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St. Joseph Catholic Church

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Masses: Saturday 5:30 pm; Sunday 9:30 am
Monday (no Mass); Tuesday & Wednesday 6:30 pm; Thursday & Friday 8:00 am
Confession: Saturday 4:30-5:00 pm or by appointment

TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

September 23 2018

Office Hours

Monday-Friday By Appointment
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News, Reminders, and Events

BLOOD DRIVE: The Knights of Columbus are hosting a Blood Drive **TODAY** Sunday, **September 23**, from 9:00 am to 1:30 pm in the church parking lot (Carter Blood Care Bus). Stop by even if you do not have an appointment — they will be happy to work you in.

UNIDAD de sangre: Los caballeros de colon es anfitrión de una unidad de sangre hoy Domingo, 23 de septiembre, de 9:00 a 13:30 en el estacionamiento de iglesia (Carter sangre cuidado Bus). Detener incluso si no tienes una cita — gusto funcione.

CSO: The Catholic College Students Organization meets every **Wednesday** while school is in session. The Rosary will begin at 6:00 p.m., then Mass at 6:30 p.m. Supper and a meeting will immediately follow Mass in the Parish Hall. **ALL** college students are welcome and encouraged to attend.

CSO: La organización de estudiantes de Universidad Católica cumple con todos los miércoles, mientras que la escuela está en sesión. El Rosario comenzará a las 18:00 antes de las 18:30 Misa. Cena y una reunión serán inmediatamente después de Misa en el salón parroquial. **TODOS** los estudiantes universitarios son Bienvenidos a asistir.

Retro CSO T-shirts: CSO members will be selling retro T-shirts after Mass on Saturday and Sunday, the 29th and 30th of September. The price will be \$5 each. There will be a variety of designs, colors, and sizes.

Camisetas retros de la CSO: Miembros de las OSC estará vendiendo camisetas retros después de la Misa los sábados y el domingos, los días 29 y 30 de septiembre. El precio será \$5 cada uno. Habrá una variedad de diseños, colores y tamaños.

RCIA: Meets every Tuesday evening from 5:15 to 6:15 in the parish hall. Contact Dr. Ed Cox (972-839-8397), for more information.

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ADORATION ON THURSDAYS: All are invited to join together for Adoration on Thursdays from 6:00 to 7:00 p.m.

ADORACIÓN ON jueves: Todos están invitados a unirse para la adoración de los jueves de 6:00 a 19:00.



"Whoever receives one child such as this in my name, receives me; and whoever receives me, receives not me but the One who sent me."

THE PASTOR'S CORNER

In today's Gospel, we hear Jesus again predict his passion, death, and Resurrection to his disciples. The setting here is important. Jesus and his disciples are preparing to journey through Galilee, a Jewish territory in which Jesus has already encountered problems with the Pharisees. Perhaps this is why Mark indicates that Jesus was trying to journey in secret. In predicting his passion, Jesus is acknowledging the danger they will face and is trying to preparing his disciples for it. Yet Mark tells us that the disciples did not understand what Jesus was saying and were afraid to ask what he meant. Such hesitation on the part of the disciples is not characteristic behavior. Peter had no fear about rebuking Jesus in last week's Gospel. Perhaps this is an indication that the disciples were aware that a new situation was emerging.



Mark paints a vivid picture in today's Gospel. Having arrived at Capernaum, Jesus and his disciples enter a house. In this private place, Jesus asks his disciples about the argument they had while they were journeying. Again, the disciples are uncharacteristically silent and afraid to answer. They have been found out. Jesus then summons the Twelve, whom Mark identified earlier in his Gospel as those chosen by Jesus to preach and to drive out demons. To this select group of disciples, Jesus teaches that those who would be first in God's kingdom must be servants of all.

Jesus then calls forward a child and teaches the Twelve that to receive a child in Jesus' name is to receive both Jesus and the One who sent him. We might easily fail to understand the significance of this action. In first-century Palestine, children were without status or power, possessing no legal rights. In this action, Jesus is teaching his disciples and us that when we serve the least ones among us, we serve Jesus himself. Who are the people without power or status in our society that Jesus is calling us to serve? Do we do so willingly? Jesus teaches that God's judgment of us will be based on this criterion alone.

....Loyola Press

The usual stipend for a Mass is \$5.00

Saturday, Sept.22	5:30 p.m.	† Ysave, Andrew, Gioan Kim by Son Nguyen Family
Sunday, Sept. 23	9:30 a.m.	FOR THE PEOPLE
Monday, Sept. 24	No Mass	No Mass
Tuesday, Sept. 25	6:30 p.m.	Theresa Williams By Tom & Maureen Williams
Weds., Sept. 26	6:30 p.m.	† Ysave, Andrew, Gioan Kim by Son Nguyen Family
Thursday, Sept. 27	8:00 a.m.	For successful final exams for Mary Claire Azubuike by Caroline Chidozie
Friday, Sept. 28	8:00 a.m.	† Priscilla Denny By Joe & Kay Webber
Saturday, Sept. 29	5:30 p.m.	† N. J. Joseph By Sheena Anthraper

Our Parish Weekly Need: \$ 2,921.60

Las necesidades semanales de nuestra parroquia: \$2,921.60
Last Sunday, September 16, 2018: \$ 3,283.27
 Colección desde el domingo pasado: \$ 3,283.27
 Monthly Mortgage Payment: \$ 3,402.50
 Pago mensual de hipoteca: \$ 3,402.50
 Last Sunday's Building Fund: \$ 510
 Fondos recaudados el domingo pasado: \$ 510
 Building Fund September Total: \$ 1610
 Total mensual de fondo de construcción hasta la fecha: \$ 1610
 Rectory Building Fund: \$ 0
 Fondo del edificio de rectoría: \$ 0
 Mass Attendance: 363 // Cantidad de asistentes: 363

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 Pursuant to Section 30.07, Penal Code (trespass by license holder with an openly carried handgun), a person licensed under Subchapter H, Chapter 411, Government Code (handgun licensing law), may not enter this property with a handgun that is carried openly.

RCIA All who are interested in learning about the Catholic faith are encouraged to enroll in the RCIA program. Those interested should contact Ed Cox at edcox.RCIA@gmail.com or call him at [972-839-8397](tel:972-839-8397).



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