BULLETIN: 20TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME AUGUST 15TH, 2021

Please pray for those who are ill & in need of our continued prayer: Bob Yoder, Christopher Endicott, Luke Barden, Joe Kranz, Doug Jones, Trang & Ann Treber, Steve Wilmes, Eddy & Deborah Messer, Scott Weaver, Foster Sauter, Erin Palmer, & Keagan Sanders.

DAILY EVENTS & MASS INTENTIONS						
	Saturday, August 14 th					
2:00 p.m.	Wedding: Shelby Scott & Abby Linnebur					
4:15 p.m.	Confessions					
5:00 p.m.	Mass: Adam Albert					
7:30 p.m.	Mass: Neocatechumenal Way					
	Sunday, August 15 th					
8:15 a.m.	Confessions					
9:00 a.m.	Mass: Bev and Ed Rios					
11:30 a.m.	Mass: People of OLP					
Monday, August 16th						
8:30 a.m.	Mass: Suffering Souls in Purgatory					
	Tuesday, August 17th					
8:30 a.m.	Mass: Sophie Matthais					
Wednesday, August 18th						
	No Mass: Office is Closed					
Thursday, August 19th						
8:30 a.m.	Mass: Tanner Christopherson					
6:00 p.m.	Mass: 3 rd Thursday					
6:30 p.m.	Holy Hour (Adoration)					
Friday, August 20th						
7:15 a.m.	Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament					
8:30 a.m.	Mass: Dominic Pham					
7:00 p.m.	Spanish Choir Practice					
Saturday, August 21st						
4:15 p.m.	Confessions					
5:00 p.m.	Mass: Dominic Pham					
7:30 p.m.	Mass: Neocatechumenal Way					

OFFERTORY

Sunday, August 22nd

Mass: Margaret Mahoney

Mass: People of OLP

Confessions

8:15 a.m.

9:00 a.m.

11:30 a.m.

August 8, 2021

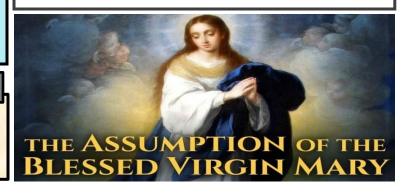
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Thank you for your generosity!

REFLECTION

Revelation 11:19a; 12:1-6, 10
Psalm 45:10, 11, 12, 16
1 Corinthians 15:20-27
Luke 1:39-56

On this feast, we praise God who has taken the sinless Virgin Mary, body and soul, into His glory. In our first reading, from Revelation, we find God's temple in heaven opened and the Ark of the Covenant revealed. The most sacred item in Israel's history, the Ark had been missing since the Temple's destruction in 586 B.C. Thus, John reports some startling news. Even more startling is his revelation that the sacred vessel is now a woman, who is mother of the royal Son of David, the Messiah. Of this woman, then, we sing to God as the ancient Israelites sang: "The queen stands at your right hand, arrayed in gold." In the court of King Solomon, we glimpse Israel's traditional arrangement: Solomon's mother, Bathsheba, takes her place at the king's right hand. At Mary's Assumption, as we see in Revelation, the queen once again takes her place at the right hand of the Son of David. Our second reading shows us why this is fitting: "in Christ shall all be brought to life, but each one in proper order." What is implicit in St. Paul's statement is revealed in Revelation. The consummation of Christ's work has begun, as is proper, with the Assumption of the gueen mother. John's Apocalypse shows also the fulfillment of our Gospel. There, Mary, pregnant with Jesus, retraces the steps of David as he brought the Ark to Jerusalem (see 2 Samuel 6). Mary "arose and went" into the hill country, just as David "arose and went" to that region. Upon Mary's arrival, Elizabeth is awestruck, just as David was before the Ark. The encounter causes the baby John to leap with excitement, as David leapt before the Ark. And Mary stayed in the "house of Zechariah" for "three months," as the Ark remained in the "house of Obed-edom" for the same period. Mary is the vessel of God's presence, and she is gueen mother. She reigns now in splendor with Jesus in the heavenly Jerusalem. ST. PAUL CENTER



PARISH UPDATES

- ***NEW*** RELIGIOUS EDUCATION UPDATE: We appreciate your patience, there is great deal of transition occurring. As we figured out how to provide classes & catechism during a pandemic, we are now building a new program post pandemic. Religious education will resume in October.
- ***NEW*** Bethlehem Handicrafts Sale August 28 & 29
 after all masses: Olive Wood Statues: Jesus Virgin Mary Holy Family Angels Saints Nativity Scenes Christmas
 Ornaments Crucifixes Rosaries Wall Hangings & more!
 Bethlehem Handicrafts continues to provide a platform
 for the Christian artists of Bethlehem to showcase their
 beautiful olive wood figurines in these unprecedented
 times. For more information and to view available
 products, please visit: www.bethlehemhandicrafts.com.
- ***NEW*** THANK YOU: The Knights of Columbus sponsored another project where parishioners came together to help someone in need. We met at the home of Doug and Marsha Jones where we added a roof over the deck, safety handrails and painted the house and deck. Many parishioners showed up to help and we were able to finish by about 2:00 pm on Saturday. Thanks to all for your help!
- * ***NEW*** CATHOLIC BIBLICAL SCHOOL: Will start 9/13.
- ***NEW***STRASBURG HOMETOWN DAYS: Look for the Knights of Columbus and Father John representing our parish in the parade! Team OLP let's make some noise!
- **REMINDER**WOMEN OF OUR PARISH: Check out the information in the bottom right corner of this bulletin, new women's study starting in September.
- **REMINDER** THAT MAN IS YOU! WILL BEGIN SEPT. 18TH IT WILL BE ON SATURDAY MORNINGS FROM 7:00 8:30 a.m.
- **REMINDER**: The 3rd Thursday of each month we will have mass from 6:00 to 6:30 p.m. with adoration from 6:30 to 7:00 p.m. Beginning this Thursday, August 19th.
- **REMINDER* / SAVE THE DATE**:

FALL FESTIVAL! This year we would like to invite ALL FAMILIES in our parish to come together and enjoy an afternoon with your fellow parishioners. The <u>date of the festival</u> will be <u>October 3rd</u>, from <u>2:00 – 6:00 p.m.</u> If you are available to help, please contact: Diane Fahey 303-748-3897 OR Irene Ibarra 303-229-0660.

REMINDER IN IPSO CLASSES STARTING IN

September: In Ipso Ministry is offering a 24-week school of prayer on deepening spiritual life. Class will be every Monday, 7:00 – 8:30 pm beginning September 13, 2021. Tuition is \$20 per class per person (\$480) with scholarships available. Couples and family members enjoy 50% discount on the second enrollee. Learn more at www.in-ipso.org or contact andrea@in-ipso.org, or call 720-2034499. Please Register by Aug 30.

RELIGIOUS ED. EVENTS & UPDATES

FALL REGISTRATIONS FOR 2021 – 2022: Signup for RCIA(C) & ALL Religious ED on the website CLICK HERE! Classes will resume in October!

ACTIVITY OF THE WEEK (For kids 3 & up)

The Day the Sun Danced: The TRUE Story of Fatima Our Lady of Fatima. CLICK HERE to watch on Formed!

YOUTH GROUP

MURDER IN THE DARK WILL BE RESCHEDULED DUE TO STRASBURG HOMETOWN DAYS. If you have not signed up for Flocknote, please do so. Flocknote is a platform used by Priests & Parishes to communicate with their "flock." Please click FLOCKNOTE to sign up for notifications from Father John.

ALTAR & ROSARY

<u>Coffee, Cookies, and Lemonade</u>: Join us as Altar & Rosary will be serving cookies & refreshments after the 9:00 a.m. Masses.

Next Meeting: Sunday September 12^{th} , 10:15 - 11:15 a.m. In the classroom by the kitchen.

NEW 10-WEEK WOMEN'S STUDY



"Educating on the Nature and Dignity of Women" (ENDOW) is a Catholic educational program that brings women together to discover their God-given dignity and understand their role in humanizing the transforming society. ENDOW utilizes small study groups, conferences, and retreats to cultivate faith, fellowship, and formation.

Letter to Women is a 10-week course meeting weekly. No homework is required. The class will be offered on Wednesday evenings from 6:30-8:30pm, September 22 through December 8. Location will be at Our Lady of the Plains. The cost for the book is \$34.95. Registration forms are in the front of the Church and in the Parish Hall. Completed registration and payment can be dropped in the box on the table in the hall or given to Jeanna or Mona.

Registration's deadline is September 7. Any questions or requests for financial help or if you would like to donate to the scholarship fund, please contact:

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