

*Mass Intentions*

**MONDAY, AUGUST 1, 2022** *Matthew 14:13-21*  
*St. Alphonsus Liguori, Bishop & Doctor of the Church*

8:30am Nicolette Ray  
 12:10pm Marilyn & Lawrence Gedda  
 Raymond McHugh

**TUESDAY, AUGUST 2, 2022** *Matthew 15:1-2, 10-14*  
*St. Eusebius of Vercelli, Bishop; St. Peter Julian Eymard*

8:30am Frank Simonelli  
 12:10pm Florence & Nicholas Stolfi

**WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 3, 2022** *Matthew 15:21-28*

12:10pm Violet Conza  
 7:30pm Saverio "Bo" Auricchio  
 Domenico DiBiase

**THURSDAY, AUGUST 4, 2022** *Matthew 16:13-23*

*St. John Vianney, Priest*  
 8:30am Donald Bianchi  
 12:10pm Jessica Troiano  
 Anna Maria Hernandez

**FRIDAY, AUGUST 5, 2022** *Matthew 16:24-28*  
*The Dedication of the Basilica of St. Mary Major*

8:30am Sarah & Benedetto Scotti  
 12:10pm Marie Mimms (Living)

**SATURDAY, AUGUST 6, 2022** *Luke 9:28b-36*  
*The Transfiguration of the Lord*

8:30am Margaret Gulotta & Vita LiBassi  
 5:00pm Censie Molina  
 Marguerite Rocholl  
 Rita Uniu

**SUNDAY, AUGUST 7, 2022** *Luke 12:32-48*  
*Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time*

7:45am Anna & Michael Apollo  
 In Thanksgiving for St. Anthony & St. Jude  
 9:00am Maria Mirabile  
 11:00am Parishioners of Holy Name of Mary  
 Frank Mollica  
 1:00pm Deyanira Sierra (1 Month Anniversary in Heaven)  
 Jaime Sierra (8th Anniversary in Heaven)

*Next Sunday's Liturgy—August 7***Readings for 19th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**1st Reading: Wisdom 18:6-9** The faithful will know the glory of God and the rescue of the just.

**Psalm 33:1, 12, 18-19, 20-22** God's kindness is revealed to those who live in hope.

**2nd Reading: Hebrews 11:1-2, 8-19 or 11:1-2, 8-12** Faith can achieve our hopes on the proportion of the miraculous.

**Gospel: Luke 12:32-48 or 12:35-40** Vigilance is expected from those who wait on the Lord.

**FOCUS: At an hour you do not expect, the Son of Man will come.**

Both the creed we profess and today's Gospel leave no doubt: When we die, we will have to account for every moment of our lives. What did we do with the gifts we were given? What did we fail to do? Will our lives reflect what Saint John Paul II called the *civilization of love* or *the culture of death*?

*Almighty and eternal God, protect the men and women who serve in our military. Protect them with the shield of Your strength and keep them safe from all evil and harm. May the power of Your love enable them to return home in safety, that with all who love them, they may ever praise You for Your loving care. Amen.*

*Eucharistic Adoration*

You are invited to pray in front of the Blessed Sacrament every Thursday following the 12:10pm Mass, until 6pm; and every Saturday from 7pm - 8pm.

*Priest Schedule of Masses***Saturday, August 6, 2022**

5:00 pm Fr. David Regan

**Sunday, August 7, 2022**

7:45 am Fr. David Regan

9:00 am Fr. Edmund Ani

11:00 am Fr. Edmund Ani

1:00 pm Fr. Jose Tenas

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**Msgr. Mulligan Memorial****Bread & Wine***In Memory of my husband**Dave Stalter**Requested by The Stalter Family*

There are many available dates to remember a loved one with the **Msgr. Mulligan Memorial of Bread & Wine, Candles, or Flowers**. These intentions begin on a Sunday and end on the following Saturday. Your loved one will be remembered at every Mass throughout the week. Please stop in at the Parish Office if you would like to schedule your special intention.

Bread & Wine or Candles = \$50.00; Flowers = \$125.00

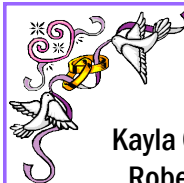
**Remember God While on Vacation**

Now that the summer has officially started, please remember to attend Mass while on vacation. You can easily search for Catholic parishes and their Mass schedules, anywhere in the world, by going online to, **masstimes.org**.

**NYU Langone Bereavement Support Group.** For Widows and Widowers only. Meeting weekly for four sessions beginning Thursday, August 4, 2022, from 12-1:30pm (Webex). Pre-registration is required to receive Webex link and call in number. Contact Spiritual Care Services: 516-663-4749 or bereavement@nyulangone.org.

**Lighthouse Catholic Media**

Want to learn more about the Catholic faith? Why not stop by the *Lighthouse Catholic Media* kiosk in the back of the Church and take home one of the many inspiring CD titles? Suggested donations are listed on each item, which will help us continue with this program.

**BANNS OF MARRIAGE****Third Time:**

Kayla Casucci (*Holy Name of Mary*) &  
Robert Baldino (*St. Vincent de Paul*)

**Second Time:**

Genesis Antonia Rodriguez (*Holy Name of Mary*)  
& Saul David Nunez Guzman



**FLM**  
Family Life Ministry

The start of a new school year is an exciting time filled with hopes, dreams and expectations. It is important to have all the tools necessary for success. Sadly, for some children, that is not always possible. For this reason, *Family Life Ministry*, will be having a

***“Backpack & School Supply Drive”***

to benefit the children of our St. Vincent de Paul clients.

If you would like to help, we are now collecting new backpacks and school supplies through Sunday, August 14, 2022 (final day).

Bins will be placed at the doors of the Church for donations.

Any questions, please contact Renee Socci @ 516-426-2946.



*...Fr. David Regan*

On February 9, 1818, Antoine, a boy herding sheep, had an unusual encounter. He met a priest who was pushing a rickety cart and heading towards a small village. The priest called to the boy and asked him if it was much further to the village. The boy pointed out the little town before them. "How small it is!" the priest murmured. Then he knelt on the frozen ground and prayed at length, his eyes fixed on the houses.

As he set out again with his cart, the boy was at his side. When they arrived in front of the poor church, the priest said to him: "Thank you for showing me the way to Ars... I will show you the way to Heaven". Ars, with its population of 200 who depended on the Parish of Misèrieux in the Diocese of Lyons, was unaware that it was welcoming its chaplain, Fr Jean-Marie Vianney.

St. Jean Marie Vianney was born in Dardilly, near Lyons, on 8 May 1786, the son of Mathieu and Marie, poor peasants with a strong faith. His childhood was marked by the tragic events of the French Revolution. While the Jacobins, supported by the Freemasons, were organizing the hunt for priests and sending them and their faithful to the guillotine, Jean-Marie was studying catechism in secret and fell hopelessly in love with Jesus. It was during a Mass celebrated secretly behind barred doors by an anti-Revolution priest in a home near Écully, close to his native parish, that Jean-Marie received his First Communion, which strengthened him in his inmost desire. **"I will be a priest"**, he affirmed.

Overcoming enormous difficulties, he was ordained to the priesthood on 13 August 1815, in the chapel of the Seminary at Grenoble. He had a wonderful and nurturing priest-pastor from his first assignment. After that the adventure began. He became the **"Curé d'Ars"**. The day after his arrival he was alone as he made his way toward the altar to celebrate Mass. But a few days later, when some came to see what another priest could possibly have come to do at Ars and how he lived, the faithful found him on his knees in prayer before the Tabernacle, as though he truly saw Someone: they found him in the same position, morning, afternoon, evening and even at night. When some started coming to his Sunday Mass, they realized they understood what he was saying: he was talking about God, who rewarded the good; about his Son, Jesus, who came to die on the Cross to expiate the sins of the world, of his infinite love, of

his forgiveness for those who change their way of life, of the joy that comes from him alone. They were simple words, words of fire, unforgettable words that won the heartfelt admiration of the people. Still others came to hear him.

The food he lived on became known through some pious ladies who went to help him at home: a little dry bread, a few boiled potatoes. He had looked around and seen the sins of his people and had begun a ruthless fight against these evils with prayer, fasting and penance, offering his whole life to God with the Crucified One. When he listened to his people, he was kind, meek and very gentle, a father with a message for them: love for Jesus and intimacy with Him. Even those who were the most remote from God, the most hardened sinners, soon felt that God had sent a saint to Ars and hastened to listen to him. Little by little, the town was transformed. Those who saw and heard him felt drawn to his confessional: whole lives were converted, people returned to God, won over by his prayers and his witness. Dancing, drunkenness and swearing, things the Curé condemned most severely, disappeared from the town. The church was filled with people.

In 1823, the Bishop raised Ars to the rank of parish. Father Vianney wanted to leave, for he felt unworthy to be a "parish priest", but he remained out of obedience. In 1827, he cried out in church with his heart full of joy: "Ars, my brothers and sisters, is no longer Ars!" What was his method? What analyses had he made, what pastoral plans had he organized? None! He had only his priesthood, lived to the point where he truly became, more and more, day by day, "another Christ". His priesthood brought him to a most exalted state: he wrote, "the priest will only be understood in Heaven. If we were to understand him on this earth, we would die of love. No one has expressed better than he how "frightful" it is to be a priest, to have the mandate to absolve people and to make God present in a host: "How a priest is to be pitied when he celebrates Mass as an ordinary event. How unfortunate is a priest without an inner life!"

Fr. Vianney celebrated Mass early in the morning and it was apparent to everyone that he was fulfilling the Sacrifice of the Son of God on the Cross. He was absolutely certain that Mass is everything, because it is from this sacrifice that salvation comes, and in those moments, God is adored as befits him. "If I were to meet a priest and an angel, I would



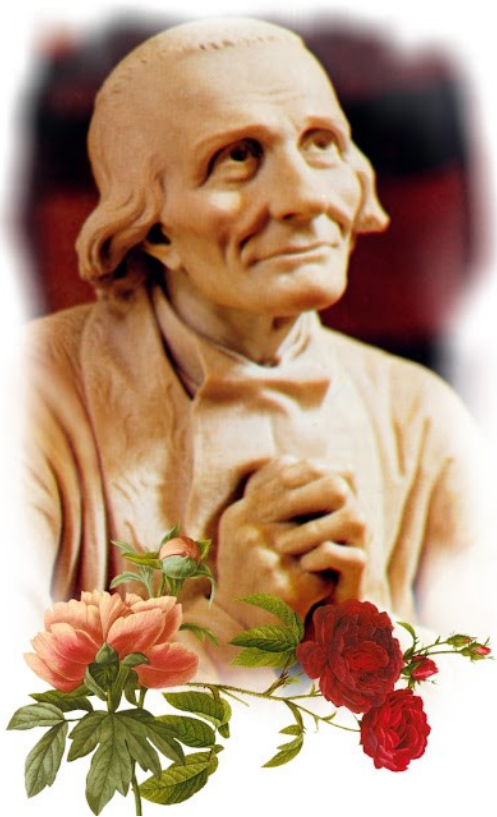
greet the priest first and then the angel.... If there were no priest, the passion and death of Jesus would serve no purpose. What use is a treasure chest full of gold if there is no one who can unlock it? The priest has the key to the treasures of Heaven".

The first treasure to open is God's forgiveness: from the first moment he arrived in Ars, Fr Jean-Marie had become the man consumed by the confessional. He had gone to Ars, indeed, he had become a priest to convert souls, together with Christ, to Christianize the world. His parishioners flocked to him for confession and felt the joy of God's forgiveness and of conversion. He listened, understood, read their minds, prompted repentance and comforted them.

Ars became the European capital of reconciliation: men

and women from around the world would set out for France because they truly believed that in an out-of-the-way French village, a priest consumed by prayer and penance was speaking of God, hearing confessions and guiding souls to holiness. Ten thousand, 100,000, 400,000 or perhaps even more pilgrims went every year to Ars for 30 years. They were simple people, famous founders, statesmen, Bishops. They left him, renewed.

In the summer of 1859, Ars was still being invaded by pilgrims. On 2 August of that year, Fr Jean-Marie received Holy Communion and Extreme Unction from his own curate in simplicity and joy. He came face to face with God at dawn on 4 August 1859. On the feast of Pentecost, May 31, 1925, Pius XI enrolled him among the saints, and on the 23rd of April 1928, declared him Patron of the world's parish priests.



### ***Prayer of St. John Vianney***

***I love You, O my God,  
and my only desire is to love You  
until the last breath of my life.***

***I love You, O my infinitely lovable God,  
and I would rather die loving You,  
than live without loving You.***

***I love You, Lord and the only grace I ask  
is to love You eternally...***

***My God, if my tongue cannot say in every  
moment that I love You, I want my heart to  
repeat it to You as often as I draw breath.***



El 9 de febrero de 1818, Antoine, un niño pastor de ovejas, tuvo un encuentro inusual. Conoció a un sacerdote. Estaba empujando una carreta desvencijada y se dirigía hacia un pequeño pueblo. El sacerdote llamó al niño y le preguntó si estaba muy lejos del pueblo. El niño señaló el pequeño pueblo que tenían delante. "¡Qué pequeño es!" murmuró el sacerdote. Luego se arrodilló en el suelo helado y oró largamente, con los ojos fijos en las casas.

Cuando partió de nuevo con su carreta, el niño estaba a su lado. Cuando llegaron frente a la pobre iglesia, el sacerdote le dijo: "Gracias por mostrarme el camino a Ars... Yo te mostraré el camino al Cielo". Ars, con una población de 200 habitantes que dependía de la parroquia de Misèrieux en la diócesis de Lyon, ignoraba que acogía a su capellán, el padre Jean-Marie Vianney.

San Juan María Vianney nació en Dardilly, cerca de Lyon, el 8 de mayo de 1786, hijo de Mathieu y Marie, campesinos pobres de fe fuerte. Su infancia estuvo marcada por los trágicos acontecimientos de la Revolución Francesa. Mientras los jacobinos, apoyados por los francmasones, organizaban la caza de sacerdotes y los enviaban a ellos y a sus fieles a la guillotina, Jean-Marie estudiaba catecismo en secreto y se enamoraba perdidamente de Jesús. Fue durante una Misa celebrada en secreto a puertas cerradas por un sacerdote antirrevolucionario en una casa cerca de Écully, cerca de su parroquia natal, cuando Jean-Marie recibió su Primera Comunión, que lo fortaleció en su deseo más íntimo. **"Seré sacerdote"**, afirmó.

Superando enormes dificultades, fue ordenado sacerdote el 13 de agosto de 1815, en la capilla del Seminario de Grenoble. Tuvo un sacerdote-pastor maravilloso y enriquecedor desde su primera asignación. Después de eso comenzó la aventura. Se convirtió en el **"Curé d'Ars"**. Al día siguiente de su llegada estaba solo mientras se dirigía al altar para celebrar la Misa. Pero unos días después, cuando algunos vinieron a ver qué podría haber venido a hacer otro sacerdote a Ars y cómo vivía, los fieles encontraron arrodillado en oración ante el Sagrario, como si verdaderamente viera a Alguien: lo encontraron en la misma posición, mañana, tarde y hasta de noche. Cuando algunos empezaron a venir a su misa dominical, se dieron cuenta de que entendían lo que decía: hablaba de Dios, que premia a los buenos; de su Hijo, Jesús, que vino a morir en la Cruz para expiar los pecados del mundo, de su amor infinito, de su perdón a los que cambian de forma de vida, de la alegría que sólo de él viene. Eran palabras sencillas, palabras de fuego, palabras inolvidables que ganaron la sincera admiración de la gente. Todavía otros venían a escucharlo.

Los alimentos de los que vivía se dieron a conocer a través de unas piadosas damas que fueron a ayudarlo en su casa: un poco de pan seco, unas papas hervidas. Había mirado a su alrededor y visto los pecados de su pueblo y había comenzado una lucha despiadada contra estos males con la oración, el ayuno y la penitencia, ofreciendo su vida entera a Dios con el Crucificado. Cuando escuchaba a su pueblo, era bondadoso, manso y muy tierno, un padre con un mensaje para ellos: amor a Jesús e intimidad con Él. Incluso aquellos que estaban más alejados de Dios, los pecadores más empedernidos, pronto sintieron que Dios había enviado un santo a Ars y se apresuraron a escucharlo. Poco a poco, el pueblo se fue transformando. Quienes lo veían y escuchaban se sentían atraídos por su confesionario: vidas enteras se convertían, la gente volvía a Dios conquistada por su oración y su testimonio. Bailes, borracheras y palabrotas, cosas que el Cura condenó con la mayor severidad, desaparecieron del pueblo. La iglesia estaba llena de gente.

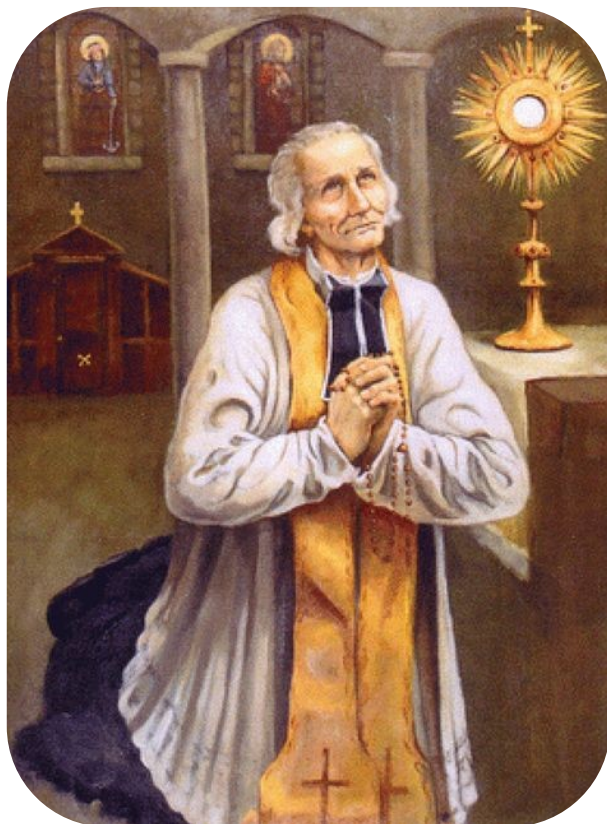
En 1823, el obispo elevó Ars al rango de parroquia. El P. Vianney quería irse, porque se sentía indigno de ser un "párroco", pero se quedó por obediencia. En 1827, gritó en la iglesia con el corazón lleno de alegría: "¡Ars, hermanos míos, ya no es Ars!". ¿Cuál fue su método? ¿Qué análisis había hecho, qué planes pastorales había organizado? ¡Ninguna! Sólo tuvo su sacerdocio, vivió hasta el punto de convertirse verdaderamente, cada vez más, día a día, en "otro Cristo". Su sacerdocio lo llevó a un estado de exaltación; escribió, "el sacerdote sólo será comprendido en el Cielo. Si lo comprendiésemos en esta tierra, moriríamos de amor". Nadie ha expresado mejor que él cuán "espantoso" es ser sacerdote, tener el mandato de absolver a las personas y de hacer presente a Dios en una hostia: "Cómo se debe compadecer a un sacerdote cuando celebra la Misa como un evento ordinario. ¡Qué desgraciado es un sacerdote sin vida interior!".

El P. Vianney celebraba la Misa temprano en la mañana y fue evidente para todos que estaba cumpliendo el Sacrificio del Hijo de Dios en la Cruz. Tenía la certeza absoluta de que la Misa lo es todo, porque de este sacrificio viene la salvación, y en esos momentos se adora a Dios como corresponde a Él. "Si me encontrara con un sacerdote y un ángel, saludaría primero al sacerdote y luego al ángel... si no hubiera sacerdote, la pasión y muerte de Jesús no serviría para nada. ¿De qué sirve un cofre de tesoro lleno de oro si no hay nadie que pueda abrirlo? El sacerdote tiene la llave de los tesoros del Cielo".

El primer tesoro que se abre es el perdón de Dios: desde el primer momento en que llegó a Ars, el padre Jean-Marie se había convertido en el hombre consumido por el confesionario. Había ido a Ars, de hecho, se había hecho sacerdote para convertir las almas, junto con Cristo, para cristianizar el mundo. Sus feligreses acudían a él para confesarse y sentían la alegría del perdón de Dios y de la conversión. Él escuchaba, comprendía, les leía la mente, suscitaba el arrepentimiento y consolaba.

Ars se convirtió en la capital europea de la reconciliación: hombres y mujeres de todo el mundo partían hacia Francia porque creían de verdad que en un apartado pueblo francés, un sacerdote consumido por la oración y la penitencia hablaba de Dios, escuchando confesiones y guiando almas a la santidad. 10.000, 100.000, 400.000 o tal vez incluso más peregrinos iban cada año a Ars por 30 años. Eran gente sencilla, ilustres fundadores, estadistas, obispos. Lo dejaron, renovado. En el verano de 1859, Ars todavía estaba siendo invadida por peregrinos. El 2 de agosto de ese año, el P. Jean-Marie recibió la Sagrada Comunión y la Extremaunción de manos de su propio cura con sencillez y alegría. Se encontró cara a cara con Dios en la madrugada del 4 de agosto de 1859.

En la fiesta de Pentecostés, el 31 de mayo de 1925, Pío XI lo inscribió entre los santos y el 23 de abril de 1928 lo declaró Patrono de los párrocos del mundo.



### ***Oración de San Juan Vianney***

***Te amo, oh Dios mío, y mi único deseo es amarte hasta el último suspiro de mi vida.***

***Te amo, oh mi Dios infinitamente amable, y preferiría morir amándote, que vivir sin amarte.***

***Te amo, Señor y la única gracia que te pido es amarte eternamente...***

***Dios mío, si mi lengua no puede decir en cada momento que te amo, quiero que mi corazón te lo repita cada vez que respiro.***



You are invited to join us  
in our celebration of  
Mother Mary's Birthday,  
by participating in a

*Living Rosary*

on

*Thursday, September 8*  
at 6:15pm in the Church.

Benediction will follow.

*We encourage all families, especially children, to participate in this spiritual event, and you are welcome to pray in your native language.*

*If you would like to represent one of the beads, please fill out the form below and drop it at the Parish Office, or place it in the basket that can be found at the break of the Church.*

I would like to sign up for a bead of the Living Rosary  
PLEASE PRINT

Family Name: \_\_\_\_\_

# of persons: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Email address: \_\_\_\_\_







# Early Childhood at Holy Name of Mary School

Our early childhood program offers 3-Year-Old (Nursery), 4-Year-Old (Pre-K) and Kindergarten classes. These classes provide an excellent foundation for the students' future educational experience and focus on faith, socialization, and age-appropriate academics. Prayer is part of every day.

## The Holy Name of Mary Advantage:

Your child will gain independence, develop muscle coordination, and learn to care for themselves. They will learn to socialize and love, and to be loved as members of God's family. They will be introduced to Religion and prayer, as well as arts and crafts, social skills, fine and gross motor skills, and most importantly the joy of play!



## Students participate in:

- Library
- Physical Education
- Music
- Art
- Religion
- Cooking
- Technology

**Call 516-825-4009 to schedule a tour!**





### *HNM School Registration*

Join in the Spirit at Holy Name of Mary School, an AdvancEd Accredited School. To register your child for Nursery (full day, age 3), Pre-K (full day, age 4), Kindergarten (full day, age 5) or Grade 1 through 8, contact our School Office to make an appointment at 516-825-4009, or visit [www.hnomschool.org](http://www.hnomschool.org) for registration materials and details. Before and after school care is available for all registered students. Follow Holy Name of Mary School on Instagram and Facebook @ hnomschoolvalleystream.

### *Remember In Prayer*

#### **All Those Who Are Sick**

*Father of Goodness and love, hear our prayers for the sick members of our community and for all who are in need...*

Baby Ashton John, Annie Bottone, George Camilleri  
Fernando Davadilla, Felix Deguilla, Jr., Zenaida Deguilla  
Margaret Goldbach, Anna Graham, Theresa Greco  
Natalie Grogan, Frank Guerra, Anthony Ippolito  
Kevin Lynch, Rafaela Mararilla, Patrick McGowan  
Marie Mimms, Nial Pace, John Smith

(Names will remain on the sick list for **four weeks only**. If you would like to have the name listed again, please notify the Parish Office.)

#### **All Those Who Have Died**

*Please remember in prayer the recently deceased,  
and for those who mourn their loss.*

*We also remember the souls in Purgatory.*

Frank Addiego, Luis Alberto Acevedo  
Angelina Emanuele, Linda A. Scudieri

### *Eucharistic Minister Schedule*

**Saturday, August 6, 2022**

**HOST} M. Garcia, R. Garcia**

**Sunday, August 7, 2022**

**7:45am**

**HOST} J. Danisi, M. Tobar**

**9:00am**

**HOST} L. Radice, C. Aguaviva**

**11:00am**

**HOST} M. Alexis, B. We**



### *Baptism Schedule*

Baptisms in English are scheduled on the second and fourth Sunday of every month at 3pm. Baptisms in Spanish are scheduled on the second Saturday of every month at 12 noon. Please call the Parish Office for available dates. Baby's birth certificate and signed sponsor forms from godparents are required.

### *St. Vincent de Paul Message*



In the Gospel, Jesus tells the parable about the rich man who selfishly stored all his grain and goods only to die and not enjoy his abundance anyway. What we struggle all our lives to learn is that life does not consist of possessions nor our perceived security, but of being possessed by God. This week, as you give your gift to the Society of St. Vincent de Paul you are realizing that in giving you indeed receive.

**Pantry Needs:** Paper towel, toilet tissue, cereal, rice, beans, canned vegetables/fruit, pancake mix/syrup, oatmeal, coffee, tea, condiments, muffin/cake mix

**Please remember the poor boxes as you leave Church today. These generous offerings help the Society of St. Vincent de Paul assist families in need in our own parish. Thank you!**

*Welcome*  
to Our Church

If you and your family recently moved to Valley Stream and wish to become registered parishioners of Holy Name of Mary Church, (or maybe you attend Mass regularly and have never registered), please visit the Parish Office to fill out a short registration form. Using our envelope system is the only way to have all your donations recorded.

*Loose checks are not recorded, they must be placed in your registered parishioner envelope.*

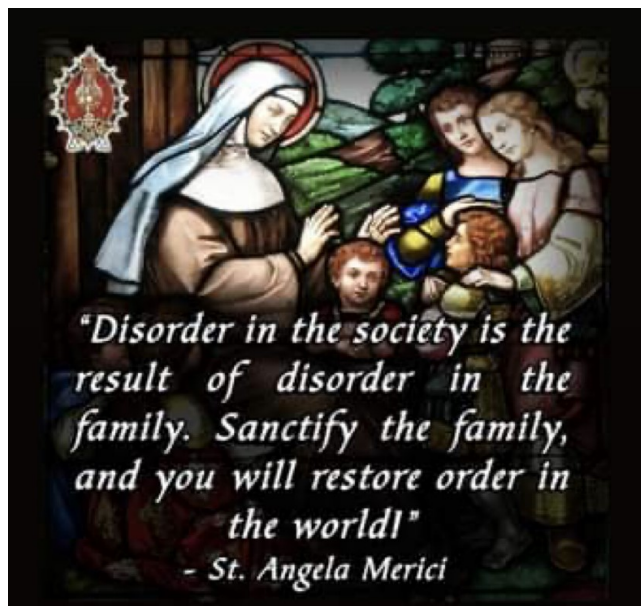


*We welcome the*  
**NEWLY BAPTIZED**  
*to our parish family...*

*Brandon Chacon Melgar, Damian H. Novelli*  
*Fabien A. Moreno, Alicia Del Carmen Taveras*  
*Odin Pierre-Louis, Evelyn C. Huarca*  
*Omar Z. Pate, Damian E. Ortega, Sabrina A. Carangui*  
*Gabriel Jimenez-Richard, Antonella Paz Trochez*  
*Estella Sorto Sanchez, Brendalit Vargas Estrella*  
*Elijah M. Bartolomeo, Mack Castellon Orozco*  
*Conor A. Redhead, Andres A. Vanegas*  
*Amelia Fernandez Quelix, Jaycob A. Ramos*  
*Sophia Urra-Orellana, Alana J. Sanchez*  
*Juliet A. Sanchez, Joaquin Alvarez*  
*Matteo Chavarria Montiel, Alessandra Perez-Ortiz*  
*Autumn V. Muhsen, Liam C. Vourlos*  
*Ernesto A. Contreras, Kevin Leung*

*We welcome*  
**NEW PARISHIONERS**

*who have recently registered with our parish...*  
*Cabahuf Family, Dutan Family, Campos Family*  
*Castro Usma Family, Northern Family*  
*Rodriguez Family, Sandoval Family, Cruz Family*  
*Diaz Solano Family, Cornet Family*  
*Cabrera Family, Pacamarra Family, Then Family*  
*Perez Family, Galvis Family, Noya Family*  
*Schevlen Family, Hanousek Family*  
*Dancona Family, Chambers Family*



## Get to Know the Saints



**The Dedication of the Basilica of St. Mary Major**  
**(Our Lady of the Snows)**  
**Feast Day: August 5**

Friday's feast commemorates a building, not a person. It is a memorial to the "baptism," or dedication, of one of the oldest churches in Rome dedicated to the Virgin Mary. The Basilica of St. Mary Major (meaning the "greater" or "larger" church of St. Mary) was first built in 352. After the Council of Ephesus' dogmatic definitions on Mary as the God-bearer in 431, the Basilica was restored and rededicated.

Every year on August 5, white rose petals are dropped into the sanctuary from an opening in the coffered ceiling of Saint Mary Major to commemorate its legendary origin. As the story goes, during the night of August 4th, 352, the Mother of God appeared simultaneously in the dreams of Pope Liberius and of a wealthy Roman named Giovanni Patrizio, who with his wife, had decided to leave everything they had to the Church. The Blessed Mother instructed them to build a church where her children could go to their Mother with their needs and prayers. Snow fall (in Rome's sweltering August heat!) on the following morning would indicate the site of the new church. Early in the morning of August 5, Pope Liberius was informed that snow had fallen on Esquiline Hill, including on land owned by Patrizio.

The basilica is home to 1600 years of some of the most exquisite art ever created, beginning with an icon of Mary—said to be painted by St. Luke. On the morning after his election, Pope Francis went to St. Mary Major to pray before this icon of the Madonna. It is also the site of many miracles and events of great significance in the life of the Church.



**Sunday, Jul 31, 2022****Dizzy yet?**

Do you ever feel like the world is spinning out of control? You're not alone: Pope Francis has called this effect of modern culture "rapidification." It's not just you: Things really are happening, progressing, and becoming obsolete faster—including what many of us do for a living. We're not unlike the tragic lamplighter in Catholic author Antoine de Saint-Exupéry's classic, *The Little Prince*. The lamplighter's planet is turning faster, but he still operates at the same mortal speed. He must now respond to 1,440 sunsets where there used to be just one. Now more than ever, we need to honor our Sabbaths and take our rest.

**EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

TODAY'S READINGS: Ecclesiastes 1:2; 2:21-23; Colossians 3:1-5, 9-11; Luke 12:13-21 (114). *"For what profit comes to [us] from all the toil and anxiety of heart with which [we have] labored under the sun?"*

**Monday, Aug 01, 2022****Vocation is deeper than a job**

Alphonsus Liguori is the patron saint of many things, including the work of laypeople. Even though he was a founder of a religious order, the Redemptorists, he was, of course, first a layperson himself—and one with a successful career. A lawyer who didn't lose a case for eight years straight, he still found time in his busy schedule to visit the terminally ill, which is how he discovered his true vocation and became a priest and leading theologian. Liguori might be the first to advise: Take a break from work to give back to the community and you might get your big break in finding your mission.

**MEMORIAL OF ALPHONSUS LIGUORI, BISHOP, FOUNDER, DOCTOR OF THE CHURCH**

TODAY'S READINGS: Jeremiah 28:1-17; Matthew 14:13-21 (407). *"His heart was moved with pity for them, and he cured their sick."*

**Tuesday, Aug 02, 2022****Be present to the presence**

Peter Julian Eymard, the French Catholic priest who founded the Congregation of the Blessed Sacrament, had a deep love and understanding of the Eucharist. "How kind is our Sacramental Jesus! He welcomes you at any hour of the day or night. His Love never knows rest," he said. "When you visit Him, He forgets your sins and speaks only of His joy, His tenderness, and His Love. By the reception He gives to you, one would think He has need of you to make Him happy." Take such words to heart as we begin the U.S. bishops' new Eucharistic Revival.

**MEMORIAL OF PETER JULIAN EYMARD, PRIEST, FOUNDER**

TODAY'S READINGS: Jeremiah 30:1-2, 12-15, 18-22; Matthew 14:22-36 or Matthew 15:1-2, 10-14 (408). *"Take courage, it is I; do not be afraid."*

**Wednesday, Aug 03, 2022****Let your life be one of service**

Sor Isolina Ferré Aguayo, M.S.B.T., a Missionary Sister, died on this day in 2000 after a lifetime of service to the poor of her native Puerto Rico and New York. Known as the "Mother Teresa of Puerto Rico," Aguayo served people living on the margins and opened schools and resource centers throughout Puerto Rico and beyond. For her tireless work, she received 17 honorary degrees and more than 50 additional awards including the Presidential Medal of Freedom in 1999, bestowed for "her passionate fight

against poverty, violence, and despair in Puerto Rico and Brooklyn, New York, where she worked to reconcile rival gangs in 1950-1960." In endowing the award, President Clinton said Sor Isolina taught people "to see the best in themselves and in their communities." May we all serve so well.

TODAY'S READINGS: Jeremiah 31:1-7; Matthew 15:21-28 (409). *"O woman, great is your faith! Let it be done for you as you wish."*

**Thursday, Aug 04, 2022****Persistence is a virtue**

Sometimes a vocation comes packaged with obstacles. Perhaps it is God's way of testing our resolve. In any case, John Vianney, born in revolutionary France in 1786, modeled persistence in his determination to become a priest. His religious training was disrupted by the anticlerical reign of terror unleashed during the French Revolution. Priests in hiding who risked their lives to administer the sacraments became Vianney's heroes, and once the church was reestablished, Vianney entered seminary. Today we know him as the patron saint of parish priests. May his story inspire us to overcome obstacles that keep us from our God-given vocation, whatever that might be.

**MEMORIAL OF JOHN VIANNEY, PRIEST**

TODAY'S READINGS: Jeremiah 31:31-34; Matthew 16:13-23 (410). *"You are thinking not as God does, but as human beings do."*

**Friday, Aug 05, 2022****At home in a house church**

Christians first gathered in homes, or "house churches," before there were dedicated religious buildings. Remember the "upper room" where the disciples received the gift of the Holy Spirit? It was likely one of the first house churches. As Christians were able to more freely express their faith, churches were built. One of the most historic and significant churches is the Basilica of Mary Major in Rome. It was built out of deep love of Mary and her significance in salvation history. It holds many important relics, works of art, and the sacred experiences of pilgrims since the fifth century. What is a church that has been especially meaningful for you?

**MEMORIAL OF THE DEDICATION OF THE BASILICA OF MARY MAJOR**

TODAY'S READINGS: Nahum 2:1, 3; 3:1-3, 6-7; Matthew 16:24-28 (411). *"See, upon the mountains there advances the bearer of good news, announcing peace!"*

**Saturday, Aug 06, 2022****Bury the bomb**

On August 6, 1945 at 8:15 in the morning, an atomic bomb exploded above Hiroshima, Japan, dropped from an American B-29 bomber. In an instant some 70,000 souls were incinerated by the 10,000-degree fireball generated in the blast. By the end of the year, injury and radiation doubled the total number of deaths. Seventy-five years later, Pope Francis declared the use of atomic weapons, even the mere possession of such devices, to be immoral. Reflect on the transfigured Christ who stands in solidarity with the suffering and dead of all crimes against humanity.

**FEAST OF THE TRANSFIGURATION OF THE LORD**

TODAY'S READINGS: Daniel 7:9-10, 13-14; 2 Peter 1:16-19; Luke 9:28b-36 (614). *"While he was praying his face changed in appearance and his clothing became dazzling white."*

*Invest just five minutes a day, and your faith will deepen and grow—a day at a time*



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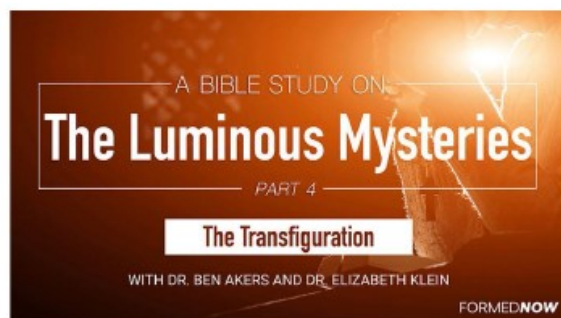
### COMPANIONS IN SHIPWRECK

Good relationships are a vital part of human well-being. In fact, studies show that those with the healthiest relationships live the longest! But where can we see these friendships lived out? Look no further than the life of famed author J.R.R. Tolkien. The relationships he exhibited are a wonderful example for all of us to follow, especially with those we may disagree with. As Tolkien described marriage, it's all about being "companions in shipwreck."



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### A BIBLE STUDY ON THE LUMINOUS MYSTERIES: THE TRANSFIGURATION

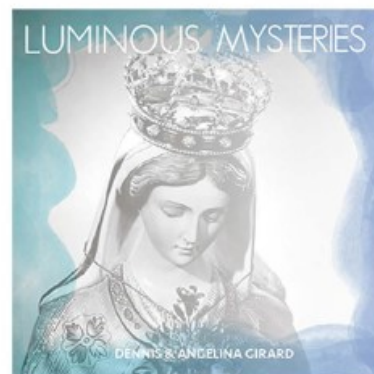


This week we celebrate the feast of the Transfiguration, the mountaintop manifestation of Christ's glory that we read about in the Gospel. As we recall this wondrous event, however, many questions might come to mind. Why did Moses and Elijah appear? Why did Jesus only bring Peter, James, and John? Hear the answers to these questions and more in this episode of

## LISTEN

### LUMINOUS MYSTERIES

The Transfiguration is part of the Luminous Mysteries, which were introduced to the Church in 2002 by St. John Paul II. These mysteries recall events that demonstrate the light of Christ during his public ministry. On this feast day, let us ponder this miraculous episode of Jesus' life by praying along with this recording of the Rosary.



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