



# HOLY SPIRIT CATHOLIC CHURCH DIOCESE OF TYLER

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### Celebration of the Mass

Saturday 5:00 pm  
Sunday 9:00 am  
Monday 6:00 pm  
Tuesday 9:00 am  
Wednesday 9:00 am  
Thursday 9:00 am  
**Communion Service**  
Friday 6:00 pm

### Adoration

Tuesday 9:45 am - 12:30 pm  
6:00 pm - 7:00 pm

### Reconciliation

Saturday 4:00 - 4:45 pm  
Sunday Before Mass  
(upon request)  
1st Friday 5:00 - 5:45 pm

### Sacrament of the Sick

Offered the first weekend of the month during each Mass

### Marriage or Baptism

Contact the parish office six (6) months prior to the anticipated date.

### Church Staff

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### Church Organizations

Financial Council Charlie Clymer  
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Music Ministry  
Rosary Makers Carol Szczepanski  
Cenacle of Life Vicki Hauck  
Welcome Anna Parker  
Bereavement Eva/Jess Corrigan



Eleventh Sunday in Ordinary Time  
June 16, 2024

### TODAY'S READINGS

1ST READING:  
EZ 17 : 22 - 24

RESPONSORIAL:  
PS 92 : 2 - 3; 13 - 16

2ND READING:  
2 COR 5 : 6 - 10

GOSPEL:  
MK 4 : 26 - 34



“To what shall we compare the kingdom of God...?”



**Pope's June Intention**

For migrants fleeing their homes. We pray that migrants fleeing from war or hunger, forced to undertake journeys full of danger and violence, find welcome and new opportunities in the countries that receive them.



**Remember the sick of our parish:** Joe Bonneville; Wauneta Winton; Joe Fazio; Sharon Kroll; Tyler Adams; Jeri Garfield; Page Sugg; Ethan Cowles; Michael Laurel; Harry Needham; Lupe Leal; Jason McCormick; Eloise Sanchez; John & Mary Ott; Linda Hedgecock; Juan & Barbara Delgado; John Buchanan; Dale Boman; Avery Boultinghouse; Bishop Joseph Strickland; Fr. Mark Kusmirek; Rosemary Seltzer; Elaine March; Libby Paladino; Jo & Doris Hoffman; Roy Marchak; Jim Hickey; David Borel; Verna Sloan; Mike Stephens; Kathy Bowers; John McGrane; Msgr. Ron Diegel; Chris & Dave Paape; Richard & Dottie Schuetz; John Fabitz; Jodie Woods; George Duke; Jean Hamilton; Kathleen Fleming; Jaye Anderson; Greg Mooney; Karee Haney; Charlie Parker; Jacob Stephens. We list the names of our sick Parishioners. Friends and Relatives for one month.

**Remember our parishioners who have recently died:** Al Murfin (husband of Evelyn Murfin); Esther Coronel (mother of Ernest, John, Sofia, Jason and Samantha).

**Remember the active military of our parish:** Mitchell, LTJG Navy (Son-in-law of Stan & Terrie Evans). Ben Clymer, Air Force (Grandson of Charlie & Marge). Reid Patrick Hope, US Marine (Nephew of Mike Stephens). 1LT Joseph Chandler, U.S. Army (Nephew of Mike & Margaret Jernigan). Staff Sergeant, Natalie York (Daughter of Steve & Julie York). Lt. Gary Buchanan; Capt. Blake Gaughan; 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 Eamma). Petty Officer 2 Rainer Hauck (Grandson of Jerry & Vicki Hauck & nephew of Jeff & Cathy Ellis).



**Special Observances**

**Wednesday:** St. Romuald, Abbot (Founded the Camaldolese hermits; urged contemplative prayer through solitude, silence, and fasting.)

**Friday:** St. Aloysius Gonzaga, Religious (Jesuit scholastic; at age 23 caring for the sick; from the princely family of Castiglione; a page at the court of the Medicis and of Philip II Spain; renounced inheritance to enter the Jesuits; St. Robert Bellarmine was his spiritual director; strongly devoted to the Eucharist, interior prayer, and charitable service; patron of youth and of students in Jesuit colleges and universities.)

**Saturday:** St. Paulinus of Nola, Bishop; (Husband and father who gave his possessions to the poor; dedicated bishop, especially during the Visigoth invasions.)

St. John Fisher, Bishop, Martyr (Chancellor of Cambridge University; bishop of Rochester; dedicated pastor of souls : renowned for his preaching and educational reforms; defender of Church tradition against Luther, and of the Roman primacy against Henry VIII.)

St. Thomas Moore, Martyr (Humanist and chancellor of England; close friend of Erasms; wrote 'Utopia'; refused to support Henry VIII's divorce of Queen Catherine and his Act of Supremacy; patron of lawyers, statemen, and politicians.).



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This engaging series delves into the lives of the saints who led the Catholic Counter-Reformation. In this episode, learn about St. Thomas More, a patient witness to the faith who endured a heroic martyrdom at the hands of Henry VIII.

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**Mass Intentions**

- Sat 6/15 Artie Evans+ (M/M Evans)
- Sun 6/16 Vicki & Jerry Hauck (Ellis Family)
- Mon 6/17 Dwight & Debi Nunley (M/M Clymer)
- Tues 6/18 Ruddle Anderson (M/M Clymer)
- Wed 6/19 Philamena McNally (M/M Clymer)
- Thur 6/20 Deacon Sam Mullen
- Fri 6/21 Al Murfin+ (M/M Clymer)

**PARISH SUPPORT**

**Attendance:** 6/8 SAT: 68 6/9 SUN: 108

**Collections from 6/8 - 6/9:**

Offertory \$ 3,414.15  
Building & Maintenance Fund \$ 778.00

**JUNE SECOND COLLECTIONS**

1st & 2nd: "Building & Maintenance Fund"  
15th & 16th: Priest Pension Fund of the Diocese

**Anyone involved in any Ministry at our Parish, must be compliant on your Ethics and Integrity training with VIRTUS.**

**To sign up for training, please notify our contact person: Justin Mahaffey 903-714-3649 or email him at: [justin.mahaffey@icloud.com](mailto:justin.mahaffey@icloud.com)**



Third quarter offertory envelopes are available for pick up after all Masses this weekend. They are located in the narthex of the church.

## JUNE UPCOMING EVENTS

Sat 6/15: 5:00 pm Mass

Sun 6/16: 9:00 am Mass



Mon 6/17: 6:00 pm Mass

**Bridget on vacation**

Tues 6/18: 9:00 am Mass

Adoration 9:30 am - 12:30 pm

Adoration 6:00 pm - 7:00 pm

**5:00 pm Fundraising Meeting**

Wed 6/19: 9:00 am Mass

Thurs 6/20: 9:00 am Mass

Fri 6/21: 6:00 pm Mass

Sat 6/22: 9:00 am Rosary Rally

5:00 pm Mass

Sun 6/23: 9:00 am Mass

Mon 6/24: 6:00 pm Mass

Tues 6/25: 9:00 am Mass

Adoration 9:30 am - 12:30 pm

Adoration 6:00 pm - 7:00 pm

Wed 6/26: 9:00 am Mass

Thurs 6/27: 9:00 am Communion Service

9:30 am Legion of Mary Meeting

Fri 6/28: 6:00 pm Mass

Sat 6/29: 5:00 pm Mass

Sun 6/30: 9:00 am Mass

## JULY UPCOMING EVENTS

Mon 7/1: 6:00 pm Mass

Tues 7/2: 9:00 am Mass

Adoration 9:30 am - 12:30 pm

Adoration 6:00 pm - 7:00 pm

Wed 7/3: 9:00 am Mass

Thurs 7/4: 9:00 am Mass

**Diocesan Offices Closed**

**Holy Spirit Offices Closed**



Fri 7/5: 6:00 pm Mass

**Diocesan Offices Closed**

**Holy Spirit Offices Closed**

## Special Parish Announcements

**Funerals:** Esther Coronel-Hernandez: Viewing on Friday, June 14th from 6:00-8:00pm at Croley Funeral Home, 602 West Blackburn, Hawkins, Tx.

Requiem Mass on Saturday, June 15th at Holy Spirit Catholic Church. Tessaera Prayers including Rosary begins at 9:20am. Funeral at 10:00am.

**Al Murfin:** Complete planning has not been made at this time and the family will share all arrangements as they become available.



## *Holy Spirit Food Ministry*

If you know of anyone who needs our help, please contact Robert Mailliard (503-559-6022) or Bryan Todd (972-672-4218).

**THANK YOU FOR HELPING US FEED THE HUNGRY IN OUR COMMUNITY**



## Scripture Study

We still have a few openings in our Scripture Study Class. We will begin study, in earnest, on Proverbs, on Wednesday, June 19th at 10:30am. Please bring a bible; commentaries will be available at that time. Questions call Randy Munoz (972-971-4067).



## Rosary Rally

June is for Jesus! Join us on Saturday, June 22nd at 9:00am in the church parking lot for a Rosary Rally honoring the Sacred Heart of Jesus. The recitation takes about 20 - 30 minutes, feel free to bring your own chair.



## fundraising

Meeting: Tuesday, June 18th 5:00 - 6:00 pm

We are in desperate need of volunteers! This is our major fundraiser for Holy Spirit Catholic Church. We need people who are willing to donate their time for a few hours and those who are willing to help all the way up until our event in the Fall. We need new faces and fresh ideas!



A Steubenville Conference is a life-changing encounter with Christ. Every teen desires to belong—sin and shame convince them they don't. They're not alone. Others have the same struggles they do. The world says they must change to belong—God meets them where they are. They have an important place in the church. This event won't be the same without them.

# ***The Computer Gamer and His Highway to Heaven***

Written by Kristi McCabe

Sometimes the most unusual of circumstances produce the most extraordinary people, and this includes those who achieve sainthood. The story of young Carlo Acutis is one that has captured the hearts and admiration of people young and old all over the world, and recent news that the young millennial will soon join the ranks of canonized saints is nothing short of miraculous.

Born in 1991 in London to parents who were “not especially devout,” Carlo had a love for God from a young age. His mother stated she had only been to Mass for her First Communion, her confirmation and her wedding, but her son’s unexplained devotion led to her deep conversion. The young boy managed to “drag his relatives to Mass every day” to receive Communion daily, had a tremendous devotion to Mary and loved to pray the rosary. He went to Mass and confession as often as he could.

“To always be close to Jesus, that’s my life plan,” young Carlo is quoted to have said often, and he lived his life in such a manner. He loved the Eucharist and asked his parents to take him on pilgrimages – to places of saints, specifically, to sites of Eucharistic miracles.

Carlo had a burning love for the Holy Eucharist and wanted others to share in this love. He created a website that would eventually become a catalog of Eucharistic miracles and later a traveling exhibit. Carlo expressed concern about people growing distant from the Church and sacraments and wanted them to understand that “the more we receive the Eucharist, the more we will become like Jesus, so that on this earth we will have a foretaste of heaven.”

The recent announcement of Acutis’s canonization aligns providentially with the ongoing Eucharistic revival in the United States, expressing once again our Lord’s reminder that He is always present with us in the Blessed Sacrament.

The life of Carlo Acutis is a reminder — especially for those of us trying against all odds to raise authentically Catholic children in today’s increasingly pagan and secular culture — that only God can raise up saints in today’s world and that the best gift we can give to our children is prayer.

How Carlo became so devout was anyone’s guess. Carlo’s mother, Antonia Salzano, said his “lifelong dream was to be a saint.” On the surface, however, he was like other children.

“He loved soccer, he loved basketball, he liked animals, he liked to play. A lot of friends loved him very much because he was always joking, making films,” she recalled.

“But at the center of his life was Jesus; he had a daily meeting (with Jesus) through the holy Mass, Eucharistic adoration, and the holy rosary. When you open the door of your heart to God, your ordinary life becomes extraordinary.”

Carlo’s mother explained that his “simple spirituality,” much like that of St. Therese the Little Flower, is open to everyone. “He didn’t have the stigmata, or apparitions, or (experienced) levitation. He had a simple childhood. Everything Carlo did was in Jesus, through Jesus and for Jesus.”

Pope Francis has praised the young teen as a role model for today’s young people, who are often tempted by the traps of “self-absorption, isolation, and empty pleasure.”

At age 15, Carlo was diagnosed with an untreatable form of leukemia. He offered up his suffering for others coping with illness and said, “I offer all the suffering I will have to suffer for the Lord, for the Pope, and the Church.”

Carlo died from his illness on October 12, 2006. At his request, he was buried in Assisi because of his love for St. Francis. His tomb very quickly became a place of pilgrimage.

Beatification and Canonization of Carlo Acutis

The first miracle attributed to Carlo’s intercession was approved by Pope Francis in February 2020, and involved a young Brazilian boy who was completely healed from a rare congenital disease of the pancreas.

The second miracle involved a young woman named Valeria Valverde, who had fallen from her bicycle in Florence and suffered severe head trauma; doctors said she had a low chance of survival. Her mother had visited Carlo's tomb in Assisi and prayed for his intercession.

Ten days later, a CAT scan showed the hemorrhage had disappeared and Valeria was moved to rehab therapy on August 11. On September 2, the mother and daughter made another pilgrimage to Assisi to thank Blessed Carlo for his intercession.

In a decree released on Thursday May 23, 2024, Pope Francis announced he will convene a Consistory of Cardinals to deliberate the canonization of Blessed Carlo Acutis.

Not long after the announcement of his canonization came out, I was out walking in my garden and looked at some roses I had just planted. I remembered a photo I saw of Carlo on one of his birthdays, sitting in a garden with a homemade chocolate cake. He was a handsome young teenager, surrounded by flowers and nicely dressed.

Suddenly, I felt very proud of him — as a mother. I think all Catholic mothers feel proud of Carlo for reasons we are unable to articulate, but maybe it's because he's recent, he's relatable, and he's *real* to many of us. He was just a boy.

He acted silly in home videos. He loved his pets. He played video games. His mother will see him become a canonized saint! How amazing. How unbelievably amazing is our God!

Carlo Acutis has faced the temptations of today's world and won — simply because he “lived in the presence of God each day.” That is what we should all strive for. And so, I'm happy for him, for his mother and all mothers, and I look forward to having a new saint in heaven to ask for intercession for my children.

Pray for us, Carlo! What a gift you are to the Church of 2024. May the young people of today answer your call to “not die as photocopies,” but to answer God's call to holiness as originals.

## Father's Day

by Deacon John

One day, my youngest son and two of his friends were at the soccer field bragging about whose dad was paid the most. His first friend said, "My Dad scribbles a few words on a piece of paper, he calls it a poem, and they give him \$100." The other friend said, "That's nothing. My Dad scribbles a few words on a piece of paper, he calls it a song, and they give him \$1000." Then my own son said, "My Dad is ever better than that. He scribbles a few words on a piece of paper, calls it a homily, and it takes 6 or 8 ushers just to collect all the money!"

Happy Father's Day everyone!

Today we remember and honor dads. Not just biological fathers, but also step-fathers, foster fathers, grandfathers, uncles, and every man who has guided, protected and influenced their families in life.

And while fathers in modern families are a far cry from the past stereotypical father images brought on by Ward Cleaver and Mike Brady, fathers today strongly aspire to bond with, to protect and to equip their children to grow up in this world. That's not an easy job in our current society as stereotypes of fathers are still being driven through the likes of Homer Simpson, corny dad jokes, and media ads portraying clueless jokers bumbling around the home in stained tee shirts and sweatpants. How do we fight that image? Where do we go for a better example?

St Joseph is the patron saint of fathers, and today is a perfect day to turn to the foster father of Jesus, husband of Our Blessed Mother and patron of the Universal Church. Saint Joseph experienced significant difficulties as a husband and father, yet he loved and protected his family with complete dedication, compassion and caring along with a steadfast faith in God. The Gospels call him a righteous man.

At God's instruction, he saved Mary's life from stoning (saved Jesus' life, too, when you think about it), and he brought her into his home. He searched all of Bethlehem for a room, and then tried hard to make his wife comfortable in a stable as she gave birth to their son. He was a righteous man, presenting his newborn son at the Temple. He protected his wife and child again, when he heeded God's warning to flee to Egypt, and then to return back to Nazareth. He was a pious man, bringing his family to the Temple for Passover, and then worried mightily as he frantically searched for his missing son who had stayed behind. By his example, Joseph demonstrates that it is very possible to be a virtuous man by obeying God's word and fully incorporating his faith into his family life.

That's what a father is. A father is a source of strength and support. He fiercely strives to provide for and protect his family. He raises his children to know right from wrong, teaching them sound moral Christian values. He puts the needs of his family before his own, unconditionally. He shows them the importance of work ethic, trustworthiness and good sense. In strength and confidence, he comforts, cares for and nurtures. Through his own faith life, he leads his family to an awareness of God in their lives, teaching his children by example to live a life of holiness through prayer and discipleship. What greater mission could a man's life lead?

Today, as we honor and thank our dads for all they have done for us and for how much they mean to us, let us remember to ask Saint Joseph for his intercession on behalf of all dads and that his holy example continues to be an inspiration to all fathers:

"St. Joseph, guardian of Jesus and chaste husband of Mary, you passed your life in loving fulfillment of duty. You supported the holy family of Nazareth with the work of your hands. Kindly protect those who trustingly come to you. You know their aspirations, their hardships, their hopes. They look to you because they know you will understand and protect them. You too knew trial, labor and weariness. But amid the worries of material life your soul was full of deep peace and sang out in true joy through intimacy with God's Son entrusted to you and with Mary, his tender Mother. Assure those you protect that they do not labor alone. Teach them to find Jesus near them and to watch over him faithfully as you have done." - Pope John XXIII

# Article for the Big Sandy-Hawkins Journal. 5 June 2024 Edition

(Submission date: 31 May 2024) Submitted by Randy Munoz

Dads Take Center Stage: A Global Look at Father's Day [https://www.theholidayspot.com/fathersday/around\\_the\\_world.htm](https://www.theholidayspot.com/fathersday/around_the_world.htm)

Father's Day, a day dedicated to appreciating fathers and father figures, is a cherished tradition across the globe. Interestingly, the festivities unfold on different dates and with diverse customs.

Some countries have unique ties to their chosen dates. In Italy and parts of Spain, Father's Day coincides with Saint Joseph's Day on March 19th, honoring the father figure of Jesus Christ. Italians celebrate with vibrant parades and celebratory feasts, while Spain emphasizes family gatherings and expressing appreciation. Down under, Father's Day festivities in Australia and New Zealand take place on the first Sunday of September. This springtime celebration often involves barbecues and outdoor activities, offering a chance for dads to enjoy quality time with their families. Father's Day is an occasion that is celebrated in various countries around the world to recognize and honor the contributions and sacrifices made by fathers and father figures in the lives of their children. Although the exact date of Father's Day may vary from one country to another, the sentiment behind this special day remains the same - to show appreciation and gratitude to the men who play such an important role in the lives of their children. In the United States, Father's Day is celebrated on the third Sunday in June, and it is a day when children express their love and appreciation for their fathers through various means such as gifts, cards, and spending quality time with them. The history of Father's Day in the United States dates back to the early 20th century, when a woman named Sonora Smart Dodd, who was raised by a single father, wanted to honor her father for his sacrifices and contributions. She chose the third Sunday in June to celebrate Father's Day, and the holiday was officially recognized by President Richard Nixon in 1972.

In other countries around the world, Father's Day is celebrated on different dates and in different ways. For example, in Australia, Father's Day is celebrated on the first Sunday in September, and it is a day when children often give their fathers gifts such as ties, tools, or sports equipment. In Brazil, Father's Day is celebrated on the second Sunday in August, and it is a day when families come together to enjoy a traditional Brazilian barbecue, or churrasco, with their fathers. In France, Father's Day is celebrated on the third Sunday in June, just like in the United States. However, the way in which the holiday is celebrated is quite different. Instead of giving their fathers gifts and cards, French children often spend the day outdoors with their fathers, enjoying activities such as fishing or hiking. In Italy, Father's Day is celebrated on March 19th, which is also the Feast of St. Joseph, the patron saint of fathers. On this day, Italian families often attend church together and share a meal of traditional Italian dishes such as pasta, meatballs, and cannoli. In Japan, Father's Day is celebrated on the third Sunday in June, but it is not as widely celebrated as Mother's Day. Instead of giving gifts, Japanese children often write letters to their fathers expressing their love and gratitude. In South Africa, Father's Day is celebrated on the third Sunday in June, and it is a day when families often spend time outdoors, enjoying activities such as hiking or picnicking. ... In Mexico, Father's Day is celebrated on the third Sunday in June, and it is a day when families often attend mass together and then enjoy a meal of traditional Mexican dishes such as tacos or enchiladas. ...

## Celebration

Surprisingly, the dates of the celebration of Father's Day are not the same everywhere. The customs and traditions differ from one country to another. With the earliest record of Father's Day found in the ruins of Babylon, one can easily understand the fact that Father's Day has been celebrated for centuries. The Countries, where the Catholic Church were of significant influence on the culture and society, Father's Day is celebrated on St. Joseph's Day (March 19). However, a more secular celebration which is not associated with any religion is followed in recent times to reflect the increased diversity of the people who live there. There are times when the Dads get a little lucky and enjoy Father's Day goodies more than once every year!

Indulging the sweet daddies with breakfast in bed; gifting out cards, flowers, chocolates, neckties, shirts, electronic gadgets, stationery items; games and various other activities, get-togethers mark Father's Day to strengthen the bond between a father and child and are the traditional way of celebrating Father's Day not only in U.S. but also, all over the world in the recent times. Father's Day is celebrated with enthusiasm and gifts galore to reflect on the invaluable role and contribution of fathers in the family. ... As a Father's Day tradition, people in US and Canada, along with their Dads, pay tribute to grandfather, stepfather, foster father, uncle or men who plays the Father figure role in their lives. The tradition of celebrating Father's Day in Canada has been influenced from the US. People in Canada too wear roses to express gratitude and love for their father as their US counterparts. The event is popularly observed as a time for family reunion as well, with children ... coming together to celebrate the day with their fathers and other loved ones; Paying tribute by giving out donations in the name of their fathers or by performing acts of service; Dining out. Business in restaurants and eating joints witness a huge rush on the occasion.

Several clubs, schools and cultural societies in United Kingdom and Ireland, Australia, South Africa organize Fathers Day parties and get-togethers and provide people an opportunity to celebrate the day in a wide scale to stress the importance of Father's role in the development of the family and the society as a whole. The effort to spread a sense of responsibility and devotion to fathers are also made besides, children who in turn are encouraged to pay full attention and respect to their father. The occasion in Australia is celebrated privately in households. Breakfast meeting for families is also a common affair of Father Day celebrations in Australia. Many in South Africa go out for picnic, fishing or just for a meal in restaurant. ...

However, the popularity of Fathers Day has also led to an extensive commercialization of the event. According to critics the rigorous marketing campaign has spoiled the noble idea of honoring fathers on Father's Day as many observe the day by performing the mere formality of presenting gifts to dad. Others, on the other hand see the positive side of commercialization and consider that it has helped to spread awareness and the significance about the day for children to honor their fathers. Here's wishing all the wonderful fathers out there a perfect Father's Day. May you be blessed with a life of contentment, peace and happiness forever. For our life wouldn't have a purpose to strive and excel without their support and secure guidance.