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From the Pastor



The Mass Explained: By Cormac Burke

The purposes of the Mass

The third purpose: to make up for our sins:

Jesus is perfect God and perfect Man. He is all-holy. Therefore he has not and could not have been guilty of any sin. But, as the Holy Scriptures says, he took our sins on himself and made up for them. He did penance for us by dying on the cross. If we want to take part properly in the Holy Mass, we must be sorry for our sins. The person who is not sorry for his sins will never understand or love the Mass, nor will he ever really take part in it. But the person who comes to Mass with real sorrow for his sins, will draw from it great strength to fight against temptations and to realize that, despite his weaknesses, God loves him very much.

The penitential act the “I confess” that we all say together at the start of the Mass does not pardon mortal sins. Forgiveness of mortal sins has to be obtained in the sacrament of penance. It is also important to remember that a person who has committed a mortal sin cannot go to communion unless he goes to confession beforehand. But the penitential act, if it is said well, certainly helps to obtain pardon for present venial sins as well as to stir up new sorrow for past sins that have already been forgiven. In this way it helps us to purify ourselves and so to take better part in the Holy Mass.

The fourth purpose: petition

Our God is a merciful and a very generous God. He longs to give. He wants to give us what is absolutely the best, what is the greatest gift imaginable: eternal life and all the help we need to make it ours. God wants to give. But he also wants to be asked: “Ask and you shall receive.” That is why we ask with a prayer for petition. However, it is wise, when asking, to be able to back up our petition with some proof of special merit on our part. This is where we seem to run into a big difficulty. For when we look at ourselves, we see ourselves so full of defects and so lacking in merits that there seems to be no reason why God should ever heed our petitions. That is why we look to the merits of Christ, and to those of our Lady and the saints. That is why, if we are sensible, we unite our prayer to the prayer of Christ.

Christ’s prayer is always effective because it is simply impossible that God the Father should not listen to the prayer of his beloved Son. Jesus prayed for us on the cross. He continues praying for us on the altar. When we pray in the Holy Mass, therefore, and unite our prayers to that of Jesus, we can be sure that our requests will be heard by God the Father.

ST. JOSEPH SCHOOL NEWS:

St. Joseph School would love any donations of fresh fruits and vegetables from your garden. Thank you!


ST. JOSEPH NEWS:

The CCD program is seeking working flat-screen TVs for use in the classrooms. If you have anything that you would like to donate, please contact Jessica Halbleib @ 785-672-7643.

St. Joseph Parish Bible Study: *Foundations of Faith’s journey through the Catechism of the Catholic Church* Tuesday mornings at 9:30 in the rectory, following the 8:30 SJSchool Mass. Whether you are new to the Catholic Faith or seeking a deeper dive into the truth and beauty of Scripture and Sacred Tradition, *Foundations of Faith* offers a profound yet accessible guide to the heart of Catholic teachings. This program will help you understand why the Catholic Church teaches what it does—and how these teachings can profoundly change your life. Any questions: text or call 785-672-0479.

All Bulletin Announcements for this week need to be in by Thursday at 12NOON, please. Thank you!

The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary Holyday Mass times are bolded on the weekly schedule. We will need volunteers for the liturgy at all three Masses. THANK YOU!



Our Tithes from Last Week

Oakley: \$5,491.40 Angelus: \$1,185.00

We welcome all our guests to our parishes. If you have moved here, we encourage you to register on our website.



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DAILY SCHEDULE

Sat 09 – 5pm Mass - Parishioners
 Sun 10 – 8:00am Mass (Angelus) + John Rehmer
 10:30am Mass + Mitch Ottley
 Mon 11 – NO Mass
 5:30pm School Council Meeting
 Tues 12 – 7am Mass + Charles Anderson
 9:30am Bible Study in the rectory
 Wed 13 – 7:30am Mass (Angelus) + Charla Moos
 8am – 7pm Angelus Adoration
 Thur 14 – 7am Mass + Pauline Zimmerman
5:30pm Mass + The Family of John & Irene Geist
 Fri 15 – **7am Mass (Angelus) + Royce Fellhoelter**
12:05pm Mass + Todd Kuhlman
 Sat 16 – 5pm Mass - Parishioners
 Sun 17 – 8:00am Mass (Angelus) + The Family of
 Bernard & Bonnie Huelsman
 10:30am Mass + Joey Weber

Confessions 30 minutes before Weekend Masses, by appointment, or if indicated on the schedule.

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	Lector	Tom Halbleib		Lector	Bob Kuhlman
	Gifts	Mike & Cassie Shirley		Gifts	Ken & Bridget Bockwinkel
	Hospitality	Mike & Cassie Shirley		Hospitality	Ken & Bridget Bockwinkel

Sunday, Aug 17 th 8 am	Servers	Johnathan Ostmeyer
	Lectors	Doug Robben & Ron Lager
	Gifts	Jim & Kristy Fellhoelter
	Ushers	Lee, Jim, Jason & Steve Fellhoelter