

St. Joseph Parish, Middletown

Our Lady of the Lake Mission, Loch Lomond

21396 Hwy 175, Middletown

August 11, 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
ill, or scheduled for surgery, please
call the parish office.

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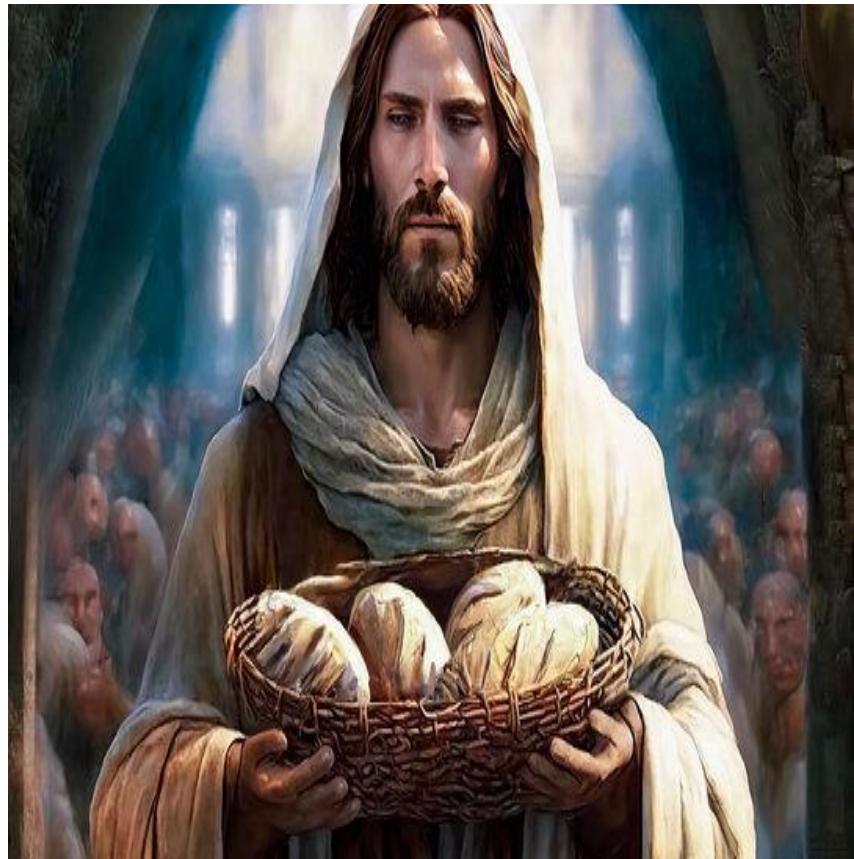
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MASS SCHEDULE

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 19th Sunday of Ordinary Time

Reflection By: Sean Millerick

On this 19th Sunday of Ordinary Time, a theme, a silver thread, or a brazen cable wind through today's scriptures. That is the doctrine of the Holy Eucharist, the Bread of Heaven, Jesus Himself, body, blood, soul, and divinity. Advantageously, this cycle of readings coincides with the Memorial of St. Clare, the disciple of St. Francis, and foundress of the Poor Clares, the second of the Franciscan Orders.

Today's Entrance Antiphon is "Look to your covenant, O Lord, and forget not the life of your poor ones forever. Arise, O God, and defend your cause, and forget not the cries of those who seek you".

This antiphon gives a window into the heart of St. Clare and her order. The Poor Clares have a special charism of prayer and penance, and St. Clare herself was especially devoted to the Eucharist. Her unwavering devotion as a disciple and friend of St. Francis and her care for him in his old age are testaments to her deep faith and inspire admiration and respect in us.

St. Clare of Assisi knew without a doubt what we so often take for granted: Jesus is the King of All Creation, God Incarnate, the Messiah, the Christ. She knew the truth firmly, specifically that Jesus meant it when He said "This IS my body" and "This IS my blood" as well as the words of St. Paul in 1 Corinthians 11:27: "Whoever, therefore, eats the bread or drinks the cup of the Lord in an unworthy manner will be answerable for the body and blood of the Lord" or the words of Christ in John 6:53 "So Jesus said to them, "Very truly, I tell you, unless you eat the flesh of the Son of Man and drink his blood, you have no life in you. Those who eat my flesh and drink my blood have eternal life, and I will raise them up on the last day; for my flesh is true food and my blood is true drink. Those who eat my flesh and drink my blood abide in me, and I in them." The transformative power of these words and the Eucharist they represent ought to inspire awe and reverence in us.

May we seek to emulate the saints, especially in prayer and penance. St. Clare, pray for us.

Prayer of St. Thomas- Almighty and Eternal God, behold I come to the sacrament of Your only begotten Son, our Lord Jesus Christ. As one sick I come to the Physician of life; unclean, to the Fountain of mercy; blind to the Light of eternal splendor; poor and needy to the Lord of heaven and earth. Therefore, I beg of You, through Your infinite mercy and generosity, heal my weakness, wash my uncleanness, give light to my blindness, enrich my poverty, and clothe my nakedness. May I thus receive the Bread of Angels, the King of Kings, the Lord of Lords, with such reverence and humility, contrition and devotion, purity and faith, purpose and intention, as shall aid my soul's salvation. Grant, I beg of You, that I may receive not only the Sacrament of the Body and Blood of our Lord, but also its full grace and power. Give me the grace, most merciful God, to receive the Body of your only Son, our Lord Jesus Christ, born of the Virgin Mary, in such a manner that I may deserve to be intimately united with His Mystical Body and to be numbered among His members. Most loving Father, grant that I may behold for all eternity face to face Your Beloved Son, whom now, on my pilgrimage, I am about to receive under the sacramental veil, who lives and reigns with You, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, world without end. Amen.

Domingo 19 del Tiempo Ordinario

Reflexión de: Sean Millerick

En este decimonoveno domingo del tiempo ordinario, el tema es, un hilo de plata o un cable descarado serpentea a través de las escrituras de hoy. Esa es la doctrina de la Santa Eucaristía, el Pan del Cielo, Jesús mismo, el cuerpo, la sangre, el alma y la divinidad. De manera ventajosa, este ciclo de lecturas coincide con el Memorial de St. Clare, la discípula de St. Francisco, y fundadora de los Poor Clares, el segundo de las órdenes Franciscanas. La antífona de entrada de hoy es "Mira tú pacto, oh Señor, y no olvides la vida de tus pobres para siempre". Levántate, oh Dios, y defiende tu causa, y no olvides los gritos de los que te buscan". Esta antífona da una ventana al corazón de Santa Clara y su pedido. La pobre Santa Clara tiene un carisma especial de oración y penitencia y La propia Santa Clara se dedicó especialmente a la Eucaristía. Su inquebrantable devoción como discípula y amiga de San Francisco y su cuidado por él en su vejez son testimonios de su profunda fe e inspiran admiración y respeto en nosotros.

Santa Clara de Asís sabía sin lugar a dudas lo que tan a menudo damos por sentado: Jesús es el Rey de Toda la Creación, Dios Encarnado, el Mesías, el Cristo. Ella sabía la verdad con firmeza, específicamente que Jesús lo quiso decir cuando dijo "Este ES mi cuerpo" y "Este ES mi sangre", así como las palabras de San Pablo en 1 Corintios 11:27: "El que, por lo tanto, coma el pan o beba la copa del Señor de una manera indigna, será indigno del cuerpo y la sangre del Señor" o las palabras de Cristo en Juan 6:53 "Así que Jesús les dijo: "Muy cierto, te digo, a menos que coman la carne del Hijo del Hombre y beban su sangre, no tendrán vida en ti. Los que comen mi carne y beben mi sangre tendrán vida eterna, y yo los levantaré en el último día; porque mi carne es verdadera comida y mi sangre es verdadera bebida. Los que comen mi carne y beben mi sangre habitan en mí, y yo en ellos". El poder transformador de estas palabras y la Eucaristía que representan deberían inspirar asombro y reverencia en nosotros.

Busquemos emular a los santos, especialmente en la oración y la penitencia. Santa Clara, reza por nosotros.

Oración de San Tomás, Dios Todopoderoso y Eterno, he aquí que vengo al sacramento de Tu Hijo Unigénito, nuestro Señor Jesucristo. Como enfermo vengo al Médico de la vida; impuro, a la Fuente de la misericordia; ciego, a la Luz del esplendor eterno; pobre y necesitado al Señor del cielo y de la tierra. Por lo tanto, te ruego que, a través de tu infinita misericordia y generosidad, sanes mi debilidad, laves mi impureza, des luz a mi ceguera, enriquece mi pobreza y vistes mi desnudez. Que así reciba el Pan de los Ángeles, el Rey de Reyes, el Señor de los Señores, con tal reverencia y humildad, contrición y devoción, pureza y fe, propósito e intención, como ayudará a la salvación de mi alma. Dios, te lo ruego, que pueda recibir no solo el Sacramento del Cuerpo y la Sangre de nuestro Señor, sino también su plena gracia y poder. Dame la gracia, Dios más misericordioso, de recibir el Cuerpo de tu único Hijo, nuestro Señor Jesucristo, nacido de la Virgen María, de tal manera que pueda merecer estar íntimamente unido con Su Cuerpo Místico y ser contado entre Sus miembros. Padre más amoroso, concédeme que pueda contemplar por toda la eternidad cara a cara a Tu Amado Hijo, a quien ahora, en mi peregrinación, estoy a punto de recibir bajo el velo sacramental, que vive y reina contigo, en la unidad del Espíritu Santo, Dios, mundo sin fin. Amén.



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 Debbie Cariela, Susan Conley, Cheryl Fua, Cianna Gazperony, Hector Guerra, Monica Gerrero, Alyria Hash, Jasmine Hash, Laura Hilton, Sandy, Linda Hoogendoorn, John Johnson, Judy Knight, Helen Kruljac, Coleen McCluskey, Joe McSweeney, Ines Mendoza, Elsa Meyer, Shirley Milner, Don Nielsen, Andres Ochoa, Joaquina Ortega, Tyrone Rivera, Jim Serventi, Kirt Smartt, Judith Spears, Debbie Spicart, Rebeca Marie Stanley, Leslie Thomas, Toni Vecellio, and special intentions for all who suffer from cancer.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

....Order deadline is August 15....

- The Servidores de Maria will be hosting a Picnic Basket Food Sale on Sunday, August 18, cost is \$50 full order \$30 for half order includes 1 lb. carnitas, 1 lb. chicken, beans, rice, guacamole, salsa, chips & tortillas Serves 6 to 8 people. Laura will be taking orders after the 9:30 am & 4:00 p.m. masses. Father will designate someone on Cobb to take orders after mass. Food will be ready for pickup after the 9:30 mass and 4:00 pm mass, on August 18, Cobb parishioners please designate which time you will be picking up your food. (vegan & vegetarian option on request)



- As of August 1, our AMA pledges total \$13,172. This gives us \$672 over our goal. If all pledges are paid, this money will be returned to our parish! Thank you kindly!
- As you know by now, The Arm of St. Jude the Apostle is visiting the United States and is coming to St. Joseph on August 19. St. Joseph is one of only three churches chosen in our diocese to display this relic during the 2024 tour. Known as the Apostle of the Impossible, Saint Jude is revered for his unwavering dedication and steadfast faith. Millions have experienced his intercession in times of adversity and need. For additional information see flier in back of church. We are looking for volunteers!
- The Lady of the Lake Guild is holding a raffle in conjunction with the Blackberry COBBler Festival on August 24. More information next week.

ST JOSEPH ROOFING FUND We have raised \$29,622 to date. The roof cost \$43,500. We are still \$13,878 short. Checks payable to St. Joseph Roofing Fund. Thank you everyone for your continued support.

Mass Intentions



Saturday, August 10, 5:00 p.m.

David Mogni+ By: Charlene Chapell

Sunday, August 11, 9:30 a.m.

Jeremiah McSweeney+ By: Sandy

Sunday, August 11, 11:30 a.m.

Harley Autan+ By: Monica Huck

Sunday, August 11, 4:00 p.m.

Romeo Balatbat+ By: Joy Blackwell

Tuesday, August 13, 8:30 a.m.

Anselmo Tabuyan Jr+ By: Joy Blackwell

Wednesday, August 14, 8:30 a.m.

Gloria Frank+ By: Pam Quiroz

Thursday, August 15, 9:30 a.m.

The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Odette Camacho+ By: Toni Vecellio

Scott Schindler(sp) By: Diedra Lagle

Debbie Hood Cariela(sp) By: Mother

Friday, August 16, 8:30 p.m.

Thanksgiving for Family Blessings

By: Naomi Tambornini

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 – August 3 & 4

Our Lady of the Lake \$782

St. Joseph English 9:30 am \$3527

Our Lady of the Pines 11:30 am \$361

St. Joseph Spanish 4:00 pm \$385

First Collection \$1881 Second Collection \$3174

THURSDAY, AUGUST 15 is the ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY. Mass at St. Joseph will be held at 9:30 a.m. The Commissioning of the Extra Ordinary Ministers of Holy Communion and Lectors will take place during this mass. A mass in Spanish will be celebrated at 6:30 p.m.

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.

Register today, after both Masses (9:30 a.m. and 4 p.m. Spanish) 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!!

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"



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