

# Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

August 30, 2020

THE SON OF MAN WILL COME  
WITH HIS ANGELS IN  
HIS FATHER'S GLORY,  
AND THEN HE WILL REPAY ALL  
ACCORDING TO THEIR CONDUCT.

Matthew 16:27



It seems that Jesus is pretty hard on Peter in today's Gospel, when he calls him "Satan" for questioning Jesus' prediction of his passion. The scene echoes Matthew's story of the temptations of Jesus (4:1-11) when Jesus encounters Satan, also called the "tempter." Satan had sought to draw Jesus into thinking about his own needs instead of attending to God's purposes. Peter was an unwitting tempter, anxiously reacting out of his own fears and misunderstanding.

This story speaks about Jesus' identity and vocation, and also about our own. As God's beloved, sent out to witness to the gospel, we are offered a foundation and a purpose to our lives. There is much in life that tempts us, stirs up false fears, or draws us to the attractive but superficial. Jesus provides us a way forward. He named the temptations that he faced, so they had no power over him. As he followed his path, he placed his full trust in his Father.

## GOD OF DIALOGUE

Our reading from Jeremiah contains some of the harshest language you will find in the Bible toward God. In despair

and fury, Jeremiah accuses God of deceiving and abusing him. He pours out his rage at God for ruining his life. He wants to quit God, but finds it impossible. In later verses, he alternates between giving thanks to God and wishing he had never been born. Remarkably, after all this, Jeremiah resumes his prophetic ministry.

As with Abraham (Genesis 18), Moses (Exodus 32), Job, and various psalms, Jeremiah pushes back against God. God receives and blesses their prayer, and their relationship is stronger for it. Our God is a God of dialogue, who encourages us to speak our mind and heart in full honesty. Our Trinitarian God is in eternal conversation within God's self, and with all of creation. God invites honest dialogue, always grounded in love, within God's Church, and between the Church and the world.

Today's Readings: Jer 20:7-9; Ps 63:2, 3-4, 5-6, 8-9; Rom 12:1-2; Mt 16:21-27

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**Welcome Visitors!**

We hope that you have enjoyed celebrating Mass with us and felt welcomed in our church as your "home away from home." Whether you are new to the area or have lived here for years, you are invited to join our parish family. Please come again!

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## We remember in our prayers all the sick, especially the following:

Jess Corrigan. Dianne & Gary Laudt. Gayle McCloskey. Randy Epp. Shay Mikalonis. Dwight Nunley. Wendy Melton. Wanda & George Duke. John Ott. Fleming Family. Carolyn Shannon. Doris Hoffman. Jo Ann Crowell. Ann Richardson. Patricia Guy. Jacob Stephens. Randy Burris. Albert Hernandez. Karina Hawkins. Frankie Durst. Susie Strickland. Doug Lawson. Dana Moffatt. Emly Walker. Mary Margaret Ellison. John Kominis. Ester Coronel. Diane Stanley. Chase Larsson. Elise Sugg. Joann Rayl. Rose Kennedy. Judy Fazzio. Marsha & Marty Blahitka. Carolyn Edwards. Joshua Larsson. Avery Boultinghouse. Wanda Stephens. Wanda Thompson. Kathryn Allen. Jim & Geri O'Neil. We list the names of our sick Parishioners. Friends and Relatives for one month. **We remember in our prayers all those who have recently died, especially: Mike Brown (spouse of Reta Brown).**

## Please pray for the men and women active military service from our parish community:

New active recruit, Reid Patrick Hope, US Marine (Nephew of Mike & Wanda Stephens). 2LT Joseph Chandler, U.S. Army (Nephew of Mike & Margaret Jernigan) Seaman Logan Adkinson (great grandson of Fr. Mike). Jay Guajardo, Navy Rescue School (Great Nephew of Lex & Liza Forster). Senior Airman, Natalie York (Daughter of Steve & Julie York). Pvt First Class Randall Scheaffer US Army (Grandson of Carlos & Pat Gallardo). Lt. Col. William P Shea. (Nephew of Deacon Sam and Nancy Mullen). Colonel John Anthony Fontana. U.S. Army (Son of John & Mary Fontana). Ensign Gary Buchanan; 2ndLt. Blake Gaughan (Nephews of Jess & Eva Corrigan). E-3R James Morgan (SonInLaw of Kathy & Dale Boman) Paul Moreno USCG (Grandson of Kathy & Dale Boman). Staff Sergeant Daniel Hodan. U.S. Army (Grandson of Ron & Barbara Eamma). Warrant Officer Michael Hauck (brother of Jeff & Cathy Ellis) & Seaman Rainer Hauck (nephew of Jeff & Cathy Ellis).

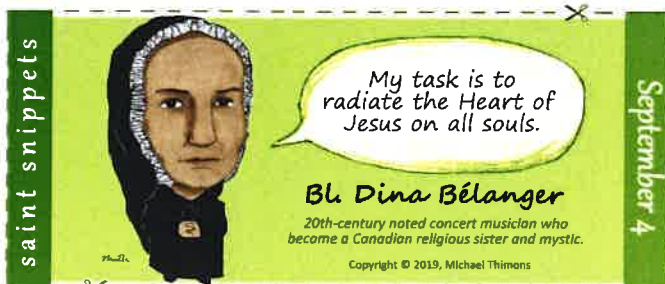
## THE CROSS OF JESUS

The perception of a cross changed dramatically after Jesus' crucifixion. Before that event, death on a cross was not only horrible, it was degrading. It was a penalty reserved only for the most wretched of criminals. The word "glory" would not have found its way into the same sentence containing the word "cross." But all that changed with Jesus. Over time, believers began to venerate and honor the cross. They painted, sculpted, and carved images of it. Many lost their own lives for their association with it. Today our reverence for and relationship with the cross recalls little of the contempt originally associated with it. As it has been through the ages, it is our perception of the cross that determines how we follow Jesus.

## POPE'S UNIVERSAL INTENTION FOR SEPTEMBER

### Respect for the Planet's Resources

That the planet's resources will not be plundered, but shared in a just and respectful manner.



## Mass—Intentions

**Sat 8/29** Lou & Nonie Gillespie+ (Bridget Rich)  
**Sun 8/30** Marie Mailliard+ & Lee Marsh+ (Bob Mailliard)  
**Tue 9/01** Melinda Hlavenka (M/M Clymer)  
**Wed 9/02** Jess & Eva Corrigan (M/M Clymer)  
**Thurs 9/03** Wendy Melton+ (Bob & Anna Parker)  
**Fri. 9/04** Deacon Len Sanchez+ (Mother Susan Kennedy)  
**Sat. 9/05** Carlos Gallardo+ (Pat Gallardo)

## PARISH SUPPORT

Average weekly amounts through July 31, 2020:

Expenditures (excluding parking lot repairs)	\$ 3,684
Regular and debt & maintenance collections	\$ 3,840

**Attendance 8/22 Sat. 37 & 8/23 Sun. 27**

One can Give without Loving...  
But one cannot Love without Giving.

## TODAY'S READINGS

**First Reading** — The name of the LORD has become like fire burning in Jeremiah's heart (Jeremiah 20:7-9).

**Psalms** — My soul is thirsting for you, O Lord my God (Psalm 63).

**Second Reading** — Be transformed; renew your mind; discern what is good (Romans 12:1-2).

**Gospel** — Those who lose their lives for Jesus' sake will find them (Matthew 16:21-27).

## READINGS FOR THE WEEK

**Monday:** 1 Cor 2:1-5; Ps 119:97-102; Lk 4:16-30

**Tuesday:** 1 Cor 2:10b-16; Ps 145:8-14; Lk 4:31-37

**Wednesday:** 1 Cor 3:1-9; Ps 33:12-15, 20-21; Lk 4:38-44

**Thursday:** 1 Cor 3:18-23; Ps 24:1bc-4ab, 5-6; Lk 5:1-11

**Friday:** 1 Cor 4:1-5; Ps 37:3-6, 27-28, 39-40; Lk 5:33-39

**Saturday:** 1 Cor 4:6b-15; Ps 145:17-21; Lk 6:1-5

**Sunday:** Ez 33:7-9; Ps 95:1-2, 6-9; Rom 13:8-10; Mt 18:15-20

## Pastor Al



"Our new secretary is something... funny how a phone message from your doctor got in the Sunday bulletin."

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**Temporary Weekend Mass held in parish hall: Sat., Aug. 29th at 5:00pm and Sun., Aug. 30th at 9:00am.**

**Protocols for weekend Masses:**

1. **Limitations on Attendance:** Limited seating maximum 81 seats are available. In order for the households to maintain at least 6-foot separation.
2. **Wear a mask that covers mouth & nose.**
3. **No socializing** in the parish hall. Avoid touching door handles, restrooms closed.
4. **Chairs** set-up 6-foot separation. Please **DO NOT MOVE CHAIRS.**
5. **Enter & exist double glass doors into the parish hall to the left of the overhang.** Do not enter through Narthex.

**Temporary Weekday Mass Times held in church: Tuesday — Friday at 8:00am.**

**Protocols for weekday Masses:**

1. **Call Fr. Mike on his cell phone 903-490-3883 (do not text). Limited to 20 people.**
2. **Strongly consider wearing a mask that covers mouth & nose.**
3. **No socializing** in the Narthex. Avoid touching door handles, restrooms closed Enter & exit same set of double glass doors into the church through the overhang.
4. **In church alternating every other pew.** Households must maintain at least 6-foot separation.
5. **Enter & exit** double glass doors into the church through the overhang.

**CONFESSIONS: TUES., SEPT. 1ST & WED., SEPT. 2ND 9:00—10:00AM. If you have an emergency and need Fr. Mike call him on his cell # 903-490-3883.**

You could win \$2,000.00

Although the Dinner and Casino Night event was canceled, the raffle, consisting of **four \$500.00 Visa gift cards**, with the possibility of winning \$2,000.00, will still be conducted on **Saturday, September 19th after 5:00pm Mass.** You do not have to be present to win. **Raffle tickets are still available**, and, to increase the chances of winning, you may want to purchase additional raffle tickets.

Last year, on **April 27, 2019 our Net Income-Profit** from the Dinner/Casino Night excluding the raffle was **\$ 10,333.00.** Each and everyone of us still has time to get out and sell more raffle tickets to make up the loss of the dinner & casino night. Call the church office 903-769-3235 for more tickets. If I'm not available please leave a message and I'll return your call.

*Bridget Rich*

**Dispensation:** The entire diocese of Tyler remains dispensed from the Sunday and holy day Mass obligation until further notice.

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**An Act of Spiritual Communion**

My Jesus, I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament. I love You above all things, and I desire to receive You into my soul. Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace You as if You were already there and unite myself wholly to You. Never permit me to be separated from You. Amen.

**Cenacle of Life:** Fr. Mike gave us his permission to resume the Cenacle of Life devotion each **Wed. from 3:30—4:30pm.** Please join us in church as we pray two rosaries for an end to abortion, euthanasia and all sins against the sanctity of human life. **Questions call Vicki 817-637-9382**

**Food donations:** This past weekend we received 6—8 grocery bags of food. Thank you so very much. Still in need of **sundries (i.e. shampoo, deodorant, soap bar & liquid, etc.). Blessings to all of our givers.** Plastic container is located in the **parish hall** for now. We have been feeding 70—90 people per week. Please call or email Bob Mailliard at 903-769-3963 or theduck-dude@att.net if you know someone that needs help or if you have questions for Bob.

**We would appreciate your help:** If you're an Eucharist Minister and your not ministering that day, please help by taking the vessels to the Sacristy. *Thank you, Fr. Mike*

**Don't forget:** Saturday, Sept. 5th is the First Saturday of the month. Mass begins at 8:00am, followed with the Patriotic Rosary. Please join us!

**Has the COVID-19 Pandemic changed your life?**

Have you **sheltered in place and developed new habits or cut out one bad habit for another? Changes in routines? Any quarantine dreams? Behavioral changes...like stockpiling toilet paper, Dr Peppers, disinfecting wipes, paper towels, etc. I'm sure everyone has a story or two to share with others.**

If you are interested in sharing your experiences, just email Bridget: **holy.spirit2@yahoo.com** You can remain anonymous, all you have to do is let me know in your email. If you don't have internet, no problem leave me something hand written in my folder on my office door.

**My life has changed by:** Having to stay at home and not having many places to go the last few months has made me appreciate more my home and the beautiful nature around us. I have become a big fan of EWTN, the Sunday and weekday Masses and some of their programs. I went to Mass this morning, in person, at Holy Spirit and hope to continue, but will still watch EWTN. *Lou Masferrer*

**Anonymous replies on how our lives have changed:** Since this started I has been more social. He gained weight and did a lot of math on the computer. Another one said she started Karate. The last reply said she had to become a teacher during this pandemic and also cut down on Coke Cola.



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