



“Each time we look upon Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament, He raises us up into deeper union with Himself, opens up the floodgates of His merciful love to the whole world, and brings us closer to the day of His final victory where every knee will bend and proclaim Jesus Christ as Lord. The reign of God is already in your midst. The coming of Jesus to us in the Eucharist is assurance of His promise of final victory.”

-Saint Teresa of Calcutta

THE YEAR OF ST. JOSEPH

As part of our Year of St. Joseph celebration, Bishop Soto invites you to join him for a special day with the Sacramento Rivercats on **Sunday, August 22nd at 11:00 a.m.** at Sutter Health Park in Sacramento.

This is a special event honoring all Fathers and Grandfathers. Enjoy the opportunity to play catch on the field with your family, plus all Dads and Grandads will receive a special blessing from Bishop Soto at 11:45a.m. First pitch is at 1 p.m.! Dads and Grandads will also receive a commemorative baseball and there will be an opportunity to take pictures on the field with the Bishop.

Tickets are available on the first base side or on the lawn. Tickets and information available here: <https://fevo.me/diocesefofsacramento> or call Sandra Hernandez at 916-733-0123 or shernandez@scd.org

Young Adult Group

Join us for a Holy Hour of Adoration and Confession with a reflection by Fr. Mahar in the small chapel of Saint Joseph Parish **Tuesday, August 10th** Starting at 6:00 p.m.

Followed by food and board games in the downstairs Parish Hall located behind the church.

If you have any questions, please contact the parish office.

ST. MICHAEL'S CORNER



Sunday Mass

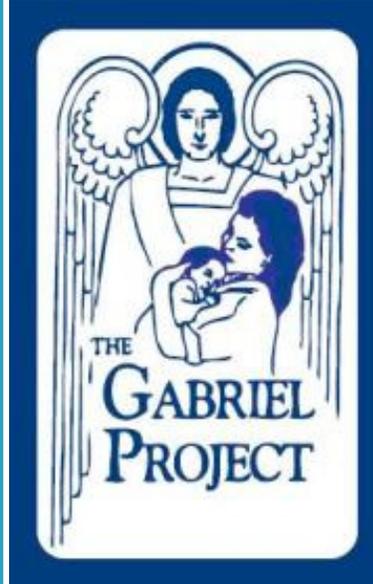
Wednesday Mass

Holydays

Religious Education

Spanish Choir

9 a.m. English/11 a.m. Spanish
As Announced In Bulletin
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Spanish: Sundays After Mass
Wednesday 6:00 p.m.



PREGNANT?
WORRIED AND
CONFUSED?

We're here to help you.

The Gabriel Project offers hope and assistance to any woman experiencing a crisis pregnancy. We respect all life and see the birth of each child as a fresh expression of the unfailing love of God. Our concern is not only for the unborn child, but also for each and every mother in need.

For more information, please call 800-910-0191

DIOCESAN SECOND COLLECTION

This month's second collection will be for the Church in Latin America. Your support provides lay leadership training, catechesis, priestly & religious formation and other programs to share our Catholic faith with those who long to hear the Good News of Christ.

BIBLE STUDY and Faith Sharing

Join us for our weekly bible study
Thursday, 7 to 8:30 p.m.

All are welcome to join us at any time as we study the upcoming Sunday's Gospel reading.

We are currently meeting in the downstairs Parish Hall. For additional info, please contact the parish office.

VOTIVE CANDLES

In the lighting of candles we not only pray, but our prayers become symbols of the One Light of Christ.
(Proceeds benefit the St. Vincent de Paul Society)

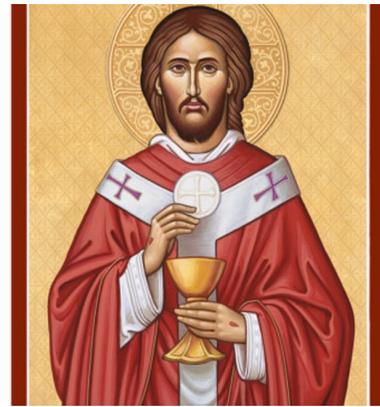
Please contact the Parish Office if you wish to dedicate an Annual Candle: 243-3463

On this Sunday, we continue to read from the “Bread of Life discourse” found in the sixth chapter of John’s Gospel. Recall that we have been reading from this chapter for the past two weeks and will continue to read from it for another two. Last week, the crowd asked for a sign that would show that Jesus came from God. Jesus replied by saying that he is the sign and the bread of life sent by God. At this point, our Lectionary omits six verses in which Jesus predicts the unbelief of the crowd and further develops his connection with God the Father. In these verses, Jesus says that he was sent by God to do the Father’s will. Jesus promises that those who look upon the Son with faith will find eternal life. Some of these themes are repeated in today’s Gospel reading.

Today’s Gospel begins with a report that the Jews complained about Jesus’ claims regarding his identity. They knew his family, and they knew he was the son of Joseph. They could not comprehend what Jesus meant when he said that he came down from heaven. Jesus responds to the complaints by saying that only those who are chosen by God will recognize him as the one that God sent. This is a recurring theme in John’s Gospel, that God has chosen those who will have faith in Jesus.

In the verses that follow, Jesus talks more about his unity with the Father. He is the one who has seen the Father and, therefore, knows the Father. Those who listen to God will recognize that Jesus is the one sent from God. Those who believe will have eternal life. Jesus concludes with the central element of our Eucharistic theology. He promises that the bread of life will bring eternal life to those who partake of it, and he tells us that the bread of life will be his own flesh, given for the life of the world.

In today’s reading, we hear Jesus say again, as he did in last week’s Gospel, that he is the bread of life. We also hear Jesus add that he is the living bread. Both of these statements help us understand better the gift that Jesus gives us in the Eucharist. We celebrate this gift of Jesus each time we gather for Mass. We believe that receiving Jesus in the Eucharist will lead us to eternal life.



MASS SCHEDULE WITH MASS INTENTIONS

Week of August 8, 2021

- Sun.....8/8.....9:00 am... Fr. Corey Bruns, Sp. Int.
- Sun.....8/8.....11:00 am... Steven Pomeroy +
- Mon.....8/9.....8:30 am... Fr. Corey Bruns, Sp. Int.
- Tue.....8/10.....8:30 am... Janice Stearns +
- Wed.....8/11.....8:30 am... Jerome White +
- Thu.....8/12.....8:30 am... Joshua Burch, Sp. Int.
- Fri.....8/13.....8:30 am... Don Chapman +
- Sat.....8/14.....8:30 am... Donna Nisson +
- Sat.....8/14.....5:30 pm... Brian Woodfill, Jr., Sp. Int.

St. Michael Mission Mass Intentions

- Sun.....8/8.....9:00 am... Hope Gonzales +
- Sun.....8/8.....11:00 am... Pro Propulo
- Wed.....8/11.....8:30 am... Eric Ortu +

SCHEDULED-WEEK OF AUGUST 8TH, 2021

- WED** Sacrament of Reconciliation 7:00-8:00 p.m.
- THUR** Bible Study—Downstairs Parish Hall 7:00—8:30 p.m.

MONDAY THROUGH SATURDAY ROSARY AT 8:10 a.m.
HOLY MASS 8:30 AM

St. Vincent de Paul

The need for assistance from St. Vincent de Paul is picking up quickly! The rent and utility help for our neighbors in need went from \$515 in April to \$2,500 in May to \$4,016 in June.

We appreciate your continued support!

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

In *Diary* entry 1487, Jesus encouraged Faustina by saying to her: **"Tell me about everything, be sincere in dealing with Me, reveal all the wounds of your heart. I will heal them ..."** So Faustina always approached the confessional with childlike trust, knowing that her Savior was always there to welcome her and heal her (cf. entry 377).



Sacrament of Reconciliation

Every Wednesday 7– 8 p.m. and Saturday 2:30-4:00 p.m.

August Intentions of our Holy Father

The Church

Let us pray for the Church, that she may receive from the Holy Spirit the grace and strength to reform herself in the light of the Gospel.