

21st Sunday in Ordinary Time August 23, 2020



A Note from Fr. Scott

Today's gospel speaks about the identity of God and His relationship with His people. During my short time here in Newport, I have had a great opportunity to see how you, the disciples at St. Joseph's Church, answer Jesus' question when he asks "Who do people say that the Son of Man is?" Your response to Christ's question hasn't just come in words, but more impressively through actions!

Over the last month, I have seen parishioners care for the poor in an unconditional way. I have seen parents and grandparents care for the spiritual need of the children. I have seen volunteers stepping up to care for their neighbor's health by thoroughly cleaning between Masses. I have seen staff members show their love for Christ through their ministry here. This has been a huge source of encouragement for me in my priestly ministry! Thank you!

I'd like to leave you with this quote from Rami Shapiro: "The God of your understanding is just that: the God of your understanding. What you need is the God just beyond your understanding." God asks that we go beyond ourselves and that is a challenge for most of us. Today, I'd like to blend Christ's question in the gospel along with Shapiro's words... How can we actively respond to these words of the Rabbi Rami and continue to put them into actions following Christ's example?

*Have a blessed week,
Fr. Scott*

Services this Week

Mass Intentions

Sat	8/22	5:15pm Mass	Mass For The People
Sun	8/23	7:00am Mass	Cynthia Pontes & Parents
		10:30am Mass	Paul & Anna Ripa Paula Kyle
		6:30pm Mass	Misa en Espanol
Mon	8/24	12:05pm Mass	Paul M. Leary Birthday Remembrance
Thu	8/27	12:05pm Mass	Kathy Zmjewski
Sat	8/29	5:15pm Mass	Mass For The People
Sun	8/30	7:00am Mass	Barbara Lalli
		10:30am Mass	
		6:30pm Mass	Misa en Espanol
		Confession	By Appointment Only

NEW DAILY MASS SCHEDULE STARTING:

12:05 Mass

Mondays and Thursdays

Daily Mass times in the area:

Jesus Saviour: Mon, Wed. thru Sat. at 8:00 AM

St. Mary's: Mon., Wed. and Fri. at 7:30 AM

St. Augustin's: Tues. at 7:30 AM

St. Lucy's: Mon. thru Wed. and Fri. at 9:00 AM

St. Barnabas: Mon – Thurs at 8:30 AM

Salve Regina: Tues. and Wed. at 12:15pm *(Starting Sept)*

Volunteers still needed for all of our

Masses....to greet people, to ensure they have masks, to sanitize their hands, and to direct them to designated seating areas. Also, we are in need of others to stay after Mass to help sanitize the church. *There is a dedicated core group of volunteers who have been so helpful but more help is needed.* **Please call or speak with Cindy Sullivan or Nathan LeDoux after Mass.**

WE NEED HELP AFTER THE 5:15PM and 10:30AM PLEASE

Thank you to all that have responded.

Catholic School Assistance

If you have a child in a Catholic Elementary School here in the Diocese of Providence, please email Fr. Scott to see if about some financial assistance.

Please email Father before September 1, 2020.

Altar bread for the gluten intolerant and celiac patients is available.
See Father before mass.

Please visit our website
www.stjosephsnewport.org



Society of St. Vincent de Paul

Pope Francis speaks to the crowd after celebrating the canonization Mass of new saints in St. Peter's Square at the Vatican Oct. 15.

Love for God always translates into an active love of the poor, leading Christians to get up and go out to anyone in need, Pope Francis told members of the religious orders and charitable groups inspired by St. Vincent de Paul.

“One who loves doesn’t sit in an armchair and watch, awaiting the coming of a better world, but gets up and goes with enthusiasm and simplicity,” the pope told more than 10,000 members of the “Vincentian family”.

St. Vincent de Paul’s “passion for charity” has endured for four centuries because it is grounded in prayer and flows from adoration, Francis told the crowd. Being aware that God awaits and welcomes each person, transforms hearts into those that welcome others and prompts them to set out in search of anyone in need.

Adoration was a particularly important part of the spirituality of the French saint, who lived 1581-1660, the pope said. Simply being with the Lord “is the most pure prayer, that which makes space for the Lord and for praising him.”

The simple, silent act of adoration “gives peace and joy and dissolves the worries of life,” the pope said. A Christian who spends time in adoration “starts to act toward others the way the Lord acts toward him; he becomes more merciful, more understanding, more available, overcoming his rigidity and opening himself to others.”

Stay Well!
Love neighbor
And Wear Your Face Mask

¿Quién dice la gente que soy Yo?

Les pregunta Jesus directamente a sus discípulos.

Ya han compartido con Él varios meses de discipulado. ¿Quién soy? ¿Por qué me siguen?

Pedro le responde. No es coincidencia que el evangelista nos remarque que fue Pedro el que le dijo: «Tú eres el Mesías de Dios». Pedro reconoce en Cristo al Salvador. Hoy, su sucesor, el Papa, continúa su labor ingente de dar a conocer a este Salvador único de la humanidad. Cristo les dice, a continuación, que debe padecer, ser rechazado, entregado a muerte para después levantarse a una nueva vida.

Jesus quizá para los discípulos todo esto les sonó muy raro, no esperaban de entrada que el Señor para reinar tuviera que padecer.

Fruto: Seguir a Cristo no es fácil. Por ello seamos conscientes de esta realidad, pero es lo mejor en nuestras vidas.

*Que tengan una buena semana,
Padre Scott*

Please pray for our brothers and sisters who are ill and those who have requested our prayers:

Amy Aguiar, Debra Amini, Bruce Barrett, Evelyn Barrett, Henry Charbonneau, Larry Davis, Shawn Donnelly, Carol Eggleton, Rosemary Hayes, Baby Jackson Hall, Oscar Michael Hall, Michelle Imondi, Maureen Martin, Patricia McMahon, Dewey Morton, Tom Morton, Daryll Neal, Amy Powers, Norman Siebens, Rafael Sweeney, Tammy White.



20th Sunday in Ordinary Time Collection: \$4151.00
Haitian Project Collection: \$844.00
Your generosity is greatly appreciated.

St. Vincent dePaul Ministries

Soup Kitchen:

discontinued until further notice

Emergency Food Pantry:

BY PHONE ONLY CALL: 401-258-5773

Check out our new look at:
Stjosephsnewport.org

The 2nd collection on the last Sunday of the month is for the ongoing maintenance of our buildings and grounds. The fiscal health of the parish depends on the faithful support of the parish.