

**No one who sets a hand to the plow  
and looks to what was left behind  
is fit for the kingdom of God.**

LUKE 9:62

# THIRTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

JUNE 26, 2022



What does it mean to follow Jesus? The Gospels show us that Jesus called each person individually, recognizing the things that stood in the way for each. He looked into the person's heart and saw the true desires of the person standing before him. Each of us experiences Christ's call uniquely as the persons we are. For some, following requires us to take stock of our lives and let go of the obstacles that keep us from the way of true discipleship. For others, the call may lead us to deepen the way that faith directs our lives, with more intentional time in prayer, regular participation in Mass, renewed attention to family, involvement in our parish, or new acts of service.

## BE READY

It is easy to say we want to follow Jesus, yet most of us feel competing desires that stand in the way of discipleship. We may be distracted by the constant swirl

of activity so prevalent in our surrounding culture; we might be lured by worldly wealth and the status that often accompanies it; we may simply be comfortable with the way things are and find it difficult to risk changing anything. In today's Gospel, Jesus makes it clear that we must stop putting off making the changes that will bring us closer to him and to God's way of life. We must trust in the Lord, knowing that what he most deeply desires is that we be close to him. If you encountered Jesus today and said you were ready to follow him, what would he see in your heart, what obstacles or hesitations would he perceive? Go to Jesus in prayer this day. Listen to him say, "Follow me." Prayerfully place your life in the Lord's hands and be ready to follow.

Today's Readings: 1 Kgs 19:16b, 19-21;  
Ps 16:1-2, 5, 7-8, 9-10, 11; Gal 5:1, 13-18; Lk 9:51-62

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**PASTOR:** Rev. Michael T. "Mike" Snider

### Celebration of the Sacraments:

**Mass:** Saturday: 5:00 PM  
Sunday: 9:00 AM  
Tues - Fri: 9:00 AM

### Reconciliation:

Saturday & Sunday:  
45 minutes before Mass

### Marriage or Baptism:

Contact the parish office six  
(6) months prior to the  
anticipated date 903-769-3235

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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!*

## Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

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

Patsy Pregeant. Kelly Barber. Sarah Daggett. John & Carol Komis. Jean Quinn. Pat Gallardo. Joe Fazio. David & Tammy Winfrey. Melinda Hlavenka. Msgr. Ron Diegel. Doug Lawson. Marcia Boswank. Richard & Dottie Schuetz. Tom Fabitz. Jodie Woods. Ken Davis. Mary Langhoff. Russell Jackson. Jim Hickey. Doris Hoffman. Yolanda & Eldon Boyd. Wanda & George Duke. Lonnie & Tammy McClung. Jean Hamilton. Randy & Louise Beard. Sven Sterner. Nancy Rasca. Clifford & Frances Jo Moore. Kathleen Fleming. Thomas Holzmann. Kate Serres. Dona Jordan. Jaye Anderson. Georgette March. Greg Mooney. Garry Fetsch. Karee Haney. Charlie Parker. Jacob Stephens. Elise Sugg. Avery Boultinghouse. 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: Bob Quinn (husband of Jean Quinn) Home Address: 160 Stephanie St., Hawkins, Tx 75765.**

**Please pray for the men and women active military service from our parish community:** Dawn Quinn, US Army PFC (Granddaughter of Bob & Jean Quinn). Reid Patrick Hope, US Marine (Nephew of Mike & Wanda Stephens). 1LT Joseph Chandler, U.S. Army (Nephew of Mike & Margaret Jemigan) 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. Gary Buchanan; Capt. Blake Gaughan; 2nd Lt. Will Corrigan (Great Nephews of Jess & Eva Corrigan). Paul Moreno E4 AMT 3rd Class (Grandson of Kathy & Dale Boman). Staff Sergeant Daniel Hodan. U.S. Army (Grandson of Ron & Barbara Emma). Warrant Officer Michael Hauck (Son of Jerry & Vicki Hauck & brother of Cathy Ellis) & Seaman Rainer Hauck (Grandson of Jerry & Vicki Hauck & nephew of Jeff & Cathy Ellis).

### SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

**Sunday:** Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

**Monday:** St. Cyril of Alexandria

**Tuesday:** St. Irenaeus

**Wednesday:** Ss. Peter and Paul

**Thursday:** The First Martyrs of the Holy Roman Church

**Friday:** St. Junipero Serra; Canada Day; First Friday

**Saturday:** First Saturday; Blessed Virgin Mary

### TODAY'S READINGS

**First Reading:** The LORD tells Elijah to anoint Elisha as prophet to succeed him (1 Kings 19:16b, 19-21).

**Psalm:** You are my inheritance, O Lord (Psalm 16).

**Second Reading:** Use your freedom in Christ to serve one another through love (Galatians 5:1, 13-18).

**Gospel:** While journeying to Jerusalem, Jesus speaks of the costs of discipleship (Luke 9:51-62).

### READINGS FOR THE WEEK

**Monday:** Am 2:6-10, 13-16; Ps 50:16bc-23; Mt 8:18-22

**Tuesday:** Am 3:1-8; 4:11-12; Ps 5:4b-8; Mt 8:23-27

**Wednesday:** Vigil: Acts 3:1-10; Ps 19:2-5; Gal 1:11-20; Jn 21:15-19

**Day:** Acts 12:1-11; Ps 34:2-9; 2 Tm 4:6-8, 17-18; Mt 16:13-19

**Thursday:** Am 7:10-17; Ps 19:8-11; Mt 9:1-8

**Friday:** Am 8:4-6, 9-12; Ps 119:2, 10, 20, 30, 40, 131; Mt 9:9-13

**Saturday:** Am 9:11-15; Ps 85:9ab, 10-14; Mt 9:14-17

**Sunday:** Is 66:10-14c; Ps 66:1-7, 16, 20; Gal 6:14-18; Lk 10:1-12, 17-20 [1-9]

### Mass—Intentions

**Saturday 6/25 Ron Emma+** (K of C)

**Sun 6/26 Russell & Nadine Anderson+** (Ruddle)

**Tue 6/28 Roy Langhoff+** (M/M Clymer)

**Wed 6/29 Bob Quinn+** (M/M Clymer)

**Thursday 6/30 Barbara Emma & Ron Emma+** (K of C)

**Friday 7/01 Terry Maushardt+** (Mary Kae Maushardt)

**Saturday 7/02 Lou & Nonie Gillespie; Louise Diegel+** (Gillespie & Diegel Families)

### PARISH SUPPORT

Average weekly amounts for the year of 2021

Expenditures \$ 3,666

Regular and debt & maintenance collections \$ 3,799

Attendance: 6/18 Saturday: 85 6/19 Sunday: No Mass Fr. sick.

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

### Pope's Intention for June:



For families. We pray for Christian families around the world; may they embody and experience unconditional love and advance in holiness in their daily lives.

### Reflection question:

Am I someone whom others see as standing in the bright light of truth?

### PRAYER OF THE WEEK

Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time  
O God, who through the grace of adoption chose us to be children of light, grant, we pray, that we may not be wrapped in the darkness of error but always be seen to stand in the bright light of truth. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, for ever and ever.

### DISCIPLESHIP'S COSTS

In today's first reading, God tells the prophet Elijah to prepare Elisha to succeed him. Succeeding Elijah will be no easy task; he has spent his life facing threats from the kings he has confronted about their infidelity to the God of Israel. The psalm illustrates the emotional and spiritual distress that the prophets' steadfast faithfulness to God brought them. Paul's description of the Christian's freedom from the law as opposed to "the desire of the flesh" puts this struggle at the very heart of Christian identity. The reading from Luke's Gospel recounts Jesus' decision to journey toward Jerusalem, where he knows he will meet his earthly fate. Following Jesus—like succeeding Elijah as prophet—will now become more difficult. Unlike his calls to the first disciples, Jesus encounters those who are not ready or are not strong enough to journey with him.

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## JUNE NEWS & EVENTS

**Sun., June 26th:** Immediately following 9:00am Mass, donuts, coffee & juice, in St. Jude's Hall.

**Tues., June 28th:** 9:00am Mass. Adoration 9:30am—12:30pm; 6:00-8:00pm).

**Wed., June 29th:** Cenacle of Life devotion 3:00—4:00pm. 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.

## JULY NEWS & EVENTS

### NO DONUTS OR COFFEE AFTER SUNDAY MASS DURING JULY

**Sat., July 2nd:** 9:00am Mass of Reparation to the Immaculate Heart & Patriotic Rosary.

**Sun., July 3rd:** Beginning today there will be no donuts or coffee after 9:00am Mass during July and August.



**Mon., July 4th:** "Happy Independence Day." Diocese of Tyler and church office closed. **Yea!!**

**Tues., July 5th:** 9:00am Mass. Adoration 9:30am—12:30pm; 6:00-8:00pm.

**Wed., July 6th: Communion Service at 9:00am.** Cenacle of Life devotion 3:00—4:00pm. 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.

**Thurs & Fri., July 7th & 8th:** 9:00am Mass.

**Tues., July 12th:** 9:00am Mass. Adoration 9:30am—12:30pm; 6:00-8:00pm.

**Wed.—Fri. July 13th—15th:** 9:00am Mass

**Wed., July 13th:** Cenacle of Life devotion 3:00—4:00pm. 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.

**Tues., July 19th:** 9:00am Mass. Adoration 9:30am—12:30pm; 6:00-8:00pm.

**Wed., July 20th:** 9:00am Mass

**Wed., July 20th:** Cenacle of Life devotion 3:00—4:00pm. 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.

**Thurs., July 21st: Communion Service at 9:00am.**

**Fri., July 22nd:** 9:00am Mass

**Tues., July 26th:** 9:00am Mass. Adoration 9:30am—12:30pm; 6:00-8:00pm.

**Wed., July 27th:** Cenacle of Life devotion 3:00—4:00pm. 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.

**Wed. - Fri., July 27th—July 29th:** 9:00am Mass

## June Second Collections

**25th & 26th: "Peter's Pence (Pontifical Collection)."**

**Legion of Mary—Pilgrim Statue:** Our Lady of Fatima Statue is now ready to visit your home. There is a sign-up sheet in the Narthex or you may contact: Marge Clymer, 903-216-7953 or Jane Bidlack, 903-569-7749. If scheduling permits, the Statue may be kept for two weeks.

### Funeral Arrangements for Bob Quinn, parishioner of Holy Spirit

**Visitation:** Sunday June 26th, 5:00—7:00pm

Crowley Funeral Home, 602 East Blackburn Street, Hawkins, Tx.

**Rosary & Mass** will be held at Holy Spirit on Monday, June 27th

Rosary said by K of C at 9:30am following with the Funeral Mass at 10:00am

### Diocesan-wide Training Event for Gabriel Angel Volunteers

Please consider volunteering for The Gabriel Project of E. TX. And assist us in helping women in crisis pregnancies.

**Saturday, July 9th 8:00am—12:30pm**

Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception,  
423 S. Broadway Ave. Tyler, TX 75702



For more information email: [gabrielprojecteasttexas@gmail.com](mailto:gabrielprojecteasttexas@gmail.com) or [www.GabrielProjectEastTexas.org](http://www.GabrielProjectEastTexas.org)

For more information: Contact Nancy Mullen 803-630-1426  
Saturday 7/2 & Sunday 7/3

NANCY WILL BE AT EACH MASS WITH REGISTRATION FORMS.  
PLEASE SEE HER FOR MORE INFO AND TO REGISTER.



**The family of Msgr. Ron Diegel** thank you for your prayers and concern during his time of illness. He has been moved to Assisted Living and working hard to get stronger. He enjoys receiving cards and would love to hear from you.

**Msgr. Ron Diegel, c/o Atria Willow Park, 3500 South Vine Ave. #369, Tyler, Tx. 75701**

## *Life Matters Symposium*

Friday, July 1st - Special Dinner  
with Bishop Strickland as Keynote

Saturday, July 2nd - Dynamic  
Speakers sharing Catholic teaching  
from conception to death.



See page 3 for more info. Registration closes Wed. 6/29



**The Holy Spirit Food Ministry** would like to thank all our parishioners for their food donations. The large plastic bin is located by in the hallway by Bridget's office. **Can vegetables and pasta sauce, 1 lb box of pasta, pudding cups, can fruit, peanut butter & jelly, and toiletries.**

**Looking for volunteers to get involved with the Food Ministry.**

Call or email Bob Mailliard at 903-769-3963 or [theduckdude@att.net](mailto:theduckdude@att.net)

*Thank you, Bob Mailliard; Bryan & Dolly Todd; Stan & Terry Evans; Al & Evelyn Murfin. Holy Spirit Food Ministry Team*



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***This special conference will bring you the Catholic teaching on all the hot button topics - from conception to natural death.***

**Friday July 1st -**

**Keynote Dinner with Bishop Strickland**

**Saturday, July 2nd -**

**Dynamic Speakers sharing Church wisdom in four sessions - breakfast & lunch included**

**Holiday Inn Tyler - Conference Center, 5701 South Broadway Avenue, Tyler**

Friday night, Bishop Strickland will be the keynote at a special dinner event. Friday ticket prices include an amazing meal with the bishop, access to speaker tables with signed copies of their books, and cash bar.

Saturday will have talks from

- Drs. Jose & Stacy Trasancos, speaking on the use of aborted babies in medical research and pharmaceuticals.
- Matthew Sciba teaching on the transgender issue.
- Fr. Nolan Lowry will speak on IVF and Catholic teaching
- Dr. Joseph Eble will speak on brain death, and the abuses surrounding it

The Conference will end with 4:30pm Saturday Vigil Mass at the Chapel, celebrated by Bishop Strickland.

Breakfast & lunch included in Saturday ticket price, along with access to all the talks, materials, and vendor booths.

More Information & Tickets:

**[bit.ly/lifematterstyler](http://bit.ly/lifematterstyler)**

Article for the Big Sandy-Hawkins Journal. 22 June 2022 Edition  
(Submission date: 17 June 2022) Submitted by Randy Munoz

A few words about “Works of Mercy” **The Corporal and Spiritual Works of Mercy**

( <https://www.catholicapostolatecenter.org/works-of-mercy.html> )

Mercy can be described as love which continues in the face of rejection. It is unmerited and unwarranted. God, Who is Love itself, is the perfect combination of both justice and mercy. All of Scripture recounts His merciful plan of salvation – what He did in spite of rejection to love His people and call them back to Himself for all eternity. The most beautiful account in Scripture of the mercy of God is recounted in the parable of the prodigal son. The father in the narrative represents God. His son, who has taken his inheritance prematurely (effectively signifying that his father was dead to him), squanders it. Left in destitution and despair, he decided to come back to his father's house, preferring the life of a servant to his current condition. The father has been waiting anxiously for the son's return, looking on the horizon day after day with hope and longing for their reunion. He runs out to his son, embraces him and celebrates his return. This is God himself who longs to be reunited with us.

The corporal and spiritual works of mercy, listed below, will help us as we strive to continue to grow in our understanding of being "merciful like the Father."

**Corporal Works of Mercy**

Feed the hungry

Food is a fundamental and basic human need. Food is what nourishes us in order to be able to simply live. Feeding the hungry means providing nourishment through charity and hospitality. You can do this by working at a soup kitchen, inviting some friends over for a meal, sharing a snack with someone whose forgotten their lunch, or giving someone on the street a sandwich.

Visit the imprisoned

Visiting the imprisoned can be difficult to participate in without special clearance or permission. If you find yourself unable to physically visit the imprisoned, try getting involved in a ministry that writes letters to the imprisoned or one that organizes retreats for them. Those incarcerated, and their families, can always use prayers.

Give drink to the thirsty

Water is the very essence of life. To give drink to the thirsty is to offer them life itself and can be lived out by volunteering at a soup kitchen, contributing funds to clean water and well projects in underdeveloped countries or even within a family, as a mother provides food and drink to her children. Also be mindful of your own water consumption and try not to waste water.

Shelter the homeless

Having a roof over our heads is a basic human need. Sheltering the homeless can take many forms. Some include: giving time or money to a homeless ministry, hosting someone like a religious pilgrim, speaker or clergy member, supporting ministries that work with the displaced or refugees, or help building houses through organizations like Habitat for Humanity.

Bury the dead

During funerals, we mourn the loss of life. As Christians, we live in the hope of the Resurrection. Participate in this work of mercy by offering condolences or sending a card to someone whose lost a loved one. Pray for those who have gone before you whenever you pass a cemetery or go to a cemetery intentionally to pray.

Give alms to the poor

There are many ways to give. Some donate to charitable organizations, others might volunteer their time working with the needy. One idea is to skip a drink, coffee or meal out each week and instead give the money you would have spent to a charitable organization or to put in the church collection basket. However you give, consider giving a little more time, energy or money during this Year of Mercy.

Visit the sick

Visiting the sick can mean going to the hospital and praying with patients there, bringing a sick family member or friend flowers or something to eat, visiting a nursing home, or offering someone going through an illness, support. Our health is a gift and blessing.

(To be continued in next week's edition of the Big Sandy-Hawkins Journal: "The Spiritual Works of Mercy")





"The Gabriel Project of East Texas has been in existence, in this Diocese, since 1993. Well, it is 2022 and we're happy to announce we've made some improvements that we hope will better help women in crisis pregnancies throughout our Diocese. Firstly, we have NEW signs, a NEW website and, now, we are undertaking a NEW training program for our volunteer "Angels". This program highlights our mission and how we approach the heart of a woman who is pregnant and in crisis, using shared resources, from SISTERS OF LIFE such as INTO LIFE - LOVE CHANGES EVERYTHING - A 12-Part series on accompanying a woman into Life.

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**For more information text GABRIELPROJECT to 84576 to join our email list.**



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<https://sanctityoflife.flocknote.com/signup/90270>

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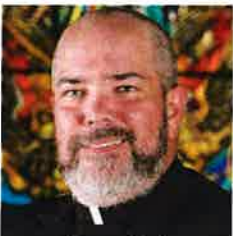
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