

Weekly Bulletin

August 9 to August 16, 2008



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SCHEDULES

Masses:

Saturday 5:00 PM
Sunday 9:00 AM

Confession:

Sunday 8:00AM-8:45AM

Eucharistic Adoration:

Friday 7:00PM-8:00PM

Religious Education:

Sunday 10:30AM-
12:00PM

1st Sat. of Month:

- Mass at 8:30AM
- Altar & Rosary Society
Meeting

JESUS IS ALONE!

Hello dear parishioners and visitors to Saint Vincent de Paul. Come into the quiet. What a great challenge for us in the heart of the city. We find Jesus in Matthew's gospel going up a mountain...alone. How misunderstood he must have been. He goes off by himself just after he feeds the five thousand. Where are you going, Jesus?

We know he goes to pray. He rises up above the noise and action of the world to go into the quiet. Elijah points to this encounter with God in the first reading from 1 Kings 19 today. The Lord was not in the wind, not in the earthquake, not in the fire, but in a still small voice. How often our world (and maybe our hearts) look for God in phenomena, big visible signs, or a voice loud and clear. This is understandable because of how loud and obnoxious our world likes to communicate. But our God, who created this world and desires to redeem and sanctify it, speaks so often to us in the quiet, in silence. Thus, he is inviting us to prayer this weekend in a deeper way no matter where we are at on our spiritual pilgrimage to heaven.

Listen to the patron of all parish priests, Saint John Vianney, whose feast was this past week on August 4th: "Prayer is nothing else but union with God. When one has a heart that is pure and united with God, he is given a kind of serenity and sweetness that makes him ecstatic, a light that surrounds him with marvelous brightness. In this intimate union, God and the soul are fused together like two bits of wax that no one can ever pull apart. This union of God with a tiny creature is a lovely thing. It is a happiness beyond understanding."

This happiness is waiting for you and me, my brothers and sisters. It is a gift the world cannot give, and it comes freely from the heart of our Trinitarian God. Jesus leaves a broken and sinful world to go into conversation and communion with his heavenly father. What about all the healings to be done, the demons to expel, the people without faith? He is at prayer. He invites you and I as his followers to not be afraid to follow him in this "vital and personal relationship with the living and true God" (Catechism of the Catholic Church #2558).

If you are in a marriage with a family, the best gift you can give your spouse and kids is to follow Jesus today up the spiritual mountain of prayer. Find the quiet somewhere in your daily life for an appointment with God to

To know, love and serve Jesus Christ

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday 8/9

5:00 PM Lillie Zak

Sunday 8/10

9:00 AM People of the Parish

Saturday 8/16

5:00 PM Lillie Zak

Sunday 8/17

9:00 AM People of the Parish

GOSPEL READING AT MASS

Saturday 8/9 (Vigil)

Matthew 14: 22-33

Sunday 8/10

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Monday 8/11

Matthew 17: 22-27

Tuesday 8/12

Matthew 18: 1-5, 10, 12-14

Wednesday 8/13

Matthew 18: 15-20

Thursday 8/14

Luke 11: 27-28

Friday 8/15

Luke 1: 39-56

Saturday 8/16 (AM)

Matthew 19: 13-15

Saturday Confession

Saturday Confession will be at the **Cathedral of Saint Paul** from 3:30PM-5:00PM

Lus ceeb toom

Vim tsis muaj tus teb xov
tooj hauv peb lub Tsev teev
Ntuj lawm, mas yog nej hu
tuaj, tus yuav teb xov tooj
yog tus khiav hauj lwm nyob
pem lub niam Tsev teev Ntuj
(Cathedral). Tso nej npe
thiab xov tooj, Txiv Plig
mam li hu rov rau nej.

St. Vincent de Paul,
Pray for us!

surrender all things and listen to his awesome and divine word for you. Yes, I preach this first to myself. And I ask for your prayers for us priests and consecrated ones. We need more faith to first receive our Lord and his Spirit in prayer before we go and try to give him to others.

Many of you come to church in search of your vocation. Jesus will reveal this to you if you are faithful to prayer, and prayer that allows God to do as he wishes in your life. This was the key to the relationship of Christ and his father. "In the scroll of the book it stands written that I should do your will." How this psalm (40) must have been so often on the heart of Christ.

Father James Adams



Holy Day of Obligation

Friday, August 15th, is the Solemnity of the Assumption of Mary into Heaven. There will be a Mass for this Holy Day at 7 PM and the Holy Hour will follow from 8:00 – 9:00 PM. Please join us as we honor God and His Holy Mother .