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MASS SCHEDULE:

Saturday: 4:00 pm

Sunday: 8:00 am, 10:00 am Weekdays:
7:00 am (Tuesday, Thursday, and Friday)

9:00 am (Wednesday)

OFFICE HOURS:

Monday: 9:00 am — 5:00 pm

Tuesday: 9:00 am — 5:00 pm

Wednesday: 9:30 am — 5:00 pm

Thursday: 9:00 am — 5:00 pm

Friday: 9:00 am — 12:00 pm

(Closed daily from 12:00 pm — 1:00 pm for Lunch)

PASTOR:

Fr. Matthew P. Higginbotham

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Fr. Ed Degeyter

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PASTORAL COUNCIL

PRESIDENT: *André Schlicher*

RECONCILIATION:

Saturday: 3:00 pm — 3:45 pm and
30 minutes before weekday Masses

ROSARY:

Wednesday: 8:20 am (*Pro-Life*)

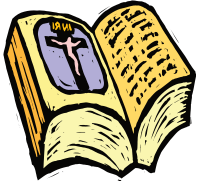
First Friday: 6:30 am

First Saturday: 8:20 am

Third Tuesday: 7:30 am (*Patriotic*)



TODAY'S READINGS



Jeremiah 20:10-13
Psalm 69:8-10, 14, 17, 33- 35
Romans 5:12-15
Matthew 10:26-33



Twelfth Sunday In Ordinary Time

Our commitment to Christ will be put to the test. We will hear whispered warnings and denunciations, as Jeremiah does in today's First Reading. Even so-called friends will try to trap us and trip us up. For His sake we will bear insults and be made outcasts-even in our own homes, we hear in today's Psalm. As Jeremiah tells us, we must expect that God will challenge our faith in Him, and probe our minds and hearts, to test the depths of our love. "Do not be afraid," Jesus assures us three times in today's Gospel. Though He may permit us to suffer for our faith, Our Father will never forget or abandon us. As Jesus assures us today, everything unfolds in His Providence, under His watchful gaze-even the falling of the tiniest sparrow to the ground. Each one of us is precious to Him. Steadfast in this faith, we must resist the tactics of Satan. He is the enemy who seeks the ruin of our soul in Gehenna, or hell. We are to seek God, as the Psalmist says. Zeal for the Lord's house, for the heavenly kingdom of the Father, should consume us, as it consumed Jesus (see John 2:17). As Jesus bore the insults of those who blasphemed God, so should we (see Romans 15:3). By the gracious gift of Himself, Jesus bore the transgressions of the world, Paul tells us in today's Epistle. In rising from the dead, He has shown us that God rescues the life of the poor, that He does not spurn His own when they are in distress. In His great mercy, He will turn toward us, as well. He will deliver us from the power of the wicked. That is why we proclaim His name from the housetops, as Jesus tells us. That is why we sing praise and offer thanksgiving in every Eucharist. We are confident in Jesus' promise-that we who declare our faith in Him before others will be remembered before our heavenly Father.

Scott Hahn

REFLECTIONS Twelfth Sunday In Ordinary Time

We all manage to do things that we are not very proud of and would prefer that others not know about them. The scriptures remind us that what is hidden will become known. There is a saying: "Never do or say anything you would not like to see printed in the morning newspaper." Consider what guides your choices. How do the things you are ashamed of affect you? What would help you make better choices - choices you would not need to hide?

*In your great kindness answer me with your constant help.
Answer me, O Lord, for bounteous is your kindness;
in your great mercy turn toward me. - Psalm 69:14, 17
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Catholic Father's Day Blessing Prayer

Here is a Catholic-style Father's Day blessing prayer you can use to honor fathers, godfathers, and father figures, drawing on Scripture and the example of St. Joseph.

Catholic Father's Day Blessing Prayer

Heavenly Father,

Bless these men—fathers, godfathers, grandfathers, and all who have taken on the role of father. May Your Spirit fill them with strength, wisdom, and the courage to love sacrificially www.catholicnewsworld.com.

Bless every father with the peace of Your mind, the courage of Your heart, and the strength of Your hands. May they know that You delight in their work and affirm the value of every act of love and service they give [Holy Cross Parish, Toronto](#).

Lord, protect them from the burdens of the world, and guard their families from harm. Let them find You near, as St. Joseph did, and may they trust in You to lead and protect those under their care www.catholicnewsworld.com.

Grant them the grace to forgive themselves and others, to keep short accounts, and to live with humility and joy. May they see their children and grandchildren through Your eyes, knowing they are in Your hands [Holy Cross Parish, Toronto](#).

Bless the father who works long hours, the one who mentors, the one who heals from past wounds, and the one who loves deeply but feels worn out. Let Your favor go before them in every role they serve—husband, provider, leader, protector, teacher, and friend www.prayerprompt.org.

May they be a blessing to their families and a light to those around them. May they imitate Your love, which is patient, kind, and faithful [Unfolding Light](#).

We give You thanks, O Father, for the gift of fathers. May they always be honored with respect and love, and may Your blessing be upon them now and forever.

Amen.

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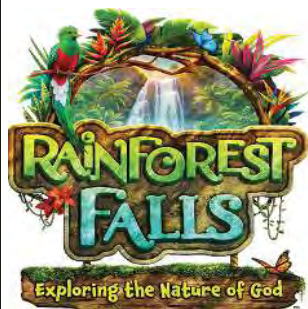
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FRIDAY, JULY 17, 2026

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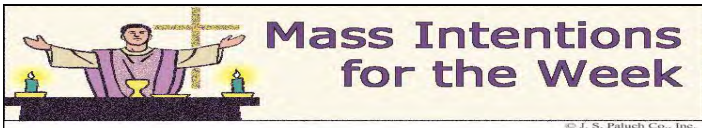
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SANCTUARY LIGHT:

In Memory of:
Gil Simon
Mark A. Bourque



Tuesday, June 23, 2026
9:00am Justin Angelle (liv bd)

Wednesday, June 24, 2026
9:00am Calise & Maline O. Trahan
 Andre LaBauve, Walter DeGravelle, Jr.
 Carrol & Brenda (liv) Romero Fly
 Patty Babineaux Fontenot
 Dylan P. Ortego (liv bd)

Thursday, June 25, 2026
9:00am The Detwiler Fly

Friday, June 26, 2026
9:00am Stuart Hulin
 Judy Detwiler (liv bd)

Saturday, June 27, 2026
4:00pm Fr. Tom Finley, Rachel R. Romero
 Lynward Ransonet, Mona Simon
 Doralisse Hebert (bd)
 William Kell Lewis
 Raymond & Pearlle Romero

Sunday, June 28, 2026
8:00am Parishioners, Creed Dugas
 The Alogna Fly

10:00am Msgr. H.J. Barsen, Fr. A.J. Boumans
 Harvey & Joyce DeCourt
 Donna M. Lanza

Saint John the Baptist

The Nativity of St. John the Baptist is celebrated on June 24, commemorating his miraculous birth and his role as the forerunner of Jesus Christ.

The feast celebrates the birth of John the Baptist, one of the few figures in Christianity whose birth, rather than death, is commemorated by the Church, alongside Jesus Christ and the Blessed Virgin Mary.

According to the Gospel of Luke, John was born to Zechariah and Elizabeth, who were advanced in age and previously childless. The Archangel Gabriel announced his birth to Zechariah, instructing that the child be named John, meaning "God has shown mercy."
Wikipedia

PRAYER & SICK LIST
The names on our prayer list will stay on for 90 days. If you want to add or delete a name, please call the office 337-364-8360.

Sirena Rogers, Janis & Nathan Dugas, Billy Simon, Edward Simon, Lynette Landry, Janet Viator, Ronnie Landry, The Delahoussaye Fly, Patsy & Percy Barrilleaux, Fran Jackson, David & Robin Viator Fly, Sheryl S. Bourque, Michael & Claire Landry Fly, Dustin & Nicole V. Ortego Fly, Linda & Clint Trahan Fly, Ruth Bernard, Bridget Aitken, The Greig & Belaire Fly, Josephine Delcambre, Jody Ellen Hudson, Jim & Brenda Prejean, Joni Gullotta, Fisher Whitaker, The Babin, Trahan & Richard Fly, Deacon John Sarkies, James & Doreen Norman, Myrna & Millard Poche, Gloria K. Bonin, Daphne C. Lopez, Beverly B. Walet, Jerome Guillotte, Leoni Derouen, Cade T., Betty DeRouen, Robert McDaniel, Lori Aguilar, Bailey & Gage Tucker, Raywood & Virginia Buteaux, Barbara Keegan, Mike & Doris Degeyter Fly, Rory Suire, Crystal Elizabeth Olivier, Nickas Bonin, Gene Gonsoulin, Coty Bourque, Erskine Katz, Randy & Jessica Broussard, Jane Arceneaux, Rebecca Segura, Terry & Gloria Trahan, John Babin, Phil Duplantis, Ray Landry, Shane DeRouen, Cody Theriot, Sandra Upton, Kay Charpentier Green, Hardy Jenkins, Bridgette Louviere, Amye Hammond Bellot, Roland & Faye Boudreaux, Delina Lafont, Emma Judice, Kathleen & Larry Viator, Duppy Duplantis, Caroline Dubois, Bailey Prudhomme, Jane Patin, Juanita & Hargis Lewis, Nettie Voorhies, Johnathon Angers, Alice Trahan, Francine Gauthier, Betty Romero, Deborah Plouet, Donald Voorhies, Megan B. Broussard, Beverly Simoneaux, Adrain Wilson, Alexis Wilson, Ronnie & Madeline Duhon, Matt Elmer, Fr. Paul Onuegbe, Carlos Bedia, Shawn Dugas, Celeste Guardia, Bru Kokenge, Coleen K. Woolard, Katherine Kokenge, Victoria Kokenge, Connie Olivier, Anna Kober, Cornelius Joseph, Randy Gonsoulin, Daniel & Brailyn Segura Fly, Mark & Magie Bihm Fly, Craig Herndon, Ty & Katelyn & Cassie Daigle, Jacob Ransonet, Amber Neel, Dan Claudy, Carlson-Claudy Fly

Please also pray for those individuals who, although in need of your prayers, have requested that their names not be publicized for privacy reasons.

Catholic Quotes

So helpless and weak. I think that is why God uses me, because I cannot depend on my own strength. I rely on Him twenty-four hours a day. If the day had even more hours, then I would need His help and grace during those hours too. I cling to Him in prayer, and encourage you to do the same.
 Saint Teresa of Calcutta

Monthly Eucharistic Adoration & Benediction

Eucharistic Adoration on the **First Friday** of every month following the 7am Mass, with Benediction at 10am.

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PARISH VOCATION CROSS

The Vocation Cross is taken by:

Mary Pesson

(June 21st - June 27th)

If you or your family would like to receive the vocation cross, please sign-up on the sign-up sheet near the tabernacle in church.

Please keep
Fr. Matthew P. Higginbotham
Fr. Ed Degeyter
and all priests in your prayers

CURRENT EVENTS

Tuesday, June 23, 2026

Mass at 9:00 am

Wednesday, June 24, 2026

Pro-Life Rosary - 8:20 am

Mass at 9:00 am

Thursday, June 25, 2026

Mass at 9:00 am

Friday, June 26, 2026

Mass at 9:00 am

Saturday, June 27, 2026

Mass at 4:00 pm

Sunday, June 28, 2026

Masses at: 8:00 am & 10:00 am

Peter's Pence -2nd Collection



Update on the Mass Count of May 2026

The Mass count gives us an average attendance per weekend of 342 parishioners. We invite parishioners to reach out to each other in love and care so that we can help each other be faithful to our call of holiness. Especially, those of us who are able to participate at Mass, let us in our offering of the bread and wine at Mass, offer these parishioners who are not with us. We pray they can love and trust in Jesus. **"O Jesus, King of Love, I put my trust in your merciful goodness."** (Yvonne Beauvais)

**MASS SERVERS
June 23, 2026 - June 28, 2026**

DAY DATE	TIME	CELEBRANT	READERS	LAY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION	ALTAR SERVERS
Tuesday 6/23/26	9:00am	Fr. Ed Degeyter	Ellen Claudy	Holli Cambre Vicki Murdock Nancy Barras Linda Viator	Sacristan
Wednesday 6/24/26	9:00am	Fr. Ed Degeyter	Ginger Comeaux	Willie & Cynthia Elmer Phil & Renee Haney	Sacristan
Thursday 6/25/26	9:00am	Fr. Ed Degeyter	Vikki Morgan	Ross & Cindy Landry Percy Barrilleaux Holli Cambre	Sacristan
Friday 6/26/26	9:00am	Fr. Ed Degeyter	Chad Courtois	Ricky Segura Vicki Murdock Percy Barrilleaux Linda Viator	Sacristan
Saturday 6/27/26	4:00pm	Fr. Ed Degeyter	Bill Miller	Marilyn Gerrets Mike Degeyter Willie & Cynthia Elmer	Moss Fly
Sunday 6/28/26	8:00am	Fr. Matthew Higginbotham	Nena Suit	Margo LeBlanc Mary Pesson	Bedia Fly
	10:00am	Fr. Matthew Higginbotham	Michelle Moss	Vincent Borne Brenda Romero	Comeaux Fly

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