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Mass Intention



Martius Dred
Maui Jarred Bernales

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

Praying With Next Week's Readings

Reading I: Isaiah 50:4c-9a
Responsorial Psalm: 116:1-6, 8-9
Reading II: James 2:14-18
Gospel: Mark 8:27-35

September Birthdays

- 3 Allison Castro**
- Jose Plascencia**
- 6 Christine Smith**
- Annabel Alicante**
- 12 Jacob Gonzalez**
- 16 Peggy Jones**
- Toni Ferris**
- Fibbo Espinosa**
- 17 Rahilly Abernathy**
- 21 Michael Gasalao**
- 23 Jerome Moleno**
- 29 Sidney Marcelin**
- Miguelita Ramos**

Our Lady of the Lake



Council 9309

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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.



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:

- Sept. 15-Latino Independence Day**
- Oct. 31-Trunk or Treat**

St. Richard Catholic Church

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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.

Pastor: Fr. Jong R. Bayta
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Elizabeth Martin
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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

23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time—September 8, 2024

Study of the Readings

Background on the Gospel

Reading Mark 7:31-37

Jesus heals a man who was deaf and had a speech impediment. This is a story about Jesus' healing power, and in it we find clues about our understanding of sacrament. We are struck by the physical means used to heal the man, the use of spittle and touch. The Church continues to celebrate the sacraments using physical means. In the Sacrament of Baptism, water and oil are used to show the power of the Holy Spirit. In the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick, we are anointed with holy oil on the forehead and the hands. In the Eucharist, bread and wine become the Body and Blood of Christ. We are

a sacramental people who believe that God's grace is given to us through these physical signs. Some, however, see in this Gospel an image of the proclamation of the good news of Jesus to the Gentiles as Jesus is journeying through Gentile territory. Jesus had previously visited this region and healed a person possessed by a demon. Jesus was already famous there, which explains why people brought the deaf man to him. In the story that precedes this reading Jesus encounters a Gentile woman who asks him to heal her demon-possessed daughter. Jesus engages her in a dialogue about not feeding to dogs the food intended for children. Jesus is struck by the woman's faith when she replies that even dogs eat the food that falls from the table, and he heals her daughter immediately. The woman's faith compels Jesus to respond to her plea. Jesus' own mission affirms the early Church's mission to the Gentiles. This was a significant issue to the early Christian community, which found that the good news of Jesus took root and spread quickly among the Gentiles. There is an irony in the Gospel story. Jesus gives the man the gift of speech, but then tells him not to use it. Jesus asks that the news of his healing power, which is evidence of his identity as the Messiah, not be spread. This is sometimes called the "messianic secret."

Vigésimo tercero Domingo del Tiempo Ordinario

Estudio de las lecturas

Antecedentes de la lectura del

Evangelio Marcos 7:31-37

Jesús sana a un hombre que era sordo y tenía un impedimento del habla. Esta es una historia sobre el poder sanador de Jesús, y en ella encontramos pistas sobre nuestra comprensión de los sacramentos. Nos llaman la atención los medios físicos utilizados para curar al hombre, el uso de la saliva y el tacto. La Iglesia sigue celebrando los sacramentos con medios físicos. En el Sacramento del Bautismo, el agua y el aceite se usan para mostrar el poder del Espíritu Santo. En el Sacramento de la Unción de los Enfermos, somos ungidos con óleo santo en la frente y en las manos. En la Eucaristía, el pan y el vino se convierten en el Cuerpo y la

Sangre de Cristo. Somos un pueblo sacramental que cree que la gracia de Dios nos es dada a través de estos signos físicos. Algunos, sin embargo, ven en este Evangelio una imagen de la proclamación de la buena nueva de Jesús a los gentiles mientras Jesús viaja a través del territorio gentil. Jesús había visitado previamente esta región y sanó a una persona poseída por un demonio. Jesús ya era famoso allí, lo que explica por qué la gente le traía al hombre sordo. En la historia que precede a esta lectura, Jesús se encuentra con una mujer gentil que le pide que sane a su hija poseída por un demonio. Jesús la entabla en un diálogo sobre no alimentar a los perros con la comida destinada a los niños. Jesús queda impresionado por la fe de

la mujer cuando ella responde que incluso los perros comen la comida que cae de la mesa, y él cura a su hija inmediatamente. La fe de la mujer obliga a Jesús a responder a su súplica. La propia misión de Jesús afirma la misión de la Iglesia primitiva hacia los gentiles. Este fue un tema importante para la comunidad cristiana primitiva, que descubrió que las buenas nuevas de Jesús echaron raíces y se extendieron rápidamente entre los gentiles. Hay una ironía en la historia del Evangelio. Jesús le da al hombre el don de la palabra, pero luego le dice que no la use. Jesús pide que no se difunda la noticia de su poder sanador, que es evidencia de su identidad como el Mesías. A esto a veces se le llama el "secreto mesiánico."

PARISH NEWS



Cluster Parish Family Picnic

Hosted by Knights of Columbus Council 9309
 Sunday, October 13, 2024 at St. Peter the Apostle
 Details coming soon.

NOTICIAS PARROQUIALES



Picnic Familiar de la Parroquia Cluster

Presentado por el Consejo de Caballeros de Colón 9309
 Domingo 13 de octubre de 2024 en San Pedro Apóstol
 Los detalles próximamente.

Last Week's Offertory

	Needed	Actual
Offertory:	\$817.31	\$448.25 (\$369.06)
Building Fund:		\$469.00

Online Giving

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

MASS ATTENDANCE:

September 1st
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Next Week's Ministry Schedule

READERS	E. MINISTER	USHERS	SERVERS
Mary Anne Newsome	Maria Vasquez	Elizer Carillo	Jesus Ramirez
Elsie Moleno	Manuel Vasquez	Dave Thomas	Vanessa Ramirez
			Allison Castro

Next Week's Cleaning Group

Monica Perez	Maria Vazquez
Miryam Ramirez	Manuel Vazquez
Monserrat Ramirez	