

Annunciation Catholic Church

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MATT. 10:31

SO DON'T BE AFRAID;
you are worth more than many sparrows.



CRYING OUT TO THE LORD

There are those times when we have to realize that it is okay to lament, to cry out to the Lord. Take Jeremiah, for instance. Everyone was turning on Jeremiah, and he turned to God and cried out, "I hear the whispers of many: terror on every side! Denounce! Let us denounce Him. All those who were my friends are on the watch for any misstep of mine" (Jer. 10: 10). Jeremiah's lament is seen in a different way in the Psalmist today, "For your sake I bear insult, shame covers my face. I have become an outcast to my brethren, a stranger to my children" (Ps 69). During these uncertain times with gun violence, overt racism, and constant political upheaval, the scriptures remind us that it is okay to lament and cry out to the Lord. It is okay to pour our fears, worries, and/or anxieties out to the Lord. We may need to cry out to the Lord because of some tragedy in our lives. We may need to cry out to the Lord when a child dies in the womb, when a family member is wrestling with cancer, a neighbor loses their house in a fire, a relative turns away from the church, or the words of a coworker cause deep wounds. Crying out to the Lord is needed. For each time we cry out to the Lord, we surrender to the Lord and let the Lord do what the Lord does best. As Jeremiah and the Psalmist did, so should we. Take time to cry out to the Lord, especially in the hardest times.

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PARISH NEWS

WEEKLY ACTIVITIES and MASSES

Tuesday 5:30p.m.	June 27 Mass(Chapel)
Wednesday 8:00a.m.	June 28 Mass(Chapel)
Thursday 8:00 a.m.	June 29 Mass(Chapel)
Friday 8:00a.m.	June 30 Mass(Chapel)
Sunday 7:15 a.m.-7:45 a.m Confession	July 2
8:00 a.m.	Mass(Main Church)
10:30 a.m.	Mass(Main Church)



Religious Education

Weekly Faith Focus

ON OUR JOURNEY OF FAITH, FEAR IS LIKE A TRAFFIC LIGHT STUCK ON RED. IT PROTECTS US FROM BEING HURT, BUT IT ALSO PREVENTS US FROM MOVING FORWARD IN LIFE. WE MAY BE AFRAID OF OFFENDING, SO WE TAKE NO STAND AT ALL.

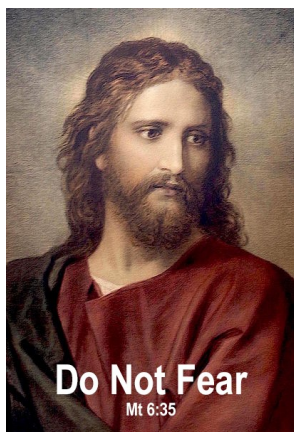
AS DISCIPLES, WE MUST FOCUS OUR THOUGHTS ON GOD'S POWER INSTEAD OF ANY NEGATIVE ENERGY AROUND US. WHEN WE CHANGE OUR MINDSETS FROM FEAR TO ONE FOCUSED ON ETERNITY, IT IS THEN THAT WE CAN MOVE FORWARD WITH FAITH.

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STEWARDSHIP IN ACTION

06-25-23

Weekly Offering	06-18-23	\$ 6,021.16
On-Line Giving:	06-18-23	\$ 4,130.00
On Line Mass	06-18-23	\$ 0.00
SVDP	06-18-23	\$ 886.00
Chapel Preservation	06-18-23	\$ 205.00



Today's reading is part of the instructions Jesus gives to his disciples after he has commissioned them to proclaim the approaching Kingdom of heaven. As we already know, Matthew addressed a predominantly Jewish-Christian community, for whom Jesus embodied the fulfillment of the Old Testament. His Gospel is divided into five long discourses that remind us of the Pentateuch, the five books of Moses. In Matthew's Gospel, Jesus is the new Moses, the new Lawgiver, and the new Teacher.

At the time this Gospel was written, the early Christian communities were suffering persecution, and some were losing their faith in the face of opposition. The phrase, "Do not fear," appears 3 times. With these words, Jesus encouraged the disciples and attacked the

fears that could make them abandon their mission. Jesus assured them that their persecutors could destroy the body but never the soul. The coming of the Reign of God was inevitable, and fear must not prevent the disciples from proclaiming it. Today's reading offers three significant messages: Fear cannot prevent us from proclaiming the gospel and its demands. Jesus promises that we will never be alone in our efforts to do what is right. The final judgment before God will be based on the disciples' faithfulness to Jesus during the controversies that are part of their mission. Faithful Stewards must continue to proclaim the gospel of the Lord and not let fear get in our way.

CYO Summer "Tips for Teens"

As you enjoy your summer break, remember Jesus never takes a break! He is always there for you in the Eucharist and to help you grow in faith.

Surround yourself with friends that will lift you up and help you strive to be holy. Share your faith with others by your actions & words, what you watch & listen to, and by keeping an active prayer life!

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Matthew 10:29-33

"Everyone who acknowledges me before others I will acknowledge before my heavenly Father. But whoever denies me before others, I will deny before my heavenly Father."

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Mass Intentions

Tuesday	6-27-23	5:30 pm	Howard Ferguson	JF	RIP
Wednesday	6-28-23	8:00 am			
Thursday	6-29-23	8:00 am	Debbie Weseli	JR	RIP
Friday	6-30-23	8:00 am	Jay Mitchell	CH	RIP
Sunday	7-02-23	8:00am	People of the Parish		SI
Sunday	7-02-23	10:30am	David Sertich		RIP

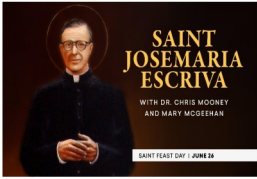
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Bring a
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Share

JULY 2

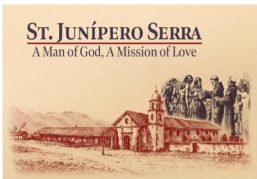
THIS WEEK ON
FORMED

Week of June 25, 2023



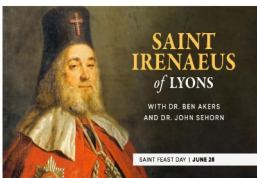
St. Josemaria Escriva | Catholic Saints

Called "the saint of ordinary life" by Pope John Paul II, St. Josemaria Escriva centered his ministry around a simple truth: each person can experience the extraordinary grace of holiness even in the ordinary events of day-to-day life.



**St. Junípero Serra:
A Man of God, A Mission of Love**

In this documentary, learn about Father Serra's heroic missionary activity to Indigenous peoples in 18th-century North America.



Saint Irenaeus of Lyons | Catholic Saints

In this episode of FORMED Now, Dr. John Sehorn and Dr. Ben Akers discuss this second-century Church Father, explaining his importance to the history of Christianity and his title, the "Doctor of Unity."

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Prayer Changes Things

Prayers for Parishioners

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Carl Doumit
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Prayers for Families and Friends

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Dee Dee Hindman
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Darryl Lopaka
Patrice Majewski
Rose Maness
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Brice Shepherd
Stephanie Welch
Doug Wheeler
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Tom Walk
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Men of our parish, 18 years or older, are invited to become members of the **W. H. Jolly K of C Council.**

As members, you will join with your brother Knights, putting your faith in action in support of our parish and community.

For more information on how to become a member contact **Mike Smith** at (662) 855-5035 or email him at smithmichael2192@gmail.com



Knights of Columbus Ladies Auxiliary

Knights of Columbus Ladies Auxiliary is extending an open invitation to women of our parish 18 yrs. and older to become members and share in our mission of spiritual and charitable growth.

For more information contact **Pat Jones** 662-364-3108(cell) or ljones8873@aol.com

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