

St Sacraments the invisible Holy Matrimony

What is the Sacrament of Holy Matrimony?

The Sacrament of Holy Matrimony is the Sacrament in which a baptized man and a baptized woman bind themselves for life in a lawful marriage and receive the grace to discharge the duties of married life.

How is the Sacrament of Holy Matrimony celebrated?

As marriage establishes spouses in a public state of life in the Church, its liturgical celebration is public, taking place in the presence of a priest (or another witness who is authorized by the Church) and other witnesses.

What new element did Jesus give to Matrimony?

Jesus raised matrimony to the dignity of a sacrament between the baptized, giving spouses a special grace to live out their marriage as a symbol of Christ's love for his bride the Church (Ephesians 5:25).

What are some of the effects of Holy Matrimony?

This Sacrament establishes a perpetual and exclusive bond between the spouses whose consent is sealed by God. Furthermore, it bestows upon the spouses the grace necessary to attain holiness in their married life and to accept the gift of children and provide for their education.

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Saturday, July 29

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. Parish Family

Sunday, July 30

Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:10 a.m. *Rosary*
7:30 a.m. Ronnie Burns +
9:40 a.m. *Rosary*
10:00 a.m. Michael Smekens +

Monday, July 31

8:00 a.m. *No Public Mass*

Tuesday, August 1

No Adoration
7:30 a.m. Mohler Witwer +
No Confession following Mass

Wednesday, August 2

6:00-7:00 p.m. *Adoration*
6:00-6:45 p.m. *Confession*
7:00 p.m. Tricia Meyers

Thursday, August 3

8:00 a.m. Marj Sanders +

Friday, August 4

8:30 a.m. Jane Case +

Saturday, August 5

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. Gene Keys +

Sunday, August 6

The Transfiguration of the Lord

7:10 a.m. *Rosary*
7:30 a.m. Parish Family
9:40 a.m. *Rosary*
10:00 a.m. Sue Meyer +



MASS READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday, July 31 - Seventeenth Week in Ordinary Time - St. Ignatius of Loyola, Priest - Ex 32:15-24,30-34/ Mt 13:31-35

Tuesday, August 1 - St. Alphonsus Liguori, Bishop and Doctor of the Church - Ex 33:7-11;34:5b-9,28/ Mt 13:36-43

Wednesday, August 2 - St. Eusebius of Vercelli, Bishop; St. Peter Julian Eymard, Priest - Ex 34:29-35/ Mt 13:44-46

Thursday, August 3 - Ex 40:16-21,34-38/ Mt 13:47-53

Friday, August 4 - St. John Vianney, Priest - Lv 23:1,4-11,15-16,27,34b-37/ Mt 13:54-58

Saturday, August 5 - The Dedication of the Basilica of Saint Mary Major - Lv 25:1,8-17/ Mt 14:1-12

Sunday, August 6 - The Transfiguration of the Lord - Dn 7:9-10,13-14/ 2 Pt 1:16-19/ Mt 17:1-9



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.

This weekend (July 29th/30th), the Church celebrates the **Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time**. This marks the halfway point of **Ordinary Time**, though it may not seem that way. As **Ordinary Time** first begins after the **Christmas Season** before being interrupted by **Lent** and **Easter**, its thirty-four weeks are fairly broken up and spread throughout the liturgical year.

This week brings to a close our several weekends focusing on the third great discourse of St. Matthew's Gospel: *The Parables of the Lord*. From here, we transition into a narrative that will focus on the formation of the disciples. This narrative highlights the preeminence of St. Peter among the Apostles and the use of the word "*church*" (Greek: *ekklēsia*). This will, in turn, lead us into the fourth great discourse on Church Life and Practice.

Next weekend, we will take a brief break from this narrative to celebrate the **Solemnity of the Transfiguration**. When this annual celebration on August 6th falls on a Sunday, it takes precedence over the celebration of **Ordinary Time** since it is a *Feast of the Lord*. *Feasts of the Lord* are specific days of the year that are distinguished in the liturgical calendar as significant events throughout the life of Jesus and, as such, are met with the highest of celebrations.

PARISH PROJECT UPDATES - PART II

When entering the narthex today, you may have made the words of St. Mary Magdalene at the empty tomb your own: "*Where have you taken my Lord?*" Over the past several months, parts of the wooden statue of our Lord began to crumble and break-off of the main statue. Though this natural decaying process is to be expected as the statue was carved from a dead tree, it has raised several pressing safety concerns surrounding the statue.

Last Tuesday, our Knights of Columbus and several helping hands helped to safely lower and move the statue. It is currently being stored in the pole barn for further inspection. We will be cutting away some of the loose wood at the base to see what condition the overall statue is in. If salvageable, it is my hope that we can place the statue somewhere on our campus where it is both visible and safe.

Speaking of statues, our parish recently received a statue of St. Isidore, who is the patron saint of farmers and rural communities. This statue will be placed in a small outdoor shrine out near the garden boxes behind the Church. St. Isidore is one of several Saints that I hope our parish will learn more about in this coming year. It never hurts to have friends in heaven!

DID YOU KNOW? THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY MATRIMONY

The Sacrament of Holy Matrimony is a covenant. The term "*covenant*" always expresses a relationship between persons. The marriage covenant refers to the relationship between husband and wife, a permanent union of persons capable of knowing and loving each other and God. As the celebration of marriage in the Catholic Church is a liturgical act, a wedding involving a Catholic is to be held in a Church (*unless the local bishop grants a dispensation allowing otherwise*).

In this Sacrament, the **outward sign** is found in the consent exchange between husband and wife. Differing from the other Sacraments, Holy Matrimony has itself been elevated from a natural institution to the dignity of a sacrament as seen during Jesus' public ministry. This sacramental nature was **instituted by Jesus** as He worked his first miracle at a wedding (John 3:1-11) and taught that marriage in the New Covenant is permanent and holy (Matthew 19:3-9).

In the Sacrament of Marriage, God **gives** the couple **the grace** to make their own His love, mercy, generosity, kindness, and compassion. By their marriage, the couple now witnesses to Christ's spousal love for the Church. One of the Nuptial Blessings in the liturgical celebration of marriage refers to this in saying, "*Father, you have made the union of man and wife so holy a mystery that it symbolizes the marriage of Christ and his Church.*"

~Faithfully in Christ, Fr. David
A special "Thank You!" to Fr. Bill Sullivan who will be offering our daily Masses this coming week while I am attending the annual "Speculum Iustitiae" Canon Law Conference at the Shrine of Our Lady of Guadalupe in La Crosse, Wisconsin. Please note the change to our daily Mass time on Tuesday, August 1st, from 8:00 AM to 7:30 AM.



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

Monthly Meeting - Tuesday, August 1, 2023

Recitation of the Holy Rosary at 6:40 p.m. in the Church,
and meeting in the Parish Social Hall at 7:00 p.m.

FIRST FRIDAY ADORATION, August 4, 2023

(Following 8:30 a.m. Mass) 9:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m.

Confession 5:00-5:45 p.m. / No 6:00 p.m. Mass

"Spend an Hour with me." - Jesus

Please sign up on the sheet in the narthex.



PRO-LIFE ROSARY

Join the Knights of Columbus on Saturday, August 5th
at 4:35 p.m. for the recitation of the Pro-Life Rosary for
unborn children and their mothers. Everyone in the Par-
ish is invited to participate.



PARISH CALENDAR

- **Sat., July 29** - Mass 8:00 a.m. / Confession 8:30 a.m.
- **Sat., July 29** - Confession 4-4:45 p.m. / Mass 5:00 p.m.
- **Sun., July 30** - Mass 7:30 a.m. / Mass 10:00 a.m.
- **Tues., Aug. 1** - No Adoration / **Mass 7:30 a.m.** / No Confession following Mass
- **Tues., Aug. 1** - Knights of Columbus - Recitation of the Holy Rosary at 6:40 / Meeting at 7:00 p.m.
- **Wed., Aug. 2** - Adoration 6-7:00 p.m. / Confession 6-6:45 p.m. / Mass 7:00 p.m.
- **Wed., Aug. 2** - Parish Council Meeting at 7:45 p.m.
- **Thurs., Aug 3** - Mass at 8:00 a.m.
- **Fri., Aug. 4** - First Friday Adoration - Mass at 8:30 a.m. / Adoration from 9:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m. / Mass at 6:00 p.m.
- **Sat., Aug. 5** - Mass 8:00 a.m. / Confession 8:30 a.m.
- **Sat., Aug. 5** - Confession 4-4:45 p.m. / Mass 5:00 p.m.
- **Sun., Aug. 6** - Mass 7:30 a.m. / Mass 10:00 a.m.
- **Tues., Aug. 8** - Adoration 7-8:00 a.m. / Mass 8:00 a.m. / Confessions 8:30 a.m.
- **Tues., Aug. 8** - GIRL's Night Out - Movie Night
- **Wed., Aug. 9** - Adoration 6-7:00 p.m. / Confession 6-6:45 p.m. / Mass 7:00 p.m.
- **Thurs., Aug 10** - Mass at 8:00 a.m.
- **Fri., Aug. 11** - Mass at 8:30 p.m.
- **Sat., Aug. 12** - Mass 8:00 a.m. / Confession 8:30 a.m.
- **Sat., Aug. 12** - Confession 4-4:45 p.m. / Mass 5:00 p.m.
- **Sun., Aug. 13** - Mass 7:30 a.m. / Mass 10:00 a.m.
- **Mon., Aug. 14** - Vigil Mass - 7:00 p.m.
- **Tues., Aug. 15** - The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary - Mass at 7:00 a.m. / Noon / 7:00 p.m.

Weekend of August 5 & 6 Weekend



5:00 Mike Morrissey

7:30 Teresa Smith

10:00 Marita Crawfis



5:00 Knights of Columbus

7:30 Sarah McCorkle

10:00 Monica Harris



10:00 Tammi Helm, Jeff Miller



5:00 Knights of Columbus

7:30 Spencer McCorkle, Volunteer, Volunteer

10:00 Sam Smith, Charlie Andrews, Luke Miller

St. Joseph Parish Finance Report for the Weekend of July 22/23

Adult Envelopes- \$2,522.00

Loose- \$229.00

Repair/Rainy Day Fund-
\$219.97

Assumption- \$5.00

Rental Income- \$200.00

Total- \$3,175.97

Our weekly budget is \$5,116.40

We are \$3,887.71 behind our
budget for the month of July.

St. Vincent de Paul Fund- \$86.00

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

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Visitor, please visit this website: [https://www.osvhub.com/
stjosephchurchbluffton/giving/funds](https://www.osvhub.com/stjosephchurchbluffton/giving/funds)

AUGUST 15 - THE ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY - A HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION

Mass Schedule:

Vigil Mass

Monday, August 14 at 7:00 p.m.

Day/Evening Masses

Tuesday, August 15 at

7:00 a.m., Noon and 7:00 p.m.



PARISH REGISTRATION WEEKEND * AUGUST 19/20

Following all Masses on August 19 and 20, we will
have "Parish Registration" in the narthex for
those who would like to update any Parish infor-
mation, receive information about the Knights of
Columbus or are interested in joining the Schola
(Youth) Choir, the Children's Choir or Adult Choir.



JUBILEE ANNIVERSARY MASS AND RECEPTION

All couples celebrating their 25th, 40th, 50th, 60th, 65th, or
70th wedding anniversary this year, along with their fami-
lies, are invited to attend the Jubilee Anniversary Mass with
Bishop Rhoades on Sunday, Sept. 10, at 11:30 a.m. at the
Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception. A ticketed recep-
tion will follow in the hall at St. Mary Mother of God Par-
ish. Anniversary couples will receive a commemorative certificate
and two free tickets to the reception. Additional reception tickets
for family and friends may be purchased for \$10 each. Children
ages 10 and younger may attend the reception at no charge.

To register, go to diocesefwsb.org/anniversary-masses.

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h - is it helpful?
i - is it inspiring?
n - is it necessary?
k - is it kind?



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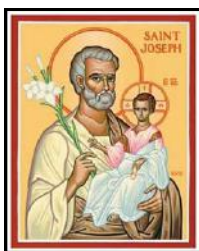
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