

For Most of Jesus' public life people crowded around Him. If He was teaching in the synagogue, they crowded around Him. If He was walking in the street, they crowded around Him. If He was having a meal in a home, they crowded around Him.

But there were two times when people fled from Jesus.

The obvious one was after His arrest and crucifixion. Where were all the crowds that had followed Him? Where were all those people who witnessed His miracles? Where were all the people He had cured and fed? Where were the crowds of People who cheered Him into the city less than a week ago? Nowhere to be found.

The other time people fled from Jesus was when He spoke to them about the Eucharist. He said, "I am the bread of life...Unless you eat the flesh of the Son of Man and drink His blood, you have no life in you." (John 6:48-53)

Immediately after this, we read in the Gospel: When many of His disciples heard it, they said, "This is a difficult teaching; who can accept it?" (John 6:66)

Notice Jesus didn't say, "Oh, come back. I was only kidding, Let's talk about it. Maybe I was wrong. Perhaps we can change this teaching. We can work something out." No, He turned to His disciples just as He turns to you and me today, and said, "Do you also wish to leave me?" —

Will you flee from Jesus or remain by His side?

"Encountering Jesus in the Eucharist should be like touching Heaven, and that should change the way we live here on earth!"
Matthew Kelly



Sunday

August 27th, 2023

Twenty-First Sunday

Ordinary Time



He said to them, "But who do you say that I am?"
Simon Peter answered and said, "You are the Christ, the Son of the living God."

Jesus answered and said to him, "Blessed are you, Simon Bar-Jonah, for flesh and blood has not revealed this to you, but My Father who is in heaven. And I also say to you that you are Peter, and on this rock I will build My church, and the gates of Hades shall not prevail against it."

St. Ann Catholic Church & Our Lady of Chartres Mission

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We welcome new members to our Parish. Please fill out a new member registration form and submit to the parish office, or Fr. Cuddy O'Connell. Fr. Cuddy would be happy to visit with you and help you assess your spiritual needs.

FIRST Friday Adoration:

Join us the first Friday of each month in Adoration of the Eucharist after the 8:00am mass in the Chapel. The next first First Friday Adoration September 1st - 8:30am-12:00pm

St. Ann

Sat. Aug. 26th St. Ann 5:00pm-Lori D'Angelo

Sunday – Aug. 27th 9:00am-Judy Necaie

Our Lady of Chartres

Sunday – Aug. 27th 7:30am-Parish

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Before mass
By Appointment

Monday – Aug. 28th 8:00am-Wes Oppell

Wednesday – Aug. 30th 6:00pm-Lori D'Angelo

Thursday – Aug. 31st 8:00am-Kaiden McGill

Friday – Sept. 1st 8:00am- Lori D'Angelo

Sat – Sept. 2nd 5:00pm-Bay Ladner

Sunday – Sept. 3rd OLC 7:30am-Parish

Sunday – Sept. 3rd 9:00am- Kaiden McGill



Prayer to the Blessed Trinity

The Father is my hope. The Son is my refuge. The Holy Spirit is my protector. Glory to the holy and undivided Trinity, now and forever.

Let us praise the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit; let us bless and exalt God above all forever!

Almighty and everlasting God, to whom we owe the grace of professing the true faith, grant that while acknowledging the glory of the eternal Trinity and adoring its unity, we may throu YourMajestic power be confirmed inthis faith and defended against all adversities; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with You in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever.

Amen!

August 20th 2023

St. Ann Stewardship

Identifiable: \$2101.00 - Loose: \$202.00
 Children's: \$21.25 - (ACH: \$105.00)
Total: \$2324.25
 Identifiable Parishioners: 0

OLC Stewardship

Identifiable: \$66.00 - Loose: \$138.00
Total: \$204.00

Identifiable Parishioners:

Second Collection

A second collection will be held September 2nd & 3rd for The Catholic University of America. Envelopes will be in each pew and at the back of church.

2023-2024 CCD Classes

We would like to congratulate Lacy Scarborough as she takes over from Robert Lizana as director of the CCD program here at St. Ann's. We are pleased to announce the CCD classes for the 2023-2024 year are beginning to come together for our parish; the tentative start date for CCD is Sunday, September 10th. Please check the bulletin for additional information regarding CCD classes.

Altar Society Meeting

The Ladies of the Altar Society will be hosting their quarterly meeting Sunday, September 3rd after the 9:00am mass in the parish hall. Please come and join in the support of our parish.

All Ladies are encouraged to attend!

Fall Garage Sale

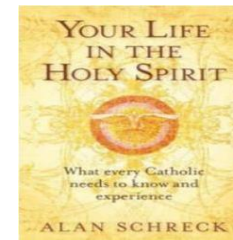
The Alter Society's Fall Garage sales will be held Saturday, October 7th and Saturday, October 14th. Collections will begin September 4th thru September 29th. **No** additional donations will be accepted after September 29th due to time constraints.

Parish Council Meeting

Fr. Cuddy will be holding a meeting of the parish council, Wednesday, September 20th beginning at 6:30 in the office. Parish council members that are not able to attend please contact Mary Beth.

MASS	LECTOR	EUCCHARISTIC Ministers	USHERS	SERVERS
Sat. August 26 th 5:00pm	Beverly Saucier	Mike West, Barbara Saucier	August Schonewitz	N/A
Sun. August 27 th 7:30am	Diann Kirk	Adriene Janette Dedeaux	Terry Mitchell	N/A
Sun. August 27 th 9:00am	Mary Necaie	Robin Peterson, Lacy Marchand Sherrie DeMello	William Burke	Katlyn, Landon Parker
Sat. Sept. 2 nd 5:00pm	Mary Beth	Beverly Saucier, Wanda Brignac	August Schonewitz	N/A
Sun. Sept. 3 rd 7:30am	Eddie Duran	Doug Ladner	Terry Mitchell	N/A
Sun. Sept. 3 rd 9:00am	Matt Marchand	Susan Peleaz, Lacy Marchand Lisa Cuevas	William Burke	Harmon, Bailey Kane

All are Invited to attend!



by
Dr. Alan Schreck
 Professor of Theology at
 Franciscan University of Steubenville
 and author of

Your Life in the Holy Spirit

Saturday, September 16th
 St. Vincent De Paul Gym
 9:00am – 3:00pm

Note: Please R.S.V.P. to the Parish office at 228-452-4686 no later than September 11th if you plan to attend

Sacred Heart Dedeaux

Presents
 "The Mystery of the Eucharist"
 Bible Study
 September 25th thru October 23rd.
 Registration Forms can be found at the back of church or see Mary Beth. Registration deadline is September 3rd.

Calling All Parishioners!

We are looking to expand our Lector and Eucharistic Ministry base at all masses. If you would be interested in helping out in these areas, please let Fr. Cuddy or Mary Beth know and we'll happily add you to the list.



Prayer Requests

Lori D'Andelo, Mya Hardee, Joy Garriga,
 Amanda Andrews, Chetta Mallette,
 Wesley Oppell & August Schonewitz

Pray for Our Priests

With each day comes new challenges for our Clergy throughout the world and our Biloxi Diocese. Inserted in this weeks bulletin is the Clergy prayer requests for the month of September. We ask that each day you remember in your prayers the Bishop, Priest or Deacon designated for that day. Please pray for them as they guide us through their vocation, and meet the ever changing challenges they face each day.

Prayer for Rain

O Mighty God, Your fingerprints are scattered across all of creation. Through each thing You have created, You show Your glory. Your caring and gentle nature are on display for all to see and experience. You open the heavens and bring the waters down from above. Lord, this very day we ask that You open the flood gates. Bring down nourishing rains, that the land may be quenched and bring forth much fruit. Amen.

Fr. Cuddy's Corner

As Quinn was entering Kehoe's bar, a nun, Sister Mary said: "Surely, you're not going to waste your hard-earned money on the evil drink? Why don't you go home to your wife and family?"

"But Sister," said Quinn. "How can you draw such a conclusion when you've never taken a drink?"

"You're right," said Sister Mary. "Clearly, I can't go into the pub, so can you bring me out some gin. Put it in a cup not a glass to camouflage the drink!"

