Wisner
Craig Bray



Sun. 8:00 a.m.

MC Andrew Shull
Christian Toren
Benjamin Toren
Joseph Toren

Sun. 12:00 p.m.

Paris Hanna
Luis Lopez
Jacob Lugo
Paxton Hanna

Sun. 10:00 a.m.

MC Jackie Lara
MC Brianna Salazar
Emily Salazar
Daniel Tindall

Sun. 5:30 p.m.


MC Alex Rossi
Franceska Alvarado
Millicent Alvarado

Lectors

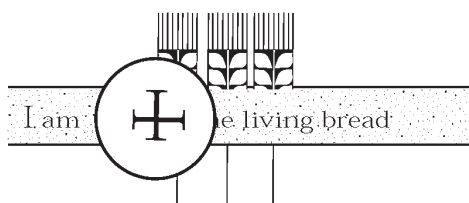
19th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

AUG 11	SAT	5:30	P.M.	Peter Anzaldúa
AUG 11	SAT	5:30	P.M.	Kendrea Justice
AUG 12	SUN	8:00	A.M.	Norman Acker
AUG 12	SUN	8:00	A.M.	Carole Zanetti
AUG 12	SUN	10:00	A.M.	Richard Arizmendi
AUG 12	SUN	10:00	A.M.	Theresa Arizmendi
AUG 12	SUN	12:00	NOON	Art Aubin
AUG 12	SUN	12:00	NOON	Isabel Lopez
AUG 12	SUN	5:30	P.M.	Frank Pompa
AUG 12	SUN	5:30	P.M.	Martha St. Romain

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION



CCD REGISTRATION will continue throughout the month of August. You can obtain the registration form online or at either the parish office or the CCD office. We welcome all families who have children of Catechetical age 3-12. A Catechesis of the Good Shepherd class will be held on Sunday mornings for those who are interested. This will be for children ages 3-5 only. We are also registering for Confirmation I and Confirmation II classes.



Open House Tour

"Mission of Mercy" is an opportunity for adults who are in need of medical care (but have no insurance) to receive free examinations and medical care. To facilitate this service, a large mobile unit has been out-fitted with exam rooms, and is staffed by nurses and doctors who travel to Bishop, Orange Grove, Robstown and Flour bluff once each month to minister to those who come for help.

Persons who are interested in touring the clinic van are invited to come to the First United Methodist Church on every other Monday morning (including tomorrow, August 6) at 9:15 am or 12:45PM to meet staff members and tour the inside of the clinic van. And if you know someone who needs free medical care, please let them know about Mission of Mercy. To make an appointment call 855-5639 on Tuesdays or Thursdays between 9AM and 12N.

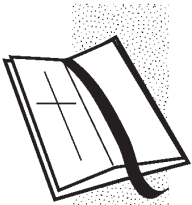
Convalidation Seminar

The purpose of this seminar is to prepare couples seeking to validate a civil or otherwise irregular marriage.

Convalidation brings such marriages into conformity with Church teachings and sacramentalizes the bond. Couples are asked to speak to their priest before attending the seminar to ascertain whether it is the right program for meeting their needs.

The next convalidation seminar is scheduled for Saturday, Oct. 13, at St. Peter, Prince of the Apostles located at 3901 Violet Road in Corpus Christi. The seminar will be held in St. Matthew's Hall from 8:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m. The goal of the seminar is to help couples enrich their civil marriage or

prepare to remarry in the sacrament of matrimony. There is a fee of \$50 per couple. Couples must pre-register to



One does not live on bread alone but on every word that comes from the mouth of God

SAFE ENVIRONMENT CLASSES

Schedule for re-certification classes:

August 14	September 11
October 9	November 13
December 11	January 8
February 12	March 12
April 9	May 14

Please check your cards for expiration date and update if you card is expired.

Schedule for Core classes:

August 28	October 23
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attend. No walk-ins will be accepted. Registration deadline is Wednesday, Oct. 10.

Free Seminar on Protecting Seniors Against Fraud

The City of Corpus Christi's RSVP and BBB are hosting a free one-day seminar on "Protecting Seniors Against Fraud, Scams and Abuse" on Thursday, August 23rd. Registration is required and seating is limited, so if you are interested please call (361)826-3199 by August 17th to register.

Financial Report for week ending 7/29/2012

Operating Revenue:

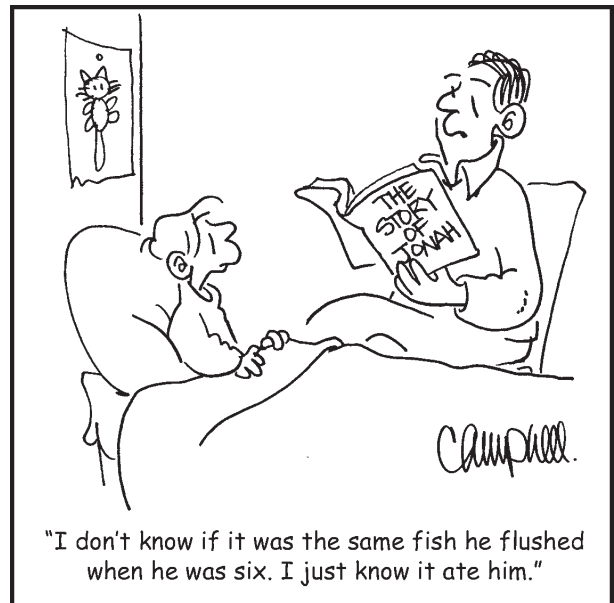
Sunday Collection	\$ 20,574.94
Other Income	\$ 527.00
Total Operating Revenue.....	\$ 21,101.94

Other Contributions:

Acts of Charity.....	\$ 40.00
Janosek Scholarship.....	\$ 25.00
Disaster Relief.....	\$ 2.00
Retired Priests.....	\$ 10.00
Catholic Charities.....	\$ 5.00
Total Other Contributions.....	\$ 82.00
Total Contributions 7/29/2012 ...	\$ 21,183.94

Loan balance on Youth Bldg

as of July 31, 2012.....\$1,021,519.90



Mass Intentions



- Sat. 8/4 8:15AM Thomas & Mary Fitzgerald by the Fitzgerald Girls
5:30PM Jose E. Salinas, Sr. by Beatriz J. Salinas & family
- Sun. 8/5 8:00AM For the Parishioners
10:00AM Richard Fry by Dolores Fry
12:00PM Frank V. Mansheim's Anniversary by Joanie Whitmire
5:30PM Maria Ruiz by Claudia Vergara
- Mon. 8/6 8:15AM Jovita Reyes by Delfina McHugh
- Tue. 8/7 8:15AM Robert King by Deacon George & Estela Phillips
- Wed. 8/8 8:15AM Pat Janosek's Intentions
William & Agnew Parker by Donna Parker
Tao & Hong's Intentions by Fr. Joseph
5:30PM Bill Traeger by Peter & Joanne Volpe
Arthur Karp by Lorraine Karp
Yvette Klodniski by Roseanne Conger
Silverio Valencia, Jr. by Lillian G. Champion
Regina Richter, CDA Court 246 by Catholic Daughters
- Thu. 8/9 8:15AM Jerry Alan Schiebrel by Tomas Duran
- Fri. 8/10 8:15AM Dawson Boone by Dorothy Mathews
Robert Kurt by Marion Peterek
5:30PM Joe McCullough by Alhambra #78
- Sat. 8/11 5:30PM Bob Noack's Anniversary by Penny Pacheco
Maria O. Garcia's Anniversary by Doris Garcia
- Sun. 8/12 8:00AM Living & Deceased Members of KJZT
10:00AM Erich Wendl by Ken & Liz Morgan
12:00PM Alvino Campos by Stella Campos
5:30PM For the Parishioners



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

Manuel Balbin, Madison Beckwith, John Boyd, Frances Branning, Sr. Patrick Bruen, Bob Byrd, Stella & Michael Campos, Ashley Carroll, Jason Cox, Alicia de Boza, Florinda De La Garza, Mark DeGaish, Sandy DeGregorio, Minga DeLosSantos, Samantha Didear Deste, Liz Elovitz, Bobby Floyd, Frances Galvan, Raymond Garcia, Jr., Jackson Gavarkovs, Elida Gonzalez, Bobby Gough, Glenda Graham, Vickie Grainger, Charlotte & Tommy Groner, Jared Groner, Terry Groner, Coleen Habeeb, Marie Habeeb, Rose Marie Hand, James Hartman, Corina Herndon, Cathy Hervey, Chris Holland, Elizabeth Johnson, Martha Kaler, Dorothy Krause, Ed Lewis, Dorothy Mathews, Michael McCloskey, Virginia Medrano, Robert Miller, John Morgan, Dan Murray, Patricia Paris, Phil Perabo, Robert M. Pope, Raymond Richter, Marguerite Ross, Luis Salazar, Tim Salch, Carlos Samudo, Janie San Miguel & children, Amber Saylor, Terry Schacherl, Josephine Sheldon, Tina Shepherd, Msgr. Richard Shirley, Willie Mae Shirley, Mary Pat Slavik, Maxine Sommers, Lydia Tey, Luz Villarreal, Mary Lois Webster, Bea Wilson, Linda Witt, Dolly Zihelli, Sarah Zuniga and all those who asked for and need our prayers.



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