

August 24, 2014

# dear Padre

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## Is it OK to donate my body to science?

I know the Church approves of organ donation under the right circumstances, but what about donating my entire body to science?

**Christians believe death** is ultimately defeated in God's gift of a new creation. This new and eternal creation is made possible by the Lord Jesus Christ, who "will change our mortal bodies to be like his in glory, for he is risen, the firstborn from the dead" (*Order of Christian Funerals*, 402).

Resurrection, then, is not a return to earthly life. Our bodies are not resuscitated like Lazarus' (see John 11), but are resurrected like Christ's, transformed and glorified. Christians traditionally revere the body—alive and at death—because we are created in God's image. Some people reason that such respect prevents donating the body to science, but that is not the opinion of the Church.

In his 1956 allocution to physicians, Pope Pius XII said, "A person may will to dispose of one's body and to destine it to ends that are useful, morally irreproachable, and even noble, among them the desire to aid the sick and suffering. One may make a decision of this nature with respect to one's own body with full realization of the reverence which is due it."

Such a self-giving act in death—in consultation with family members or health care providers—is a supreme manifestation of Christ in what it means to be Christian.

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### Monday

AUGUST 25

Weekday

2 Thes 1:1–5, 11–12

Mt 23:13–22

### Tuesday

AUGUST 26

Weekday

2 Thes 2:1–3a,  
14–17

Mt 23:23–26

### Wednesday

AUGUST 27

Saint Monica

2 Thes 3:6–10,  
16–18

Mt 23:27–32

### Thursday

AUGUST 28

Saint Augustine,

Bishop and

Doctor of

the Church

1 Cor 1:1–9

Mt 24:42–51

### Friday

AUGUST 29

Passion of

Saint John

the Baptist

1 Cor 1:17–25

Mt 6:17–29

### Saturday

AUGUST 30

Weekday

1 Cor 1:26–31

Mt 25:14–30

### Sunday

AUGUST 31

Twenty-second

Sunday in

Ordinary Time

Jer 20:7–9

Rom 12:1–2

Mt 16:21–27



# 21<sup>st</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time



*August 24, 2014*

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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 5:30 pm +Judy Necaise

Sun 9:00am Our Parish Family

Mon 8:00 am James Taylor

Tues 8:00 am James Taylor

Wed 6:00 pm +Greg Garska

Thurs 8:00 am Ellen West

Friday 8:00am Joseph O'Neal BD

*From Father Khoa's Desk...*

*Dear Parishioners and Friends,*

The Gospel today describes a turning point in the mission and ministry of Jesus. Jesus challenges his disciples with the question about his identity. They had heard him preach about the Kingdom of Heaven, especially through parables, and witnessed his many miracles. They had even been invited to share in his way of life. Now Jesus asked them about what others were saying about him and his message. Clearly the stories indicated that people viewed Jesus as an extraordinary individual and many wondered if he might not be one of the great prophets sent by God. However, all these views fell short of the mark. Thus, Jesus turned to the disciples and asked them, "But who do *you* say that I am?" It is a question that has confronted believers throughout the centuries and still requires a personal response from those who choose to be his disciples today. Matthew's Gospel tells us that it is Simon Peter who speaks on behalf of the other disciples. He affirms that Jesus is the **Messiah** (*Christos* in Greek and *the Anointed One* in English) who comes to bring God's gift of salvation. Peter then goes on to state that Jesus is the **Son of the living God**. Jesus responds to Peter's profession of faith by declaring that this testimony was the result of a revelation from God and it was meant not just for Peter but for the whole Church. Peter is given a special role in the community of faith and is promised the keys of the Kingdom. This role remains permanently in the Church and is fulfilled by the Bishop of Rome, the successor of Peter. That is why Pope Francis emphasized at the very beginning of his pontificate that he was first the bishop of Rome and thus called to exercise *Petrine ministry* for the good of the universal Church. Also implied in this Gospel

account is the decision by Jesus to hand over his mission and ministry to the apostles. After his Ascension Jesus would entrust this awesome task to weak human beings like Peter and the other early disciples. In other words, Jesus placed the future direction of the Church in the hands of people like you and me. We might keep this in mind when we step forward to participate for various forms of ministry in our parish. Each generation of disciples must renew their faith in Jesus as the Christ and also renew their commitment to be actively engaged in furthering the Kingdom of Heaven.

...*Fr. Khoa*

**CYO:** Spaghetti Dinner hosted by CYO on Saturday, August 23rd at 6:30PM in church hall \$5 per person- includes salad, spaghetti plate with sides, dessert & drink.

CYO meets every other week on Sunday 6:00pm. You can visit St Ann CYO on [www.facebook.com/stannsizanacyo](http://www.facebook.com/stannsizanacyo) or contact **Katelyn Moran and Danielle Ladner**.

**Bible Study:** We will study the **Book of Revelation** on September 03, 2014. Classes will be held on **Wednesdays 6:30-8 pm, and on Thursday from 9-10:30am at CCD Building**. For more information, please contact **Ruth Schonewitz and Henrietta Ladner** During school year, we will have Bible Study on Sundays for parents while their children taking CCD classes.

**Catholic School Students:** If you have children attending Catholic schools, please contact the office this week to apply for assistance.

**Newly Baptized:** Congratulation to our Newly Baptized on August 16: **Carina G. Bowers, Malia G. Torregano, and Mauren R. Collins.**

<b>MASS</b>	<b>LECTOR</b>	<b>EUCCHARISTIC MIN.</b>	<b>SERVERS</b>	<b>USHERS</b>	<b>GIFT B.</b>
Sat Aug 23 5:30pm	Kathy Brogdon	Mike West Ellen West , Kay VanPelt	Katie Ladner Boots Moran	Doug Ladner Tim Brogdon	Helen O'Neal & Gloria Armand
Aug 24 7:30	Sandra Ammons	Daniel Squillante	(OLC)	Gil Aguirre	(OLC)
Sun Aug 24 9am	Chantel Crabtree	Marlow Ladner, Helena , Derek Trosclair	Lilly Conner	Robert Lizana Pat Leimer	David Crabtree Family
Sat Aug 30 5:30pm	Lisa Cuevas	Doris Snowden, Mike Mays, Diane Mays	Katie Ladner Boots Moran	Doug Ladner Kermit North.	Mary Ladner
Aug 31 7:30	Sandra Ammons	Daniel Squillante	(OLC)	Gil Aguirre	(OLC)
Sun Aug 31 9am	Beverly Saucier	Valeria Ladner , Marlow Ladner , Robin Peterson	James Rines Nicholas	Robert Jimmy	Pat & Robin Peterson Fam.

**Religious Ed:** Parents, please contact Robert Lizana to register your kids for CCD. Next weekend, Robert will begin register kids after Sunday masses. Thank you.

**ST. ANN STEWARDSHIP:\*\*** 43Identifiable: **\$846.00**; Loose: **\$1,117.24**; Total: **\$1,963.24.00**; Children: **\$20.00**. Saitillo: **\$10.00** Building Fund: **\$137.00**.

**\*\*Amount needed weekly \$2,908.84.**

**OUR LADY OF CHARTRES STEWARDSHIP:**

Identifiable: **\$360.00**; Loose: **\$181.00** Total: **\$541.00**.

Thank you for your generosity.

**ST. ANN ACTIVITIES**

**Lizana Light:** Fridays 9am-12 noon.

**RCIA:** Wednesday 6:30pm from September to May at Parish Chapel/Meeting Room. Please contact Tim Brogdon.

**Parish Council:** meet on third Saturday after 5:30pm mass.

**Church Cleaning:** Please contact Ellen West if you want more information.

**Altar Society:** If you are interested in participating, please contact **Lenell King**.

**Project Hope and Compassion:** If you have any question, please contact **Jodi Trosclair**.

**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 or in emergency, 234-6005.

**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.

**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.

**PRAYER REQUESTS Those who are ill:**

Leslie Cuevas, William & Sherrie DeMello, Betty Pierce, Dcn Jack Hunter, Lee James, Annette Moran, Darlene Billingsley, Amy Dunlap, and James Taylor.

*Have a great week and may God bless us all!*

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.