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Mass Intention



Heracleo Nabong

Contact Elizabeth to schedule a Mass or if you have any questions. Please give Mass intentions to Father.

Póngase en contacto con Elizabeth para programar una misa o si tiene alguna pregunta. Por favor, den intenciones de misa al Padre.

Praying With Next Week's Readings

Reading I:

Joshua 24:1-2a, 15-17, 18b

Responsorial Psalm:

34:2-3, 16-21

Reading II: Ephesians 5:21-32

Gospel: John 6:60-69

August Birthdays

- 1 **Agustina Diaz**
- 3 **Brayn Gonzalez**
- Joseduardo Plascencia**
- 5 **Gabriel Amarillo**
- 6 **Desiderio Maldonado**
- 7 **Luis Castro**
- 21 **Alejandra Alonso**
- Sonia Fitzgerald**
- 23 **Miryam Ramirez**
- 26 **Anayeli Verduzco**
- 30 **Jennifer Rosales**

Happy Anniversary

- Rosemary & George Seif**
August 13, 1966
- Mary Anne & Lane Newsome**
August 20, 1977
- Margaret & John Jones**
August 21, 1065



Please use this list to pray for those who are in need. May we all lift one another up in prayer.

Steven Goellner; Mary Frances Kramer, Nina Gendron & family, Esther Zepeta

Please contact the office with updates.

Upcoming Events:

- Aug.25**-FF Open Enrollment
- Sept. 15**-Latino Independence Day
- Oct. 31**-Trunk or Treat

Our Lady of the Lake



Council 9309

Officers for 2024-2025

Chaplain: Fr. Jong R. Bayta

Grand Knight: Mark Fracassa

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BOARD OF TRUSTEES:

Trustee One Year:

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*PGK-Past Grand Knight

Catholic men 18 years or older are eligible to join the Knights of Columbus. Please contact Mark Fracassa (804) 305-6175 or Tom O'Neill (252)519-3050.

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We welcome all visitors and guests to our parish family and wish you safe travels and a happy visit to Emporia.

Mission Statement:

We, the Church of Saint Richard, have been anointed by Jesus Christ to continue His Mission. For us to participate in the mission of Jesus, we are challenged by the Gospel to a daily conversion to God, leading to spiritual growth and holiness. We invite others to join us at the Eucharistic table. Mindful of our neighbors, we will work to bring about a just and peaceful society. At every opportunity, we will work with other faith communities to further God's Kingdom.

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Liturgical Schedule

Weekday Mass:

Wednesday: 12:00 pm at SVMC

Weekend Masses:

Saturday—1:00 pm (Spanish)

Sunday—10:30 am

Rosary:

Wednesday—11:45 am at SVMC

Sunday—10:00 am

Reconciliation:

Sunday—10:00 am

Pastoral Council—Anayeli Verduzco-Rios: 434-368-8141

Finance Council—Janet McKenzie: 614-579-8185

Religious Formation—Anayeli Verduzco-Rios: 434-368-8141

Music Coordinator— Rocky Rodriguez; **Assistants**—Ramis Celedonia; Jeromil Enoc

Altar Ministry—Stevie Thomas: 434-634-6713

Family Service Advisor—Linda Adamos: 434-774-9376

20th Sunday in Ordinary Time—August 18, 2024

Study of the Readings

Background on the Gospel

Reading John 6:51-58

On this Sunday, we continue to read from the sixth chapter of the Gospel of John. Today's Gospel elaborates further on the teaching that Jesus began in our liturgy last week. In that reading, the crowds wondered about how Jesus could say that he had come down from heaven because they knew Jesus to be the son of Joseph. In this Gospel, some have difficulty with Jesus' teaching that he is the living bread sent from God. Recall that Jesus had told them that just as God gave the Israelites manna to sustain them in the desert, so now God has sent new manna that will give eternal life. We hear the

concluding verse of last week's Gospel repeated in today's reading: Jesus himself is the bread sent by God; Jesus' flesh is the bread that is given for the life of the world. Among the stumbling blocks for those who heard but did not understand Jesus is the teaching that the bread that Jesus will give is his own flesh. In response to the people who quarreled over his words, Jesus teaches with even greater emphasis that salvation comes to those who eat his Body and Blood. Jesus doesn't seem to answer the question posed about how salvation will come about, perhaps because this reality can only be understood after his death and Resurrection. Instead, Jesus teaches

about the life that he will give to the world. To many ears, Jesus' words are jarring and difficult to hear. Many who heard Jesus could not accept what he said. Many today continue to struggle to accept these words. But they are important words because they reveal our intimate connection with Jesus. This is the mystery that is at the heart of our eucharistic theology. In the elements of bread and wine, Jesus' Body and Blood are made truly present. When we share in the Body and Blood of Christ, Jesus himself comes to dwell within us. This communion with the Lord makes us one body, brings us eternal life, and sends us forth to be Christ's body for the life of the world.

Vigésimo Domingo del Tiempo Ordinario

Estudio de las lecturas

Antecedentes de la lectura del

Evangelio John 6:51-58

En este domingo, continuamos leyendo el capítulo sexto del Evangelio de Juan. El Evangelio de hoy profundiza en la enseñanza que Jesús comenzó en nuestra liturgia la semana pasada. En esa lectura, las multitudes se preguntaban cómo Jesús podía decir que había bajado del cielo porque sabían que Jesús era el hijo de José. En este Evangelio, algunos tienen dificultades con la enseñanza de Jesús de que él es el pan vivo enviado por Dios. Recordemos que Jesús les había dicho que así como Dios les dio a los israelitas maná para sostenerlos en el desierto, así ahora Dios ha enviado maná nuevo que dará vida eterna.

Escuchamos el versículo final del Evangelio de la semana pasada repetido en la lectura de hoy: Jesús mismo es el pan enviado por Dios; La carne de Jesús es el pan que se da para la vida del mundo. Entre las piedras de tropiezo para aquellos que escucharon pero no entendieron a Jesús está la enseñanza de que el pan que Jesús dará es su propia carne. En respuesta a las personas que discutían por sus palabras, Jesús enseña con aún mayor énfasis que la salvación llega a aquellos que comen su Cuerpo y Sangre. Jesús no parece responder a la pregunta planteada sobre cómo se producirá la salvación, tal vez porque esta realidad solo puede entenderse después de su muerte y resurrección. En cambio, Jesús enseña acerca de la

vida que dará al mundo. Para muchos oídos, las palabras de Jesús son discordantes y difíciles de escuchar. Muchos de los que escucharon a Jesús no pudieron aceptar lo que dijo. Hoy en día, muchos siguen luchando por aceptar estas palabras. Pero son palabras importantes porque revelan nuestra conexión íntima con Jesús. Este es el misterio que está en el corazón de nuestra teología eucarística. En los elementos del pan y del vino, el Cuerpo y la Sangre de Jesús se hacen verdaderamente presentes. Cuando compartimos el Cuerpo y la Sangre de Cristo, Jesús mismo viene a habitar dentro de nosotros. Esta comunión con el Señor nos hace un solo cuerpo, nos da vida eterna y nos envía a ser el cuerpo de Cristo para la vida del mundo.

PARISH NEWS

Congratulations

Jose Juan Gonzales Bautista

and

Concepcion Mendoza Silverio

United in the Holy Sacrament of Matrimony

August 10, 2024

Wishing you a blessed and joyful journey together!

The Knights of Columbus is having a food drive next weekend, August 24th & 25th, to support a local Food Pantry. They will be collecting canned food goods and non-perishable food goods before and after both Masses and are most appreciative and thankful for all donations.

NOTICIAS PARROQUIALES

Felicidades

José Juan Gonzales Bautista

y

Concepción Mendoza Silverio

Unidos en el Santísimo Sacramento del

Matrimonio

10 de agosto de 2024

¡Les deseo un bendito y feliz viaje juntos!

Los Caballeros de Colón llevarán a cabo una colecta de alimentos el próximo fin de semana, 24 y 25 de agosto, para apoyar una despensa de alimentos local. Estarán recolectando alimentos enlatados y productos alimenticios no perecederos antes y después de ambas Misas y están muy agradecidos y agradecidos por todas las donaciones.

Last Week's Offertory

	Needed	Actual
Offertory:	\$817.31	\$1,295.25
Spanish Mass 8/10		\$288.00
		\$477.94

Online Giving

<https://giving.parishsoft.com/app/giving/>
Strichardemporiava OR Text
GIVE to 434-603-6341

MASS ATTENDANCE:

August 11th
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Next Week's Ministry Schedule

READERS	E. MINISTER	USHERS	SERVERS
Fred Maldonado	Stevie Thomas	Elizer Carillo	Julio Gonzalez
Jeromil Enoc	Dave Thomas	Dave Thomas	Fibo Espinosa
			Jesus Ramirez

Next Week's Cleaning Group

Teresa Verduzco	Nélida Rosales
Ester Zepeda	Jennifer González
Concepcion Mendoza	Juan González