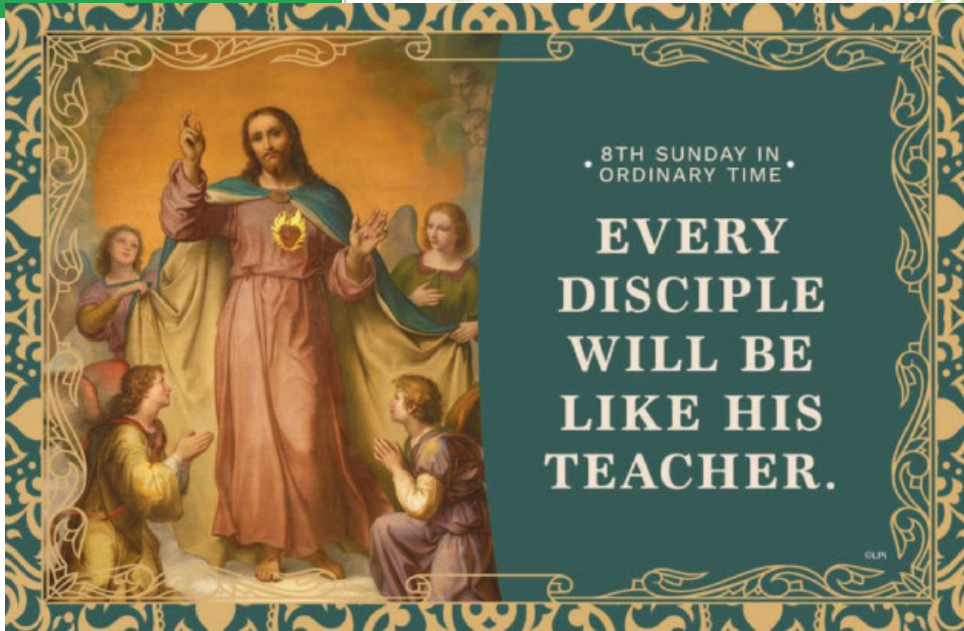


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MASS SCHEDULE

Daily Mass

Monday | 8:30 am St. Joseph's
Tuesday | 8:30 St Francis
Wednesday | No Mass today
Thursday | 8:30 am St Francis
Friday | 8:30 am St Joseph's

Weekend Mass

Saturday | 4 pm St Joseph's
6 pm St Francis (summer only)
Sunday | 8:30 am St Francis
10:30 am St Joseph's

Confession

Saturday | 3:15 pm St Joseph's
Sunday | 8 am St Francis

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Our Mission

We, the Roman Catholic community of St. Francis of Assisi and St. Joseph's are called to live the Gospel message of Jesus through Hospitality, Worship, Faith Formation and Service to others.

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ST. JOSEPH'S MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday (1) 4 pm

Salvatore Gatto & Emil Iaconis + Mary Pisanti
 Birthday of Joe Furman & Fr. Jun + Joe & Barb Furman

Sun (2) 10:30 am

John Davidczuk + Penny Szumowski
 Marylou Lockyer + SJ's Thrift Store Staff
 In Thanksgiving + Sue MacGregor

Mon (3) 8:30 am

Rev. Wilfred Bouchey

Friday (7) 8:30 am

Frank & Jean Gagliardo + Mary Pisanti

Saturday (8) 4 pm

Theo Higgins + George & Carol Pifko
 Mark Massacesi + Pifko family

Sun (9) 10:30 am

Zachary Denysenko + Spodaryk family
 John F Rosenzweig + SJ Thrift Store Staff



The red Sanctuary Candle burns all week to remind people of the Presence of Jesus in the Eucharist. You can memorialize our candle at either parish for a week for a deceased loved one, a living person or a special intention. The Intention and Donor's names will be published in our weekly bulletin. The suggested donation for the 7-day candle is \$20.

All submissions must be made at least 2 weeks prior to the week you are requesting to accommodate bulletin printing deadlines. Please call the office for scheduling requests.

ST. FRANCIS MASS INTENTIONS

Sun (2) 8:30 am

Kenneth Zydes + Joe & Cathy Capobianco
 Healing of Barry Walsh + Breen family
 Healing of Fr. Jim Davis + Rick Koval

Tues (4) 8:30 am

Neal & Olympia Pisanti & deceased Benazzi family

Thursday (6) 8:30 am

Julia Scifo + Todd & Julie Whitney

Sun (9) 8:30 am

George M. St. Peter + David & Yolanda Gifford
 Sara Clark's Mom + Breen family
 Anna Saksen + Marlene Junquera

INTRODUCTION TO THE LITURGY OF THE DAY ~ As we approach the penitential season of Lent, we hear a warning from Jesus about sin. Don't focus on the sins of your brother, your sister, or your neighbor; look at your own sins. Every year, Lent affords us the opportunity to recognize our sinfulness and our need for God's forgiveness, which Jesus offers us most dramatically on the cross. Gathered for Mass today on the eve of Lent, let us commit ourselves to recognizing our own faults and failures, repenting of our sins, and resolving to follow the Lord more faithfully.

WORD OF LIFE ~ The Gospel of Life is "meant to be a precise and vigorous reaffirmation of the value of human life and its inviolability, and at the same time a pressing appeal addressed to each and every person, in the name of God: respect, protect, love and serve life, every human life! Only in this direction will you find justice, development, true freedom, peace and happiness!" (The Gospel of Life 5).

(PRACTICING) CATHOLIC - RECOGNIZE GOD IN YOUR ORDINARY MOMENTS By Colleen Jurkiewicz Dorman

Mini Reflection: If we see a splinter in another person's eye, or a problem in the world that needs to be fixed, what Jesus is saying is not that we should ignore it and move on. He's merely saying that, when we see these things, we must take them first as a challenge to examine ourselves.

The Log in Your Eye Today's Gospel is a big favorite of non-Christians - or Christians who don't like being told what to do.

That trusty ol' *remove the wooden beam from your own eye* line is a classic. *Mind your business, Christians! You're not perfect either.*

And that's entirely true. None of us are perfect. We've all got logs in our eyes. We can't approach life acting like we have the answers simply because we follow Jesus.

Jesus has the answers, and we have Jesus.

The real problem with having someone remove a splinter from my eye, if he himself has a log in his eye, is not that he has no business removing the splinter from my eye. It's that he can't see clearly to do it. His own eyesight is occluded.

If we see a splinter in another person's eye, or a problem in the world that needs to be fixed, or a scandal in the community that should be addressed, what Jesus is saying is not that we should ignore it and move on. He's merely saying that, when we see these things, we must take them first as a challenge to examine ourselves. To address the problem as it exists within our own souls, so that we ensure we are seeing clearly. Then, if we reach out to pluck the splinter, we will do so with clear eyesight.

He wants us to worry as much about our own souls as we do about other people's.

We tend to look at the world and feel anxious - so much evil! So much hate! So much sin! We pray, *God, when will you change it?*

And He whispers back: *I will change it here. Now. In your own heart. You just have to ask.*

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LIVE THE LITURGY - INSPIRATION FOR THE WEEK ~ Remove the beam from your own eye, Jesus reminds us, before removing the splinter from your brother's. This doesn't mean we should not help each other to be holy. But holiness must come from within. If we don't have it, we can't share it. Are we looking hard enough at our own souls? ©LPI

READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF MARCH 2, 2025 ~ Sunday: Sir 27:4-7/Ps 92:2-3, 13-14, 15-16 (see 2a)/1 Cor 15:54-58/Lk 6:39-45; Monday: Sir 17:20-24/Ps 32:1-2, 5, 6, 7/Mk 10:17-27; Tuesday: Sir 35:1-12/Ps 50:5-6, 7-8, 14 and 23/Mk 10:28-3; Wednesday: Jl 2:12-18/Ps 51:3-4, 5-6ab, 12-13, 14 and 17/2 Cor 5:20-6:2/Mt 6:1-6, 16-18; Thursday: Dt 30:15-20/Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4 and 6/Lk 9:22-2; Friday: Is 58:1-9a/Ps 51:3-4, 5-6ab, 18-19/Mt 9:14-15; Saturday: Is 58:9b-14/Ps 86:1-2, 3-4, 5-6/Lk 5:27-32; Next Sunday: Dt 26:4-10/Ps 91:1-2, 10-11, 12-13, 14-15 (see 5b)/Rom 10:8-13/Lk 4:1-13

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