



**Mass Intentions**

**Saturday, June 20**

**5p** Walter and Leona Kenney (D)

**7p**

**Sunday, June 21**

**8a** Jude Singer (D)

**10:30a** People of the Parish

**Monday, June 22**

**No Mass**

**Tuesday, June 23**

**8:30a** Dorothy Rucka (D)

**Wednesday, June 24**

**6:30p** William "Bill" Poisel (D)

**Thursday, June 25**

**8:30a** Bertrand and LaGrange Families(D)

**Friday, June 26**

**8:30a** Mary Scheer(D)

**Saturday, June 27**

**5p** John Allemand, Jr and Sr.

**7p**

**Sunday, June 28**

**8a** Richard Toomey (D)

**10:30a** People of the Parish

**BREAK OPEN THE WORD**

**Jb 38:1, 8-11**

**2 Cor 5:14-17**

**Mk 4:35-41**



In this weekend's Gospel, when Mark describes the "violent squall" and the "great windstorm," it sounds a lot like the fears we encounter every day. According to the American Psychological Association, the most common "waves breaking over the boat" of our lives are: job pressures, money concerns, health issues, and relationship worries, including divorce and loneliness. After these come the matters of media overload and sleep deprivation.

The psychiatrist Edward Hallowell points out: "Toxic worry is a disease of the imagination. It is insidious and invisible, like a virus. It sets upon you unwanted ... stealing its way into your consciousness until it dominates your life. As worry infiltrates your mind, it diminishes your ability to enjoy your family, your friends ... because you live in fear of what might go wrong. It undermines your ability to work, to love, and to play."

And then there are our deeper fears: Am I enough? Can I make it through life with all the things that scare me?

Fear cripples our ability to become transformed — which is the whole purpose of the Gospel and of the coming of Jesus Christ into our anxiety-ridden world.

Go back to the first words out of the mouth of the angel (Messenger from God) Gabriel when he speaks to Mary: "Do not be afraid." Our Sacred Scriptures are intent on repeating that statement. If you want to take the time and do some counting, these same four words are spoken 365 times throughout sacred scripture! Scripture scholars tell us that this is significant.

Perhaps you'll remember also the soothing passage from the Gospel of Luke (Luke 12:32) after pointing to the wildflowers, Jesus says, "If God gives so much attention to them, don't you think he'll attend to you, do his best for you?" He ends this calming passage by saying: "Do not be afraid. ... You're my dearest friends" in which Jesus tells his followers to not worry, but instead to place all their trust in God.

Our worst fears can easily cause us to scream out along with the disciples in today's Gospel: "Do you not care that we are perishing?" Examine again Jesus' response. He doesn't scold. He doesn't dismiss our terror. Instead, he demonstrates both his intense love for us and his awesome power over all our fears by simply speaking three words: "Peace, be still." And the winds cease.

He's asking us to bring our fears to him. Lay them at his feet. Shout them from the top of our lungs — all the while trusting that He both cares and has the power to bring us through them. In his response to the frightened in the Gospel, Jesus states the obvious: We cannot move forward in our faith until we learn to deal with our fears.



**READINGS FOR THE WEEK**

Monday: Gn 12:1-9; Ps 33:12-13, 18-20, 22; Mt 7:1-5

Tuesday: Gn 13:2, 5-18; Ps 15:2-4ab, 5; Mt 7:6, 12-14

Wednesday: Vigil: Jer 1:4-10; Ps 71:1-6ab, 15ab, 17; 1 Pt 1:8-12; Lk 1:5-17

Thursday: Gn 16:1-12, 15-16 [6b-12, 15-16]; Ps 106:1b-5; Mt 7:21-29

Friday: Gn 17:1, 9-10, 15-22; Ps 128:1-5; Mt 8:1-4

Saturday: Gn 18:1-15; Lk 1:46-50, 53-55; Mt 8:5-17

Sunday: Wis 1:13-15; 2:23-24; Ps 30:2, 4-6, 11-13;

2 Cor 8:7, 9, 13-15;

Mk 5:21-43 [5:21-24, 35b-43]

# FATHER'S DAY

## Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time

### THE WIND AND THE SEA

Living along the shores of Lake Superior—the “big lake,” as the locals call it—you can often hear the advice, “Respect the lake; don’t take it for granted.” People who know Lake Superior respect its power and watch out for its many moods. Sunken ships and boats crushed into kindling are testimonies to what the lake can do.

The readings of this Sunday evoke our memories of the lake, of the mighty Mississippi River, or of the ocean itself. Who but God can control these mighty waters and set limits to their advance? The lake described in today’s Gospel was a body of water subject to sudden storms and churned into dangerous waves by terrible winds.

But these mighty agents are subject to God. The sailor and the fisher all respect the water. Even more, they respect the awesome power of the Maker of wind and sea. Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co.

### TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

When you are thinking about traditions in the Church, 1563 is a “watershed” year. The Council of Trent began a reform of the liturgy that put an end to old practices and set many of our present practices in place. For the first time, engaged people were absolutely required to appear before their parish priest, and to exchange consent in his presence along with two witnesses. To this day, Catholics are obliged to this form, namely: to marry another Catholic in the presence of a priest (or deacon) and two witnesses, unless dispensed from the law. The Council really didn’t forbid customs and ceremonies that added life to the celebration, but the mood of the times was dark and somewhat austere. Practices like the blessing of the marriage bed or using a canopy for the nuptial blessing started to fade away, as did the custom of bringing the presents for the couple to the church and the addition of fiddlers and jugglers to the procession. The Council of Trent tried to preserve local customs, but the long term effect was to standardize celebrations everywhere in the world.—Rev. James Field, Copyright

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August 15, 2015, Feast of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin, falls on a SATURDAY in 2015, and **IS NOT A HOLYDAY OF OBLIGATION**. The feast of the Assumption **IS** a day of obligation when it falls on Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday, Sunday and **NOT** a day of obligation when it falls on Monday or Saturday.

## Decimosegundo Domingo del Tiempo Ordinario

### EL VIENTO Y EL MAR

Los que conocen bien el Lago Superior le tienen un saludable respeto, y siempre están alerta sobre sus caprichosos cambios de ánimo. Muchos barcos hundidos y muchos botes hechos astillas son testigos de lo que el lago puede hacer cuando está de mal humor.

Las lecturas de este domingo nos evocan memorias de ese lago, del poderoso río Mississippi o del océano mismo. ¿Quién, fuera de Dios, podrá controlar esas aguas poderosas, o imponerles límites, diciendo “Hasta aquí llegarás”? El lago que describe el Evangelio de hoy era un lago en el que se levantaban súbitas tormentas, en las que los vientos huracanados agitaban olas enormes.

Pero estas fuerzas tan poderosas se someten a la voluntad de Dios. Los marineros y los pescadores le tienen un saludable respeto al poder de las aguas. Pero más todavía respetan el poder del Creador del viento y del mar. Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co.

### TRADICIONES DE NUESTRA FE

Jesús promete a sus discípulos una vida en abundancia (Juan 10:10). Él desea lo mejor para nosotros y quiere que estemos bien en todos los aspectos de nuestra vida: familia y amistades, trabajo, economía, salud, etcétera. Sin embargo, Jesús también nos promete la persecución y el maltrato (Marcos 10:29; Mateo 5:11; Lucas 6:22; Juan 15:18).

La vida abundante es bella pero nunca fácil. La vida cristiana es como toda vida humana; tiene momentos de tranquilidad y de tempestad. Así como un día nos brilla el sol, otro día nos sacuden los vientos y nuestras pequeñas lanchas parecen inundarse.

No hay que desanimarse o asustarse cuando lleguen estas tormentas. Más bien, hay que recordar el Evangelio (Marcos 4:35-41) donde Jesús duerme en la barca de sus discípulos. Es interesante el detalle de Jesús quien, cansado y tranquilo, duerme mientras el mar sacude a la barca y a los discípulos. Menos mal que se les ocurrió recurrir al Señor. Y tú, ¿qué haces cuando el viento sopla y la vida te estremece? No temas, despierta a Cristo a quien llevas en tu corazón.—Fray Gilberto Cavazos-Glz, OFM, Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co.

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*“God doesn’t require us to succeed, he only requires that you try.”*

*Mother Theresa*

**WOMEN'S ACTS RETREAT**

Registration is underway for the August 20-23 retreat at The Holy Family Center. The cost is \$170, but financial need should not prevent you from registering. Scholarships are available. A \$50 deposit with your registration form holds a place for you. If God is calling you to make this retreat, registration forms are available at the church office. Contact one of the individuals below for more information.

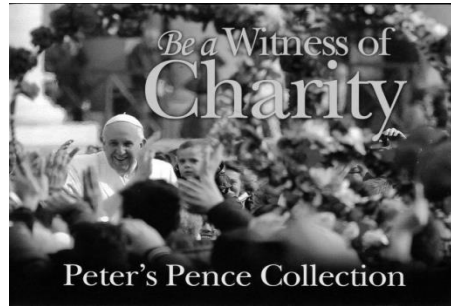
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**June 27-28 PETER'S PENCE**



The Peter Pence Collection unites us in solidarity with Pope Francis and his works of charity toward those in need. In his address of March 20, 2013, Pope Francis

spoke of our responsibility before the world and creation. "There is much that we can do to benefit the poor, the needy and those who suffer, and to favor justice, promote reconciliation and build peace," he said. Your contributions to the Peter's Pence Collection allow our Holy Father to Support victims of war and natural disasters and others most in need of assistance. Join Pope Francis and be a witness of charity in the world.

La Colecta Peter's Pence nos une en solidaridad con el Santo Padre y sus obras de caridad para aquellos que sufren en el mundo. El papa Francisco nos recuerda que el verdadero poder no reside en amasar posesiones y recursos para nosotros sino, más bien, en dar. "No debemos olvidar nunca que el verdadero poder, en cualquier nivel, es el servicio, que tiene su vértice luminoso en la Cruz . . . quiere decir entrar en la lógica de Jesús que se abaja a lavar los pies a los Apóstoles", dijo. Sus contribuciones a la Colecta Peter's Pence unidas al poder de Cristo, le permiten al Santo Padre ayudar económicamente a las víctimas de la guerra y de los desastres naturales y a todos nuestros hermanos y hermanas que pasan grandes necesidades.

Warning: This VBS is a Real Blast!

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**VACATION BIBLE**

**MONDAY, JULY 13-  
FRIDAY, JULY 17**

**FOR AGES 3YRS  
THRU 4TH GRADE**

\*3 year olds must be potty trained  
Cost- \$10 per child

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*"Viviendo la Liturgia, todo el pueblo de Dios colaborando"*



July 31, 2015 - August 1, 2015

MCM Elegaté Hotel  
Beaumont, Texas

Contact office for registration form.



**Happy Father's Day**

**to all Fathers and Grandfathers  
of St. Francis of Assisi Church**



# FATHER'S DAY



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## St. Helen VBS - July 11, 2015 (One Day)

Our hope is to teach children through bible verses the importance of: Forgiveness, kindness, helpfulness, compassion, diligence, attentiveness, cheerfulness & last but not least thankfulness.

This will be a day full of fun, filled with stories, crafts & games. However, this VBS is "Jesus with a Twist." Each child will create a piece of art adding their own spin of what they got from their day. Our day will begin promptly at 9:00 a.m. We will provide lunch & snacks. The day will end with 4:30 Mass & all parents are encouraged to attend. You must pre-register, we will have to know how many are planning to attend so we order enough supplies. Cost is \$5.00 per child. We will have registration on July 1 & 2, 5:00 -7:00 p.m. For info call Sheila Babin at 988-9920

## Adventures in Art

St. Francis Church  
July 20-23, 2015



Art Lessons by:  
Mrs. Cindy Claybar

Cost- \$60

Children Session I  
8:30-11:30 a.m.

Children Session II  
12:30-3:30 p.m.

Adults  
6-9 p.m.

Please register in  
the church office 9-  
3 pm., M-F.



Please continue to collect items for the Young at Heart Garage Sale that will be July 24-25. Items can be brought to the San Damiano Center for donation on July 22-23.

There is an increased interest in the YAH Albuquerque-Santa Fe trip and deposits are being accepted at this time.



### Saturday, June 20

Reconciliation 4-4:45 p.m.

Mass 5 p.m. and 7 p.m.

### Sunday, June 21

Mass 8 a.m. and 10:30 a.m.

Sonlight Choir- 6:30 p.m.

### Monday, June 22

No Mass

Women's ACTS Mtg- 6:30 p.m.

### Tuesday, June 23

Mass 8:30 a.m.

Men's faith sharing 5:45 a.m.

Women's faith sharing 6:15 a.m.

KC Dinner-6:30 A-H (Meat)-I-Q (Veg)-P-Z(Des)

### Wednesday, June 24

Mass 6:30 p.m.

### Thursday, June 25

Mass 8:30 a.m.

### Friday, June 26

Mass 8:30 a.m.

### Saturday, June 27

Reconciliation 4-4:45 p.m.

Mass 5 p.m. and 7 p.m.

Adoration Sign Up

### Sunday, June 28

Mass 8 a.m. and 10:30 a.m.

Adoration Sign Up

Sonlight Choir- 6:30 p.m.

## STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE REPORT

### Amount needed each week

\$11,873.00

Weekend regular collection  
(including building fund)

\$ 13,796.00

**Over Goal- \$1,923.**

### Year to date totals 2015

Amount needed \$581,777

(\$11,873. x 50 fiscal weeks)

Total Sunday collections to date  
\$ 564,117

**Year to date shortage \$17,660**

**Upcoming Special Collections  
June 28-Peter's Pence-  
Collection for the Holy Father**

Online giving is an excellent way to fulfill your obligation to support St. Francis parish. Go to [www.stfrancisorangetx.org](http://www.stfrancisorangetx.org) and click the online Giving link.