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June 22-23, 2024 The 12th Sunday in Ordinary Time

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OFFICE HOURS

Wednesday - Friday 9:00 am - 3:00 pm

MASS SCHEDULE

Sunday: 8:30 am and 10:30 am Saturday: 5 pm (Vigil for Sunday) Mon. Wed. Thur. & Fri. at 9:30 am Confessions: Saturday 4 – 4:45pm

ST. MARY BT THE SEA CHURCH MISSION STATEMENT

We are a loving, supportive, and vibrant Catholic community committed to being a welcoming parish family by spreading the Love of Jesus Christ throughout our community and into the world.

THIS WEEKS SCHEDULE

MASS TIMES - INTENTIONS - EVENTS

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Saturday	June 22	
Mass 5:00 pm	+ Juan Pozos Chavez	
Sunday	June 23	
Mass 8:30 am	Chris Bloom	
Mass 10:30 am	People of the Parish	
Monday	June 24	
Mass 9:30 am	Marie Legendre	
Tuesday	June 25	
No Mass and the Office is closed		
Wednesday	June 26	
Mass 9:30 am	Justina Fulop	
Celebrate Recovery 5:30 pm		
Thursday	June 27	
Mass 9:30 am	Melissa Syfers	
Adoration followi	ng Mass until Noon	
Circle of Caring	10am	
Friday	June 28	
Mass 9:30 am	Sherri Schultz and Jennifer Dignan	

REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

A TIME FOR HEALING: Please pray for Tierra Clappo Motsinger, Lynn Marie Becker, Mike Scott, Donna Webster, Jordan Fulop, Fr. Terry Tompkins, Melissa Syfers, Tina Chick, John Bender, Alan Pope, Mary Alger, Ron Peterson, Lisa Gibbons, Christina Guccione, Harold Stern, Diane Reed, Ed Seeger, Cathy McAllister, Mark Wustenberg, Robert Fulks, Al and Dorothy Giacchero, Sharon Cote, Jill Mulvey, and all those who are sick or who need healing.

A TIME FOR SORROW: Please pray for Fr. Paul Opoki, Fr. Victor Rubalcara, Melida Alvarado, Linda Guma Boaid, Colleen Willis, Barbara Boyle, Lloyd, Andrew Staruch, Bill Josi, Rozina Agbua, Phyllis Scott, Marcia Simmons, Nicholas Pronesti, Gwen Medina, Lamar O'leary, John Ritter, Joao Pinto Jr., Nancy McGillis, Brixton, Pope Benedict, Art Pieretti, Marilou Bowman, and all those who have died recently.

A TIME FOR JOY AND CELEBRATION: We pray for all those who are celebrating a Birthday, Anniversary, or other special occasion this week. Happy Birthday to Jill Mulvey and Michelle Vinciguerra

PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE CHOIR NEEDS YOU: If you are interested in joining the choir for either of the Sunday Masses, we are looking for more choir members and we need someone who can play the keyboard during Mass.

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY AND PROGRAM Our Sunday School
Program is every Sunday at the 10:30 Mass. The children are
dismissed before the Readings, and return in time for the celebration of
the Eucharist. We are using the Liturgy of the Word for Children
curriculum. This will be a fun time for children to engage with the Mass at



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their developmental level. All Sunday School teachers have had background checks and have received training from the Archdiocese. Please plan on having your children join us!

GARDEN HELP: We are still looking for those who like to work in the garden. You would be signing up to spend one day during a week this summer to do the watering and weed pulling. There is a sign-up sheet on the table in the vestibule.

FAITH FORMATION: There are forms in the back of the church for our Faith Formation classes. If someone in your family, or a friend, is interested in becoming a Catholic, then have them sign-up for,the RCIA class. If you have a child who needs to be Confirmed, please take and fill out the form for Confirmation.

WINTER SURVIVAL FUND: St. Mary by the Sea has been welcoming local parishioners and many more from throughout the country and world, for nearly 100 years. She can be counted upon to celebrate and nourish all who come, and hope you always feel at home. We love the months when pews are filled with worshipers, some representing many generations, and some visiting for the first time. The reality for St. Mary's is that while our ocean front location is beautiful and unique, the upkeep throughout the year, with frequent strong winds and rain, presents numerous challenges and we hope we can continue to count on your prayers and support if you are able. Currently the priorities being addressed include repair of leaks to the church and bell tower, roof leaks in the parish hall, and the courtyard repairs including ADA requirements for safety. Fulltime parishioners continue to hold fundraisers throughout the year and seek resources locally, but our numbers are small, and truthfully aging. Thank you for being here – having you join us in worship fills us with joy and we hope you will always consider St. Mary by the Sea your parish as well.

ORDINATION CEREMONY: Join us to celebrate as Archbishop Sample will ordain four deacons to the Order of the Priesthood! The Mass of Ordination will begin at 11:00 AM on Saturday, June 22nd, at St. Mary's Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception. A reception will follow Mass. Please pray for them.

Click on this link to join the ceremony live: 2024 Priesthood Ordination (vimeo.com)



SAINT ALOYSIUS: The June Newsletter for St. Aloysius is in the vestibule. We are happy to announce that there are 420 students at the school. We are providing Full Scholarships for 64 of them and Half scholarships for 148 of them. Thank you for all your support.

WEEKLY OFFERINGS

Offertory Collection	\$5,246.00
Needy	\$50.00
Maintenance/Building	\$639.00
Votive	\$5.00
Flowers	\$75.00
Hospitality	\$6.00
Gift Donation	\$650.22
Winter Survival Fund	\$690.00

REFLECTION FROM FATHER AKUTI

There is a striking contrast between the relaxed demeanor of Jesus in the storm and the great agitation of the disciples. Jesus was clearly coping with the storm better than they were. Having been rebuked by his disciples, Jesus goes on to rebuke them, 'Why are you so frightened? How is it that you have no faith?' They had been with Jesus for some time and had witnessed God powerfully at work in and through him. That experience should have been enough to reassure them that, in spite of the raging storm, all would be well, because Jesus was with them. He had said to them at the beginning of their journey, 'let us cross over to the other side.' They should have trusted that, they would make it to the other side, in spite of the storm they were encountering.

The church's Evangelization Mission has gone through stormy waters in this century. Perhaps, in the midst of these storms some of us may have been tempted to cry out with the disciples in the boat, 'we are going down.' We may be asking, like those disciples, where is the Lord in all of this? Like them, we may find ourselves fearful and losing faith as the church lurches from side to side in the stormy waters.

One of the messages of the storm story is that the Lord remains with the church in the storm. The Lord is present to his fearful and faithless disciples. He may rebuke us as he rebuked those disciples in the boat. However, his presence to us in the storm is not just a rebuking presence. It is ultimately a creative and lifegiving presence. Jesus brought calm out of the chaos; he tamed the storm and saw to it that the boat reached the other side. The Lord remains stronger than the storms that threaten the church, whether those storms are self-inflicted or brought on by others.

Like the apostles, we need to trust that Our Lord works to bring his church through the storm to a new place where, as in their case, fear gives way to awe and their rebuking question, 'Master, do you not care?' gives way to amazement, 'Who can this be? Even the winds and sea obey him.' This conviction (that the Lord of the church is stronger than the storm) should not make us complacent. Yet, it keeps us hopeful and faithful, even when so much seems under threat. Our need and distress can open us up more fully to the Lord's life-giving presence among us.

As Paul says in his letter to the Romans, 'God proves his love for us in that while we still were sinners Christ died for us.' It is that remarkable love of God in Christ for us that urges us on, even when we are battling against a headwind. It urges us on until we reach what the gospel calls 'the other side', the place towards which the Lord is guiding the church — the place where he wants us all to be.