

Twenty-Second Sunday of Ordinary Time

September 3, 2017



**First Reading: Jeremiah 20:7-9; Responsorial Psalm 63:2-6, 8-9;
Second Reading: Romans 12:1-2; Gospel: Matthew 16:21-27**

“Whoever loses his life for my sake will find it.”

Jeremiah and Jesus remind us what faithfulness to God is all about—**FINDING OUR TRUE SELF!** The love that Peter couldn't understand requires a denial of self. A disciple's choice is always to lose oneself entirely in Christ and to take on his way of life and mission—and his very identity—as one's own.

Jesus tells us that if we want to save our life, we must lose it. The cross is our life because of our love for God and our desire for goodness and truth. When we live out the ideals and dreams that Jesus has given us, when we reject the false values of our society, we can expect to suffer and pay the price of being different. When we are only concerned about our self we shut ourselves off from others and build walls that separate and divide us. Rather than saving our life, we lose it because God is about loving and forgiving, sharing and caring, mercy and compassion, self-giving and sacrifice. No greater love has anyone than to lay down one's life for another.



Faith Formation 2017-18
Open Enrollment
Register today!

Families with children or youth wishing to prepare this year for the Sacraments of the Eucharist (First Communion) and Reconciliation (First Confession) or Confirmation (High School students) are invited to register this weekend, Saturday and Sunday, September 2 and 3, following our Masses or stop by the office during the week for a registration form.

Adults who would like to become baptized members of the Catholic Church through our RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults); as well as **adults wishing to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation**; and **adults who would like to enter into Full Communion with the Catholic Church** (those baptized in another Christian tradition) are also invited to register!

Hurricane Harvey Assistance

Bishop Garcia has asked for an emergency 2nd collection on **Sept. 23-24**. The collection will be used to support the humanitarian and recovery efforts of Catholic Charities and provide pastoral and rebuilding support for the victims.

Why Catholic? Signups

This fall, our parish will be implementing a new ministry called Why Catholic. Why Catholic is a series of six-week sessions, in the fall and spring, designed to bring faith-sharing communities together to deepen our beliefs and understanding of our Catholic faith. Our first session will be on prayer and deepening our relationship with God, and each other, through prayer.

Each faith community will have a group facilitator and will consist of 6 to 8 members who will meet weekly for six weeks, starting in early October and ending in mid-November. We are inviting members of our parish, and faith community, to sign up as either participants and/or facilitators. The number of sign-ups will determine how many facilitators we will need. On another note, if you are not comfortable being a facilitator, but would be willing to host a group as a participant in your home that is an option as well. If you have any questions, or would like to signup for Why Catholic, please contact Tess Arthur at tessors@hotmail.com/831-596-5170 or Alondra Klemek at lalavk@hotmail.com/831-277-1294.



World Day of Prayer for the Care of Creation

September 1 was recognized by Pope Francis as the World Day of Prayer for the Care of God's Creation. Let's extend it to the entire month. Please see the special bulletin insert and visit the following sites — they are also available on the church website!

<http://livelaudatosi.org/>

<http://catholicclimatemovement.global/world-day-of-prayer/>

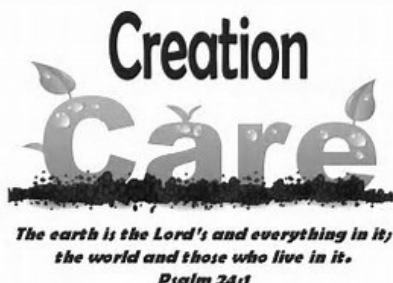
<http://tinyurl.com/yczomwdm>

(this links to a Catholic Relief Services page on caring for creation)

<http://www.usccb.org/prayer-and-worship/prayers-and-devotions/prayers/prayers-to-care-for-creation.cfm>

"Lord, teach us to contemplate you in the beauty of creation and reawaken our gratitude and sense of responsibility."

—Pope Francis



Altar Servers Needed

Children, youth, and young adults are invited to serve as Altar Servers or Acolytes for our Saturday and Sunday Masses. We have a special need at our Saturday, 4:30 pm Mass.

Mass Intentions

Mass intentions for Sunday and weekday Masses are available. This is a special way to remember and pray for the sick of our families, the deceased, and other special intentions.

2nd Collection — This Sat. & Sun., Sept. 2 & 3

Parish Grounds and Building Maintenance

Offertory Report 8/27/2017

Plate collection: \$3,753; Hope's Pantry/ Outreach Second Collection: \$395; Grounds & Maintenance: \$25; other \$268. Total Deposit: \$4,441.

Mass Intentions Sept. 2-8, 2017

Sat., 4:30 pm	Kathie Riordan
Sun., 9:00 am	+Susan Barnes +Steve Heinrichs
Sun., 11:15 am	Victims of Hurricane Harvey
Sun., 5:00 pm	Lorenzo Osornio - 60 años
Wed., 7:00 am	Rich Ring
Thu., 7:00 am	Victims of Hurricane Harvey
Fri., 7:00 am	Sick of the Parish



NOTICIAS ESPECIALES

Misa en Español - Cada domingo a las 5:00 pm.

Bautismos, Bodas, Quinceañeras - Favor de hablar con P. Dennis.

Confesiones - Cada sábado, 3:30 pm y por cita.

Músicos - Si toca guitarra u otro instrumento, favor de participar en nuestro coro. Los ensayos son a las 4:15 pm antes de la Misa Dominical.

¿POR QUE SER CATOLICO?

Empezando en octubre, nuestra parroquia participará en el proceso especial para profundizar y vivir la alegría de nuestra fe Católica que se llama *¿Por Qué Ser Católico?* ¡Las 6 semanas dos veces por año nos ofrecerán la oportunidad de crecer individualmente, juntos como pequeñas comunidades y como comunidad parroquial!

"Nos creaste para ti, Señor, y nuestro corazón andará siempre inquieto mientras no descansa en ti." —San Agustín

CATECISMO PARA LOS NIÑOS, JOVENES Y

ADULTOS - Tendremos registraciones de las clases de Primera Comunión para los niños y niñas, jóvenes y adultos de la parroquia este domingo, después de las Misas. Este año tendremos clases de Primera Comunión los domingos en español a las 4 pm, antes de la Misa de 5 pm y clases en ingles, después de la misa de 9 am.

Youth Corner (Matthew 16:21-27)

"God forbid, Lord!" Satan's task is to hinder God's ways. Peter seems to be trying to block or stop Jesus. He is reminded by Jesus that the place of a disciple is not in front of the Master, but behind him. Where do we stand in relation to the Jesus— in front, behind, or beside him?

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Mass Schedule

Saturday: 4:30 pm

Sunday: 9 am & 11:15 am

Spanish Mass: Sunday at 5 pm

Weekday Masses:

Wednesday through Friday 7 am

Reconciliation

Saturday 3:30 pm and by appointment

Office Hours

Wednesday through Friday

9 am – 12 pm; 2 – 4 pm

Ministries / Contacts

Pastoral Council:	Jeff Hawkins, Chair, Patrick Dowd, Vice Chair, Lori Jakubowski, Secretary, Tess Arthur, Alondra Klemek, Adele Margolis, María Ortiz, José Resendiz, DeDe Woodhead,
Finance Council:	Joe Hertlein, Chair, Rafael Maldonado, Vice Chair, John Finn, Secretary, Diane Douglas, Pat Ryan, Steve Zalan
Faith Formation:	First Communion Year 1 and 2: Margaret Lopez Confirmation Year 1: Patricia Gray Confirmation Year 2: Teresa Brunson, Christina Haupt, Lori Jakubowski RCIA / Becoming Catholic: John Condon, John O'Keefe
Hope's Pantry:	Lydia Newton • Wednesday 10 am–12 noon
Hope's Boutique:	Deborah Kimes • Wednesday 10 am–12 noon
Manna Ministry:	Joni Zabala • joni@thegrid.net
Music Ministry:	Larry Carolan (4:30 pm & 9 am Mass) Louis Lebherz, Director, Barney Hulse, Piano (11:15 am Mass)
Lectors:	DeDe Woodhead
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