



SAINT JOSEPH

Catholic Church, Port Saint Joe, Florida

SIXTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

JULY 18, 2021



SUNDAY MASS

SATURDAY - 4:00 PM
SUNDAY - 9:00 AM and 11:00 AM

CONFESSIONS

SUNDAY - 10:15-10:45 AM IN THE HALL
OR CONTACT US TO SET UP AN APPOINTMENT.

WEEKDAY MASS

MONDAY - 12:00 PM
TUESDAY - No scheduled Mass
WEDNESDAY - 5:30 PM
THURSDAY - 8:00 AM
FRIDAY - 8:00 AM (followed by Adoration of
the Blessed Sacrament until 9:30 AM)

Reflections on Today's Gospel

"Come away by yourselves to a deserted place and rest a while." Mark 6:31a

This is an invitation we may need to hear far more than we realize. And it's an invitation that many find hard to accept from Jesus. But take it as a direct invitation offered to you from our Lord. Hear Him say this to you: "You, my child, please do come away by yourself to a deserted place and rest for a while."

There is something very healing and helpful that comes from silence and moments of solitude. There is something about silence and solitude that enables us to get refocused. So often in life we are overwhelmed by busyness. "Busyness" is often a way for the evil one to wear us down and get us off track. It keeps us from the gentle, clear and refreshing voice of God. So how is it that God is inviting you to come away by yourself and rest?

At the heart of this invitation is a longing in Jesus' heart that we rest from those burdens which weigh us down unnecessarily. It's true that there are many good things God calls us to do that can exhaust us. But this "holy exhaustion" is not a bad thing. In fact, being "exhausted" by the will of God actually deepens our faith and fills us with joy. And that joy lightens our burden.

The main reason for our need to "come away" and "rest" is that there are many things in life that are not part of God's will. These are burdens we impose upon ourselves unnecessarily. These burdens, more than anything else, are what we need to rest from.

Coming away, alone, with Jesus, is a way of getting refocused and clearing out the clutter of life. It's a way of escaping from our impulses and habits that draw us away from the joyful will of God. So think about this invitation. Think about it practically. Can you find at least ten minutes today to go find silence so as to rest in the arms of Jesus? *My Catholic Life*

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Bulletin Announcements

If you have an announcement for the bulletin, you may send it to office@stjosephpsj.org. Please keep it to 100 words or less and submit it by the Monday prior to the weekend you would like it to be in the bulletin.

Food Donations

Don't forget our food basket at the entrance of the church which is open daily. It is there all year for dropping off nonperishables. If you're visiting the area, and have nonperishables that you didn't use, consider donating them before you make your trip back home. Thank you for thinking of those in need.

Prayer List

Carol Van Treese	Alana Conklin
Jean Stone	Eamom Conklin
Debbie Nesemeier	Aedan Conklin
Beulah Landers	Jamie Chitwood
Julie Rainford	Justin Chitwood
Darnell Pierce	Phillip Brocato
Ron Treutel	Karl Bowen
Carmen Oliver	Marie Henderson
Pat Oliverio	Dan Wombles
Julie Bishop	Dottie Race
Beth Gray	Lisa Baggett
Melissa Cole	Fr. Ray Kellerman
Kathleen Dowd	Jason Richter
Jim Newton	Donnie Bender
Sterling Cole	Terry Nestrud
Amanda Dennis	Tanya Osley
Jadon Michael Kalp	Chuck Worley
Denise Mastro	Maureen Carroll
Tara Conklin	Yvonne Cambuli

To request that a name be placed on the prayer list, please call or email the parish office. Names will remain on the list for three months. If they need to stay on longer or come off early let us know and we'll take care of it.

Stewardship of Treasure

Offertory

Weekly Need: \$2,800.00

Last weekend's offertory: \$4,120.00

Year-to-date* need: \$151,200.00

Year-to-date giving: \$171,381.26

*July 2020 - June 2021 fiscal year

Catholic Sharing Appeal 2021

Pledge Goal: \$16,540.82

Total Pledged: \$17,064.00

Total Received: \$11,884.45

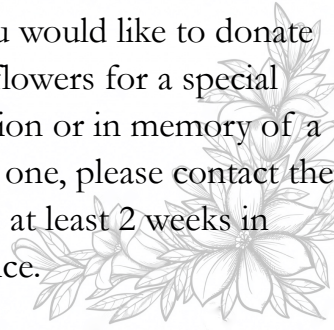
Variance*: -\$4,656.37

Number of Families Pledged: 42

*Variance is Pledge Goal minus Total Received

Altar Flowers

If you would like to donate altar flowers for a special occasion or in memory of a loved one, please contact the office at least 2 weeks in advance.



Mass Intentions

Saturday, July 17, Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

4:00 pm -

Sunday, July 18, Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:00 am -

11:00 am - For the People of St. Joseph

Monday, July 19, Sixteenth Week in Ordinary Time

12:00 pm -

Tuesday, July 20, Sixteenth Week in Ordinary Time

No scheduled Mass

Wednesday, July 21, Sixteenth Week in Ordinary Time

5:30 pm -

Thursday, July 22, Feast of St. Mary Magdalene

8:00 am -

Friday, July 23, Sixteenth Week in Ordinary Time

8:00 am -

Saturday, July 24, Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

4:00 pm -

Sunday, July 25, Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:00 am -

11:00 am - For the People of St. Joseph

To request Mass intentions, please contact the parish office.

Liturgical Ministers



July 17 & 18

4:00 Marsha Young

9:00 Lorinda Gingell

11:00 Michael Osley

July 24 & 25

4:00 Marianne Warhol

9:00 Kyle Reed

11:00 Barbara Conway



Meditation

Reflect, today, upon how ready and willing you are to accept the invitation from Jesus to come and rest with and in Him. Commit yourself to doing just that. Make the choice, today, to find time to be alone. From that time of solitude, seek the still, small and silent voice of God. Let the quiet and the peace of God's presence bring clarity and focus to your busy life.

Lord, help me to hear You call me to a time of rest and peace. Help me to seek You and to accept Your gentle invitation. Jesus, I trust in You. My Catholic Life

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