# Sacred Heart Catholic Church

Twenty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time September 4, 2022 Making and Strengthening Disciples of Jesus



Sisters and Brothers in Christ,

Servant of God Dorothy Day was a journalist and social activist who founded the Catholic Worker Movement and lived the last 50 years of her life living with and working for the poor. Her writings are both inspiring and challenging. Earlier this week I came across this article written during the Great Depression in New York City. Perhaps the Lord will use it to help you grow in your discipleship as it most certainly did for me. -Fr. Kevin

### They Knew Him in the Breaking of Bread

By Dorothy Day

From: Dorothy Day, Selected Writings. Edited by Robert Ellsbergy. Pages 80-1.

Every morning about four hundred men come to Mott Street to be fed. The radio is cheerful, the smell of coffee is a good smell, the air of the morning is fresh and not too cold, but my heart bleeds as I pass the lines of men in front of the store which is our headquarters. The place is packed – not another man can get in – so they have to form a line. Always we have hated lines, and now the breakfast which we serve of cottage cheese and rye bread and coffee has brought about a line. It is an eyesore to the community. This little Italian village which is Mott Street and Hester Street, this little community within the great city, has been invaded by the Bowery, by the hosts of unemployed men, by no means derelicts, who are trying to keep body and soul together while they look for work. It is hard to say, matter-of-factly and cheerfully, "Good morning," as we pass on our way to Mass. It was the hardest to say, "Merry Christmas" or "Happy New Year" during the holiday time, to these men with despair and patient misery written on many of their faces.

Always we have hated lines, and now the breakfast which we serve of cottage cheese and rye bread and coffee has brought about a line.

One felt more like taking their hands and saying, "Forgive us – let us forgive each other! All of us who are more comfortable, who have a place to sleep, three meals a day, work to do – we are responsible for your condition. We are guilty of each other's sins. We must bear each other's burdens. Forgive us and may God forgive us all!"

The work must go on. We have placed our troubles in the hands of St. Joseph. I burned a candle before his altar yesterday morning and contemplated the gallant figure of the workman saint as he stood there, his head flung back, his strong arm embracing the Child, a smile on his face as he looked down at the congregation of kneeling workers at Mass. We told him frankly: "You must help us. The Holy Father says that the masses are lost to the Church. We must reach them, we must speak to them and bring them to the love of God. The disciples didn't know Our Lord on that weary walk to Emmaus until He sat down and ate with them. They knew Him in the breaking of bread. And how many loaves of bread are we breaking for our hungry fellows these days – 13,500 or so this last month. Help us do this work, help us to know each other in the breaking of bread, help us in knowing each other, in knowing the least of His children, we are knowing Him."

We were saying last night that if we could have foreseen the hordes that were to come to us the past two months, we never would have had the courage to begin. But we can only work day to day.

# **Weekly Mass Intentions**



## Saturday, September 3

8:00 a.m. Frank & Janet Schumann

4:00 p.m. **†**Bruce Kaleta

6:00 p.m. **†**Catalina Mejia Rodriguez

# Sunday, September 4

7:30 a.m. For our parishioners

9:30 a.m. Madeline Molony

11:30 a.m. †Everett Steven Cole

## Monday, September 5

8:00 a.m. Rene & Maureen O'Neil

## Tuesday, September 6

8:00 a.m. Didi & Paul Craig

## Wednesday, September 7

8:15 a.m. **†**Vladas Kaupas

6:00 p.m. Carole Kaleta

# Thursday, September 8

8:00 a.m. Edward & Opal Sheridan

# Friday, September 9

8:00 a.m. **†**William Santiago

# Saturday, September 10

8:00 a.m. All elected officials

4:00 p.m. William Pierce

6:00 p.m. For our parishioners

# Sunday, September 11

7:30 a.m. Amparo, Jaime, & Victoria Ouezon

9:30 a.m. **†**James "Gary" Haas

11:30 a.m. Judy Reed

# **Sanctuary Candle**

The sanctuary candle burns for Carole Kaleta's birthday

# A Few Stewardship Notes

## August 27th-28th

Offertory: \$9,413.00 <u>His Heart:</u> \$450.00 <u>Other:</u> \$6,998.41\* <u>Total:</u> \$16,861.41 Attendance: 875

\*Other offertory includes advanced festival income.

Note: Our offertory envelops were printed before we scheduled our Missionary Coop speaker. If you contribute to this fund today, we'll hold it until October 2nd when Fr. Theo Weria (a former associate here at Sacred Heart!) will share with us about the ministry of the Apostolic Life Community of Priests (ALCP/OSS)-Africa.

# A Catholic Ministry Appeal Highlight: Catholic Schools



A few weeks ago, 46 Catholic Schools and Early Childhood Centers welcomed back students for the 2022-2023 school year. Catholic education is provided to nearly 13,000 students in the five counties our diocese. These schools are supported by the Office of Catholic Schools and Centers one of the ministries you help fund with your Catholic Ministry Appeal gifts.

In an interview on Gulf Coast Catholic, Superintendent Chris Pastura discussed scholarships, faith, mental health, career opportunities, safety, Catholic identity and some of the great achievements over this past year and what is to come. You can read the full article at https://gulfcoastcatholic.org, in the Your Stories section. (While you're there, be sure to sign up for Gulf Coast Catholic's weekly email.)

# 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, September 4th:

Knights of Columbus monthly pancake breakfast 8:30-11am, Parish Hall Combined Middle and High School Youth Group, 5-7pm, Parish Hall

## Monday, September 5th: Labor Day

Office and Schools are closed for the holiday

Legion of Mary, 8:30am, Marian Room

Morning Devotions (livestreamed on Facebook), 9am; Learn a lesson from one of the Saints!

Mass Choir practice, 6pm, church

### Tuesday, September 6th:

Fr. Kevin's Bible study, 9-10:15am and 6-7:15pm

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

## Wednesday, September 7th:

Mass with our school children, 8:15am; Parishioners are welcome!

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

Knights of Columbus and Columbiette Officer's meetings, 7pm, Parish Hall

#### Thursday, September 8th:

Morning Devotions (livestreamed on Facebook), 9am; Learn a lesson from one of the Saints!

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

Prayer Shawl Ministry, 10am, Retreat House

### Saturday, September 10th:

Second Saturday of Service, 9am – help fellow parishioners improve the landscaping of our grounds

## Sunday, September 11th: 24th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Readings: Exodus 32:7-14; Psalm 51; 1 Timothy 1:12-17; Luke 15:1-32

Confirmation Session (for 8th graders seeking the sacrament), 4pm, Parish Hall

#### In two weeks! (Have you registered?)

Sept. 17th, Spirit FM's 7th Annual Catholic Women's Conference (see page 4 for details)

Sept. 18th, after 9:30am Mass, first session of our Faith Formation classes (1st through 7th grade)

AND it is Catechetical Sunday, when we will honor our Faith Formation teachers!

## Coming sooner than you think!

Sept. 25th, Diocese Media Day and the beginning of 40 Days for Life

Sept. 26th, 6pm, first meeting of the Junior Legion of Mary

Oct 1st & 2nd, Fr. Theo Weria, our Missionary Coop preacher, will be with us at all the Masses

Oct. 12th - 16th: Our 50th Fall Festival!

# This is interesting!

Next week our Bible study moves into chapter 3 of 1st Corinthians. Here's a verse from that chapter you may recognize:1 Corinthians 3:16, "Do you not know that you are the temple of God, and that the Spirit of God dwells in you?"

In English the word "you" can be singular or plural, referring to one person or to a group. The "you" in this verse is often assumed to be singular – that Paul is saying that each individual person is a temple of God. This interpretation is used to teach us to take care of our bodies. While that is an excellent lesson, it seems that's not what St. Paul has in mind here. The "you" in this verse is plural. You refers to the church, the body of believers, at Corinth. What does that teach us?

[Remember you are always welcome at either the morning or evening Bible Study sessions each Tuesday. Each group alternates between reflecting on questions about the upcoming chapter and presentations by Fr. Kevin. It is not necessary to commit to the entire study. Join us whenever you are able. This week, the morning session will meet with Fr. Kevin to review chapter 3. The evening session will be discussing the chapter 3 study questions.]

# 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)

#### <u>Sunday</u>

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

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:** 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> 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).

# Are you grieving the loss of a loved one?

Grieving is our natural response to a loss and the death of a loved one can be especially hard. There are many ways to grieve, some emerge from grief quicker than others, and some need help in moving forward. If you, or someone you know, is looking for some assistance, may we suggest a visit to <a href="https://www.griefshare.org/">https://www.griefshare.org/</a>?

As their website states, "GriefShare is a friendly, caring group of people who will walk alongside you through one of life's most difficult experiences. You don't have to go through the grieving process alone... GriefShare seminars and support groups are led by people who understand what you are going through and want to help. You'll gain access to valuable GriefShare resources to help you recover from your loss and look forward to rebuilding your life." There are support groups that meet here in Pinellas County. You can find the necessary information on their website.

# SPIRIT FM's 7th Annual Catholic Women's Conference



# September 17, 2022

https://www.myspiritfm.com/womensconference

Florida State Fairgrounds, Tampa

Take time to reflect on how you are Courageously Living the Gospel and acting upon what God has called you to do for the world, your community, and your parish.

You will have the opportunity to attend Reconciliation, Adoration and to celebrate Mass.

There will also be plenty of singing, praying, shopping and laughing!

The Spirit FM Catholic Women's Conference is designed for Catholic women of all ages, including older teenagers.

Women of all denominations are warmly welcomed to attend.

# The National Eucharistic Revival: For your reflection



The National Eucharistic Revival is a 3-year effort to increase understanding and devotion to our Lord's presence in the Eucharist. While the parish-level phase will begin next year, each of us can begin this journey of discernment and encounter through personal reflection. This series of articles is one way to do that.

## Can I have some help, please? (Part 1)

Most of the articles we read about the True Presence are written by those who believe this truth. Recently, I read an article by someone who summarized his struggles with the Eucharist this way: "Can we stop talking about the Eucharist as though it is simple to understand and easy to accept?"

That is a terrific point!

How can we respond to someone who struggles with our belief that Jesus is present in the Eucharist? We might think to start with something that seems like it will help but will likely not – videos that tell the story of some Eucharistic miracle.

I have, on occasion, received emails with links to these videos. They are typically well made and easy to follow. And, if you already believe in the True Presence, the videos can be a wonderful encouragement. If you struggle with this belief, however, a video like this may not help. There are always places where someone can easily question the facts that are being presented. "What scientists?" "How did they run that test?" "Was it verified by others?"

In addition, in the past few years our culture has adopted the term "fake news" which allow us to dismiss things we don't want to examine critically. Someone who struggles with our belief in the True Presence merely has to say, "that video is fake news" and all discussion is over.



If we are going to help those who struggle to believe in the Eucharist, we'll need to do more than suggest some videos. What would you do?

#### **Bible Verse of the Week:**

1 Corinthians 3:16, "Do you not know that you are the temple of God, and that the Spirit of God dwells in you?"

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# Introducing the Junior Legion of Mary!

As another option for our children and teens ages 8-17, we are pleased to begin a Junior Legion of Mary group that will meet on Monday evenings in the Parish Hall beginning September 26.

The Legion of Mary is a society of over 3 million Catholic Iay persons whose ministry, guided by the Holy Spirit, performs apostolic work to give Christ to the world through the love of Mary. The main purpose of

the Junior Legion of Mary is to give glory to God through the sanctification of its members and preparation of its members to enter the Senior Legion. Members meet once a week for prayer, planning and discussion in a family setting. They also dedicate one hour of works each week in pairs and under the guidance of their Spiritual Director. Look for more information next week.

### Parents!



## Got a child in First Grade?

Remember, to receive the sacraments of First Reconciliation and First Communion in second grade, your child must participate in Faith Formation this year and next (or be enrolled in a Catholic School for those two years.) You can register on our website. Look under Religious Education and chose Faith Formation to find the form.

#### Got a child in Seventh Grade?

Remember, to receive the sacrament of Confirmation in second grade, your child must participate in Faith Formation or Youth Group this year and next (or be enrolled in a Catholic School this year.) You can register on our website. Look under Religious Education and chose Faith Formation to find the form.

# **Our Parish Prayer List**

June Abraham Sheryl Acunal Genevieve Aziz Rita Bahler Mary Barbuti Kenneth Barcomb 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 Tom & Irene Dence Rita Durish **Christina Fabb** Brooke & Brianna Farnsworth Anne Fiamengo

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**Bold indicates new** name added to prayer list.

# Pope Francis' Prayer Intention for the month of September



### Abolition of the Death Penalty

We pray that the death penalty, which attacks the dignity of the human person, may be legally abolished in every country

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 frkevinyarnell@gmail.com

Carol Muka



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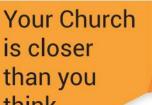
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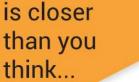








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