

Monday AUGUST 24

St. Bartholomew, Apostle Rv 21:9b–14 Jn 1:45–51

Tuesday

AUGUST 25 Weekday 1 Thes 2:1–8 Mt 23:23–26

Wednesday

AUGUST 26 *Weekday* 1 Thes 2:9–13 Mt 23:27–32

Thursday

AUGUST 27 St. Monica 1 Thes 3:7–13

Mt 24:42-51

Friday

AUGUST 28 St. Augustine, Bishop and Doctor of the Church 1 Thes 4:1–8 Mt 25:1–13

Saturday

AUGUST 29 The Passion of St. John the Baptist 1 Thes 4:9–11 Mk 6:17–29

Sunday

AUGUST 30 Twenty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time Dt 4:1–2, 6–8 Jas 1:17–18, 21b–22, 27 Mk 7:1–8, 14–15, 21–23

August 23, 2015 + Twenty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time (B)

hen confronted with a new idea or a new way of doing things, many of us hesitate. There is often a bit of fear in trying something new and, truth be told, changing the way we do things is sometimes uncomfortable. I remember when we moved from an apartment to a new house. I was very unsettled for several days until a new routine could be established and the many boxes were out of the way. It was a change, and I didn't like it at first. (Now, of course, I can't imagine that we would have raised our family anywhere else.)

The many disciples who were following Jesus listened intently as he talked to them about living bread and eating and drinking his flesh and blood. That new way of thinking was as unsettling as our new house had been, maybe more so. The apostles who were closest to him even admitted that it was a hard saying to accept, and John records that many followers left him and "returned to their former way of life." But the apostles were willing to wrestle with it not because they were so wise, smart, or understanding, but because they believed that Jesus was the Holy One of God and that compelled them to follow him even to death. They had nowhere else to go; Jesus alone could give them what they craved: eternal life.

I've often wondered what I might have said had Jesus asked me if I wanted to go away also. I hope I could have overcome my fear long enough to recognize Jesus for who he was and for the gift he was bringing me.



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21st Sunday In Ordinary Time

August 23, 2015

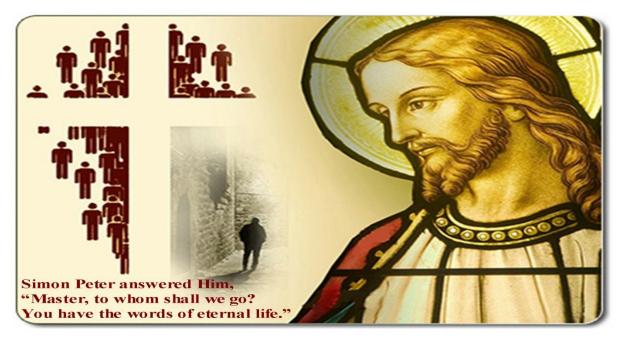


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EUCHARISTIC ADORATION
Every Friday Adoration from 8:30 a.m. to 9:30 a.m
SACRAMENT OF
RECONCILIATION
Both Before Mass and by Appointment.

Mass Schedule for this Week
Our Lady of Chartres Mass Schedule
Sun 7:30 am Our Parish Family
St. Ann Mass Schedule & Intentions
Sat 5:00 pm +Norine Moran
Sun 9:00am Our Parish Family

Mon 8:00 am +Fr Pete Tues 8:00 am +Fr Pete Wed 6:00 pm +Albert Acosta Thu 8:00 am +Fr Pete Fri 8:00 am +Barbara Hunter

From Father Khoa's Desk...

Dear Parishioners and Friends,

This Sunday readings invites us for choice, and for the commitment to bring that choice to full fruition.

Joshua places a choice before his people and declares himself that "Me and my House will serve the Lord." Remembering the wonders the Lord worked for them, the people reply, "We too will serve the Lord, for he is our God." This choice of Israel is the consequence of their covenant to Yahweh. The people's choice is reiterated in the disciples' decision to follow Jesus rather than forsake Him. Today's Gospel passage is the last segment of the 'bread discourse' in St. John's Gospel (ch.6). Jesus' straight talk is difficult to digest and created chaos. Many disciples left Jesus and never followed Him again. At that moment Jesus puts question to Apostles: "Do you want to go away too?" Here we need to remember the profession of faith made by St. Peter. "Lord, who shall we go to? You have the message of eternal life, and we believe; we know that you are the Holy one of God!"

Friends, yet at times, making a decision is difficult. Especially when it involves lifelong devotion. The marriage pledge between husband and wife, and the religious promises of priests and nuns need deep discernment and openness to God's Spirit. "The words I have spoken to you are spirit and they are life," says Jesus. Yes, Let's always opt for Spirit and for Life. This is what God wants us to choose. And with Peter, let's whisper, "Lord, who shall we go to? You have the message of eternal life."

Have a great week! May God bless all of us! ...Fr. Khoa

<u>Bible Study:</u> We studying the mass. Please join us. Classes are on Wed 6:30-8 pm, and on Thur from 9-10:30am at the office. For more information, please contact Ruth Schonewitz and Henrietta Ladner.

<u>CCD</u>: CCD will start in September. We need three more teachers to teach CCD this coming year. Please contact Robert Lizana the DRE. Thank you.

<u>Catholic Students</u> of our parish to receive subsidy are: V. Jeanfreau, S. Thomas, K. + C. + C. Leverette, J. + J. Estrada, E. Enroth, T. Enroth, A. Scarengoas, and N. Quintini. Please contact me this week if your children or grandchildren are not on the list.

ST. ANN ACTIVITIES.

Church Cleaning: Thank you Lester and Keisha Palmer who cleaned the church on Aug 16 and 23. Julie and Keisha will clean the church on Aug 29 and Sept 6. Please call Ellen West at 341-0279 to sign up.

OL Chartres: Thank you Dianne for cleaning OL of Chartres.

ST. ANN STEWARDSHIP:**

<u>75</u>Identifiable: \$1,804.00; Loose: \$1,592.00; Total: \$3,396.00; Children: \$23.00 Building

Fund: \$132.60; Extension Society: \$45.00;

Assumption: \$20.00

OL OF CHARTRES STEWARDSHIP:

Identifiable: \$130.00; Loose: \$143.00; Total:

\$273.00. Building Fund: **\$10.00**

**Amount needed weekly \$2,908.84.

Thank you for your generosity.

<u>Lizana Light:</u> Doris Snowden and Dianne Northrrop will serve the Lizana Light. For more information, please contact Doris or Diane. Thank you.

MASS	LECTOR	EUCHARISTIC MIN.	SERVERS	USHERS	GIFT B.
Sun Aug 22	Lisa Cuevas	Ellen West Lenell King,	Boots Moran	Doug	Patricia Lizana
5pm		Sharon Ladner	Katie Ladner	Ira Necaise	
Aug 23 7:30am	Sandra Ammons	Daniel Squillante	(OLC)	Teny Mitchell	(OLC)
Sun Aug 23	Jason Necaise	Chantel Crabtree, Helena,	Conner	Robert	Jason & Lisa
9am		Dale Babin	Kaison McGill	David	Necaise Family
Sun Aug 29	Richard Dunlap	Mike Mays, Diane Mays,	Boots Moran	Doug	Helen O'Neal &
5pm		Doris Snowden	Katie Ladner	August	Glora Armand
Aug 307:30am	Sandra Ammons	Daniel Squillante	(OLC)	Terry Mitchell	(OLC)
Sun Aug 30	Valerie Ladner	Derek Trosclair, Kim	Carson	Robert	Jason & Lisa
9am		Wood, Robin Peterson	Lilly	David	Necaise Family

Parish Council: meet third Saturday.

Fr Pete's Memorial: If you have any question, please contact Douglas Moran. Thank you.

Altar Society: will meet in September.

<u>CYO:</u> meet every other week on Sunday 6:00pm. You can visit St Ann CYO contact **Katelyn Moran** and **Danielle Ladner** or on the website **www.facebook.com/stannslizanacyo**.

VISITATION OF THE SICK: Please keep the parish office informed so we may minister to those who are ill at home, in the hospital, or in a nursing facility. For those wishing to receive the Eucharist contact the parish office, 832-2560.

<u>RCIA:</u> Are You Considering Becoming Catholic? Are You A Catholic Interested In Being Confirmed? Are You A Confirmed Catholic Who's Ready To Explore Your Faith Anew?

Please contact Henrietta Ladner. The 2015/16 sessions get started on Wednesday starts on Sept 16. RCIA classes are on Wednesdays 6:30pm from September to May at Parish Chapel. Thank you...

SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION MARRIAGE

Church regulations require at least six months of preparation for a wedding. Our advice is to call well in advance of that time if you wish to reserve a wedding date and receive information: one's own parish clergy are expected to supervise your Catholic prenuptial preparation and to officiate at the wedding ceremony.

<u>Knights of Columbus:</u> We welcome the KC. If you have any question, please contact Thomas Moran.

MASS FOR FAMILY & FRIENDS: You can have Masses offered for the deceased, or for living family and friends. Mass cards and envelopes are available at the office.

PRAYER REQUESTS Those who are ill:

Leslie Cuevas, William DeMello, Betty Pierce, Dcn Jack Hunter, Lee James, Darlene Billingsley, Janet Thompson, Victoria Moran, Michael Gilbert, Jerry Malley, Vivian Clifford, Ezekiel Rutherford, Julia Perronne, John Moran, Jerry Rutland, Pat Leimer, Chad Wood, Ricky Crabtree, Austin (Osborne), Carolyn Brewer, Beverly Saucier, August Schonewitz, Elizabeth Necaise, and Loretta Ladner, and Regina Franke.

WE WELCOME NEW MEMBERS † PLEASE FILL OUT A NEW MEMBER REGISTRATION FORM AND SUBMIT TO PARISH OFFICE FR. KHOA WOULD BE HAPPY TO VISIT WITH YOU AND HELP YOU ASSESS YOUR SPIRITUAL NEEDS.