MISSION STATEMENT
TOGETHER—RENEWING OUR COMMITMENT TO GOD & OUR COMMUNITY

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Bulletin Deadline - Monday 12:00 pm

MASS SCHEDULE

WEEKEND: SATURDAY 5 PM
SUNDAY 8:15 AM & 10:30 AM

WEEKDAYS: TUE—FRI 7:30 AM

HOLY DAYS: 7:30AM & 6:30 PM

RECONCILIATION
THUR & FRI: 7:00 AM
SAT: 4:00 PM

[Jesus] answered them, “Strive to enter through the narrow gate for many, I tell you, will attempt to enter but will not be strong enough.” - Lk 13:24

Sunday in Ordinary Time

21st
Some of you may have seen an article in the *Catholic Spirit* (8/9/2019) discussing a recent poll done by the Pew Research Center showing that less than one-third (31%) of U.S. Catholics believe in the “real presence” in relation to the Eucharist. (The term “real presence,” of course, refers to our belief that at every mass, during the consecration, the bread and wine actually become the Body and Blood of Jesus.) This is a core belief of Catholics and it is one of the things that distinguish us from other Christian groups. This is why we take great care to consume the leftover wine and why we keep the consecrated hosts in a locked tabernacle following communion. We hold this belief because of the words Jesus speaks in Holy Scripture - “…the Lord Jesus on the night he was handed over, took bread, and after he had given thanks, broke it and said, ‘This is my body that is for you. Do this in remembrance of me.’ In the same way also the cup, after supper, saying, ‘This cup is the new covenant in my blood. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me’” [1st Corinthians 11: 23-25; see also similar accounts in Matthew 26:26-28; Mark 14:22-24; Luke 22:17-20]. This concept of the “real presence” is something that all of us, as Catholics, should know and believe and be able to explain to others.

Some follow-up articles (see the *National Catholic Reporter*, August 14, 2019) have suggested that perhaps the way the question was set up in the poll may have been confusing to those who took it. The question had three answers to choose from in responding to the question, “what happens to the bread and wine used for Communion” - 1) “Actually become the body and blood of Jesus Christ;” 2) “Are symbols of the body and blood of Jesus Christ;” and 3) “Not sure.” Sixty-three percent of the respondents chose 2. “Are symbols of the body and blood of Jesus Christ.” While it is perhaps a little confusing, it still seems that if one truly understood the Catholic doctrine on the Eucharist, 1. was the better answer.

The results of this poll seem to indicate a lack of clarity on the part of many Catholics regarding the basic doctrines of our faith. How many Catholics, for example, could correctly identify the meaning of the doctrine of the Immaculate Conception? Or would they say, as one often hears, that it refers to the conception of Jesus, rather than the conception of the Virgin Mary (specifically, her birth without Original Sin). Or the belief that Jesus is fully God and fully human at the same time, and that the terms “Father” and “Son” are not simply symbols, but really refer to the relationship between God, the Father, and Jesus, the Son, who along with the Holy Spirit, comprise the Holy Trinity.

Realizing that the members of this parish would likely do a better job on the Pew Research Center poll than the national sample who took it, there still seems to be a need among all Catholics to revisit and come to a better understanding, periodically, of the basic tenets of our faith. Stay tuned for a forthcoming parish program to address this.

—Deacon Scott
SJV News & Information

Cursillo Corner
Southeast Metro Ultreya is meeting this Sunday evening for a Potluck and Ultreya starting at 6:30 in Shamrock Hall at Church of St Patrick, 3535 72nd St E, Inver Grove Heights.

All are welcome for Cursillo events. Upcoming events include:
- September 29th 7:00 pm, Southeast Metro Ultreya (meeting) at Church of St Patrick, Inver Grove
- October 26th 8am – 1pm, Fourth day Encounter at Church of St Patrick, Inver Grove

Please contact 651-485-7089 or see https://www.tc-cursillo.org for questions.

Thank you,
Jane Marie & Mike Rief
651-485-7089

SJV PARISH EVENTS

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“God is always trying to give good things to us, but often our hands are too full to receive them”
~ St. Augustine

We would like to give a HUGE thanks for the enormous response to our request for golf clubs and equipment. We received a large quantity of golf clubs and golf balls, along with some other miscellaneous golf equipment. We are set! Thank you, thank you!

Community of Saints is looking forward to our best school year yet! All of our amazing staff is returning, and our enrollment will be increasing for the fourth consecutive year. This year we look forward to full implementation of our blended learning program known as Higher Powered Learning through the University of Notre Dame. We also look forward to implementation of Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics (STEM) through additional partnerships with Notre Dame.

As part of our Catholic Identity, we will be naming our classrooms after different saints. These saints were intentionally selected by their relevance to our school community, their background, and their lives that led them to their canonization. Students will take time to get to know “their” saint this year with their classroom teacher, and educate others about what they learn!

Holiness Runs in the Family
Raising faithful children is no easy task. For St. Monica, it seemed nearly impossible. Her husband wasn't Christian and often mocked her faith. Their son, Augustine, fell quickly into wild ways. He and his friends drank, stole, and caroused throughout town. Monica never stopped praying for Augustine, no matter how far he strayed. Augustine became swept up in heresy, a false form of Christianity. He lived with a mistress and had a child out of wedlock. All the while, Monica kept praying. Conversion came slowly to Augustine, but at age 32, he was finally baptized. Augustine would go on to become a priest, then bishop, then world-renowned theologian whose works have stood the test of time.

May St. Monica and St. Augustine inspire us to never stop praying for our loved ones.

Are you interested in learning more about our Catholic Faith as an adult?

Wondering how to discuss with your non-Catholic friends about the Biblical basis for the Sacraments?

Want to get more out of Mass?

SJV will be offering a weekly ADULT Catholic Faith Class on Wednesdays at 11am. (Potluck Lunch every other week)

We need a minimum of 10 people to hold this class so please sign up in the Mary Kane Commons

Session 1: September 18th—December 18th
Session 2: January 8th—March 25th
Session 3: April 15th—May 27th
Stewardship

Please pray for the sick who have asked for our prayers

Koz Kosmicki  Sr. Mary Madonna Ashton, CSJ
Kathy Olsen-Roebeke  Jim Bruhn
Kevin Conroy  Judy Fuglie
Yvonne Hain  Grayce Hartman
Bill Holzmer  Geri Loder
Randy Gillette  Theresa Skillrud
Myrt Milner  Margaret Overman
Jim Schema  Shari Bergman
Tom Van Hale  Carol Lucio
Becky Thomas  Frank Strut
Barb Thompson  Marla Hawley
Darrel Junk  Vi Stewart
Gloria Powers  Deb Mankowski
Simon Scott  Mildred Hoff
Bob Bringgold  Mark Goossens
Marlene Brickley  Bill Reynolds
Anita Mahler  Marcy Jansen
Marge Willer  Dustin Bergh
Cathy Derr  Gretchen Bidwell
Alice Hamilton  Patty O’Brien
Jim Glenn  Lyndon Baker
Chris Cheney  PJK
Anna Elia  Max Kruzel
Jeanne Cosgrove  Linda Pelletier
Sandy Lotzer  Joan Woods
Karen Kapphahn  Bill Novotny
Steve Wenner  Tom Lehmann
Carlos Garcia  Alex Bussiere
Fred Friedrichs  Jack Zensen
John Rose  Dave Vonarx
Paul Reboholz  Marcia Bennett
John Jablonski  Billy Boomgaarden

Readings for the week of August 25, 2019

Sunday:  Is 66:18-21/Ps 117:1, 2, [Mk 16:15]/Heb 12:5-7, 11-13/Lk 13:22-30
Monday:  1 Thes 1:1-5, 8b-10/Ps 149:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6a and 9b [cf. 4a]/Mt 23:13-22
Tuesday:  1 Thes 2:1-8/Ps 139:1-3, 4-6 [1]/Mt 23:23-26
Wednesday:  1 Thes 2:9-13/Ps 139:7-8, 9-10, 11-12ab [1]/Mt 23:27-32
Thursday:  1 Thes 3:7-13/Ps 90:3-5a, 12-13, 14 and 17 [14]/Mk 6:17-29
Friday:  1 Thes 4:1-8/Ps 97:1 and 2b, 5-6, 10, 11-12 [12a]/Mt 25:1-13
Saturday:  1 Thes 4:9-11/Ps 98:1, 7-8, 9 [9]/Mt 25:14-30
Next Sunday:  Sir 3:17-18, 20, 28-29/Ps 68:4-5, 6-7, 10-11 [cf. 11b]/Heb 12:18-19, 22-24a/Lk 14:1, 7-14

Mass Schedule & Intentions

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Litursgical Minister Schedule

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Ushers—August 2019

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### IRA CHARITABLE ROLLOVER

On December 18th, 2015, a law was signed that permanently makes the IRA Charitable Rollover available. This rollover does not expire & allows donors 70½ or older to make charitable contribution directly from their IRA. For more information, please call the office at 651-451-1863.

### Have you considered your stewardship through EFT’s?

EFTs are one way to make contributions consistent, no hassle with filling out a check along with saving a tree! No paper envelopes. It is very simple.

Fill out a form from the Parish Office, decide how much and when you contribution is taken from your bank account and into SJV’s bank account. With a voided check, we submit the info & you are done. No worry about forgetting your envelope at home or what you wrote your check amount for, SJV’s bank & yours keep track of that. Call us today.

### Check Out Our New Website

**WWW.SJVSSP.ORG**

Let us know what you think!