



Immaculate Heart of Mary Catholic Church

August 12-13, 2017

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19TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - HIS COMMANDS MEAN "I CAN"

"Peter spoke up and said, 'Lord, if it is really You, tell me to come to You across the water.' 'Come!' He said. So Peter got out of the boat and began to walk on the water, moving toward Jesus." —Matthew 14:28-29

If you had asked Peter the day before he walked on the water: "Can you walk on water?", Peter would have answered "No." Peter could not walk on water unless Jesus told him to, and Peter obeyed. This is a basic principle of the Christian life.

For example, we must love our enemies (Lk 6:27, 35) and forgive them 70 x 7 times (Mt 18:22). But we cannot do these things. However, because Jesus has commanded us to do them, we can and must do them. When Jesus commands a paralyzed man to walk, only then can he walk (see Mk 2:11-12). Jesus has already commanded us to "make disciples of all the nations" (Mt 28:19) and to become holy in every aspect of our conduct (1 Pt 1:15). Of course, we cannot do these things. But because Jesus has commanded us, we can. Life in Christ is the exciting privilege of living far beyond our human limitations because of Jesus' commands and our obedience.

Unless Jesus returns first, we will conclude our Christian life on this earth by dying. Then Jesus will give us one more command: "Rise from the dead" (see Jn 5:28-29). We cannot rise from the dead. But because Jesus will command us to rise, we can rise. Obey Jesus; do the impossible; prepare to rise from the dead.

Masses & Information

Monday, Thursday, Friday.....7:30 a.m.
Saturday:.....5:30 p.m.
Sunday:.....8:30 a.m.
Wednesday:.....6:00 p.m.
Confession: Saturday.....4:30-5:15 p.m.
Sunday:.....7:55-8:15 a.m. or by appointment
First Wednesday Adoration:7:00 – 10:00 p.m.
MARRIAGE PREPARTION: Contact Father Raj at least six months in advance.
BAPTISMS: Call the rectory for an appointment.
COMMUNION to shut-ins or the ill, call Fr. Raj at 248.7584 or 316.4146
Anyone who cannot come to the communion rail during Mass should let Father Raj know before Mass. Those who are ill or shut in should contact Bill Homer, if you would want communion brought to your home during the week or on weekends.

Masses Intentions

Sunday, August 13 8:30 a.m For our Christian Mothers
Monday, August 14 7:30 p.m. Donna Burton By Ann Hamilton
Tuesday, August 15 7:30 a.m. Donna Burton By Ann Hamilton
Wednesday, August 16 6:00pm Donna Burton By Ann Hamilton
Thursday, August 17 7:30a.m. Special Intentions of Johnny and Doris Homer
Friday, August 18 7:30a.m. Special Intentions of Johnny and Doris Homer
Saturday, August 19 5:30p.m. Special Intentions of Johnny and Doris Homer

Stewardship Reports

Individual.....	\$2020.00
Loose.....	\$ 299.00
Children.....	\$ 6.00
Total.....	\$2255.00
Building Fund	
Individual.....	\$2050.00
Loose.....	\$ 151.00
Total.....	\$2201.00

Pray for Our Sick

Brandi Sustaire, John Detten, Emma Detten, Tammy Bivens, Celeste Connelly, Conner Homer, Daniel Hinson, Schellon Major, Ralph Hutsell, Shamara Husemann, Bill Becker, Shawn Meidinger, Dorothy Weller, Jim Eakin, Charlene Weller, Leonard Koetting, Alina Becker, Anna Marie Wink, Gary Collins, and Floyd Schulte

Family Chalice Program

August 12/13 Doris Britten
August 19/20 Earl Britten
August 26/27 Jerry, Melanie, and Trent Britten
September 2/3 Kelvin and Debbie Ollinger
September 9/10 Bill and Linda Bohr
September 16/17 Cobb and Kay Britten

Birthdays

August 14th Jay Britten
August 17th Alex Moraniec

Anniversaries

August 26th David and Shelly Britten

Church Cleaning for August

Neysa Friemel, Julie Friemel, Jessica Britten, Carolyn Brooks, Joanie Kling, Jan Britten, Tonda Torres, Laura Kuehler, Barbara Homer, Doris Homer, Kathleen Barkley, and Adela Kotatra

Liturgical Ministers

Saturday, August 12, 2017 at 5:30 p.m.

Servers: Trace and Owen

Lectors: Gary Britten

Extraor. Com. Minister: Sharon Britten

Sunday, August 13, 2017 at 8:30 a.m.

Servers: Madison and Ali

Lectors: Kay Britten

Extraor. Com. Minister: Michele Bohr,
Sandie Hickey and Bill Homer

Saturday, August 19, 2017 at 5:30 p.m.

Servers: Stephen and Lauren

Lectors: Carrie Weinheimer

Extraor. Com. Minister: Nick Weinheimer

Sunday, August 20, 2017 at 8:30 a.m.

Servers: Grace and Kate

Lectors: Nick Kuehler

Extraor. Com. Minister: Nicole Kuehler,
Michele Bohr, and Marla Britten

Saturday, August 26, 2017 at 5:30 p.m.

Servers: Saffaron and Kacie

Lectors: Jason Eugea

Extraor. Com. Minister: Kevin Brown

Sunday, August 27, 2017 at 8:30 a.m.

Servers: Halle and Carrigan

Lectors: Ron Kuehler

Extraor. Com. Minister: Kay Britten, Carrie
Weinheimer, Joanie Kling

Saturday, Sept 2, 2017 at 5:30 p.m.

Servers: Derek and Ryan

Lectors: Carrie Weinheimer

Extraor. Com. Minister: Nick Weinheimer

Announcements:

**Monday, August 14 – Mass at 7:30pm and
Tuesday August 15 – Mass at 7:30am (Feast
of The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin
Mary, a day of Obligation)**

I would sincerely like to thank everyone that helped with our summer religion classes! Super Saint Summer Nights was terrific! The food and decorations were fantastic, the crafts were great, the games were fun and I believe the kids learned a lot and had a good time! Thank you again! Nicole Kuehler

Contact: Cara Ashford at 806-584-6250 or ashfordcar@gmail.com (preferred), if you have information for the bulletin.

What is a monstrance and what is Benediction?

A desire to see the Eucharist led to the showing or elevation of the Host and Chalice during Mass. Then a vessel was invented, taking the place of the priest's hands so as to prolong the elevation. This is called a monstrance, from the Latin monstrare, to show. A blessing with the Sacrament exposed in a monstrance or contained in a ciborium, was introduced, known as benediction. Gradually prayers and hymns were recognized for public eucharistic adoration. Some of the best hymns were composed by St Thomas Aquinas. Benediction, holy hours, perpetual exposition, eucharistic processions and, more recently, eucharistic congresses, became features of the public worship of Jesus Christ among us.

*What personal forms does adoration of the Eucharist take?

Personal "visits to the Blessed Sacrament" are strongly commended by the Church. As individuals or in groups we come before the tabernacle, where Christ is enshrined to be available for the Communion of the sick and the adoration of believers. In the Credo of the People of God, Pope Paul VI described the Blessed Sacrament in the tabernacle as "the living heart of each of our churches". With words which invite us to Jesus Christ in the Eucharist, Pope Paul added, "and it is our very sweet duty to honor and adore in the Blessed Host which our eyes see, the Incarnate Word which they cannot see, and Who, without leaving heaven, is made present before us".

Pope John Paul II has strongly promoted eucharistic adoration by word and example. Each year since 1979 he has led the splendid Corpus Christi procession through the streets of Rome, praying before the Blessed Sacrament and giving the final benediction from the steps of the basilica of St Mary Major. In response to his call, in recent years there has been a widespread revival of eucharistic adoration. Lay people play a major role in associations and new groups devoted to this form of prayer, which attracts many people because it emphasizes restful silence and quiet meditation.