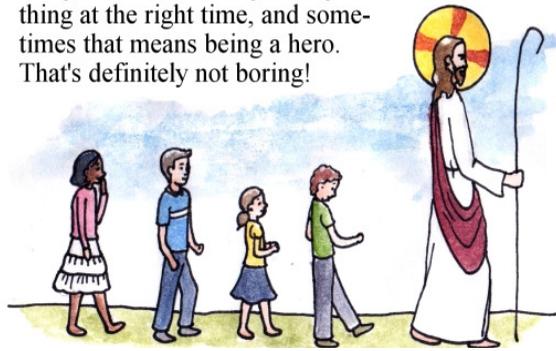


Follow Jesus

In today's Gospel reading, Jesus asks some people to leave everything behind and follow Him. God is actually asking all of us to follow Him! Does that mean that we have to start wandering from town to town preaching? No! It means that we should try to become holy like Jesus.

God calls everyone to be holy. Some people become holy as priests or religious sisters or brothers, but those are not the only ways to become holy. Kids, married people and single people can all live out God's plan for holiness by doing His will every day.

You might think at first that being holy sounds boring, but it's not! Holiness means being like God. It means using the gifts God gave you to do good things. It means doing the right thing at the right time, and sometimes that means being a hero. That's definitely not boring!



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SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM:

Baptisms are usually celebrated on the fourth Sunday of every month. Please contact the Parish Office at least **6 weeks** before the date.

SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE:

Couples must contact the Parish Office to arrange at least **6 months** before the desired date.

MASS INTENTIONS:

Intentions must be booked at least by the Wednesday, one week before the desired date.

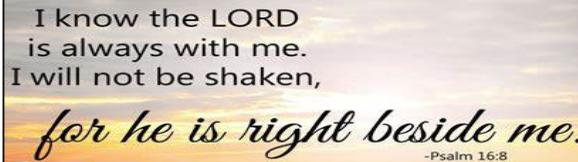
PRAYER DURING THE HURRICANE SEASON

O Lord, our God and Father, who gives rain and sunshine to your children, we ask you in this rainy season to uphold us and provide for our needs.

You try our patience and test our faith and reliance on you; forgive our sin of ingratitude. So often have we forgotten to thank you for your goodness and acts of mercy. Teach us to look up to you each day, appreciative of rain and sunshine, as you, in your wisdom, through any kind of weather do feed us all.

In your mercy, protect us against hurricanes and tropical storms. Pour out your blessings upon our nation and our people, and make us grateful for the weather we receive from your bountiful hand.

We make this prayer through Christ our Lord. Amen.



Prayer for the Synod on Synodality

We stand before You, Holy Spirit, as we gather together in Your name.

With You alone to guide us, make Yourself at home in our hearts;

Teach us the way we must go and how we are to pursue it.

We are weak and sinful; do not let us promote disorder.

Do not let ignorance lead us down the wrong path nor partiality influence our actions.

Let us find in You our unity so that we may journey together to eternal life and not stray from the way of truth and what is right.

All this we ask of You, who are at work in every place and time, in the communion of the Father and the Son, forever and ever. **Amen.**



St. Joseph the Worker Parish
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VISION 2020-DISCIPLES ON MISSION

13TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME -26 JUNE 2022 - YEAR C

The Path to Life.

In the First Reading, Elijah's disciple is allowed to kiss his parents goodbye before setting out to follow the prophet's call. But this week's Liturgy wants us to know that we are called to follow a "greater than Elijah".

In Baptism, we have put on the cloak of Christ, been called to the house of a new Father, and been given a new family in the kingdom of God. We have been called to leave behind our past lives and never look back - to follow wherever He leads.

Elijah was taken up in a whirlwind and his disciple was given a double portion of his spirit. Jesus too, the Gospel reminds us, was "taken up", and He gave us His Spirit to live by, to guide us in our journey in His kingdom.

As the Epistle tells us, the call of Jesus shatters the yoke of every servitude, sets us free from the rituals of the old Law, and shows us the Law's fulfillment in the following of Jesus, in serving one another through love. His call sets our hands to a new plow and a new task, to be His messengers, sent ahead to prepare all peoples to meet Him and enter into His Kingdom.

Elijah called down fire to consume those who wouldn't accept God. But we have a different Spirit with us. To live by His Spirit is to face opposition and rejection, as the Apostles do in the Gospel. It is to feel like an exile, with no lasting city, no place in this world to lay our head or call home.

But we hear the voice of the One we follow in the Psalm. He calls us to make His faith our own, to abide in confidence that He will not abandon us, that He will show us "the path to life," leading us to the fullness of joy in His presence forever.

(excerpt: st.paulcenter.com)

SUNDAY READINGS

First Reading
1Kgs.19:16,19-21

Second Reading
Gal.5:1,13-18

Gospel
Lk.9:51-62

MASS TIMES

GROS ISLET
Morning Prayers:
5:45a.m.



MONDAY
6:00 a. m./12:30 p.m.



TUESDAY
6:00 a.m.



WEDNESDAY
6:00 a.m./12:30 p.m.
G/Riviere: 6:00 p.m.



THURSDAY
6:00 a.m./12:30 p.m.
Monchy: 6:00 p.m.



FRIDAY
6:00 a. m./12:30 p.m.



SATURDAY
6:30 a.m./6:00 p. m.



SUNDAY
Gros Islet/G. Riviere
7:30 A.M.

Gros Islet/Monchy
10:00 a.m.



HOLIDAY
Variable



CONFESSIONS

Every Saturday
9.00 - 10.00 a.m.
5:00-5:45 p.m.
&
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The Solemnity of Saints Peter and Paul - June 29th

The liturgical feast in honour of the martyrdom of the apostles Peter and Paul is of ancient origin. As early as the year 258, there is evidence of an already lengthy tradition of celebrating the solemnities of both saints on the same day. Together they are the founders of the See of Rome, through their preaching, ministry, and martyrdom there.

Peter, a fisherman of Galilee originally named Simon, was introduced to the Lord by his brother Andrew. Jesus gave him the name Cephas which means 'Rock,' as he was to become the rock upon which Christ would build His Church. Peter was a bold follower of the Lord. He was the first to recognize that Jesus was "the Messiah, the Son of the living God," and eagerly pledged his fidelity until death. He made many mistakes, erring time and time again, yet despite his human weaknesses, Peter was chosen to shepherd God's flock.

When entrusted with responsibility, he demonstrated that he was mature and capable. The Acts of the Apostles illustrates his role as head of the Church after the Resurrection and Ascension of Christ. Peter led the Apostles as the first Pope and ensured that the disciples kept the true faith. He spent his last years in Rome, leading the Church through persecution. He was eventually martyred in the year 64. He was crucified upside-down at his own request, because he claimed he was not worthy to die in the same manner as his Lord. He was buried on Vatican Hill, and St. Peter's Basilica is built over his tomb.

Paul was the "Apostle to the Gentiles". His letters are included in the writings of the New Testament, and through them we learn much about his life and the faith of the early Church. Born at Tarsus (now in Turkey), he was a Jew of the tribe of Benjamin and a Roman citizen. Named Saul at his circumcision, he was raised a strict Jew whose profound conviction developed into a religious fanaticism against the infant Christian church. He took part in the stoning of the first martyr, Stephen, and in the fierce persecution of Christians that followed. But while on his way to Damascus to make new arrests of Christians, he was converted by a miraculous apparition of the Lord. He took the name Paul and spent the remainder of his life preaching the Gospel tirelessly to the Gentiles of the Mediterranean world.

Once a persecutor of Christ, he became the Lord's preacher. Once an impediment to the Gospel, he became its great champion. Once a guardian of Israel as an ethnic preserve of holiness, Paul came to serve as a father in the worldwide (literally, catholic) Church. Paul was eventually imprisoned and taken to Rome where he was beheaded in the year 67. He is buried in Rome in the Basilica of St. Paul Outside the Walls.

In a sermon in the year 395, St. Augustine of Hippo said of Sts. Peter and Paul: "Both apostles share the same feast day, for these two were one; and even though they suffered on different days, they were as one. Peter went first, and Paul followed. And so we celebrate this day made holy for us by the apostles' blood. Let us embrace what they believed, their life, their labors, their sufferings, their preaching, and their confession of faith."

(excerpt: catholicnewsagency.com)
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PLEASE PRAY FOR

THE SICK

Carmen Lord
Martha Mason
Iris Macauldy
Patsy Crafton
Theresa Huntley

DECEASED

Nellie Hall
Andre Joseph
Louis Prospere
Marilyn Joseph
Joseph Clement
Veronica Activille

WEEKDAY READINGS



MONDAY

Am.2:6-10,13-16
Mt.8:18-22



TUESDAY

Am.3:1-8;4:11-12
Mt.8:23-27



WEDNESDAY

Acts.12:1-11
2Tim.4:6-8,17-18

Mt.16:13-19



THURSDAY

Am.7:10-17
Mt.9:1-8



FRIDAY

Am.8:4-6,9-12
Mt.9:9-13



SATURDAY

Am.9:11-15
Mt.9:14-17



MASS INTENTIONS

GROS ISLET

CLERGY/RELIGIOUS

INTENTIONS

13TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - YEAR C

Sat Jun 25 - 6:00 p.m.

Sun Jun 26 - 7:30 a.m.

10:00 a.m.

Grande Riviere - 7:30 a.m.

Monchy - 10:00 a.m.



B'day: Chantal St. John
Diaconate Ann: Girard Glace

MISSA PRO POPULO

B'day: Tamah-Ann Francois
Lennon Frederick
Healing: Alexander Blanchard

Thks: Parishioners

Thks: Margerie Philip & family

WEEKDAY MASS INTENTIONS

Mon Jun 27 - 6:00 a.m.

12:30 p.m.

Tue Jun 28 - 6:00 a.m.
St. Irenaeus, Bishop & Martyr

Wed Jun 29 - 6:00 a.m.
Sts. Peter & Paul, Apostles

10:00 a.m.
Mass for Fishermen's Feast

Grande Riviere - 6:00 p.m.

Thu Jun 30 - 6:00 a.m.

12:30 p.m.

Monchy - 6:00 p.m.

Fri July 1 - 6:00 a.m.

12:30 p.m.

Sat July 2 - 6:30 a.m.
BVM

Fr. Kevin Murray
Rev. Gabriel Geoffrey

Fr. John Milton
Rev. Gerard Calderon

Rev. David Popo
Rev. Herald Wilson
Rev. Peter Fevrier

Rev. Winston Taylor
Sr. Margaret Maynard

Fr. Cleophus Joseph
Fr. Ignatius Cetoute
Sr. Marie Therese Clement

Fr. Athanase Joseph
Fr. Philomin Zacharias
Fr. Celestine Nwakwuo

48th Ann:
Mgmt. & Staff- Atwell Dalglish & Co

B'day: Celia Cox

Parishioners

Wedd Ann: Wilfreda & Simon Altenor

Thks: All Fisher-Folk
B'day: Paula Theophilus
90th B'day: Julia Hennecart

Parishioners

Int: Monique Louis
Bernadette Pamphile

Int: Soup Kitchen Volunteers

Parishioners

B'day: Ajani Henry

Thks: Cecil Graham
Guid & Protec:
Virginia d' Auvergne & family

Dc'd: Marie Headley, Holy Souls