Dear Padre,

The Bible is critical to our Christian lives, but why is it so hard to understand?

The Bible is a unique piece of literature—perhaps the most distinctive in the world. In fact, it is not just one publication. The word *Bible* derives from a word meaning "library." The Bible is a library of books—seventy-two books, to be exact—dating from antiquity, written and edited by authors known and unknown. It contains, as any library would, a vast array of literary forms and expressions. It covers more than 3,000 years of history. Reading and understanding the Bible, and living up to its precepts, is indeed a formidable task and will take us all a lifetime to do.

The first key to the Bible is noting that this isn't just the work of human authors; it is the word of God. We acknowledge the human element of the Bible, the authors' lived experience, the historical circumstances that form the background of the revelation. But we believe unequivocally that the truth and meaning of the Bible is the inspiration of God. The Catholic view is that God was able to reveal truth through the work of sacred writers.

The Scriptures are layered accounts. They begin with historical facts, followed by years of oral tradition, and ending with the author's final version.



The best way to familiarize yourself with Scripture is to find a good Bible-study program or group. This will acquaint you with the history of Israel, the times and culture in which the Bible was written, and its rich variety of literary forms. Enjoy your biblical journey.

-Fr. Joseph Morin, CSsR Sundaybulletin@Liguori.org



A WORD FROM Pope Francis

We must ensure that in the usual activities of every Christian community, in parishes, in associations, and movements, there actually be at heart the personal encounter with Christ who communicates himself to us in his word, because, as St. Jerome teaches us, "ignorance of the Scriptures is ignorance of Christ."

-ADDRESS TO CATHOLIC BIBLICAL FEDERATION, JUNE 19, 2015

Calendar

Monday AUGUST 10 St. Lawrence, Deacon and Martyr 2 Cor 9:6–10 Jn 12:24–26

Tuesday AUGUST 11 St. Clare, Virgin Ez 2:8—3:4 Mt 18:1–5, 10, 12–14

Wednesday AUGUST 12 Weekday Ez 9:1-7; 10:18-22 Mt 18:15-20

Thursday AUGUST 13 Weekday Ez 12:1–12 Mt 18:21—19:1

Friday

AUGUST 14 St. Maximilian Kolbe, Priest and Martyr Ez 16:1–15, 60, 63 or 16:59–63 Mt 19:3–12

Saturday

AUGUST 15 The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary Rv 11:19a; 12:1-6a, 10ab 1 Cor 15:20-27 Lk 1:39-56

Sunday

AUGUST 16 Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time Is 56:1, 6–7 Rom 11:13–15, 29–32 Mt 15:21–28



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St. Ann Mass Schedule & Intentions. Sat: 5.00. Paul Iby. Sun: 9:00am Parish.

Sun: 9:00am Parish. Sun: 6.00pm. Int Donor. Mon 8.00am. Int Donor Tues 8. 00am. Int Donor Wed 6.00 pm. George Bricnek Thu 8. 00 am. Int Donor Fri 8:00 am. Mary Jo Nunex Aug 15. Sat 5.00 Pm Donor Aug 16. 9.00. Paul Iby 6.00pm. Parish

From Father David's Desk...

Dear Parishioners and Friends; WHO ARE THE PEOPLE OF GOD

This is still an unresolved theological issue. For so long the resolute answer of many was: the Roman Catholic Church is the people of God. However, the second Vatican Council's Decree on Ecumenism (Unitatis Redintegratio) opened the Church's understanding to include all paraphersing denominations, christian Ephasians 4:4-5: "There is one body and one spirit, just as you were called to the one hope of your calling; one lord, one faith, one Baptism" (UR)). The Council went even further in the Dogmatic Constitution on the Church (Lumen Gentium), "Calling togather a people made up of Jew and Gentile, making them one, not according to the flesh but in the spirit. This was to be the new people of God"(LG9).

To be united with protestants is one thing; to be united with Jews is quite another. For centuries, many interpreted the New Testment to say that the Jews lost favor with God. Such thinking supported even caused, variuos forms of anti-semitism, ethenic and religious persecution, and killlings. We realized how wrong this thinking was. Vatican II qoutes today's second reading and later states: "This sacred synod wants to foster and recommend mitual undrstanding and respect which is the fruit, above all, of biblical and theological studies as well as of fraternal dialogues" (Declaration on the Relationship of the Church to Non-Christian Religious (Nostra Aetate, 4).

We may have corrected some grievous errors in this matter, but we have not gotten much further then Paul did in resolving this issue. However, he experienced "great sorrow and costant anguish in my heart" (Romans 9:2) because of the seperation. Do we? Think about!!!!!

With prayers and blessings Fr. David

<u>ST. ANN STEWARDSHIP:</u> * 35 identifiable: 1,306 .00; Loose: 602.00; Total: \$1,908.00; ACH: \$.475. 00. <u>OL OF</u> <u>CHARTRES STEWARDSHIP:</u> 1 Identifiable: \$ 430.00; Loose: \$00.00; Total: \$430.00

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 228 273 5593.

Lizana Light: Right now we are running out of food for the lizana light, if anyone can offer or donate food, you are welcome. If you have any question call Racheal Glodowski (228 263 2865) and Donna Harrison, (228 263 1034^{.)} Thanks

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.

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

<u>Using Mask</u>: For the good reason please use mask during the service as advised by state governor, as a monitory. Thanks for understanding.

<u>Catfish Festival:</u> Considering the present situation of covid-19; we cancel the catfish festival and its activities completely for this years. Hope we can have great feast coming years. The ticket that are sold will be returned to the owner. Thanks for understanding.

<u>Week Days Mass:</u> There won't be Mass on every Tuesdays And from Monday; week days Mass would be in the chapel next to the office. Thanks for the understanding.

Second Collection: Second collection would be for the extension society. Thanks for generous heart.

Secretary for the Church: We are in need of and looking for the secretary for the Church; good in computer and character. If someone interested or recommends you are welcome. Thanks.

<u>Scholl Subsidy</u>: I would pay the school subsidy this week and let you and parents know what amount I pay for the each students. Thanks.

<u>Altar Society Meeting</u>. We will have alter society meeting after the Saturday evening Mass. Please join us. 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

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

St. Peter's Catholic Church in Bassfield, MS is selling raffle tickets for their 25th Annual 800 Club. The tickets are \$50 each, if you buy five tickets, two are free. The first Sunday of each month, beginning September 2020, four tickets will be drawn, \$500 for first ticket and \$100 for remaining three, and all winners are eligible to win again as the tickets will be put back in the 'barrel'. So you get twelve chances to win \$500 or \$100 each month for one year. All proceeds from this particular fundraiser are used to defray the maintenance costs of the parish buildings.

If you are interested in buying tickets, please call the parish office at Bassfield Monday – Friday between the hours of 8:30 AM and 3:00 PM. (601-943-6688) or (601-543-5939) or Father Chinnappa R. Mark at (601-943-5104). They thank you for your generous support.

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 Necaise, 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 Mayberrỳ; Robin Quevas Emmie Tubbs.and kathy Squillate Wally Clifford and Dorris