

St. Joseph Parish, Middletown

Our Lady of the Lake Mission, Loch Lomond

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July 14, 2024

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Schedule of Services:

Reconciliation

Friday 9 a.m. to 10 a.m. English
7:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. Spanish
or by Appointment

Baptisms

Preparation for parents required:
See Pastor after Mass

Marriages

By appointment at least six months
in advance

Anointing of the Sick

For those who are elderly, seriously
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Parish Office Hours:

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MASS SCHEDULE

Our Lady of the Lake Mission – 12836 Hwy 175, Loch Lomond
Saturday Mass 5:00 p.m.

Sunday Masses

St. Joseph Church – Middletown, 9:30 a.m. (English)
Our Lady of the Pines – Whispering Pines, 11:30 a.m. (English)
St. Joseph Church - 4:00 p.m. (Spanish)

St. Joseph Church Weekday Schedule

Mass Tuesday through Friday 8:30 a.m. (English)
9:00 a.m. – 10:00 a.m. Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

Friday 6:30 p.m. Mass (Spanish)

7:00 p.m. Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

First Friday only

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament 9:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.
7:00 p.m. Mass (Spanish)

Spiritual Reflection – Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

LIKE THE APOSTLES, WE ARE SENT FORTH AS MESSENGERS OF THE GOSPEL

Excerpt from the Spiritual Reflection by Pope Francis, Angelus Message, July 15, 2018

Today's Gospel passage (cf. Mk 6:7-13) narrates the moment Jesus sends the Twelve [Apostles] on mission. After calling each of them by name "to be with him" (Mk 3:14), listening to his words and observing his gestures of healing, he now calls them again to "send them out two by two" (6:7) to the villages he was going to visit. It is a sort of "internship" of what they would be called to do following the Resurrection of the Lord, through the power of the Holy Spirit.

The Gospel passage pauses on the style of the missionary which we can sum up in two points: the mission has a center; the mission has a face.

First of all, the missionary disciple has his center of reference who is Jesus himself. The narrative indicates this by using a series of verbs which have him as the subject — "He called to him"; he "began to send them"; he "gave them authority"; "he charged them"; "he said to them" (vv. 7, 8, 10) — so that the going out and working of the Twelve appears to be radiating from a center, reaffirming the presence and work of Jesus in their missionary actions. This demonstrates that the Apostles have nothing of their own to proclaim, nor any abilities to manifest, but rather that they speak and act as "emissaries," as messengers of Jesus.

This episode of the Gospel also applies to us and not only to priests but to all baptized people called to witness to the Gospel of Christ in the various spheres of life. And for us too, this mission is authentic only in so far as its unchanging center who is Jesus. It is not an initiative of faithful individuals nor of groups and not even of large gatherings. It is the mission of the Church, inseparably united to her Lord. No Christian proclaims the Gospel "on his/her own," but is only sent by the Church who received the mandate from Jesus himself. Indeed, it is Baptism that makes us missionaries. A baptized person who does not feel the need to proclaim the Gospel, to proclaim Jesus, is not a good Christian.

The second characteristic of the missionary's style is, so to speak, a face, which consists in the poverty of means. His accoutrement responds to a criteria of modesty. Indeed, the Twelve have the order to "take nothing for their journey except a staff; no bread, no bag, no money in their belts" (6:8). The Teacher wants them to be free and unhampered, without reserves and without favors, certain only of the love of the One who sends them, strengthened only by his Word which they go to proclaim. The staff and the sandals are the gear of pilgrims because that is what the messengers of the Kingdom of God are, not omnipotent managers, not irreplaceable officials, not celebrities on tour.

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SEMANA DECIMOQUINTA EN HORARIO ORDINARIO

AL IGUAL QUE LOS APÓSTOLES, SOMOS ENVIADOS COMO MENSAJEROS DEL EVANGELIO

Extracto de la reflexión espiritual del Papa Francisco, Mensaje del Ángelus, 15 de Julio de 2018

El pasaje del Evangelio de hoy (cf. Mc 6:7-13) narra el momento en que Jesús envía a los Doce [Apóstoles] en misión. Después de llamar a cada uno de ellos por su nombre "para estar con él" (Mc 3:14), escuchar sus palabras y observar sus gestos de curación, ahora los llama de nuevo para "enviarlos de dos en dos" (6:7) a los pueblos que iba a visitar. Es una especie de "pasantía" de lo que estarían llamados a hacer después de la Resurrección del Señor, a través del poder del Espíritu Santo.

El pasaje del Evangelio hace una pausa en el estilo del misionero que podemos resumir en dos puntos: la misión tiene un centro; la misión tiene una cara.

En primer lugar, el discípulo misionero tiene su centro de referencia, que es Jesús mismo. La narrativa indica esto mediante el uso de una serie de verbos que lo tienen como sujeto: "Él lo llamó"; "comenzó a enviarlos"; "les dio autoridad"; "los acusó"; "les dijo" (vv. 7, 8, 10) - de modo que la salida y el trabajo de los Doce parece estar irradiando desde un centro, reafirmando la presencia y el trabajo de Jesús en sus acciones misioneras. Esto demuestra que los Apóstoles no tienen nada propio que proclamar, ni ninguna habilidad para manifestarse, sino más bien que hablan y actúan como "emisarios", como mensajeros de Jesús.

Este episodio del Evangelio también se aplica a nosotros y no solo a los sacerdotes, sino a todas las personas bautizadas llamadas a dar testimonio del Evangelio de Cristo en las diversas esferas de la vida. Y para nosotros también, esta misión es auténtica solo en la medida en que su centro inmutable es Jesús. No es una iniciativa de individuos fieles ni de grupos, ni siquiera de grandes reuniones. Es la misión de la Iglesia, inseparablemente unida a su Señor. Ningún cristiano proclama el Evangelio "por su cuenta", sino que solo es enviado por la Iglesia que recibió el mandato del propio Jesús. De hecho, es el bautismo lo que nos hace misioneros. Una persona bautizada que no siente la necesidad de proclamar el Evangelio, de proclamar a Jesús, no es un buen cristiano.

La segunda característica del misionero es, por así decirlo, una cara, que consiste en la pobreza de los medios. Su equipamiento responde a un criterio de modestia. De hecho, los Doce tienen la orden de "no llevar nada para su viaje excepto un bastón; ni pan, ni bolsa, ni dinero en sus cinturones" (6:8). El Maestro quiere que sean libres y sin trabas, sin reservas y sin favores, seguros solo del amor de Aquel que los envía, fortalecido solo por Su palabra que van a proclamar. Lo personal y las sandalias son el equipo de los peregrinos porque eso es lo que son los mensajeros del Reino de Dios, no los gerentes omnipotentes, no los funcionarios irremplazables, no las celebridades de gira.



Please pray for the sick in our parish, our family & friends, and those who care for them...Fr. Andre, Charlotte Baker, Charlie Bigelow, Larry Boll, Lourdes Borzoni Susan Conley, Hector Guerra, Alysia Hash, Jasmine Hash, Linda Hoogendoorn, John Johnson, Andre Kelley, Judy Knight, Helen Kruljac, Coleen McCluskey, Jeremiah McSweeney, Joe McSweeney, Ines Mendoza, Elsa Meyer, Shirley Milner, Don Nielsen, Andres Ochoa, Joaquina Ortega, Tyrone Rivera, Melody Royvel, Jim Serventi, Kirt Smartt, Judith Spears, Debbie Spicart, Leslie Thomas, Toni Vecellio, and **special intentions for all who suffer from cancer.**

ANNOUNCEMENTS

• *The St. Joseph Annual Banquet Fundraiser was another total success. We are so happy to announce the income from this event so far is \$17,652. After expenses, our estimated profit is \$13,445. We are unable at this time to give you a total amount that will go towards the insurance as the Online Auction is still open. We are grateful to Jane Cauley and her committee for a job well done, as always. Updates on figures will be reported weekly. Thank you so much, and God bless the parishioners, families and friends of St. Joseph Parish.*

- *Eucharistic Minister Formation is scheduled for July 20 at 10 a.m.*
- *A Lector Formation is scheduled for July 27 at 10 a.m.*
- *Coffee Social after the 9:30 a.m. mass on Sunday, July 28.*

ST JOSEPH ROOFING FUND We have raised \$28,712 to date. The roof cost \$43,500. We are still \$14,788 short. Checks payable to St. Joseph Roofing Fund. Thank you everyone for your constant support.

RCIA – If you are interested in becoming a Catholic, or Adult Confirmation (Formation). Please contact Roger Mattu or call the office for registration.

Sign-up sheets available in the back of St. Joseph for Eucharistic Adoration scheduled every first Friday of the month. 9 a.m. to 7 p.m.
Visit our website for a copy of the bulletin. stjoseph-middleton.com "I am the vine; you are the branches"

Mass Intentions

Saturday, July 13, 5:00 p.m.

Olga Dianda+ (Debbie Doran Mother)

By: Our Lady of the Lake Guild

Adriana Moreno de Alcalde+

By: Consuelo Alcalde

Sunday, July 14, 9:30 a.m.

SFC Lance Trimmer USA Ret+

By: Tony & Mary Ann Arnold

Janice Ebert+ By: Doug Ebert

Clarine Lewkowitz+ By: Ned & Sally Munger

Sally Munger (Happy Birthday) By: Lynn Thacher

Sunday, July 14, 11:30 a.m.

Jeremiah McSweeney(sp) By: Sandy Hood

Mass intentions available for all Masses, envelopes in the back of both churches. Complete the information and put in the collection basket or bring to the church.

PLATE COLLECTIONS – July 6 & 7

Our Lady of the Lake \$661

St. Joseph English 9:30 am \$4099

Our Lady of the Pines 11:30 am \$599

St. Joseph Spanish 4:00 pm \$298

First Collection \$2063 Second Collection \$3594

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CLASSES 2024-25

First Reconciliation and First Communion preparation is a combined two-year program for students beginning at age 7 and enrolled in at least the Second Grade in school. Confirmation preparation is a two-year program for students aged 11-17 and enrolled in the Sixth through 12th grade in school. Students turning 18 before the end of the two-year Confirmation preparation should wait until reaching age 18 and then enroll in the RCIA program for preparation for Confirmation as an adult.

Sunday July 21st after both Masses (9:30 a.m. and 4 p.m. Spanish) we will be available to register your children for our Sacrament programs. We require a copy of your child's Baptism and First Communion certificates (as stated on the registration forms per sacrament) and your fees to complete registration. Please come prepared. Thank you!

El domingo 21 de julio, después de ambas Misas (9:30 a. m. y 4 p. m. en español), estaremos disponibles para registrar a sus hijos en nuestros programas sacramentales. Requerimos una copia de los certificados de Bautismo y Primera Comunión de su hijo (como se indica en los formularios de inscripción para cada sacramento) y sus tarifas para completar la inscripción. Por favor ven preparado. Gracias.



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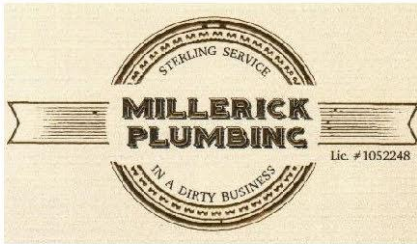
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