

Calendar

Monday

SEPTEMBER 9

St. Peter Claver, Priest

Col 1:24–2:3

Lk 6:6–11

Tuesday

SEPTEMBER 10

Weekday

Col 2:6–15

Lk 6:12–19

Wednesday

SEPTEMBER 11

Weekday

Col 3:1–11

Lk 6:20–26

Thursday

SEPTEMBER 12

Weekday

Col 3:12–17

Lk 6:27–38

Friday

SEPTEMBER 13

*St. John Chrysostom,
Bishop and Doctor
of the Church*

1 Tm 1:1–2, 12–14

Lk 6:39–42

Saturday

SEPTEMBER 14

*Exaltation
of the Holy Cross*

Nm 21:4b–9

Phil 2:6–11

Jn 3:13–17

Sunday

SEPTEMBER 15

*Twenty-fourth Sunday
in Ordinary Time*

Ex 32:7–11, 13–14

1 Tm 1:12–17

Lk 15:1–32

Dear Padre,

We talk about turning away from sin. When do we cross the line between temptation and sin?

The temptations of Jesus, as recorded in the Gospels (Mark 1:12, Luke 4:1, and Matthew 4:1), give us the proper direction with regard to sin and temptation. Jesus was tempted three times, but he did not sin. More than that, Jesus put his trust in God during the temptations. Jesus' message is clear: if you feel tempted, call out to God!

Temptation is a suggestion or impulse to sin, not a sin itself. To experience temptation is natural, not sinful. When tempted, remember there is always a choice to sin or not. Temptations become sins only when we act on them. The *Catechism of the Catholic Church* suggests a "silver lining" to temptation: "There is a certain usefulness to temptation. No one but God knows what our soul has received from him, not even we ourselves. But temptation reveals it in order to teach us to know ourselves, and in this way we discover our evil inclinations" (CCC 2847).

If you worry about temptation and sin, why not take part in your parish's sacrament of reconciliation? Like Jesus in the Gospels, you would then be choosing God over evil. You would be asking God to strengthen your weakness, especially in the face of temptation. Like the Lord, you can then proclaim: "Worship the Lord, your God, and him alone shall you serve" (Luke 4:8).

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A Word from Pope Francis

I would like to reflect on nonviolence as a style of politics for peace....May charity and nonviolence govern how we treat each other as individuals, within society and in international life. When victims of violence are able to resist the temptation to retaliate, they become the most credible promoters of nonviolent peacemaking.

—Fiftieth World Day of Peace, January 1, 2017



23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

September 08, 2019



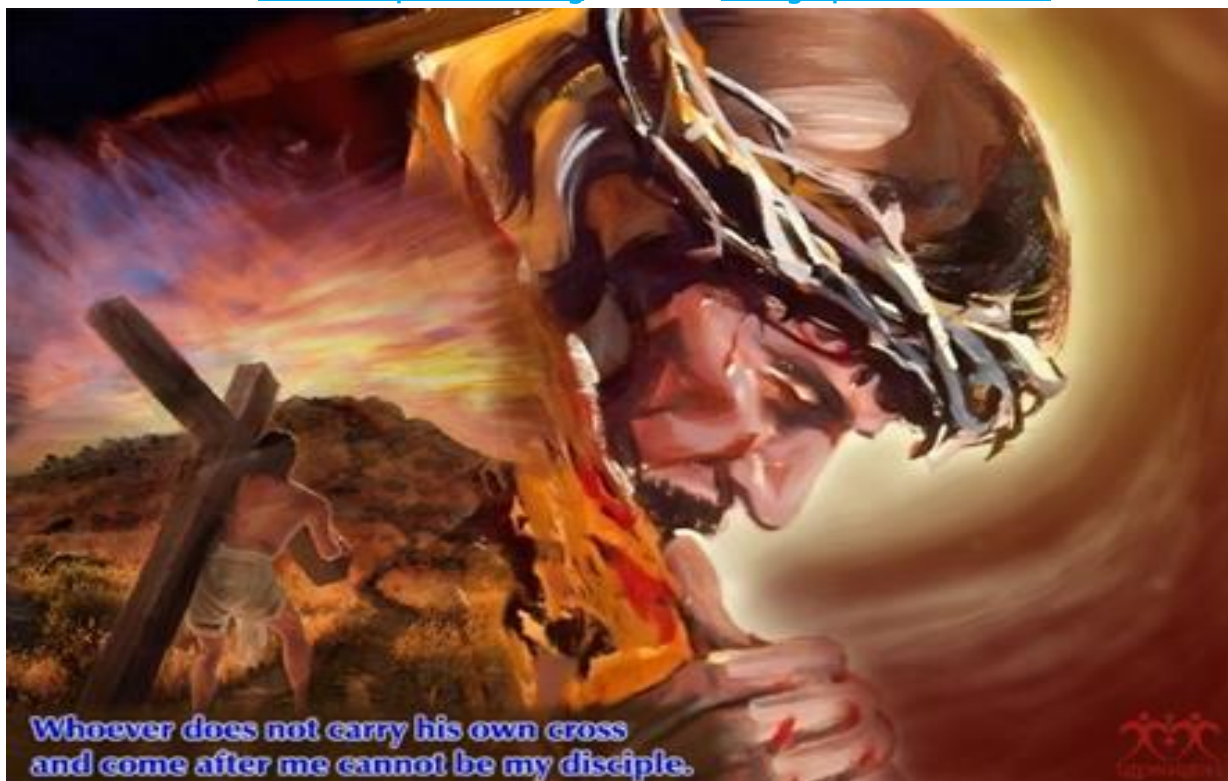
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EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION
Every Friday Adoration from 8:30 a.m.
to 9:30 a.m
SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION
Both Before Mass and by Appointment.

Mass Schedule for this Week
Our Lady of Chartres Mass Schedule
Sun 7:30 am Spec Int (C Lousteau)
St. Ann Mass Schedule & Intentions
Sat 5:00 pm Verda Crabtree
Sun 9:00am +Jinnie Ladnier
Sun 6:00pm Our Parish Family

Mon 8:00 am +Elizabeth Snyder
Tues 8:00 am Bear Snyder
Wed 6:00pm Mary Dezonnia
Thu 8:00 am +Farley Ladnier
Fri 8:00 am +Richard Ladnier

From Father Khoa's Desk...

Dear Parishioners and Friends, Jesus likes you. Jesus loves you. Jesus longs for you!

It is said that upon reading the Gospels, Gandhi commented that he very much liked Jesus Christ. It was Christ's followers he found troublesome. One wonders who Gandhi had met and if these Christians had truly counted the cost of their faith. Following Jesus, really following Jesus, is much more challenging than we may think. He emphasizes this with strong language in this Sunday's Gospel. He compares discipleship to the carrying of one's own execution device "his own cross" and for the need even to "hate" what could disrupt one's commitment. Some of this is standard hyperbole, exaggeration for effect common to the time period. Some of this should make us wonder how deep our discipleship goes.

"Which of you wishing to construct a tower does not first sit down and calculate the cost?" Jesus imagines this construction project gone wrong. Someone may lay the foundation but not have enough resources to finish. We've received the firm foundation of the sacraments our baptism, for one, along with weekly Mass attendance and regular confession. Yet how often do we find ourselves too distracted, exhausted, or uninterested to truly build our lives on our faith? We have all met such Christians. Some days, we may be those Christians ourselves. We become the incomplete tower that confuses and baffles the onlookers. "This one began to build but did not have the resources to finish!"

For some of us, our cross may feel heavier than we expected upon the first lift. Building a tower means laying stone upon stone. It's a process. We don't arrive at

completion overnight. Grace is always sufficient to provide the resources, but we need to keep saying yes to the task. This week, consider your own discipleship. What is one area where you've become distracted or discouraged? How can that improve this week? Let God lay another brick on the tower.

May God bless all of us! Enjoy your praying!

...Fr. Khoa

ST. ANN STEWARDSHIP:**

65Identifiable: **\$1,586.00**; Loose: **\$1,055.00**; ACH: **\$325.00**; Total: **\$2,966.00**; Children: **\$16.25**. Catholic University: **\$222.00**.

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

Thank you for your generosity.

CCD: CCD starts on Sept 07. Please contact Robert Lizana the DRE 228-697-9124.

RCIA: *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 Sherrie DeMello. The 2019/20 sessions get started Sept 10. RCIA classes are on Wednesdays 6:30pm from September to May at Parish Chapel. Thank you

Bishop's Pastoral Visit: Thank you everyone for participating in this event, especially the Altar Society.

Senior Citizens Bingo: KC will have bingo for senior Citizens next Sunday September 15 after 9am Mass. It's free. Please come and join us. Thanks.

MASS	LECTOR	EUCCHARISTIC MIN.	SERVERS	USHERS	GIFT B.
Sat Sept 07 5pm	Lanny Acosta	Rita Acosta, Mike & Dianne Mays	Austin S.	Shorty August	Kermit & Dianne Northrop
Sun 7:30am	Sandra Ammons	Douglas Ladner	(OLC)	Tery Mitchell	(OLC)
Sun Sept 08 9am	John Davis	Kim Wood, James Quintini, Lisa Cuevas	TBA	Pat Garland	Greg & April Peleaz
Sun 6pm	Gunnar	Jan E., Derek & Jodi T.	Blake Smith	TBA	TBA
Sat Sept 07 5pm	Lisa Cuevas	Mike & Ellen West, Doris Northrop	Austin S.	Dale Mike	Richard & Amy Dunlap
Sun 7:30am	Sandra Ammons	Douglas Ladner	(OLC)	Tery Mitchell	(OLC)
Sun Sept 08 9am	Kim Wood	Lester Palmer, Will Burke, Robin Peterson	TBA	Robert Will	Will Dreher Family
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ST. ANN ACTIVITIES.

Prayer for Safety In Hurricane Season

O God, Master of this passing world, hear the humble voices of your children. The Sea of Galilee obeyed Your order and returned to its former quietude. You are still the Master of land and sea. We live in the shadow of a danger over which we have no control: the Gulf, like a provoked and angry giant, can awake from its seeming lethargy, overstep its conventional boundaries, invade our land, and spread chaos and disaster.

During this hurricane season we turn to You, O loving Father. Spare us from past tragedies whose memories are still so vivid and whose wounds seem to refuse to heal with passing of time.

O Virgin, Star of the Sea, Our beloved Mother, we ask you to plead with your Son on our behalf, so that spared from the calamities common to this area and animated with a true spirit of gratitude, we will walk in the footsteps of your Divine Son to reach the heavenly Jerusalem, where a storm-less eternity awaits us. Amen.

Church Cleaning: Gerard and Kay VanPelts will clean the church on Aug 31 and Sep 7.

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.

PRAYER REQUESTS Those who are ill:

Leslie Cuevas, Lee James, Darlene Billingsley, Victoria Moran, Jerry Malley, Ezekiel Rutherford, Dalwin Cuevas, Colby Cagle, Debbie Bowen, Andrew Fillengame, Melissa Peterson, Breanna Ladner, Andrew, Sharon Somora, Robert Necaie, Nancy Ladner, Matt Bryant, Paul Ladner, Dianne Dearman, Jenny Hinton, Marie Cuevas, Sharon Smith, Kathy, Marlene Moran, Teresa McAllister, Kendra Necaie, John Parish, Susan Parish, Courtney Stewart, Paula Foreman, Nacy (Chicago), Kathy Robison, and Lyndon Rushing, Meghan and Daughter Colbi Pittman Necaie, Bill & Brenda Peterson, Christine Constantine, Anthony Moran, Jill Ladner, Brandon Miller, Stephany Bass, and Brandi Moran, Verda Crabtree, Lynn & Linda Bangs, and Alden Smith.

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.