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**August 25, 2024**

**Upcoming Events**

BLESSING OF  
THROATS

AUG 25, 2024

following the 5pm  
MASS



**VIETNAMESE  
DAY**

**Sunday  
September 1**

9am—7pm MASS @4pm



**HEALING MASS**

SEP 1, 2024 @ 6:30pm



Fr. David Tourville



**First Saturday  
September 7**

Men's Breakfast Group  
Guest Speaker: TBD

- Knights of Columbus  
Food Collection  
11:30 & 4:00
- First Saturday Devotion  
\* Masses: 11:30 & 4:00  
\* Rosary: 11:00 & 3:30  
\* Adoration: 12:15  
Confession 30 minutes before Mass

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Fridays 11-7:00 pm  
Sundays 10-3:00 pm & (Every First Saturday) 10-3:00 pm

**MASSES**

MON thru FRI: 11:30am & 4:00pm  
SATURDAY 8:00am, 11:30am & 4:00pm  
SUNDAY: 9:00am, 12:00pm & 5:00pm

**CONFESSIONS**

15 minutes before every Mass

**EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION**

Wednesdays & Fridays 12 - 4pm, Blessed Sacrament Chapel

**FIRST SATURDAY**

Rosary at 11:00 & 3:30 and Adoration 12:15

**ROSARY & BENEDICTION**

Every Sunday at 3pm

**Every Fourth Sunday of the month Filipino Mass @ 1:30**

## Mass Intentions for the Week

<b>Sat. Aug 24</b>	<b>St. Bartholomew, Apostle</b>
8:00 am	Stan Pinto
11:30 am	Amerigo Porto
4:00 pm	Rev. Fr. Joseph Gariolo, CRSP
<b>Sun. Aug 25</b>	<b>21st Sunday in Ordinary Time</b>
9:00 am	John & Elda Scrivani ✠
12:00 Nn	Club Italiano 74 Dell Immacolate
5:00 pm	John & Elda Scrivani ✠
<b>Mon Aug 26</b>	<b>21st Monday in Ordinary Time</b>
11:30 am	Perpetual Mass
4:00 pm	Emidio & Marge D'Angelo
<b>Tue Aug 27</b>	<b>St. Monica</b>
11:30 am	Antonio Ciccarelli, Holy Martyrs of Celano
4:00 pm	G. James
<b>Wed Aug 28</b>	<b>St. Augustine, Bishop &amp; Doctor</b>
11:30 am	John Connors
4:00 pm	Carol Berry, birthday ✠
<b>Thu Aug 29</b>	<b>The Passion of St. John the Baptist</b>
11:30	Nicolas Curtiss
4:00	Apolonia, Rob & John Deguzman
<b>Fri Aug 30</b>	<b>21st Friday in Ordinary Time</b>
11:30 am	Franco Esposito
4:00 pm	Don & Pamela Creek
<b>Sat Aug 31</b>	<b>21st Saturday in Ordinary Time</b>
8:00 am	Nicholas Borth
11:30	Thanksgiving, Dizon & DeJoya
4:00	Pellegrini & Perruzza Families
<b>Sun Sep 1</b>	<b>22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time</b>
9:00 am	Robert S. Jones
12:00 pm	Al Hammer ✠
5:00 pm	John & Genevieve J. Beczkowsky

Meditation for the 21st Sunday in Ordinary Time  
August 25, 2024

If we think of the Christian life without faith, and only from the perspective of our weaknesses and limitations, then we fail to see that Christ offers to us the nurturing words of everlasting life. God through the words of Christ gives to us the Church this gift of eternal life. All three readings allude to the importance of thinking about faith is a direct reference to Christ and the Church. Moreover, this mystery can be challenging to be a people of faith. Accepting and understanding the magnitude of the Lord's love for us clearly demonstrates that the mystery of Jesus handing himself over for us may be difficult at times. But faith is a gift, and so although we may struggle, we can trust God to grant us the grace that we need to commit to serving him and following his Son.

Therefore, today's readings are a powerful Judeo-Christian expression of the importance of God as the author of creation. Faith as trust is rooted and grounded in God's desire to be in a covenantal relationship with the people of God, the church. For example, in the first reading, Joshua the designated successor to Moses calls upon Israel to commit to serve God above all other gods. In the second reading, the mystery of faith employs a marital imagery to teach us about Christ committed love for the Church.

Let us not be confounded by the church being a living tribal reminder of Joshua's covenantal manifest to acknowledge our relationship and strict monotheism. In other words, we serve the Lord, for he is our God.

The axiom of the covenant at Shechem is striving to maintain a committed trust to God and the Lord's commitment to us. The word mystery, "mysterion" is not nor does it imply resolving a puzzle. The notion of mystery directs us to rise above our human conditions guiding us "to whom" we shall go. In other words, focusing on the words of Jesus lifts up faith as a human experience and a trust that the words of Jesus and the commitment of Joshua are the mystery of faith. Although some disciples found the teachings of Jesus about the bread of life too difficult to understand and/or accept, the Apostle Peter trusts Jesus and is committed to follow him because he believes that Christ is the holy one of God. The mystery of faith is a transcendent lifting up, providing us with the words of eternal life.

Following the OT understanding of faith as trust gathers together all the tribes of Israel to a verbal understanding of the mystery of faith to be one of service. When the disciples ask "Master to whom shall we go?" the answer is Jesus the word of God, the Bread of Life.

### Vocation View 08/25/24

Today St. Paul defines marriage as an indissoluble bond between a man and a woman: "a man shall leave his father and his mother and be joined, and the two shall become one flesh." Marriage is a vocation—it requires the total surrender of self. Sincere and humble thanks to all who are living this vocation faithfully, under so much opposition from our culture. Do you think you may have a priestly vocation?

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### Intercession for Life for all Catholics: 08/18/24

For those who are gravely ill or dying:  
May our Blessed Mother ease their pain and fears, and by her glorious Assumption, console them with the hope of eternal life;  
*We pray to the Lord:*

### ZACCARIAN APOSTOLATE OF PRAYER

#### August

That the indications coming from the General Chapter, in the renewed personal and community commitment to a victory of oneself, may be written with **"facts and not with the pen"**,  
Let us Pray.

### THE HOLY FATHER'S INTENTION FOR AUGUST

FOR POLITICAL LEADERS  
WE PRAY THAT POLITICAL LEADERS BE AT  
THE SERVICE OF THEIR OWN PEOPLE,  
WORKING FOR INTEGRAL HUMAN  
DEVELOPMENT AND FOR THE COMMON  
GOOD, ESPECIALLY CARING FOR THE POOR  
AND THOSE WHO HAVE LOST THEIR JOBS.

## ✠ Bible Reflection Group ✠

Every Monday @ 7:30 in the Fatima Hall

**Next Meeting: August 26, 2024**

Discussing: Dt 3: 1-8,

Jas 1: 17-27,

Mk 7: 18-23

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