

Dear Padre,

What does the Church teach about body art?

I'm a bit squeamish when I see a piercing in a place other than an ear, and when I see a tattoo covering a large part of a person's body I wonder what that person will think about that tattoo in twenty years. But these things are a matter of taste; for example, I don't think there is anything



wrong with earrings, but others might.

The Church has no teaching on tattoos, piercings, or shaping (when a body part is purposely reshaped to fit a cultural ideal). "Do not lacerate your bodies for the dead, and do not tattoo yourselves," say Leviticus 19:28, clearly outlawing piercings and tattoos. But it also says, "Do not...spoil the edges of your beard" (Leviticus 19:27). I broke that law this morning when I shaved.

In their introduction to the Book of Leviticus in the *New American Bible*, revised edition, the bishops teach that the laws in this book are "not merely legislative." They were designed to instill "a way of life in the book's hearers and readers."

We may not have the same obligation to adhere to those rules, but it is important for Catholics to remember 1 Corinthians 3:16: "You are the temple of God." We should do nothing to deface the temple of God. So if you do get a piercing or a tattoo, remember that you're God's temple.

—Fr. Patrick Keyes, CSSR
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Calendar

Monday

AUGUST 24

St. Bartholomew,
Apostle

Rv 21:9b–14

Jn 1:45–51

Tuesday

AUGUST 25

Weekday

2 Thes 2:1–3a, 14–17

Mt 23:23–26

Wednesday

AUGUST 26

Weekday

2 Thes 3:6–10, 16–18

Mt 23:27–32

Thursday

AUGUST 27

St. Monica

1 Cor 1:1–9

Mt 24:42–51

Friday

AUGUST 28

St. Augustine,
Bishop and Doctor
of the Church

1 Cor 1:17–25

Mt 25:1–13

Saturday

AUGUST 29

The Passion of

St. John the Baptist

1 Cor 1:26–31

Mk 6:17–29

Sunday

AUGUST 30

Twenty-second Sunday
in Ordinary Time

Jer 20:7–9

Rom 12:1–2

Mt 16:21–27



A WORD FROM *Pope Francis*

The acceptance of our body as a gift from God is vital for welcoming and accepting the entire world as a gift from the Father...Thinking that we enjoy absolute power over our own bodies turns, often subtly, into thinking that we enjoy an absolute power over creation.

—ADDRESS TO PONTIFICAL ACADEMY FOR LIFE, JUNE 24, 2013



**TWENTY – FIRST
SUNDAY AUG 23,
2020**



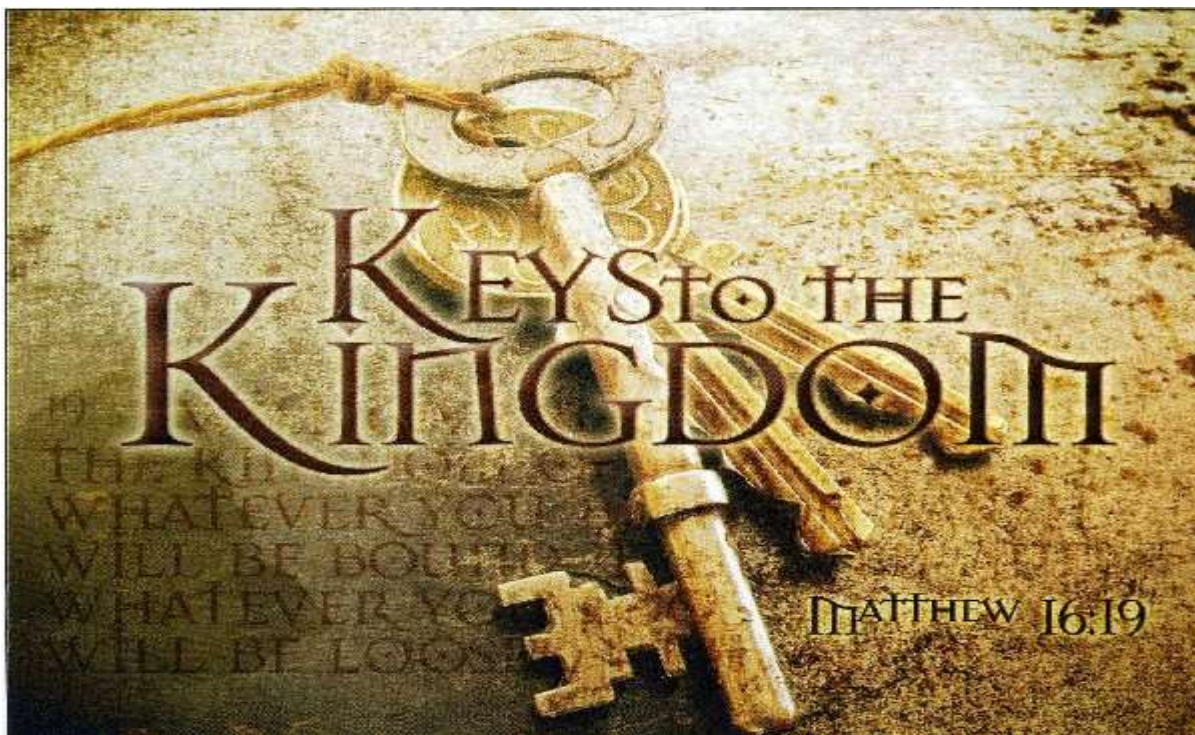
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St. Ann Mass Schedule & Intentions.

Sat: 5.00pm. Paul Iby

Sun: 9:00am. Parish

Sun: 6.00pm. Wilford A. Moran

Mon 8.00am. Ketely Glock

Tues 8.00am. Int Donor

Wed 6.00 pm. Judy Ncaise

Thu 8.00am. Donor

Fri 8:00am. Donor

Aug 29th Sat 5.00 Pm Paul Iby

Aug 30th 9.00. Parish

6.00pm. Linda Reid Bailey

From Father David's Desk...

Dear Parishioners and Friends,

WHO'S IN CHARGE?

There are lots of reasons one could be in charge. You might be the only one left to do the job. Or, in the case of babysitting, you might simply be older.. you could be in charge because you are a bully with the biggest fists, or guns. Or you might be in charge because you are the best qualified for the job. Today;s reading offer us two stories about being chosen for leadership.

In the Old Testament reading Shebna, an official in king Hezekiah's court, overreached his position of authority. He was demoted and replaced by Eliakim. Carrying the key symbolizes authority over the entire household. Placing it on the shoulder suggests an investiture ceremony. In the Gospel entrusting Peter with the keys to the kingdom of heaven suggests similliar authority, though in a sighnificantly different housrehold.

In both instances the position of authority is meant to be exercised for the benefit of the members of the respectctive household. It was precisely because of his failure in this matter that Shebna was demoted and Eliakim placed in charge. What about Peter? The Gospel tells us that the choice of Peter followed his remarkabkle statement of faith: "you are the Messiah the son of the living God"(Mat 16:16)

These stories tell us that God chooses very ordinary people for positions of leadership.. why them? Are they the only ones left? Are they oldest? Were they the best qualified? It was not because they were bullies.. Obviously God thought they could do the job.

For reflection

It's not easy being a leader of God's people. Pray for those who have been called to that role. Have you ever thought of volunuttering to serve on a church committee?

**With prayers and blessings
Fr. David**

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Diocese Announcement: Men, could God be calling you to the diaconate? If so, the Biloxi Diocese plans to begin a new Formation Class for the diaconate in 2021. Pre-selection information sessions will be conducted from 8:30-noon on the following days: Sept 19th at St. Clare, Waveland; Sept 26th at Sacred Heart, Hattiesburg; and Oct 3rd at St. Mary, Gautier. For interested men who think you may have a calling, attendance at one of these sessions is mandatory with your wife. Please see your pastor, or call Deacon Mike Saxer, (228) 216-8060 or Deacon Mike Harris, (228) 342-1536.

Using Mask: For the good reason please use mask during the service as advised by state governor, as a monitory. Thanks.

New Secretary: Celeste Lousteau has accepted to be secretary for our Church. Thanks for accepting.

Pews Cleaning: Please clean pews with wipers as you leave the Church after the service. Thanks

School Subsidy: I paid the school tuition fees, below is the list of it, if you have any question let me know. Thanks.

St. Vincent	Grade	Amount	
Jacklyn Mitchell	k	1300	
Marbeigh Smith.	k	1300	
Alden Smith	pre	1300	
Olivia Mares	4	1300	
		5200	
ST. PATRICK SCHOOL			
Brooklyn Mitchel	9	1300	
Emilly Smith	11	1600	
		2900	
OUR LADY OF ACADEMY			
Adyson Geil	9	1300	
Blakelee Geil	11	1600	
Kenedy Leverate		1300	
		4200	
Our Lady of Fatima			
Liydsey Mebough	5	1300	
ST. STANILAUS			
Carson Leverate	11	1600	
Keegan Leverate	11	1300	
Austin Scarengas	9	1300	
		4200	
			17800

Appreciation: Please notice the improvement to the ground at the entrance to the Church. Thank you to those who donated their time and money to make entrance welcoming. Thanks.

Upcoming Second Collection: Next weekend second collection would be for Lizana light, as it would be the 5th Sunday of the month. Thanks.

Vacation for Fr. David: Fr. David like to take 10 days of vacation from September 1st to Sept 10th. So there won't be Mass on week days. On September 5th and 6th Fr. Mike SVD, Provincial, from Bay St. Louis will celebrate the Mass here. Please welcome him with your hospitality. Thanks

Volunteers Need: Please sign up to clean church! Only 2 days out of the entire year and pick the date that is right for you!

Duties include: 1) Vacuuming (Have 3)

2) Dusting (windowsills, pews, chair etc.)

3) Sweeping front walkway/rugs

4) Cleaning holy water bowls and adding

To unlock the church, call Fr. David and anyone interested in serving parish please contact Ellen at 2283410279

PRAYER REQUESTS Those who are ill

Leslie Cuevas, Lee James, Jerry Malley, Ezekiel Rutherford, Dalwin Cuevas, Colby Cagle, Andrew Fillengame; Breanna Ladner, Andrew, Sharon Somora, Nancy Ladner, Chris (Dube) McGill, Paul Ladner, Dianne Dearman, Marie Cuevas, Sharon Smith, Kathy, Marlene Moran, Teresa McAllister, Kendra Necaie, John &, Susan Parish, Courtney Stewart, Kathy Robison, and, Lyndon Rushing, Joseph and Megan Colbi Capuano, Bill & Brenda Peterson, Christine Constantine, Anthony Moran, Jill Ladner, Stephany Bass, and Brandi Moran, Verda Crabtree, Lynn & Linda Bangs, John O'Neal, Terri, Loretta Ladner, and Matt Dubission; Addie Threadgill; Cindy Ladner; Amanda Mayberry; Robin Cuevas Emmie Tubbs, and Kathy Squillate Wally Clifford Dorris, and Robin Shampo.