



The Spirit of St. Catherine's

We, the community of St. Catherine Labouré, empowered by the Holy Spirit, will strive to serve the Gospel message in reaching out as the Body of Christ to serve our brothers and sisters.

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Mass Times

Saturday Vigil 5 PM Sunday 7:30 & 9:00 AM 10:30 AM (Spanish)

Week Day Mass

Wednesday, Thursday, & Friday 8:30 AM First Saturday Only 9:00 AM

Confessions

Following the daily Mass on Wednesday, Thursday & Friday and Saturday at 9:30 AM

Or by appointment Español Solo con cita

Note: There could be last minute changes to the above Schedule.

The Month of AUGUST.... August is often considered the transitional month in our seasonal calendar. It is the time of the year we begin to wind down from our summer travels and vacations and prepare for Autumn — back to school, fall festivals, harvest time, etc. The Church in her holy wisdom has provided a cycle of events in its liturgical year which allow the faithful to celebrate the major feasts in the life of Christ and Mary. Most notably, during August, we celebrate the feast of the **Transfiguration** (August 6) and the feast of the **Assumption** (August 15). A few of the other main feasts of this month are: **St. John Mary Vianney** (August 4), **Dedication of St. Mary Major** (August 5), **Transfiguration of the Lord** (August 6), **St. Lawrence** (August 10), **St. Pius X** (August 21), **The Queenship of Mary** (August 22), **St. Rose of Lima** (August 23), **St. Bartholomew** (August 24), **St. Augustine** (August 28), and the **Passion of St. John the Baptist** (August 29). The feasts of **Sts. Pontian and Hippolytus** (August 13), **St. Bernard** (August 20), and **St. Monica** (August 27) fall on a Sunday so they are superseded by the Sunday Liturgy and the Liturgy of the Assumption. The days of summer have provided a welcome change of pace. However, while vacations afford us the time to relax and refresh, the change of habits and routines can also have a negative impact on our spiritual lives. As if to re-ignite us, the Church offers us in the plethora of August feasts vivid examples of the virtue of perseverance: six martyrs—two who are named in Canon I of the Mass and two who were martyred during World War II; seven founders of religious congregations, as well as three popes and two kings; the apostle, St. Bartholomew; the great Doctor of the Church, St. Augustine and St. Monica, his mother; the humble patron saint of parish priests, St. John Vianney, and the patron of deacons, St. Lawrence, who joked with his executioners while being roasted alive. It is never too late to begin—as the life of the reformed sinner, St. Augustine teaches us—nor too difficult to begin again, as demonstrated by the conversion of the martyr, St. Teresa Benedicta. We present-day members of the Mystical Body are certain of the reward to which we are called, for Christ's Transfigured body (August 6) is a preview of that glory. Moreover, in the Assumption of his Mother (August 15), Our Lord has demonstrated his fidelity to his promise. Her privilege is "the highest fruit of the Redemption" and "our consoling assurance of the coming of our final hope—the glorification which is Christ's" (*Enchiridion on Indulgences*).

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The Holy Mass and Music

Dear Family, last month I wrote to you about the issue of distractions in Holy Mass. Those things that we might do, whether we know it or not, and things that others do that tempt us to take our focus away from the Sacred Liturgy. This month I want to briefly approach the subject of music in the Holy Mass.

Over the years, I have heard it said that we need to change the music at Holy Mass to something more contemporary. I once was an advocate for this. I have been listening to Contemporary Christian Music for years. I enjoy listening to artists very much like; Matt Maher and Lauren Daigle, and Christian Groups like MercyMe, Casting Crowns, Third Day, the Newsboys and many others. I have enjoyed listening to these artists especially while driving. And their concerts are extremely uplifting as they cause people to reflect on God and hopefully strengthen their relationship with God. However, this form of music is not necessarily suited to the Holy Mass.

In the Second Vatican Council document, Sacrosanctum Concilium (CONSTITUTION ON THE SACRED LITURGY) the Fathers of the Church state "The musical tradition of the universal Church is a treasure of inestimable value, greater even than that of any other art. The main reason for this pre-eminence is that, as sacred song united to the words, it forms a necessary or integral part of the solemn liturgy". It is the preference of the Church that music be a part of the Holy Mass. The Fathers of the Church further state in the same document that "The Church acknowledges Gregorian chant as specially suited to the Roman liturgy: therefore, other things being equal, it should be given pride of place in liturgical services".

What I have observed over time, the Sacred Music normally used in the Holy Mass, especially for Entrance, Offertory, Communion and Recessional hymns, are our words directed towards God and our worship of Him. There are other "hymns" that sometimes are included in Holy Mass which are more contemporary, that tend to be more directed toward "me" or "I" which is contrary to true Catholic worship. The Holy Mass is the time to bring ourselves to God along with all of our struggles, challenges and Joys. It is how we keep the Sabbath holy. The Holy Mass is not a form of worship that is about me. It is a time that is about God.

If we understand and believe that in the Holy Mass Jesus is really and substantially present to us in the Holy Eucharist, then we understand that the "Kingdom of Heaven is at Hand". When you attend Holy Mass really try to make yourself present to God, in your appearance, in your thoughts, in your prayers and in your singing if you are at a Mass with music. Give Him true praise and worship. **What do you think?**

Blessings, Peace and Mercy, Dcn. Mike Johnsen

HOLY FAMILY MINISTRY

Greetings Everyone:

Well it's the last month of summer. Families prepare for another school year as the children go back to school. I hope everyone had a good summer doing all you had planned on. The letter this month will be short, since we do not have anything planned for August. July was filled with excitement because of Vacation Bible School. We had 45 children that signed up for the fun and even though the weather started getting hot during that week, it didn't slow the kids down especially when they participated in the outdoor games including getting hit with water.

Sisters Aimee Marie, and Lydia Marie seemed to be spending an enjoyable time with the children. They mentioned that this was their first Vacation Bible School and we were happy that they were able to share that experience with us.

On Wednesday evening of that week the Holy Family Ministry hosted (with the help of the Knights of Columbus) a dinner for the parish to let everyone meet the Sisters and to be entertained by the children's songs they had learned during the week. It was a big success and we had around 130 parishioners attending including the children. Thank You to everyone who came out and helped. I would like to acknowledge our young helpers this year. They were: Lucas, Kiana, McKenna, Andi, Alex, Elly, Kaelynn, Benjamin and Eva You guys were **AWESOME** in everything you did. **THANK YOU.** We hope you will come back next year. **A Great Big Thank You also** to all of the Adult Volunteers. There is no way we could have had this Vacation Bible School if it hadn't been for your willingness to be a part of this.

Well, like I mentioned earlier this is a short letter. So.....I'll close for now and see you next month.

Take Care & Stay Safe God Bless, Sharlia Hartness

PLEASE KEEP ALL STUDENTS HEADING BACK TO THEIR STUDIES IN YOUR PRAYERS.

La Santa Misa y la Música

Querida familia, el mes pasado les escribí sobre el tema de las distracciones en la Santa Misa. Esas cosas que podríamos hacer, lo sepamos o no, y las cosas que otros hacen que nos tientan a desviar nuestro enfoque de la Sagrada Liturgia. Este mes quiero abordar brevemente el tema de la música en la Santa Misa.

A lo largo de los años, he oído decir que necesitamos cambiar la música de la Santa Misa a algo más contemporáneo. Una vez fui un defensor de esto. Llevo años escuchando Música Cristiana Contemporánea. Disfruto mucho escuchando a artistas como; Matt Maher y Lauren Daigle, y grupos cristianos como MercyMe, Casting Crowns, Third Day, Newsboys y muchos otros. He disfrutado escuchando a estos artistas, especialmente mientras conducía. Y sus conciertos son extremadamente edificantes ya que hacen que las personas reflexionen sobre Dios y, con suerte, fortalezcan su relación con Dios. Sin embargo, esta forma de música no es necesariamente adecuada para la Santa Misa.

En el documento del Concilio Vaticano II, Sacrosanctum Concilium (CONSTITUCIÓN SOBRE LA SAGRADA LITURGIA), los Padres de la Iglesia afirman: “La tradición musical de la Iglesia universal es un tesoro de valor inestimable, mayor incluso que el de cualquier otro arte. La razón principal de esta preeminencia es que, como canto sagrado unido a las palabras, forma parte necesaria o integrante de la liturgia solemne”. Es preferencia de la Iglesia que la música sea parte de la Santa Misa. Los Padres de la Iglesia afirman además en el mismo documento que “La Iglesia reconoce el canto gregoriano como especialmente adecuado a la liturgia romana: por lo tanto, en igualdad de condiciones, se le debe dar un lugar de honor en los servicios litúrgicos”.

Lo que he observado a lo largo del tiempo, la Música Sacra utilizada normalmente en la Santa Misa, especialmente para los himnos de Entrada, Ofertorio, Comunión y Recesión, son nuestras palabras dirigidas hacia Dios y nuestra adoración a Él. Hay otros “himnos” que a veces se incluyen en la Santa Misa que son más contemporáneos, que tienden a estar más dirigidos hacia “mí” o “yo” lo cual es contrario al verdadero culto católico. La Santa Misa es el momento de traernos a Dios junto con todas nuestras luchas, desafíos y alegrías. Así es como santificamos el sábado. La Santa Misa no es una forma de adoración que se trata de mí. Es un tiempo que se trata de Dios.

Si entendemos y creemos que en la Santa Misa Jesús está real y sustancialmente presente para nosotros en la Sagrada Eucaristía, entonces entendemos que el “Reino de los Cielos está cerca”. Cuando asistas a la Santa Misa, trata realmente de hacerte presente ante Dios, en tu apariencia, en tus pensamientos, en tus oraciones y en tu canto si estás en una Misa con música. Dale verdadera alabanza y adoración. ¿Qué piensas?

Bendiciones, Paz y Misericordia, Diácono Mike Johnsen

Just Coffee

Even with these hot temperatures people have continued to support the Just Coffee Ministry and co-op. Remember that Iced Mocas are very tasty during our heatwave. So hot or cold we will have our August Coffee Sales on the 15th and 16th of the Month. **If you need coffee before then please call. Cathy Clark 928-710-3699**



Divine Mercy

This month is devoted to the **Immaculate Heart of Mary**. The Immaculate Heart is often venerated together with the Sacred Heart of Jesus (the devotion we celebrate in June). St. Faustina wrote in her diary; “O Mary, my Mother and my Lady, I offer You my soul, my body, my life and my death, and all that will follow it.”

— *Diary*, 79 Saint Faustina prayed for Mary to take her under her special protection to guard the purity of her soul, heart, and body. We know that Mary always leads us to her Son, Jesus. Can you entrust your entire life to the Blessed Mother? If you haven't already, can you ask her to be your mother? Take sometime this month to ponder the life of the Blessed Mother.



Holy Hour for Priests at St Catherine Laboure

Please join us in the Church for a Eucharistic Holy Hour to pray for priests and priestly vocations. We meet every 4th Saturday of the month to join our hearts and prayers in a sacrificial offering for our priests.

**For more information or to help with these holy hours, please contact Trisha Engel at 903.647.2274
Next Holy Hour will be Saturday, August 26th.**

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The Blessed Virgin Mary is the most perfect example of Christian perseverance, but she is also our advocate in heaven where she is crowned Queen of Heaven and Earth (August 22). Mary is the "Mother of Perpetual Help", the patroness of the Congregation founded by St. Alphonsus Liguori (August 1). "No one who has fled to her protection is left unaided" is the claim of the Memorare of St. Bernard (August 20). Heretics have returned to the faith by the prayers of her Rosary, first preached by St. Dominic (August 8) in the twelfth Century, and hearts have been converted by the graces received while wearing her Miraculous Medal, promoted by St. Maximillian Kolbe (August 14) and adopted as the "badge" for the Pious Union he founded. *Hail, holy Queen, Mother of Mercy, our life, our sweetness and our hope!* **The story of the Transfiguration of Our Lord** is well and fully told in the New Testament. It is a beautiful and thrilling story, full of meaning and promise, and it should be read aloud in every home on August 6. It is told in different ways in the following places: Matt. 17:1-8, Mark 9:1-7; and Luke 9:28-36.

The Eastern Church celebrates the Feast of the Transfiguration with ceremonies and processions to the Church where sheaves of wheat, baskets of fruit, and clusters of flowers decorate the altar. When the religious celebration is over, a fair is held, and a pilaf made of cracked wheat is a feature of the feasting.

In Rome raisins are blessed on this day, and new wine is used in the Mass. (Information provided courtesy of CatholicCulture.org)

**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS COUNCIL 11827
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August 2023 Newsletter

Hello and good wishes to all the Knights and Parishioners of St Catherine Laboure Church. We hope everyone is doing well and surviving the Heat and Earthquakes. Our Burrito Sundays are going well, selling on average 260 burritos a month.

The Knights are truly blessed to be part of a great Parish with extremely generous Parishioners. We are in Recruitment mode and we're looking for a **"Few Good Men"**. So, if you are between 18 and 118 years of age and want to help the Parish and Community, here's your chance. The Knights of Columbus want **YOU**, especially if you can roll burritos. This is a chance for men of any age to give back to the Parish and Community. You can now join the Knights on-line with your first-year dues on us. Just go to www.kofc.org, Council# 11827, you won't be sorry. The Knight's monthly meeting is on the 1st Thursday of the month. Our meetings are at 7 pm in the hall, with adoration at 6pm. God bless the Parishioners of St. Catherine Laboure Church. **Vivat Jesus!**

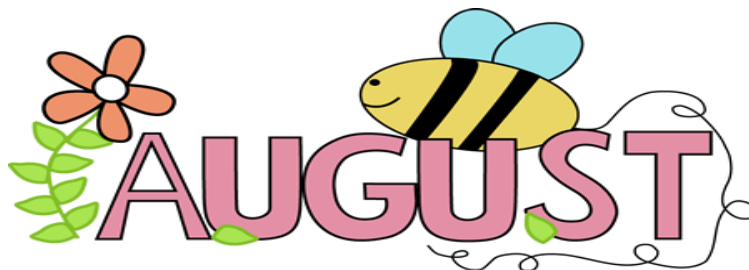
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SVdP

One of our members has put together some of our statistics since 2015. I'd like to share a little of that.

In 2015, 15 members served 848 people, drove 9,992 miles and spent 2,215 hours. This is all volunteer. Our overhead that year was \$727 (1.3% of our budget). During Covid (2020/21) our numbers dropped. 576 people were served, 4347 miles were driven, and hours of service were 974. The last compiled was 2021/22. 15 members served 775 people, 6232 miles were driven, and 1077 hours of service. Our overhead expenses went up to \$1,012. 1.41% of our budget.

We have a group of very committed members serving their neighbors in Chino Valley and Paulden. We are blessed to have them. What would Jesus do? Cathy Clark/President



LADIES OF ST. CATHERINE LABOURÉ



Hi to the Ladies and parishioners of St. Catherine LaBoure.

RUMMAGE SALE: our Rummage Sale is coming up soon. **NO BOOKS, DVD'S, CD'S, RECORDS OR ANYTHING GAS/ELECTRIC POWERED CAN BE ACCEPTED.** Hopefully you're cleaning out those storage units, garages and sheds to gather items to donate to our sale. Remember one person's rags are another ones riches. Donations will be accepted Thursday, August 24th from 9:00 – 5:00 in the church hall. Rummage Sale is Friday, August 25th from 8:00 – 3:00 and Saturday August 26th from 8:00 – 12:00. **DONUT SUNDAY:** Donuts will be served on Sunday, August 6th. Come enjoy and meet fellow parishioners in the hall. **LADIES OF ST. CATHERINE:** We are always happy to have new faces at our meetings. Any lady interested in wanting to learn more about us and what we do for the community, is welcome to come and join our meeting on the 1st Tuesday of the month at 9:30 a.m. Our next meeting will be on Tuesday, August 1st at 9:30 am, in the church hall. Peace to all! Debbie Santanni, President
Linens for August is Alice Shorkey!!!

THE CATHOLIC WAY

"WHY WE DO ... HOW WE DO"

It is a beautiful Sunday morning, the sun is shining, weather is great and the golf course is calling, or is it just the perfect day to stay home with a cup of coffee on the back porch. Yes, you will miss Mass, but then Mass is usually too crowded, you may not feel welcome or you can pray just as well from your chair, with that cup of coffee! **Or can you? Well, why go to Mass at all?** Why, because Jesus gave us the gift of himself, and asks that we spend only one hour with him. Can you be that selfish? We do need to be part of a community! Who famously said. "no man is an island" (woman,) too? Being with others helps us to realize that we are all part of the Body of Christ we are not alone. There are so many other great points to list...but lastly, the Mass gives meaning and purpose to our lives. Think about that meaning and purpose....can coffee, or just sitting in the sun do the same? See you in Church.

Br. Aloysius W.....right

THE POWER OF SILENCE

St. John of the Cross tells us, "God's first language is silence!" Of course, in order to understand this language, we must "learn" to be silent and rest in God. **Learn to be silent!** How often have we heard this, and how many times. Yet, can we really be silent in this world of ours? Can we turn off the news of escalating violence, global warming, politics? Perhaps it is time to refocus our order of priorities, by putting God back into the center of our concerns, into the center of our actions, and our lives! Allow our silence to become a time of silent encounter in which we stand face to face with our God to honor Him, and listen for His small, still voice within us! Mary Anderson, Spiritual Director



In AUGUST will you be celebrating a BIRTHDAY or WEDDING ANNIVERSARY?

Your parish family here at St. Catherine Laboure would like to wish you a Blessed and Happy Day.



The August birthstone is the peridot and is one of the oldest gemstones known to man. Records dating back as early as 1500 B.C. indicate the ancient Egyptians mined peridot on an island in the Red Sea called Topazios, known today as St. John's Island. These Egyptians referred to the peridot birthstone as the "gem of the sun." It was also used to decorate medieval churches. Leaders who wore peridot were considered to be gentle, fair and wise. Some ancient wisdom holds that the peridot birthstone aids in overcoming fear and depression and to calm anger. It is said to release jealousy, resentment and spite, so that you can move away from these negative feelings in a healthy and positive way. A symbol of strength, peridot represents warmth and prosperity. It is said to bring abundance in all areas of your life, including wealth, health, happiness and love. The sophisticated and lively flower Gladiolus is the main and official flower of August's birth month, which in turn represents integrity, strength, power, and passion. The Latin name of the flower is Gladiolus that also refers to the word sword-swinging gladiators of ancient Rome. In the 1820s, gardeners cultivated these flowers and built multiple hybrid varieties. After that, it lately became trendy, and florists suggested giving this flower bouquet as a gift. Most people give Gladiolus flower bouquets for the 40th anniversary. Gladiolus symbolizes memories, fondness, love, power, and integrity in August's birth flower. This flower comes in various colors, and the meaning of these colors depends on its color. The second August birth flower is called Poppy. This flower has a mesmerizing appearance, and it is quite large in shape. People love to give Red Poppy to their loved ones among all the colors due to its symbolic importance. The flower is used to remember all the fallen soldiers and the Opium Poppy, representing peace, calm, sleep, and death in legends. According to the Victorian language, the Poppy flower usually stands for eternal sleep and imaginative creation. These flowers also belong to the genus from the Latin word pappo, which refers to the plant's milky latex.

MASS INTENTIONS FOR AUGUST 2023

Tuesday, August 1, 2023	8:30 AM	Poor Souls in Purgatory	RIP
Wednesday, August 2, 2023	8:30 AM	Hoben & Kailo Delgado	RIP
Thursday, August 3, 2023	8:30 AM	Bill Baker	RIP
Friday, August 4, 2023	8:30 AM	Jim Partridge	INT
Saturday, August 5, 2023	9:00 AM	Deceased Members of Burt Family	RIP
Saturday, August 5, 2023	5:00 PM	Milo Wayne Strausbaugh	RIP
Sunday, August 6, 2023	7:30 AM	People of St. Catherine	INT
Sunday, August 6, 2023	9:00 AM	Jane Cuttita	INT
Sunday, August 6, 2023	10:30 AM	Jose Luis Trujillo Beltran	RIP
Monday, August 7, 2023	8:30 AM	Jack Whiteman	RIP
Tuesday, August 8, 2023	8:30 AM	Lee Wontroski	RIP
Wednesday, August 9, 2023	8:30 AM	Fitzhenry Durcan	RIP
Thursday, August 10, 2023	8:30 AM	Hubbard Fellows	RIP
Friday, August 11, 2023	8:30 AM	Diana Partridge	INT
Saturday, August 12, 2023	5:00 PM	Clare Cyr	RIP
Sunday, August 13, 2023	7:30 AM	All Students returning to studies	INT
Sunday, August 13, 2023	9:00 AM	People of St. Catherine	INT
Sunday, August 13, 2023	10:30 AM	Ismael Hernandez Ponciano	RIP
Monday, August 14, 2023	8:30 AM	Mary Brester	RIP
Monday, August 14, 2023	5:00 PM	Dorothy Strausbaugh	RIP
Tuesday, August 15, 2023	8:30 AM	Dominican Sisters / St. Cecilia's	INT
Tuesday, August 15, 2023	6:30 PM	Benito & Victoria Sanchez	INT
Wednesday, August 16, 2023	8:30 AM	Louise Palmer	INT
Thursday, August 17, 2023	8:30 AM	Thoma Family	INT
Friday, August 18, 2023	8:30 AM	Theresa Bennett	INT
Saturday, August 19, 2023	5:00 PM	Patricia Landerway	RIP
Sunday, August 20, 2023	7:30 AM	Bill Baker	RIP
Sunday, August 20, 2023	9:00 AM	Andrew & Catherine Mazurek	RIP
Sunday, August 20, 2023	10:30 AM	People of St. Catherine	INT
Monday, August 21, 2023	8:30 AM	Jonathan Wright	INT
Tuesday, August 22, 2023	8:30 AM	Harry & Mary Rote	RIP
Wednesday, August 23, 2023	8:30 AM	NO MASS	X
Thursday, August 24, 2023	8:30 AM	NO MASS	X
Friday, August 25, 2023	8:30 AM	NO MASS	X
Saturday, August 26, 2023	5:00 PM	Mark & Joanne Fitterer	INT
Sunday, August 27, 2023	7:30 AM	People of St. Catherine	INT
Sunday, August 27, 2023	9:00 AM	Kevin & Natalie Whiteman	INT
Sunday, August 27, 2023	10:30 AM	Spanish Lay Ministers	INT
Monday, August 28, 2023	8:30 AM	Dorothy Strausbaugh	RIP
Tuesday, August 29, 2023	8:30 AM	Linda Mutziger	INT
Wednesday, August 30, 2023	8:30 AM	Lee Wontroski	RIP
Thursday, August 31, 2023	8:30 AM	Hunter Harris	INT

*Eternal Rest
Grant Unto them,
O Lord,
and
May Perpetual Light
Shine Upon them:*

RUTHANN HARRIS

Ma DEL ROSARIO
SOTELO



AUGUST ALTAR
FLOWERS

AUG. 5/6
In Loving Memory of
Sylvia Delgado

AUG. 12/13
In Loving Memory of
Jose Trujillo Beltran

AUG. 19/20
In Loving Memory of
Dr. Dorothy Madeline
Peterson

AUG. 26/27
In Loving Memory of
Jimmy Carbajal



An Invitation to Parishioners from the Altar Society:

Floral arrangements for the altar can be done "in loving memory of" or for "a special occasion" and this will be listed in the monthly newsletter and announced at the weekend Masses.. **Donation for the flowers is set at \$25.00.**

Our Altar Flower Coordinator will help you reserve an available date.

The process starts with a phone call to Terry Johnsen 928-713-3219. Terry will let you know if the date you have requested is available. (Please note: you should contact her at least 2 month's prior to the date requested).

To pay for the flowers you can either stop by the parish office during business hours or mail in a check to the office. Please make sure you let the office know the dates you requested.

Dear Prayer Warriors,

Our special intention for this month is all the students returning to school from pre-school through college for a "solid" education, and positive learning experiences.

During the month, we were asked to pray for:

Rest of the soul of Bill Baker, who passed away since our last newsletter.

Warrior who has severe back pain to undergo neurosurgery for lower back sciatica, and her brother-in-law who is close to death with COPD & pneumonia.

Niece, in hospital with severe cardiac & thyroid issues, for correct diagnosis & treatment.

End to violent protest, and lawlessness.

Those suffering from the effects of war & horrific weather.

Warrior, who has had a hemorrhage in the back of her eye, which has affected her driving.

All those affected by the unusual heat, and other extreme weather across the country, as well as those injured during the earthquake in Alaska.

Neighbor who has liver disease.

Broken families & unresolved family matters that continue to cause dissension.

All those in need of prayer.

All our special intentions.

Thank you; God bless each of you, Mary Anderson

**It's already here! The next St. Catherine Laboure Collection Christmas Ornament.**

If you purchased last year's ornament (the first in a collection) you won't want to miss purchasing this years. It is just as stunning and beautiful as last years. The Ladies of St. Catherine will start selling "Our Lady of Guadalupe" Christmas Ornament at their rummage sale on Friday, August 25th and Saturday August 26th. Make sure to get yours and those for gifts early. After the Rummage Sale the ornaments will be on sale from October 1st through December 17th, 2023.

"OUR LADY" is the perfect gift for anyone.



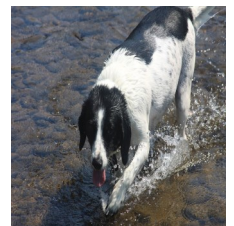
It has been brought to the parish's attention that our handicap parking spots are being used by drivers not displaying either the proper handicap license plate or the handicap placard. Did you know that a ticket for parking in those spots can cost you from \$250 to \$500 dollars. Please leave those spots for those who need them and do have the proper tags.

Se ha informado a la parroquia que nuestros lugares de estacionamiento para discapacitados están siendo utilizados por conductores que no muestran ni la placa adecuada para discapacitados ni el cartel de discapacitados. ¿Sabías que una multa por estacionar en esos lugares te puede costar entre \$250 y \$500 dólares? Deje esos lugares para quienes los necesiten y tengan las etiquetas adecuadas.



With how high our temperature has been the last few weeks please remember to keep yourself and loved ones (including your four-legged type) hydrated. Heat Stroke can happen to you very fast.

Con lo alta que ha sido nuestra temperatura en las últimas semanas, recuerde mantenerse hidratado y a sus seres queridos (incluido su tipo de cuatro patas). El golpe de calor te puede pasar muy rápido.



On August 19th and 20th Ayman Khair will be here after all Masses with hand carved religious items from Bethlehem. It's not too early to start shopping for Christmas so be sure to check out his statues, rosaries, and other items.

El 19 y 20 de agosto, Ayman Khair estará aquí después de todas las Misas con artículos religiosos tallados a mano de Belén. No es demasiado pronto para comenzar a comprar para Navidad, así que asegúrese de ver sus estatuas, rosarios y otros artículos.

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Prayer for August:

The Month of the Immaculate Heart of Mary

In this prayer in honor of the Immaculate Heart of Mary, we ask the Blessed Virgin to guide us in our journey, so that we might receive the graces necessary to live virtuous lives and to persevere at the hour of our death.

O heart of Mary, mother of God, and our mother; heart most worthy of love, in which the adorable Trinity is ever well-pleased, worthy of the veneration and love of all the angels and of all men; heart most like to the Heart of Jesus, of which thou art the perfect image; heart, full of goodness, ever compassionate toward our miseries; deign to melt our icy hearts and grant that they may be wholly changed into the likeness of the Heart of Jesus, our divine Savior. Pour into them the love of thy virtues, enkindle in them that divine fire with which thou thyself dost ever burn. In thee let Holy Church find a safe shelter; protect her and be her dearest refuge, her tower of strength, impregnable against every assault of her enemies. Be thou the way which leads to Jesus, and the channel, through which we receive all the graces needful for our salvation. Be our refuge in time of trouble, our solace in the midst of trial, our strength against temptation, our haven in persecution, our present help in every danger and especially at the hour of death, when all hell shall let loose against us its legions to snatch away our souls, at that dread moment, that hour so full of fear, whereon our eternity depends. Ah, then most tender virgin, make us to feel the sweetness of thy motherly heart, and the might of thine intercession with Jesus, and open to us a safe refuge in that very fountain of mercy, whence we may come to praise Him with thee in paradise, world without end. Amen.

