BULLETIN: 21ST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME AUGUST 22ND, 2021

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

DAILY EVENTS & MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, August 21st

4:15 p.m. Confessions5:00 p.m. Mass: Dominic Pham7:30 p.m. Mass: Neocatechumenal Way

Sunday, August 22nd

8:15 a.m. Confessions

9:00 a.m. Mass: Margaret Mahoney

11:30 a.m. Mass: People of Our Lady of the Plains

Monday, August 23rd

8:30 a.m. Mass: Adam Albert

9:00 a.m. Father John is away during the day

Tuesday, August 24th

8:30 a.m. Mass: + Bill Wahrman

Wednesday, August 25th

No Mass: Office is Closed

Thursday, August 26th

8:30 a.m. Mass: Margaret Mahoney 6:00 p.m. Holy Hour (Adoration)

Friday, August 27th

7:15 a.m. Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament 8:30 a.m. Mass: Grandkids of M & M Linnebur 6:00 p.m. Wedding Rehearsal

7:00 p.m. Spanish Youth Choir Practice

Saturday, August 28th

1:00 p.m. Wedding Mathew & Danielle

4:15 p.m. Confessions

5:00 p.m. Mass: + Bob Liljander

7:30 p.m. Mass: Neocatechumenal Way

Sunday, August 29th

8:15 a.m. Confessions

9:00 a.m. Mass: Margaret Mahoney

11:30 a.m. Mass: People of Our Lady of the Plains

OFFERTORY

August 15, 2021

\$4,740.86

Thank you for your generosity!

REFLECTION

Readings:

Joshua 24:1-2, 15-18 Psalm 34:2-3, 16-23 Ephesians 5:21-32 John 6:60-69

This Sunday's Mass readings conclude a four-week meditation on the Eucharist. The Twelve Apostles in today's Gospel are asked to make a choice—either to believe and accept the New Covenant He offers in His Body and Blood or return to their former ways of life. Their choice is prefigured by the decision Joshua asks the Twelve Tribes to make in today's First Reading. Joshua gathers them at Shechem—where God first appeared to their father Abraham promising to make his descendants a great nation in a new. And he issues a blunt challenge: either renew their covenant with God or serve the alien gods of the surrounding nations. We too are being asked today to decide whom we will serve. For four weeks we have been presented in the liturgy with the mystery of the Eucharist—a daily miracle far greater than those performed by God in bringing the Israelites out of the land of Egypt. He has promised us a new homeland and eternal life, offering us bread from heaven to strengthen us on our journey. He has told us that unless we eat His Flesh and drink His Blood, we will have no life in us. It is a hard saying, as many murmur in today's Gospel. Yet He has given us the words of eternal life. We must believe, as Peter says today, that He is the Holy One of God, who handed Himself over for us, who gave His flesh for the life of the world. As we hear in today's Epistle, Jesus did this that we might be sanctified, made holy, through the water and word of Baptism by which we enter His new covenant. Through the Eucharist, He nourishes and cherishes us, making us His own flesh and blood, as husband and wife become one flesh. Let us renew our covenant today, approaching the altar with confidence that, as we sing in today's Psalm, the Lord will redeem the lives of His servants. ST. PAUL CENTER



PARISH UPDATES

- * **REMINDER** 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. If you are a teacher and Father John has not spoken to you, please call him or stop by the office. Religious education will resume in October.
- ***NEW*** SUPPORT OUR RETIRED PRIESTS: Our priests have given their lives to the Lord, His church and us. We are their family, please show them you care & give THIS WEEKEND during the second collection at Mass or CLICK HERE!!!
- * **REMINDER** CATHOLIC BIBLICAL SCHOOL: Starts 9/13
- ★ **REMINDER**: THAT MAN IS YOU! WILL BEGIN SEPT. 18TH IT WILL BE ON SATURDAY MORNINGS FROM 7:00 8:30 a.m. (please see the digital attachment)
- * **NEW** FROM THE CO BISHOPS/VACCINE MANDATES: For more information, CLICK HERE!!
- **REMINDER**: 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
- **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. Register by Aug 30.
- **REMINDER** FALL FESTIVAL: To be held at a beautiful venue just North of Bennett on October 3rd from 2:00 6:00 p.m. If you can help plan or are able to donate a game or pumpkins, please contact <u>Diane Fahey 303-748-3897 OR Irene Ibarra 303-229-0660 (habla hispana)</u>



RELIGIOUS ED. EVENTS & UPDATES

RCIA(C) & ALL Religious ED on the website CLICK HERE!
Classes will resume in October!

ACTIVITY OF THE WEEK (For kids 3 & up)
The Adventures of Carlos Caterpillar: Colossal Tales

FALL REGISTRATIONS FOR 2021 – 2022: Signup for

YOUTH GROUP

CLICK HERE!! (SEE ALSO ELECTRONIC BULLETIN & printed

COMING SOON...MURDER IN THE DARK

If you have not signed up for Flocknote, please do. Flocknote is a platform used by Priests to communicate with their "flock." Please click FLOCKNOTE to sign up for notifications from Fr. John.

ALTAR & ROSARY

Refreshments & Cookies: after the 9:00 a.m. Mass'



Next Meeting: Sunday September 12th, 10:15 – 11:15 a.m. In the classroom by the kitchen.



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"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 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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