

Dear Padre,

Can the Eucharist be celebrated outside of a church—for example, inside my home?

What an interesting question. The earliest celebrations of the Eucharist were held in the homes of the early Christians. As centuries evolved and the Christian population grew, larger rooms were rented and later built to house the community gathering. The word *church* is what we now call a building in which people worship. If we were to be completely accurate, we would call the building the house or shelter for the Church because the Church is understood primarily as the baptized community living in faith and charity.

Unfortunately, because of changing demographics and priest shortages, many communities are consolidating and church buildings are being shut down and even destroyed. As a result, communities and places for liturgy grow larger. Large communities can easily become impersonal and pastoral leadership increasingly difficult.

Recently, some large parishes have developed neighborhood communities in an attempt to subdivide into smaller faith-sharing units—not unlike the original house churches. These smaller communities gather for regular prayer and catechesis. The parish priest occasionally attends their meetings and celebrates the Eucharist with them. This is one example of celebrating the Eucharist outside of a church building.

So, although there can be exceptions for pastoral necessity, canon law indicates that celebrating Mass in a sacred place is the norm. The bishop may clarify this law for his own diocese to best meet the needs of his people while respecting the dignity of the Eucharist.

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Calendar

Monday

JANUARY 18

Weekday

Heb 5:1-10

Mk 2:18-22

Tuesday

JANUARY 19

Weekday

Heb 6:10-20

Mk 2:23-28

Wednesday

JANUARY 20

Weekday

Heb 7:1-3, 15-17

Mk 3:1-6

Thursday

JANUARY 21

St. Agnes,
Virgin and Martyr

Heb 7:25—8:6

Mk 3:7-12

Friday

JANUARY 22

Day of Prayer for the
Legal Protection of
Unborn Children

Heb 8:6-13

Mk 3:13-19

Saturday

JANUARY 23

Weekday

Heb 9:2-3, 11-14

Mk 3:20-21

Sunday

JANUARY 24

Third Sunday
in Ordinary Time

Jon 3:1-5, 10

1 Cor 7:29-31

Mk 1:14-20

A WORD FROM *Pope Francis*

Jesus does not want disciples who are merely able to repeat memorized formulas. He wants witnesses: people who spread hope, with their way of welcoming, smiling, and loving; above all loving because the power of the resurrection makes Christians capable of loving even when love seems to have lost its motivation.

GENERAL AUDIENCE, OCTOBER 4, 2017





2ND SUNDAY IN O T
JANUARY 17, 2021



St. Ann Catholic Church & Our Lady of Chartres Mission

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St. Ann Mass Schedule & Intentions

Jan 16th Sat 4 pm Int Donor

Jan 17th Sunday 9 am Parish

Jan 17th 6:00 pm Int Donor

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Both before Mass and by Appointment.

Mon 8am Int Donor

Wed 6pm Int Donor

Thurs 8am Int Donor

Fri 8 am Kathy

Jan 23rd Sat 4 pm Parish

Jan 24th Sunday 9 am

Jan 24th 6:00 pm Int Donor

Our Lady of Chartres Mass Schedule.

Sun 7:30 am Parish family

From Father David's Desk...

Dear Parishioners and Friends,

YOU CALLED?

Today we focus on our call from God. Both Samuel and Jesus' disciples were called. Unfortunately, not everyone realizes he or she has been called to be a disciple. Pope Francis insists that by virtue of baptism we are all missionary disciples. What does this mean? What does it ask of us?

Today's readings set the stage for our consideration of discipleship. They tell us several things. As with Samuel, the invitation from God can be unexpected, for it can occur in the very ordinary events of life. Perhaps, like Samuel, we don't hear the call because the event is so ordinary. Maybe we need someone to open our eyes to God's presence in the ordinariness of life. But what do we expect a call from God to be? A thunderclap? A blinding light? Actually, when we realize we have been called by God, it is like a crash of thunder or a blinding light.

Intrigued by Jesus, the disciples wanted to hear more, and so they followed him. Frequently God speaks to us through the lives of other people. When we see goodness in them we too want to be good, to do good. This might prompt us to share what we have, to comfort those who suffer, to forgive those who have offended us. We may not yet know how to do it, but such goodness can touch us deeply. Do we listen, like Samuel? Are we open, like the disciples?

For Reflection

- *In the ordinariness of your life, what might actually be God's voice?*
- *What kind of goodness attracts you?*

With prayers and blessings

Fr. David

ST. ANN STEWARDSHIP: 45,

Identifiable: 1,488.00; Loose: \$277.00

Total: \$1,765.00; children: \$24.00; CH: \$5.00.

OLC STEWARDSHIP: Identifiable

\$430.00 Loose: \$80.00 Total: \$510.00.

RCIA: Thursday at 6pm. Any Question Please contact Sherrie Demello.

Updating Envelops: I am updating the weekly envelope numbers and address. Anyone who wants envelopes for 2021, please meet Fr. David to get them. Thanks

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

Bereavement Committee: Please contact **Sharon Leimer** at 539-9928. Lasagna, green salad, rolls, and deserts will be provided for the funeral reception upon request. Thank you.

Second collection for the weeks: January 25-26 2021: Church in Latin and Saltillo Mission

Year-end summary: If you'd like to have a summary of your contributions, please call the office. Thanks for your generous heart.

MASS	LECTOR	SERVERS	USHERS
Sat Jan 16 th 4pm	Mike West	Austin s	Mike West
Sun Jan 17 th OLC 7:30am	Sandra Ammons		Terry Mitchel
Sun Jan 17 th 9 am	John Davis	Page and Samantha	William and Demelo
Sun Jan 17 th 6pm	Richard Dunlap		Jodi T
Sat Jan 23 rd 4pm	Mike West		Mike West
Sun Jan 24 th OLC 7:30 am	Sandra Ammons		Terry Mitchel
Jan 24 th 9 am	Beverly Saucier		William and Demelo
Jan 24 th 6pm	Judith Martinez		

2021 The Year of the Eucharist and the Parish: from February on we will have adoration on first Friday from 8:30am to 12pm and 5pm to 9pm. Come and spend an hour with Jesus. There should be one or more in each hour. Please sign up on the sheet.

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

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 preparation for marriage. One's own parish clergy are expected to supervise your Catholic pre-nuptial preparation and to officiate at the wedding.

Parish Council Meeting: will be on Thursday Jan 21st. at 6pm.Thanks

Alter Society Meeting: Jan-17th after 9.00 am mass. Thanks

Online learning: I am trying to do on-line classes for bible study class, books and videos and movies are available on this web site so please register your name there.
<https://signup.formed.org/>
 - Enter your parish zip code 39503
 - Enter name and email. Once you are resisted you are good to go at any time.
 Thanks.

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, 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, Wally Clifford, T.J Moran , Robin Shamplo.