### What is Confession?

Confession is the Sacrament by which sins committed after Baptism are confessed to and forgiven through the absolution of the priest.

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# How does the priest have the power to forgive sins?

The priest has the power to forgive sins from Jesus Christ, who said to His Apostles and to their successors in the priesthood: "Receive the Holy Spirit. Whose sins you shall forgive are forgiven them." (John 20:23)

## What are some of the effects of Confession?

Some of the effects of the Sacrament of Confession are: (1) the restoration or increase of sanctifying grace; (2) the forgiveness of sins; (3) the remission of the eternal punishment due because of our personal sins; and (4) help to avoid sin in the future.

# What is the Seal of Confession?

The priest, as he represents Christ Himself, is bound to never reveal anything that has been confessed to him in this Sacrament.

### ORIGEN OF ALEXANDRIA (AD 248)

"A final method of forgiveness is the remission of sins through penance, when the sinner does not shrink from declaring his sin to a priest of the Lord and from seeking medicine, after the manner of him who say, 'I said: To the Lord I will accuse myself of my iniquity."

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#### Saturday, July 8

8:00 a.m. Special Intention 8:30-9:00 a.m. Confession 4:00-4:45 p.m. Confession 4:35 p.m. Rosary 5:00 p.m. Donna Whitacre + Sunday, July 9 Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time 7:10 a.m. *Rosarv* 7:30 a.m. Parish Family 9:40 a.m. Rosary 10:00 a.m. Living & Deceased members of Rick & Sue Singer Family Monday, July 10 8:00 a.m. No Public Mass **Tuesday**, July 11 7:00-8:00 a.m. Adoration 8:00 a.m. Beatrice Hickert + 8:30 a.m. Confession Wednesday, July 12 6:00-7:00 p.m. Adoration 6:00-6:45 p.m. Confession 7:00 p.m. Monica & Robert Kirschmann Thursday, July 13 8:00 a.m. Greg Mayer + Friday, July 14 8:30 a.m. Tom Thompson + Saturday, July 15 8:00 a.m. Special Intention 8:30-9:00 a.m. Confession 4:00-4:45 p.m. Confession 4:35 p.m. Rosary 5:00 p.m. Michael Mangen + Sunday, July 16 **Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time** 7:10 a.m. *Rosary* 7:30 a.m. Chris Hartman 9:40 a.m. Rosary 10:00 a.m. Parish Family



MASS READINGS FOR THE WEEK Monday, July 10 - Fourteenth Week in Ordinary Time - Gn 28:10-22a/ Mt 9:18-26 Tuesday, July 11 - St. Benedict, Abbot - Gn 32:23-33/ Mt 9:32-38

Wednesday, July 12 - Gn 41:55-57; 42:5-7a,17-24a/ Mt 10:1-7

Thursday, July 13 - St. Henry - Gn 44:18-21,23b-29; 45:1-5/ Mt 10:7-15

Friday, July 14 - St. Kateri Tekakwitha, Virgin - Gn 46:1-7,28-30/ Mt 10:16-23

Saturday, July 15 - St. Bonaventure, Bishop and Doctor of the Church - Gn 49:29-32; 50:15-26a/ Mt 10:24-33

Sunday, July 16 - Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time - Is 55:10-11/ Rom 8:18-23/ Mt 13:1-23 or 13:1-9



#### FOURTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - JULY 9, 2023

This weekend (July 8<sup>th</sup>/9<sup>th</sup>), the Church celebrates the Fourteenth Sunday in **Ordinary Time.** Thank you for your generous support of our brothers and sisters from the Archdiocese of Tabora in Tanzania last weekend. Like many of you, I greatly enjoyed the chance to meet Fr. Patrick Bergin and to hear about the Faith being lived out so vibrantly in Tanzania.

A mission talk is not only meant to raise awareness of and support for those in need, it also serves as a poignant reminder for each of us. We are called to not only recognize the many blessings in our lives, but also to recognize the true gift of God's grace given to us in our Faith that we often take for granted. Just as we had an opportunity to share our material support with those in Tabora, may we also now learn from and share in their spiritual zeal for the Faith.

If you would like to make a donation for the Archdiocese of Tabora, please place additional donations in a plain envelope marked "Mission Appeal" in the collection basket. Checks should be made out to "St. Joseph Catholic Church".

Next weekend, we welcome Fr. Bill Sullivan as the celebrant for our weekend Masses. As I will be traveling with those on our day pilgrimage to the Shrine of the Holy Relics on Saturday, Fr. Bill offered to cover not only our Saturday anticipatory Mass, but our full weekend schedule of Masses. As always, I greatly appreciate Fr. Bill's help and thank you for your warm welcome to him.

With Fr. Bill offering our Masses this weekend, I will be traveling to nearby St. Rose of Lima in Monroeville on Sunday to join in the installation of their new pastor, Fr. Dennis DiBenedetto. Fr. Dennis was able to join us for my installation as pastor five years ago. I am happy to be able to "return the favor" and join his new parish family in celebrating his installation as pastor next weekend.

#### **COMING SOON - TOTUS TUUS SUMMER PROGRAM**

In two weeks, we will welcome the missionaries leading our upcoming *Totus* **Tuus Summer Program**. These missionaries have given up their summers to lead this great program throughout our diocese. This program is not only meant to engage our youth, but our entire parish family. Join us for a parish potluck to welcome the missionaries on Tuesday, July 25th, at 5:00 PM in the Social Hall.

It's not too late to sign-up your children or grandchildren for *Totus Tuus*, which will run from July 23<sup>rd</sup> - 28<sup>th</sup>. Registration forms are available in the Parish Office and can be returned either in the collection basket or to the Parish Office. The missionaries will join us for our weekend Masses on July 22<sup>nd</sup>/23<sup>rd</sup> to offer a personal invitation for the week's events.

#### **DID YOU KNOW? THE SACRAMENT OF CONFESSION**

The Sacrament of Confession was instituted by Jesus Christ to provide a means for those who fall into sin after Baptism to be restored into God's grace. It involves the admission of one's sins made to a duly approved Priest in order to obtain absolution. Confession is often called the "sacrament of Penance" as the recipient must be truly repentant of his sins, be determined to try to avoid this sin in the future, and be willing to make reparations as appropriate for his actions.

This Sacrament is the way in which God has chosen to administer forgiveness. Jesus exercised the power to forgive sins so "that you may know that the Son of man has authority on earth to forgive sins" (Matthew 8:6). And, to the Apostles, Jesus says: "As the Father has sent Me, so I send you. And when He had said this, He breathed on them and said to them: 'Receive the Holy Spirit. Whose sins you forgive are forgiven them..." (John 20:21-23)

The Catholic Priest, in the Sacrament of Confession, does not redeem us; he is, instead, an agent of the one Mediator, Jesus, and is assigned and empowered by this one Mediator. Confession is but one way of applying the mediation of Christ to men. In this way, the Sacrament of Confession allows us to confess our sins to God through His minister following the way in which Jesus Himself instituted.

If you haven't been to Confession in a while, I invite you to participate in this beautiful sacrament of healing. You'll be surprised about how free you feel after.

Becky Biberstein, Michael Green, Frances Carr, Tom Richhart, Carol Leitner, Pat Pfeifer, Troy Cook, Bobbie Jackson, Bonnie Burns, John Houlihan, Kimberly Abney, Sydnee Bradburn, Leanne Lee, Dr. Doug Phillips, Jeff Tillman, Margaret Pogue, and Richard Payne.

### G.I.R.L.'s night out



Join G.I.R.L.'s Night Out for a cookout on Tuesday, July 11th at 6:30 p.m. All women in the parish are invited and encouraged to attend! Please bring a dish to share. For more information, please contact Carol Butler (cbutler@adamswells.com) or Joni Cincotta (j\_cincotta@hotmail.com). Hope to see you there!

#### TOTUS TUUS - 'TOTALLY YOURS'

Totus Tuus will begin on Sunday, July 23 through Thursday, July 27 from 6:45-8:30p.m. for students in middle school, high school and recent graduates. Grades 1-6 will begin Monday, July 24 through Friday, July 28 from 9:00 a.m. - 2:40 p.m.



(Those attending the evening program are invited to volunteer during the day program.)

Registration and Volunteer forms are available in the Parish Office. Volunteers will need background checks and Safe Environment Training before Totus Tuus begins.

Parish families are asked to host the Missionary Team for dinner, i.e., Sunday, Monday or Wednesday evening, please call the Parish Office for more information at 260-824-1380.

#### PARISH CALENDAR

- Sat., July 9 Confession 4-4:45 p.m. / Mass 5:00 p.m.
- Sun., July 9 Mass 7:30 a.m. / Mass 10:00 a.m.
- Tues., July 11 Adoration 7-8:00 a.m. / Mass 8:00 a.m. / Confessions 8:30 a.m.
- Tues., July 11 GIRL's Night Out Cookout 6:30 p.m.
- Wed., July 12 Adoration 6-7:00 p.m. / Confession 6-6:45 p.m. / Mass 7:00 p.m.
- Thurs., July 13 Mass 8:00 a.m.
- Fri., July 14 Mass at 8:30 a.m.
- Sat., July 15 Mass 8:00 a.m. / Confession 8:30-9:00 a.m.
- Sat., July 15 Maria Stein Day-Trip Pilgrimage 11:00 a.m. -6:00 p.m.
- Sat., July 15 Confession 4-4:45 p.m. / Mass 5:00 p.m.
- Sun., July 16 Mass 7:30 a.m. / Mass 10:00 a.m.
- Tues., July 18 Adoration 7-8:00 a.m. / Mass 8:00 a.m. / Confessions 8:30 a.m.
- Wed., July 19 Adoration 6-7:00 p.m. / Confession 6-6:45 p.m. / Mass 7:00 p.m.
- Wed., July 19 Catechism Chat 7:45 p.m. in the Parish Social Hall
- Thurs., July 20 Mass 8:00 a.m.
- Fri., July 21 Parish Office Closed Today
- Fri., July 21 Mass at 8:30 a.m.
- Sat., July 22 Mass 8:00 a.m. / Confession 8:30-9:00 a.m.
- Sat., July 22 Confession 4-4:45 p.m. / Mass 5:00 p.m.
- Sat., July 22 Totus Tuus Missionary Team after 5:00 Mass.
- Sun., July 23 Mass 7:30 a.m. / Mass 10:00 a.m.
- Sun., July 23 Thursday, July 27 High School Totus Tuus Program - 6:45-8:30 p.m.
- Mon., July 23 Friday, July 28 Grades 1-6 Totus Tuus Program - 9:00 a.m. - 2:40 p.m.
- Mon., July 23 Friday, July 28 Daily Mass at 11:15 a.m.

#### Weekend of 15/16 Weekend



Marita Crawfis Donna Geisel § 10:00 Teresa Smith

Glenn Ryan

Geoff Frank

5:00 7:30 10:00 Monica Harris DRS



Kathy Marshall Sarah McCorkle 10:00 Diana Cole, Jeff Miller, Kevin Seago

5:00 Alex/Audrey Mechling, Isaiah or Melanie Bedwell 7:30 Spencer McCorkle, Volunteer, Volunteer wers 10:00 Charlie Andrews, Luke Miller, Sam Smith

St. Joseph Parish Finance Report for the Weekend of July 1/2 Adult Envelopes- \$2,816.00 Loose- \$247.00 Repair/Rainy Day Fund-\$1.668.14 **Religious Education-** \$125.00 Votive Candles- \$128.76 Total- \$4,984.90

Your gifts to St. Joseph Parish are greatly appreciated. Thank you!

If you would like to set up Online Giving through Our Sunday Visitor, please visit this website: https://www.osvhub.com/ stjosephchurchbluffton/giving/funds

> ST. VINCENT DE PAUL FUND REPORT - June Utilities- \$184.81 Housing- \$250.00 Charitable Donations-\$1,500.00 Total Charitable Donations- \$1,948.81

> > **Thank you** for helping us help others!



- Sat. & Sun. August 19/20 Parish Registration after all Masses. Stop by the table and Register to join our Parish Family or up-date your current information.
- Sat., August 26 Annual Religious Education Registration Pizza/Sundae Bar following 5:00 Mass in the Parish Social Hall. Come say HELLO and meet your Catechist!

#### From Death To New Life



In your charity, please pray for the repose of the soul of Irene M. Dedrick, mother of Steve (Deb) Dedrick, who passed away Tuesday, July 4, 2023 and will be laid to rest on Monday, July 10, 2023.

May God welcome her home, fill her with peace and bless those who will miss her.

Eternal Rest Grant unto her O Lord, and let Perpetual light shine upon her. May her soul and the souls of all the faithful departed through the mercy of God rest in Peace. Amen.

Our weekly budget is \$5,116.40 We are \$131.50 behind our

budget for the month of July. Online Giving for June - \$7,275.00 We were \$7,645.51 ahead of our budget for the month of June.

St. Vincent de Paul Fund- \$110.00 St. Vincent de Paul Fund-Online Giving - \$235.00

