

Sacred Heart Catholic Church

Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

June 26, 2022

Making and Strengthening Disciples of Jesus



Many New Testament stories have parallel stories in the Hebrew Scriptures – what we call the Old Testament. That’s certainly the case with today’s gospel reading where we find two stories with roots in the Old Testament. Here’s one of them.

In the gospel, James and John want to “call down fire from heaven.” They may have been thinking of this story from 2 Kings 1:2-16.

²Ahaziah had fallen through the lattice in his upper chamber in Samaria, and lay injured; so he sent messengers, telling them, “Go, inquire of Baal-zebub, the god of Ekron, whether I shall recover from this injury.” ³But the angel of the Lord said to Elijah the Tishbite, “Get up, go to meet the messengers of the king of Samaria, and say to them, ‘Is it because there is no God in Israel that you are going to inquire of Baal-zebub, the god of Ekron?’” ⁴Now therefore thus says the Lord, ‘You shall not leave the bed to which you have gone, but you shall surely die.’” So Elijah went.

⁵The messengers returned to the king, who said to them, “Why have you returned?” ⁶They answered him, “There came a man to meet us, who said to us, ‘Go back to the king who sent you, and say to him: Thus says the Lord: Is it because there is no God in Israel that you are sending to inquire of Baal-zebub, the god of Ekron? Therefore you shall not leave the bed to which you have gone, but shall surely die.’” ⁷He said to them, “What sort of man was he who came to meet you and told you these things?” ⁸They answered him, “A hairy man, with a leather belt around his waist.” He said, “It is Elijah the Tishbite.”

⁹Then the king sent to him a captain of fifty with his fifty men. He went up to Elijah, who was sitting on the top of a hill, and said to him, “O man of God, the king says, ‘Come down.’” ¹⁰But Elijah answered the captain of fifty, “If I am a man of God, let fire come down from heaven and consume you and your fifty.” Then fire came down from heaven, and consumed him and his fifty.

¹¹Again the king sent to him another captain of fifty with his fifty. He went up and said to him, “O man of God, this is the king’s order: Come down quickly!” ¹²But Elijah answered them, “If I am a man of God, let fire come down from heaven and consume you and your fifty.” Then the fire of God came down from heaven and consumed him and his fifty.

¹³Again the king sent the captain of a third fifty with his fifty. So the third captain of fifty went up, and came and fell on his knees before Elijah, and entreated him, “O man of God, please let my life, and the life of these fifty servants of yours, be precious in your sight. ¹⁴Look, fire came down from heaven and consumed the two former captains of fifty men with their fifties; but now let my life be precious in your sight.” ¹⁵Then the angel of the Lord said to Elijah, “Go down with him; do not be afraid of him.” So he set out and went down with him to the king, ¹⁶and said to him, “Thus says the Lord: Because you have sent messengers to inquire of Baal-zebub, the god of Ekron,—is it because there is no God in Israel to inquire of his word?—therefore you shall not leave the bed to which you have gone, but you shall surely die.”



Weekly Mass Intentions



Saturday, June 25

8:00 a.m. †Helen Lack

4:00 p.m. †John Campbell

6:00 p.m. †Armando Lujano Segura

Sunday, June 26

7:30 a.m. For our parishioners

9:30 a.m. †Tim Morrow

11:30 a.m. Pat & Mary Lupo's Wedding Anniversary

Monday, June 27

8:00 a.m. Teresa Cardone & Family

Tuesday, June 28

8:00 a.m. †Joan Eller's 20th Anniversary of Passing

Wednesday, June 29

8:15 a.m. Anthony Scardullo

6:00 p.m. Gregory J. Cardone & Family

Thursday, June 30

8:00 a.m. †Charles Horn

Friday, July 1

8:00 a.m. G & J Cardone's 6 Grandchildren

9:00 p.m. †Mike Rhine

Saturday, July 2

8:00 a.m. †Sandy Girard

4:00 p.m. †Russel Jones

6:00 p.m. For our Spanish community

Sunday, July 3

7:30 a.m. †William Santiago

9:30 a.m. †Edward Mayak

11:30 a.m. For our parishioners

Sanctuary Candle

The sanctuary candle burns in thanksgiving for Fr. Brad Reed's new ministry at Sacred Heart

Stewardship Notes

June 18th-19th

Offertory: \$9,561.00

Poor Box / His Heart: \$442.70

Fathers Day: \$1,660.00

Other: \$269.00

Total: \$11,932.70

Attendance: 782

A "sweet" thank you!



I must admit we weren't entirely sure that asking you to buy the chocolate bars from the school fundraiser was a good idea. Clearly many of you thought it was a fine idea! (Or should I say "sweet" idea?) Thanks so much for supporting the school in this small way and special thanks to those who added some extra money to the basket. We'll give the \$130 to the school for some summer project. Your kindness will, I'm sure, be rewarded.

Fr. Kevin

Peter's Pence Collection



This week, our "second" collection is for the work of the Holy Father - the annual Peter's Pence Collection. Much of this collection is used by Pope Francis for charitable work and some for the daily needs of the Vatican. I know there are many worthwhile causes that ask for our support. I only ask that you prayerfully consider if God is calling you to assist the Holy Father in this way. If you do not use our giving envelopes, you can give a gift online or use an envelope found in the narthex.

Fr. Kevin

Here's our calendar for the week

If you need information about a group or ministry listed, call the office. We'd be happy to get you connected to them!

Sunday, June 26th:

Combined Youth Group meeting (Middle and High School), 5-7pm.

Monday, June 27th:

Legion of Mary, 8:30am, Marion Room

Tuesday, June 28th:

Fr. Kevin's Bible study, 9-10:15am or 6-7:15pm in the Parish Hall

His Heart Society: food and clothing distribution, 9-11am

Pray for Deacon Chris Jensen and for the repose of Deacon David Sirrianna's soul. Both were ordained to the diaconate on this day.

Wednesday, June 29th:

Adoration 6:30-8pm; Confessions, 6:30-8pm

Thursday, June 30th:

His Heart Society: food and clothing distribution, 9-11am

Prayer Shawl Ministry, 10am, Retreat House

Friday, July 1st: First Friday

Welcome Fr. Brad Reed!

Adoration following the 8am Mass until 10am

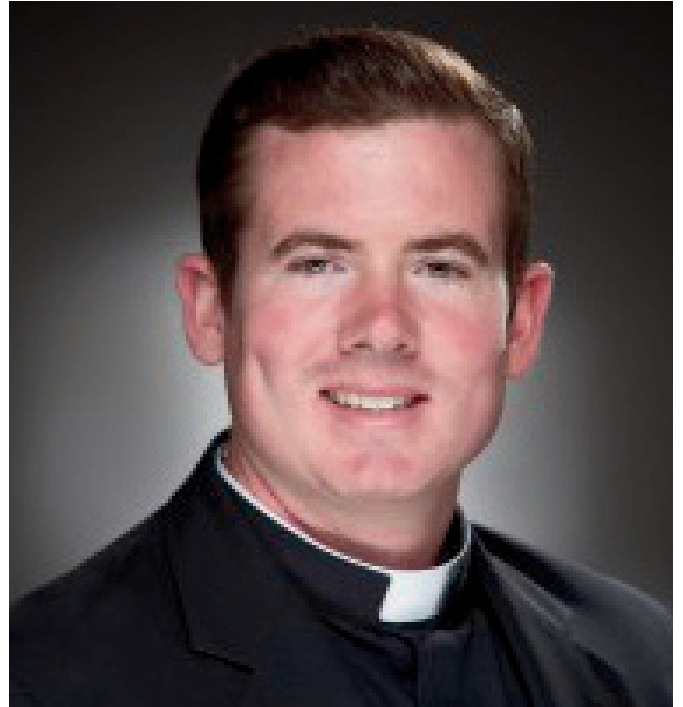
Adoration from 6-9pm; Mass at 9pm; adoration continues after the Mass through the night until 8am

Saturday, July 2nd:

Adoration following the 8am Mass until 10am

Sunday, July 3rd: 14th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Readings: Isaiah 66:10-14c; Psalm 66; Galations 6:14-18; Luke 10:1-12, 17-20



Coming soon!

The office is closed on Monday, July 4th.

Next Sunday, July 10th, **Meet Fr. Brad** at the Knights of Columbus Pancake Breakfast after the 7:30 and 9:30am Masses.



And also coming up!

Our Life Ministry Group is looking for new members. Join them Monday, July 11th, 7pm in the Retreat House. Remember that this group focuses on a variety of Life issues including mental health, human trafficking, and supporting women in crisis pregnancy situations.

Here's a picture of a recent project completed by the group. Many years ago, the Father Lopez Council of the Knights of Columbus created a small prayer space by the Parish Hall dedicated to the unborn. We are grateful for the Life Ministry Group for refurbishing the area. The new marker will be installed soon!

Our Current Liturgical and Devotional Schedule

Weekday Mass

Mon, Tues, Thurs, Fri, & Sat: 8am
Wed: 8:15am & 6pm
(Rosary prayed before morning Masses at 7:25am)

Weekend Masses

Saturday Vigil

4pm and 6pm (Spanish)

Sunday

7:30am, 9:30am (live-streamed), & 11:30am
(Rosary prayed at 7am)

Confessions

Wednesdays: 6:45-7:45pm (English)

Saturdays: 2:45-3:45pm (English)

Saturdays: 5:30-5:55pm (Spanish)

(If you need more time with the priest in confession, please contact the parish office for an appointment)

Morning Devotions

Monday & Thursday at 9am (live-streamed):

Fr. Kevin provides some background and a short devotion on the saint of the day.

Our Chapel is Open for Prayer

Mon, Tues, Thurs, & Fri: 8:30am-5pm

Wednesday: 9am-8pm

Saturday: 8:30am-4pm

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

Wednesdays: 6:30-8pm

First Friday Exposition:

8:30-10am, 6pm-9pm, Mass 9pm

Exposition continuing until 8am Saturday

First Saturdays with Mary:

8:30-10am (includes Adoration)

Divine Mercy Chaplet:

Tuesdays, after the 8am Mass

Our Mother of Perpetual Help:

Thur., after 8am Mass

Santo Nino (Infant Jesus) Novena:

2nd & 4th Wednesdays, after the 6pm Mass

Live-streamed liturgies and devotions can be found at sacredheartpinellaspark.com (look for the "Live" link at the top of the page) or on Facebook (SacredHeart Parish PinellasPark).

The Synod



Do you remember our Parish Conversations in January? Parishioners had the opportunity to reflect on their spiritual journey, how our parish helps them, and how God's Spirit might be leading our parish to do better. We submitted a summary report to the diocese, and they have recently published a summary of all the gatherings held throughout our diocese. You can find the complete report at dosp.org/synod. We have edited this summary to fit our bulletin space.

Synod Report Recurring Themes

"What consensus emerged regarding what the Holy Spirit is calling the Church to do better?" Answers to this question were extensive and diverse during the many Synod Listening Sessions held around the Diocese of St. Petersburg. Yet, these answers have been grouped together into five sets of themes based on the frequency in which they were mentioned.

1. Prioritize Outreach and Evangelization. The demographic most noted to which the Church is called to reach is youth and young adults.
2. Improve Communication. Parishes, ministries, Pastoral Center staff, and bishops have room to grow regarding communication.
3. Enhance Unity. Build community, encourage dialogue, and reduce judgmentalism.
4. Focus on Scripture, Ecumenism, and Vocations. Show greater pastoral sensitivity toward women and toward Catholics who experience same-sex attraction.
5. Increase opportunities for reconciliation, small groups & Church teaching on morality. Foster deeper appreciation for Catholic moral and social teaching and deepen communion with God and others

Synod Report Next Steps

Through the Synodal Process, the Diocese of St. Petersburg identified three immediate areas the Spirit is inviting us to address locally to grow in our "journeying together." These areas are an outgrowth of what we heard during our listening and discernment sessions, and follow the Synodal themes of Communion, Participation and Mission.

And our Parish Conversations - A Report



Communion: Fervently Work on Communication with our Parishes and the Faithful

- The Pastoral Center (Chancery) will take steps to improve and open communication lines with pastors and their lay staffs.
- In the various areas of ministry at the Pastoral Center, we will form advisory teams so that Diocesan leaders may better serve and be more collaborative with our local parishes, schools, lay associations, and other diocesan entities, (similar to the apostolic constitution *Praedicate Evangelium*, on reforming the Roman Curia).
- Most Reverend Gregory Parkes is prolific on social media, highlighting the good works within the Diocese and addressing the relevant concerns of the world through Catholic teaching and response. It is the hope and prayer that his upcoming medical procedure will ultimately allow him to engage more fully in the ministry to which he has been called.

Participation: Increase Collaboration Among Clergy and Laity

- Bishop Parkes is initiating steps of support for parishes, schools and diocesan entities in the formation and implementation of consultative/synodal structures (including Pastoral Councils), in accordance with the expected Vatican document from the 2023 Synod on Synodality. Planning processes and training will be provided to parishes and schools on best practices for consultation and collaboration among the lay volunteer disciples, lay ecclesial ministers, and clergy. Training will include discernment processes, collaboration, hospitality, and formational training of pastoral councils, finance councils, ministerial commissions, and boards and committees, both at the diocesan and parish/school levels.
- Other forms of collaboration within the Diocese include more effective and intentional collaboration between parishes and school at the Deanery level. Mentorships between new pastors, new clergy, and new lay ecclesial ministers are also being established.

Mission: Expand the Transformational Parish Growth Summit

- The Synod process expressed people's deep desire for others to develop a close relationship with Christ and His Church. Many expressed concern and disappointment that a significant number of Catholics are not practicing their faith and hoped that they would come back. Hearing and sharing this concern, Bishop Parkes initiated the Transformational Parish Growth Summit. Providing 32 hours of praying, learning, dreaming, and envisioning concrete plans for filling our churches, the theme for the full-immersion Summit, which was held April 25-27, 2022, was based on Luke 14:23, the Parable of the Great Feast. In this Parable, Jesus speaks of a dinner that was prepared, but those who were invited never showed. The Master then orders the servant to find new people to invite so that "My house may be filled."
- However, this was not a one-time effort. Working collaboratively with other parishes and schools and accompanied by members of the Pastoral Center and other ministerial organizations, faith leaders will work throughout the next few years on concrete ways to invite people to Church and engage them more fully as disciples.

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Do you have trouble hearing the Mass?

Yes, we know. The excessive echo in the church makes it hard to hear clearly. Why this is the case and why it is hard to fix is a rather long story (which I'm happy to share with you, should you be interested). The more important question is, "What can be done?"

We continue to talk to people with expertise in this area. (Sadly, they do not agree on a course of action.) And, near the end of the summer, we'll be installing some acoustic tile on the back wall of the church. In the meantime, the best thing you can do if you have trouble hearing is to make use of our "Hearing Assist" units.

Pick one up in the ministry room located off the hallway on the café / library side of the narthex. Bring your own headphones / ear buds or borrow ours. The unit picks up the signal directly from the sound system and delivers it to your ear eliminating the echo. You can easily control the volume as well. Please return the unit to the ministry room after Mass so it can recharge and be used by others.

Thanks for asking!

Why is it called Ordinary Time? Is this the Church's way of describing the summer lull?

In a word, no. Ordinary in this context does not refer to what is commonplace. It comes from the word ordinal, which you may remember has to do with numbers. So, in Ordinary Time we are simply counting the time. This Sunday, for example, is the 13th week of Ordinary Time. We do this counting during the parts of the liturgical year that are not part of Advent, Christmas, Lent, and Easter. You may recall that we started our counting right after Christmas. We paused for Lent and Easter and now are picking it up again. We'll continue to count until the 33rd Sunday of Ordinary Time which will bring us to Advent in late November.



Bible Verse of the Week: Acts 16:5 "So the churches were being strengthened in the faith and were increasing in number daily."

Our Parish Prayer List

June Abraham
Sheryl Acunal
Genevieve Aziz
Rita Bahler
Mary Barbuti
Kenneth Barcomb
Darlene and Michael Belanger
Anthony Belcastro
Audrey Bentley
Thomas Bourke
Ryan Buck Jr.
Nina Buzzone-England
Norma Callahan
Judy Cardone Melina
Carmen Chase
Maryloo Carrico
Sean Casey
Paul & Gail Catalona
Bill Cauchon
Joseph I. Chase
David Ciofani
Mark Clements
Bonnie Crisafulli
Evelyn Curry
Tom & Irene Dence
Anne Fiamengo

Florence Garrido
Jan Gossett
James Guimond
Mary Haisch
Jenny Holland
Jean & Gary Hossman
Amy Iketani
Janet Jacob
David Johnson
Deanne Karner
Liam & Jeanne Kennedy
Dolores Kenney
Anna Kumari
Charlotte Laliberti
Marie LaPointe
Gail Larson
Evilia Lopez
Sharn Lundy
Sheila Lutz
Katie Malins
Connie Marmaro
Mary Masterson
Mary Mattingly
Mattie Mores
Carol Muka
Susan Nguyen

Jeff Odajewski
Diane O'Neill
Ann Orzel
Robert Ostrenga
Antoinette Passero
Neil Petrocci
Judy & Mark Rucker
Rafael Sanchez
Nylene Santos
Maria Sauls
Frank Schaumann
Laura Scotto
Lia & Fred Sinclair
Lloyd Sinclair
Maryanne Sirrianna
Renae Soale
Fred & George Sontheimer
Casey Staton
Helen Sullivan
Norman & Leonette St. Germain
Sherry Taylor
Josephine Underwood
Gloria Unger

Bold indicates new name added to prayer list.

To keep this list meaningful, we respectfully ask that requests to be included on the list be renewed every 4 weeks and that you provide a specific prayer intention. To respect the privacy of individuals, please submit requests only with the expressed permission of the person for whom you are requesting prayer. Send requests to frkevinarnell@gmail.com

Pope Francis' Prayer Intention for the month of June

Families

We pray for Christian families around the world; may they embody and experience unconditional love and advance in holiness in their daily lives



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