

**TWENTY SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**  
**AUGUST 30, 2020**

**Readings**

First Reading: Jer 20:7-9

Second Reading: Rom 12:1-2

Gospel: Mt 16:21-27

**Reflection**

God forbid, Lord! (Matthew 16:22)

What a stunning reversal! You don't confess someone as "the Son of the living God" and then turn around and scold them (Matthew 16:16)! What could have triggered such a strong reaction from Peter? The news that Jesus was going to "suffer greatly . . . and be killed" by Jerusalem's religious leaders (16:21).

Of course, Peter had the purest of intentions when he rebuked Jesus; he couldn't bear the thought of his beloved Master and friend suffering such a horrible fate.

But there may also have been a deeper motive in Peter's actions. Perhaps he was eager to preserve Jesus' image as an untouchable miracle worker so that he could be safe too. If he could keep Jesus from the cross, he wouldn't have to face his own cross.

Peter had been with Jesus long enough to see that being a disciple meant risking people's scorn and misunderstanding. It meant pouring out his life to God for the sake of the people around him. If Jesus was destined for the cross, then Peter might have to accept a similar fate. Better to shield Jesus from harm so that he could shield himself as well.

But Jesus would have none of it. So he told Peter that anyone who wanted to become like him had to take up his cross and follow in his footsteps (Matthew 16:24).

It's tempting to keep Jesus at arm's length so that he can't get too close and ask too much of us. Jesus made it very clear: there is a cost to discipleship. It's not always easy to follow the Lord and obey his commandments. But the glory of knowing Jesus' love and the joy of sharing his mercy with people far outweigh any sacrifice we might have to make. Peter ultimately learned this, and so can we.

So take up your cross today. Try your best to follow in Jesus' path of self-giving love.

"Lord, I don't want to keep you at a distance. Teach me how to give of myself as you did."  
(Word Among Us)

## MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK OF AUGUST 30, 2020

Sunday, Aug. 30

**8:30am @ St. Theresa:** Intention of Celebrant

9am: Parishioners of St. Anthony, St. Theresa & Our Lady of the Valley

10:30am: +Ken Scholl by Jerry & Donna Carpenter

**11am @ Our Lady of the Valley:** Intention of Celebrant

5pm: +Family & Friends of The Ed & Janice Stratman Families

Monday, Aug.31

8:30am: Bill & Phyllis McCormick by George & Peg Paul

Tuesday, Sept. 1

8:30am: Gary & Patsy Eyde by George & Pat Morris

12:15pm: +Gary Troxel by Marie Knox

Wednesday, Sept. 2

8:30am: Sarah Grosz by Mom & Dad

12:15pm: Juan Ramon Hernandez by Family

Thursday, Sept. 3

8:30am: +Tom Hedderman by John & Donna Sears

12:15pm: +Bob Russell by Steve & Joan Freeman

Friday, Sept. 4

8:30am: Repose of the Souls of our Vietnam Vets

12:15pm: Living & Deceased Members of The Knox and McClellan Families

Saturday, Sept. 5

8:30am: +Claudia Stevenson by St. Anthony Choir

5pm: Sandra Steranko by George & Pat Morris

**5pm @ Our Lady of the Valley:** +Gae Simone by Chris & Trish Maslak

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## EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

There are several Holy Hours that are open. Please prayerfully consider accepting one or signing up to be a substitute. Open times are: Mondays @ 11am & 5pm; Tuesdays @ 5pm & 6pm; Wednesdays @ 10am; Thursdays @ 1pm & 2pm; Fridays @ 10am & 1pm.  
Please call the Office for additional information, 587-3388.

**PLEASE** remember to pray for our church family members that are living in the Long Term Care Center and Brookdale: Mary Ann Metzger, Sylvia Gates, Marilyn Meyer, Mike Becker, Jeanne Pomajzl, Stacy Jourdan, Donna Brown, Nellie Grosz and John Case. "Honor your father and your mother, that you may have a long life in the land the Lord your God is giving you."  
Exodus 20:12

**Let's** also keep their families who miss them ever so much in our prayers as well.

**Thank you** for your generous support of gifts to **Living and Giving in Christ: Unity in Diocesan Ministries 2020** appeal! As of Aug. 11, 2020, St. Anthony is at 59% of our goal with a shortfall of \$31,195.00; St. Theresa is at 67% of their goal with a shortfall of \$926.00; Our Lady of the Valley is at 96% of their goal with a shortfall of \$196.00. For those who have not yet pledged, please consider doing so. You may donate online at [www.livingandgivinginchrist.org](http://www.livingandgivinginchrist.org).

**The Immaculate Heart of Mary Community** is celebrating their apostolic approval under Rome as of June 29, 2020, the Feasts of St. Peter and Paul. Our secular vocations, in the Discalced Carmelite Order of the Western Province of St. Joseph, are truly a support to the clergy and leadership of our Catholic Church. If you sense a need to deepen your commitment to Christ, we invite you to join us for a year of testing this possibility. Our monthly meetings are on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday of the month in Powell at St. Barbara's from 9am - 2:30pm. The first of this formation year is September 19<sup>th</sup>. This provides each with a deep study of Carmelite Spirituality and the protection of Our Lady of Mt. Carmel. Any practicing Catholic is welcome. For more information, call Mary Lou at 307-254-0215.



*Learn of Mary  
Learn from Mary*



*Learn with Jesus at  
the feet of Mary*

## SCHOOL OF MARY

**SCHOOL OF MARY:** Deacon Rick will be presenting two of his original fourteen classes on **Mariology**, *the School of Mary*, first presented in 2013. The first class will be on September 8<sup>th</sup>, the Feast of *The Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary*. This class will be **“Mary, the Mother of God.”** The dogma of the Divine Maternity is at the root and core of all Marian doctrines and dogmas. There will be many handouts and a Power Point presentation.

The second class will be ***Marian Apparitions and Devotions***. This class will be on September 15<sup>th</sup>, the *Memorial of “Our Lady of Sorrows*. There will be many handouts, as well. After this presentation, Father Clark will install the Carmelite Scapular on all those who desire. Please try to obtain a scapular beforehand.

Both of these classes will be presented in the Church at 6:30pm. Please remember to bring your masks and practice social distancing. These classes will not be presented on line.

We all know the extreme importance of Mary in these difficult times. Mary will crush the snarly little head of Satan with her heel. The more we know of Mary, the more we love her, the safer we will be.

**CONFIRMATION** will be next Saturday, Aug. 29<sup>th</sup> at the 5pm Mass. In order to comply with our Covid-19 protocol, we ask that, unless Mass.

The Sunday 9am Mass link:

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“We don’t know what the future holds, but it’s all God’s work,” says Sister Theresa McGrath (center), 86, a member of the Sisters of Charity of the Incarnate Word, San Antonio, for nearly 70 years.

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*Above, from left:* Sister Alice Garcia, SSCJ, 91; Brother Martin Gonzales, OCSO, 95; Sister Theresa McGrath, CCVI, 86; Sister Anne Cecile Muldoon, OSU, 93; Abbot Emeritus Peter Eberle, OSB, 79.

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