



Mass Intentions

Saturday, July 11

5p Richard E. Pillsbury (D)

7p

Sunday, July 12

8a Dana Boone (D)

10:30a People of the Parish

Monday, July 13

No Mass

Tuesday, July 14

8:30a Jack and Marilyn Oldani (L)

Wednesday, July 15

6:30p Genevive Johnkins (D)

Thursday, July 16

8:30a Delmond Scheer (D)

Friday, July 17

8:30a Kathy Keegan (D)

Saturday, July 18

5p Kathleen Bruce

7p

Sunday, July 19

8a William "Bill" Poisel (D)

10:30a People of the Parish

ABOUT SEA SUNDAY



Since the 1940's, Christian churches all over the world have come together to remember and pray for seafarers, fishermen, their families and those who support them. The Apostleship of the Sea, the Catholic ministry to the people of the sea, needs your prayers and support for all merchant crews and their families on Sea Sunday 2015, to continue our vital work for those in need. Our friends at the Apostleship of the Sea of Great Britain have put together a number of great resources. You can see them at:

<http://www.apostleshipofthesea.org.uk/sea-sunday>

Also, the maritime ministry of the Anglican Church have prepared a number of great resources for children. You can download these great activities at:

<http://www.seasunday.org>

With our Sabine-Neches Waterway the 3rd largest maritime center in the US by tonnage, we are hosts to more than 46,000 merchant mariners from the US and throughout the world. They keep our industries running, and they carry our exports through out the world. These mariners are carried for through the Port Arthur International Seafarers' Center, and the Seafarers' Center of Beaumont. The Port of Orange is serviced by the Port Arthur center. Southeast Texas is also home to one of the largest shrimping and crabbing fleet in the Gulf of Mexico. Tens of millions of dollars of shrimp and crab are handled across our docks, and feed a hungry nation.

If you would like to know more about our maritime community, would like to help at the seafarer centers, or find out more about a career in the maritime, please contact :

Fr. Sinclair at 409-749-0171, or by email at

aos-beaumont@dioceseofbmt.org.



Readings for the Week

Monday: Ex 1:8-14, 22; Ps 124:1b-8; Mt 10:34 — 11:1

Tuesday: Ex 2:1-15a; Ps 69:3, 14, 30-31, 33-34; Mt 11:20-24

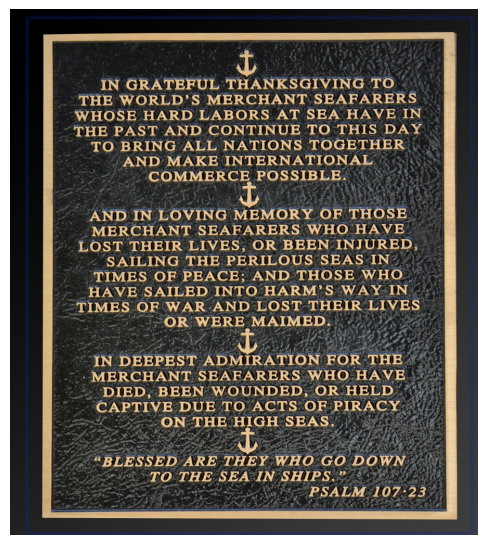
Wednesday: Ex 3:1-6, 9-12; Ps 103:1b-4, 6-7; Mt 11:25-27

Thursday: Ex 3:13-20; Ps 105:1, 5 8-9, 24-27; Mt 11:28-30

Friday: Ex 11:10 — 12:14; Ps 116:12-13, 15, 16bc, 17-18; Mt 12:1-8

Saturday: Ex 12:37-42; Ps 136:1, 23-24, 10-15; Mt 12:14-21

Sunday: Jer 23:1-6; Ps 23:1-6; Eph 2:13-18; Mk 6:30-34



May our faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace:

Dr. Steven Mazzola

*Sylvia Gaudet— sister of
Gloria Dyer-Lormand*

*Charlotte Ewing— Mother of
Deacon Tommy Ewing*

FIFTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

SENT BY GOD

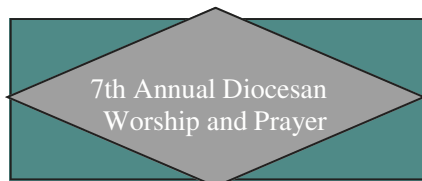
In Amos' time the vocation of prophet had achieved a very formal status in Israel. The prophets had arisen, originally, to act as God's voice when Israel was no longer led by the spiritual/civil figures known as "judges," but by monarchs. Over time, the monarchy had appropriated the offices of priest and prophet, established them into companies, and reserved the right to appoint courtly prophets. Then, as now, when those in power also got to choose who would act as their official conscience, things sometimes went awry. At such times, God raised up prophets from unlikely places, and this is how Amos received his vocation as prophet. In last week's Gospel we heard how Jesus was raised up as God's anointed from a place many viewed as unlikely. As we continue to discern our own vocation as baptized disciples, we can be assured that we are, in Paul's words, "chosen, destined in accord with the purpose of the One who accomplishes all things according to the intention of his will" (Ephesians 1:11).

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ENVIADO POR DIOS

En la época de Amós la vocación de profeta había adquirido una posición muy formal en Israel. Originalmente los profetas habían surgido como los portavoces de Dios cuando Israel ya no se veía guiado por las figuras religioso-civiles a quienes conocemos como los "Jueces", sino por los Reyes. Al correr del tiempo la monarquía de Israel se había apropiado los oficios de sacerdote y de profeta, estableciéndolos como órdenes, y reservándose el derecho de nombrar profetas oficiales para la corte real. Entonces, como ahora, cuando los que estaban en el poder escogían a los que iban a servirles de "conciencia oficial", a veces las cosas se torcían. Y entonces Dios escogía profetas de donde menos se les esperaba. Así fue como Amós recibió su llamado a profetizar. En el Evangelio del domingo pasado vimos cómo Jesús surgió como el Ungido del Señor aunque venía de un lugar que muchos consideraban poco probable. Y nosotros, cuando continuamos discerniendo nuestro propio llamado bautismal a ser discípulos, podemos estar seguros de que estamos, en las palabras de san Pablo: "destinados [para eso], por decisión del que lo hace todo según su voluntad" (Efesios 1:11).

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"Living Liturgy, All God's People at Work"

Viviendo la Liturgia, todo el pueblo de Dios colaborando"

July 31-August 1

MCM Elegante' Hotel

Friday, July 31 (4-8p)

Visit Exhibits, Workshops, Cash Bar, Dinner, Listen to Keynote Speaker- Fr. Roger Keeler "Living Liturgy, All Gods People at Work", Closing Prayer

Saturday, Aug 1 (8a-4p)

Morning Prayer, Continental Breakfast, Major Address - Dr. Dolores Martinez, Visit Exhibits, Major Address-Cooper Ray, Lunch, Workshops, Open forum, Closing Mass.

Sabado, 1 de agosto(8-4p) Sesión en Espanol.

Inscripciones y Desayuno, Oracion de la mañana, Sesión B-Presentador Jesus Abrego, Descanso, visitar los puestos, Address- Dr. Dolores Martinez, Descanso, visitar puestos, Almuerzo, Sesión D, Foro abierto, Celebración Eucarística.

Workshops

Liturgy of the Hours: The Other Catholic Liturgy-

(Rev. Sinclair Oubre).

Marriage to a Deacon-What a Life-

(Becky Santos and Panel)

The Advent Readings: Speaking with One Voice-

(Dr. Lorraine DeLuca)

Sing to the Lord, Music in Divine Worship: The

Assembly and Music-(Dr. Dolores Martinez)

Ministry to the Sick, The Sometimes Forgotten Body of Christ- Rev. Leonard Ogbonna, Deacon Willie Posey)

The Triduum, The Easter Vigil: How Can We Celebrate to the Fullest. -(Rev Roger Keeler)

Why are Young Adults Leaving the Church? What Can We Do For Them-(Mr. Cooper Ray)

Recognizing and Recruiting Volunteers for Liturgical Ministry-(Mrs Becky Santos)

Catholic Trivia: Vessels, Vestments and More-(August Broussard, Ailene Luistro, Will Robbins)

Parish Hospitality, Welcoming the Entire Body of Christ- (Coquese Williams and Marsha Marshall).

Workshops

La Misa mucho mas que la homilia- Jesus Abrego

La importancia de ser una comunidad hospitalaria- Equipo de mujeres de Nueva Evangelizacion de Cristo Rey

La diversidad de la iglesia de los Estados Unidos- Dr. Dolores Martinez

Los hispanos tambien son llamados a la vida religiosa y al sacerdocio- Armando Guerreos

Mail completed registration form to: (Forms at front of the church) Office of Worship

7th Annual Diocesan Worship and Prayer Seminar,

P.O Box 3848, Beaumont, Texas 77704-3948

Or fax to :(409)838-4511, attn. 7th Annual Diocesan

Workshop and Prayer Seminar.

Participants to attend at no charge to them for the conference or meals.

**For registration contact Marlet Zelaya at (409)924-4341 or Rosalind Sanchez at (409)924-4321
rsanchez@dioceseofbmt.org**

TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

Many marriage customs stand in tension with modern American attitudes and values, notably “giving away the bride,” which is no longer in the Catholic liturgy, and reminds us of a time when marriage was a contract between men (the groom and the bride’s father). A Mexican custom, now approved for use in the United States, has a very different message.

An ancient Roman custom called for smashing pieces of gold and silver so that bride and groom could each keep half. This is the origin of today’s Mexican practice of the groom giving thirteen gold coins to the bride, symbolically placing all his worldly goods into her care, and a sign of his unconditional trust. The coins are often given in beautiful gift boxes and are retained as an heirloom. Why thirteen? The standard explanation is that they represent Jesus and the apostles. The priest blesses the coins and pours them into the bride’s cupped hands. Then she entrusts them to the groom, who later pours them back into her hands. This enduring ritual is in such harmony with our tradition’s view of marriage that it is now increasingly performed by English speaking Hispanic Catholics at weddings in the United States.

—Rev. James Field, Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co.

TRADICIONES DE NUESTRA FE

Los evangelios relatan que Jesús envió a los Doce apóstoles y también a otros setenta y dos discípulos (Marcos 6:7; Lucas 10:1) “de dos en dos” a “todos los pueblos y lugares”. De esta manera le preparaban el camino. El libro del Eclesiastés (4:9-12) subraya lo sabio que es andar de dos en dos a fin de ayudarse y protegerse mutuamente. El autor lamenta: “¡Pobre del que está solo, cuando se cae, no tiene quien lo levante!”.

Los cristianos nunca podemos ser cristianos a solas. A Jesús le gustan los grupos. No tenemos el lujo de ser individualistas o autosuficientes. Nuestra misión requiere que vayamos por el mundo de dos en dos, porque donde están dos o tres reunidos en el nombre de Jesús, allí estará él (Mateo 18:20). En el Génesis (7:2) Noé se lleva los animales de dos en dos, así las especies se volverán numerosas comenzando de dos en dos. Jesús envía sus discípulos de dos en dos para que nos amemos y ayudemos los unos a los otros y de esta manera los que vienen después de nosotros, sean tan numerosos como las estrellas del firmamento (Génesis 15:5).—Fray Gilberto Cavazos-Gluz, OFM, Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co.



Altar flowers for July 11, 12
were donated by:

Marilyn and Jack Oldani
In honor of:
59th Wedding Anniversary
and
Shelley Borel
In memory of:
Janae Elizabeth Borel

Blessed Mother flowers were
donated by:
Lanston and Cristi Fall
In memory of
Tom Hall

ACTS MEN’S TEAM SIGN UP

Any man in the parish who has attended an ACTS retreat is invited to sign up for the team that will be serving the next St. Francis ACTS Men’s retreat scheduled October 29 – November 1. The retreat fee is \$170.00. If interested, please email:

acts.isaiah41.10@gmail.com. Team signups will run until July 13, 2015. Please give us your name and phone number, email address and how many teams worked. Team meetings will be on Monday nights from 6:30 – 900 p.m. beginning July 27. If you have any questions, please contact:

Bobby Hommel (337) 540-3515
bhommel@allstargm.net
Sidney Badon (409) 718-2852
badonbrick@sbcglobal.net
Willie Bowman (409) 659-6918



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:

Mary McDuffie
(409) 883-4810
fmcduffie@gt.rr.com

Jan Childress
(409) 886-1348
mchild@gt.rr.com

Angela Hebert
(409) 474-2171
amhgig58@gmail.com



Join us for the College ACTS Retreat! August 13-16, 2015

Registration is now open for all *College Students, including incoming freshmen*, who are interested in attending. The cost of the retreat is \$130. A \$50 registration fee is due with application and the remainder (\$80) is will be due at check-in. The retreat is held at Camp Ta-ku-La in Chester, TX and transportation to and from the retreat is provided. If you have any questions, we are happy to answer them! You can contact Kelly delaRosa, Campus Minister Coordinator, at 924.4360, or the College ACTS director, Janna Bartz at 225.3060.

Space is limited so sign up today!*ome join us this summer at the College ACTS retreat for a weekend full of fun with God and friends!*



BISHOP’S FAITH APPEAL REPORT

181 families have pledged
78,110 which is 100% of our goal
from 28% of our parishioners.

Based on our history of
payments we continue to need
additional pledges of \$6,590

FIFTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



Paul and Donna Westphal
Keith LeJune



The July 14 Young at Heart Meeting is cancelled due to Vacation Bible School being in session in the San Damiano Center next week.

Adventures in Art

St. Francis Church
July 20-23, 2015



Cindy Claybar
Teacher

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.



Saturday, July 11

Reconciliation 4-4:45 p.m.
Mass 5 p.m. and 7 p.m.

Sunday, July 12

Mass 8 a.m. and 10:30 a.m.
Sonlight Choir—6:30 p.m.

Monday, July 13

No Mass
Vacation Bible School 9 a.m.-noon
Women's ACTS 6:30 p.m.

Tuesday, July 14

Mass 8:30 a.m.
Men's faith sharing 5:45 a.m.
Women's faith sharing 6:15 a.m.
Vacation Bible School 9 a.m.-noon
Young at Heart Meeting has been cancelled
KC Mtg- 7 p.m.

Wednesday, July 15

Mass 6:30 p.m.
Vacation Bible School 9 a.m.-noon
Men's ACTS 6:30 p.m.

Thursday, July 16

Mass 8:30 a.m.
Vacation Bible School 9 a.m.—noon

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Remember the Young at Heart trips:

"Tinsel and Treasure"- Sept 24-\$40

Santa Fe/Albuquerque-Oct 5—Oct 11- \$650 double occupancy

Any questions, please call Janis at 883-4566 or 779-1038



The Young At Heart garage sale is Friday July 24 and Saturday July 25. Donations are being accepted in the San Damiano Center on July 22, 23 from 9 am to 3pm.

Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults

The Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults, or RCIA, welcomes those who:
Have expressed an interest in learning more about the Catholic Faith
Have expressed an interest in joining the Catholic Church
Were baptized Catholic but received no further instruction or sacraments in the Catholic Church.

RCIA is a journey with the Lord Jesus that allows one to begin a life of deeper conversion into the faith of the Church. As God's children, we are all called to follow the Lord. Allowing Him to reach into our hearts, drawing us closer to Himself.

St. Francis of Assisi Catholic Community is looking forward to assisting you in your new journey and is present to guide and help you.
For additional information please call 409-883-9153

Father Sinclair Oubre will present Laudato Si'

Wednesday, July 15, after 6:30 p.m. Mass from the pulpit. (one hour presentation)

Father Sinclair Oubre will explain Pope Francis second Encyclical letter titled **Laudato Si'** published June 18, 2015 and how it pertains to us.

The encyclical has the subtitle "*On care for our common home*". In it, the Pope critiques [consumerism](#) and [irresponsible development](#), laments [environmental degradation](#) and [global warming](#), and calls all people of the world to take "swift and unified global action"

STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE July 5,2015

Amount needed each week \$11,873.00

Weekend regular collection (including building fund) \$ 11,131.00

Short Goal- \$ 742

Year to date totals \$ 11,131.00

Amount needed \$11,873.00
((\$11,873.x 1fiscal weeks)
Total Sunday collections to date \$ 11,131.00
Year to date shortage \$742