



Our parish community welcomes you! We are blessed by your active participation in our worship together. Thank you for helping us grow!

"Be faithful in little things."
-Bl. Francis Xavier Seelos, C.Ss.R

WEEKLY PARISH OFFERINGS

SUNDAY MASS
8:00 am and 10:30 am

CONFESSION
before, between, and after Sunday Masses
or by appointment: call Fr. Jim

DAILY MASS
Wednesdays at 8:30 am at
Steinway Piano Gallery on Hwy 31
Thursdays at 8:30 am at
Women's Health Center off Hwy 31

Parishioners can still sign up to have a Daily Mass in their home via the church website.

MINISTRY OF THE SICK
Please contact the parish office if you or anyone you know would like to receive weekly communion.

UPCOMING EVENTS

RCIA BEGINS
SEPT 11
See announcement.

FIRST RECONCILIATION PARENT MEETING
SEPT 15 @ 9:45 AM
See Religious Education Corner.

CONFIRMATION ENROLLMENT MASS
SEPT 15 @ 10:30 AM MASS
See announcement.

CATECHISMAL BLESSING
SEPT 22 @ 10:30 AM MASS

CONFIRMATION ENROLLMENT MASS
Join us during the 10:30 Mass on September 15th as students seek to be enrolled into the program of preparation.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CORNER

Sunday School Starts Today! It's not too late to register, see the main entrance for forms. Cost is \$25 per child/\$75 maximum per family.

Topics
September 8 A New Year
September 15 God's Providence

1st Reconciliation Parent Meeting – All parents with children receiving Reconciliation for the first time are asked to attend this meeting on September 15th @ 9:45 am. Please remember to bring your child's Baptismal Certificate.

PARENT MEETING: FIRST RECONCILIATION

All parents with children completing their 1st Reconciliation this year need to attend this meeting on Sunday, Sept 15 @ 9:30 am. We will be meeting at the chairs closest to the choir.

RCIA OPEN REGISTRATION

Registration is open for RCIA 2019-2020! If you, someone that is non-Baptized, or a Christian of another Faith is interested in investigating the Catholic Faith, now is the time for RCIA. Please see the main entrance table for registration forms, and contact Fr. Jim at (251) 202-3929 or francisxseelos@gmail.org, or Theresa West at (228) 209-4935 or Theresabertagnollwest@yahoo.com.

CATECHISMAL BLESSING

Join us during the 10:30 Mass on September 22nd as our team of Catechists are formally commissioned for ministry in the community. We are grateful for their active witness to spreading the Gospel to our young Church.

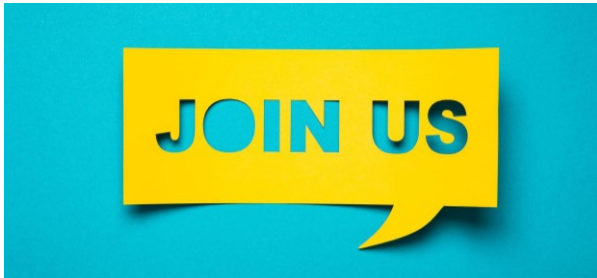
SHARE YOUR FAITH

Become a Catechist! Join us in sharing our Faith with the students. Contact Theresa West @ 228 209 4935 or theresabertagnollwest@yahoo.com.

STEWARDSHIP: GIFT OF TREASURE

LAST WEEK'S OFFERING
Tithe Collection: \$4151.00
Building Fund: \$1697.00

UPCOMING 2nd COLLECTION
9/8 – Burse Club
9/15 – Catholic University of America



FUNDRAISER COMMITTEE

Come join us with your ideas for an Annual Fundraiser. We need 4 more members. Please sign up today at the main entrance.



ACYC JR – OCTOBER 5TH

ACYC Jr – fellowship, fun, and faith for middle school youth!
Saturday, October 5th at Corpus Christi Parish in Mobile.

This year's theme is "Unashamed." Our young people will be challenged to live a holy boldness in their middle school, at home, and with their friends.

See the entrance table for registration forms. We hope to see you there!

FAMILY CONNECTION FOR THE TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

- *First Reading: Wisdom 9:13-18b | Knowledge alone has limits. We also need wisdom to understand the ways of God.*
- *Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 90:3-4,5-6,12-13,14-17 | God's power has no boundaries; it is not limited by space and time.*
- *Second Reading: Philemon 9-10, 12-17 | Paul encourages one of his converts to consider his former slave a brother in Christ Jesus.*
- *Gospel Reading: Luke 14:25-33 | Jesus teaches about the demands of discipleship.*

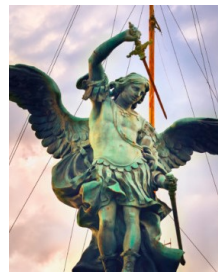
In chapter 14 of Luke's Gospel, Jesus is speaking to people gathered at the table about the difficulties of following him. This group of people is suspicious about Jesus, looking to catch him doing something wrong. Jesus speaks to them in parables, emphasizing that although there is a right way to be a disciple and enter into the kingdom of his Father, it is a difficult path to follow. Many, even some of the guests at the table, reject the invitation. So Jesus turns to the crowds and speaks to them of discipleship. Jesus explains that, when it comes to making a choice for the Kingdom of God, nothing can get in the way. When Jesus describes "hating" one's father and mother, he is not talking about feelings. Rather, he is emphasizing very strongly that choosing to be a disciple means that everything else—family, money, your own life—must come second. In Matthew's version of this story (Matthew 10:37), Jesus refers not to "hating" father or mother, but to loving them more than Jesus. Jesus makes it very clear that being a disciple is not easy. It means to bear one's own cross. These difficult sayings of Jesus are followed by two brief parables (a person constructing a tower and a king marching into battle) that make an obvious point—don't start what you cannot finish. Discipleship is difficult and is something we can commit to only if we are prepared to put the Kingdom of God before everything else. www.loyolapress.com

PRAYER OF THE MONTH: ST. MICHAEL THE ARCHANGEL

"Now have salvation and power come, and the kingdom of our God and the authority of his Anointed. For the accuser of our brothers is cast out, who accuses them before our God day and night." Rev 12:10

Prayer to St. Michael the Archangel

St. Michael the Archangel, defend us in battle; be our protection against the wickedness and snares of the devil. May God rebuke him, we humbly pray: and do thou, O Prince of the heavenly host, by the power of God, thrust into hell Satan and all the evil spirits who prowl about the world seeking the ruin of souls. Amen.



DAILY READINGS | SEPTEMBER 9 - 15

Sept 9: Memorial of Saint Peter Claver, Priest | Col 1:24-23 | Ps 62:6-7, 9 | Lk 6:6-11
Sept 10: Tuesday of the 23rd Week in Ordinary Time | Col 2:6-15 | Ps 145:1b-2, 8-9, 10-11 | Lk 6:12-19
Sept 11: Wednesday of the 23rd Week in Ordinary Time | Col 3:1-11 | Ps 145:2-3, 10-11, 12-13ab | Lk 6:20-26
Sept 12: Thursday of the 23rd Week in Ordinary Time | Col 3:12-17 | Ps 150:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6 | Lk 6:27-38
Sept 13: Memorial of Saint John Chrysostom, Bishop and Doctor of the Church | 1 Tm 1:1-2, 12-14 | Ps 16:1b-2a and 5, 7-8, 11 | Lk 6:39-42
Sept 14: Feast of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross | Nm 21:4b-9 | Ps 78:1bc-2, 34-35, 36-37, 38 | Phil 2:6-11 | Jn 3:13-17
Sept 15: Sunday of the 24th Week in Ordinary Time | Ex 32:7-11, 13-14 | Ps 51:3-4, 12-13, 17, 19 | 1 Tm 1:12-17 | Lk 15:1-32

September 8, 2019 | Twenty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time

RECONCILE TO THE LORD

"I will rise and go to my Father."



CATHOLIC PARISH

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