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TWENTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME – YEAR A AUGUST 20, 2023

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SACRAMENTS

BAPTISM: 3rd Sunday of each month. Call for

appointment

MARRIAGE: Call four (4) months before any

arrangements are made.

ANOINTING OF THE SICK: Call anytime

FUNERAL: Tuesdays through Fridays Please call prior to final arrangements.

MASS SCHEDULES

Weekend

Saturdays: 4:00 p.m. Sundays: 7:00 a.m. & 9:30 a.m. CONFESSION: Saturdays: 3:30 p.m. or by Appointment

Weekday

Tuesdays & Thursdays: 12:15 p.m. Wednesdays & Fridays 7:00 a.m.

<u>HOLY HOUR</u> EXPOSITION AND ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRMENT FRIDAYS IMMEDIATELY AFTER THE 7:00 AM MASS



"TOGETHER BUILDING THE KINGDOM OF GOD."

20TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - YEAR A

INTRODUCTION TO THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

FIRST READING: Isaiah 56:1, 6-7

The holy mountain, the temple of the Lord, is "a house of prayer for all people."

SECOND READING: Romans 11:13-15, 29-32

God's love and mercy are gratuitous; we are all recipients of the benefits of Christ's life, death, and resurrection.

GOSPEL READING: Matthew 15:21-28

The Canaanite woman displayed an extraordinary confidence that Jesus would hear and answer her. She possessed an undaunted and persistent faith in the Messiah of Israel.

Who is welcomed to our faith community, to our town, or to our country and who is not? What we hear today from Isaiah, Paul, and Jesus can help us understand God's perspective. Each reading challenges us to break down walls that stand in the way of those who are excluded. In the Gospel, in fact, it is a foreign woman who persuades Jesus to break down the commonly accepted barriers of the day. May God's Word challenge us today as much as it did when it was written.

Daily Scripture Readings For The Week Of August 20, 2023

21 - Monday St. Pius X, Pope

Jgs 2:11-19; Ps 106:34-37, 39-40, 43ab, 44; Mt 19:16-22

22 - Tuesday The Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Jgs 6:11-24a; Ps 85:9, 11-Mt 19:23-30 14;

23 - Wednesday St. Rose of Lima, Virgin Igs 9:6-15; Ps

21:2-7; 20:1-16

24 - Thursday St. Bartholomew, Apostle

Rv 21:9b-14; Ps 145:10-13, 17-18; 1:45-51 Jn

25 - Friday St. Louis, King of France and St. Joseph Calasanz,

1:1, 3-6, 14b-16, 22; Ps Ru Mt 22:34-40 146:5-10;

26 - Saturday St. Caesarius of Arles, Bishop

2:1-3, 8-11; 4:13-17; Mt 23:1-12

27 - Sunday 21st Sunday In O.T. 22:19-23; Ps 138:1-3, 6-8; Rom 11:33-36; Mt 16:13-20

MASS INTENTION

4:00 p.m.: Saturday August 19, 2023

- B'day Blessing Patricia Browne rb Office Staff

7:00 a.m.: Sunday August 20, 2023

- B'day Blessing Vernelle Bardouille rb Family

9:30 a.m.: - +Victor Castro rb Rita Castro and Family

B'day Blessing Alicia Leon rb Mother

B'day Blessing Patricia Browne

B'day Blessing Patricia Browne rb Claudia Eugene

12:15 p.m..: Tuesday August 22, 2023

Spl. Int. Lizzy Charles rb St. Ann's Parish Family

7:00 a.m.: Wednesday August 23, 2023

Spl. Int. Augustina Dubique rb St. Ann's Parish Family

12:15 p. m.: Thursday August 24, 2023

- Spl. Int. Youths of the Parish (PRIME)

- Spl. Int. Rosemary Walcott rb St. Ann's Parish Family

7:00 a.m.: Friday August 25, 2023

Spl. Int. All Priests In The Diocese

ANNOUNCEMENTS

THIS WEEK'S SANCTUARY CANDLE

ST. JOACHIM CHURCH: B'day Blessing Patricia

Browne

ST. ANN CHAPEL: B'day Blessing Patricia Browne

SHRINE: B'day Blessing Patricia Browne

ALTAR FLOWERS: B'day Blessing Patricia Browne

- Church Maintenance: Abundant blessings and thanks to our Altar Society Group "C" that cleaned and prepared the Lord's house for church services this past Saturday. Group "D" is scheduled to clean on Saturday, August 26, 2023. Please think and pray about giving just one hour each month to this ministry.
- Funerals: 1) The Funeral Service of Kelvin Felix, former manager of Merchant's Market, who passed away on Monday, August 07, 2023. will be held on Wednesday, August 23, 2023 at 10:00 a.m.
- 2) The Funeral Service of Migdalia Laurencia Roach will be held on Tuesday, August 29, 2023 at 10:00 a.m. Consequently, there will be no 12:15 p.m. Mass.
- **Breakfast Sale:** The Youths of the Parish, PRIME, will be sponsoring a Breakfast Sale on Sunday, August 27, 2023 after the 9:30 a.m. Mass. Tickets will be on sale by the Youths. All proceeds is for assisting with the installation of the air condition in the Joachim Church. Thank you for your cooperation.
- Religious Education: All parents/guardians, please note that on Saturday, September 16, 2023, Religious Education Classes will resume for all levels from 9:00 a.m to 11:00 a.m.
- Church Organ: Our Organ in the Chapel has stopped functioning. We are asking for donations or help to defray the cost of the new Organ. Thank you.
- **Delay In A/C Installation**: Due to unforeseen circumstances, the contractor could not begin the installation of the A/C units in the Joachim Church. We are hopeful that commencement of same will begin soon.
- **Bookstore:** Come visit the Bookstore. We have an assortment of Anniversary T-Shirts, Rosaries, etc. Come Browse!
- ▶ Please remember the Church by bringing or sending in your donations/offerings to: St. Ann's Church, P.O. Box 1160, Kingshill, VI 00851, OR, use our Website. Thank you.



RELIGIOUS EDUCATION PROGRAM

2023 — 2024

July 2 – Aug. 26, 2023 REGISTRATION

Sat., Sept. 09, 2023 Teachers' Workshop 9:00a.m. - 12:00 noon

Sat., Sept. 16, 2023 CLASSES BEGIN: All Levels to participate in the VIRTUS

Program

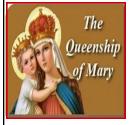
9:00a.m. - 11:00 a.m.

CHRISTIAN STEWARDSHIP:

What are the rewards of Stewardship? We seek no "rewards" for our stewardship; we do it with the joy of serving God. Stewardship is the responsibility of the Christian life, making our prayers, worship, study of scriptures, Christian action truly sincere.

Our whole life is a partnership with God. We cannot "give" anything to God, but we can fulfill our stewardship to God by using our gifts wisely and sharing with others.

Your giving is the key to the success of church plans and programs. To help us meet our obligations, please pray about **TITHING** and becoming **GOOD STEWARDS**.



The Story Of The Queenship Of The Blessed Virgin Mary

Pope Pius XII established this feast in 1954. But the Blessed Virgin Mary's queenship has roots in Scripture. At the Annunciation, Gabriel announced that Mary's Son would receive the throne of David and rule forever.

At the Visitation, Elizabeth calls Mary "mother of my Lord." As in all the mysteries of Mary's life, she is closely associated with Jesus: Her queenship is a share in Jesus' kingship. We can also recall that in the Old Testament the mother of the king has great influence in court. In the fourth century, Saint Ephrem called Mary "Lady" and "Queen." Later Church fathers and doctors continued to use the title. Hymns of the 11th to 13th centuries address Mary as queen: "Hail, Holy Queen," "Hail, Queen of Heaven," "Queen of Heaven." The Dominican Rosary and the Franciscan Crown as well as numerous invocations in Mary's Litany celebrate her queenship. The feast is a logical follow-up to the Assumption, and is now celebrated on the octave day of that feast. In his 1954 encyclical To the Queen of Heaven, Pius XII points out that Mary deserves the title because she is Mother of God, because she is closely associated as the New Eve with Jesus' redemptive work, because of her preeminent perfection, and because of her intercessory power.

Reflection

As Saint Paul suggests in Romans 8:28–30, God has predestined human beings from all eternity to share the image of His Son. All the more was Mary predestined to be the mother of Jesus. As Jesus was to be King of all creation, Mary, in dependence on Jesus, was to be Queen. All other titles to queenship derive from this eternal intention of God. As Jesus exercised his kingship on earth by serving His Father and His fellow human beings, so did Mary exercise her queenship. As the glorified Jesus remains with us as our King till the end of time (Matthew 28:20), so does Mary, who was assumed into heaven and crowned queen of heaven and earth.

Source: https://www.franciscanmedia.org/saint

PRAYER CORNER

HURRICANE SEASON PRAYER

God our Father, all the elements of nature obey your command. Keep us safe from the dangers of hurricanes, floods, earthquakes, natural disasters and all acts of terrorism. May we be secure in your protection and always feel the presence of your love, as you turn our fear into praise of your goodness. Bless our families, bring peace to all nations and protect us from the Coronavirus and all other sicknesses. We ask this through our Lord Jesus Christ Your Son, who lives and reigns with You in unity with the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever. Amen!

FATIMA PRAYER

My God, I believe, I adore, I hope and I love Thee! I ask forgiveness for those who do not believe, do not adore, do not hope and do not love Thee. Amen!

FOR THE SANCTIFICATION OF PRIESTS

Divine Savior, Jesus Christ, who has entrusted the whole work of Your redemption, the welfare and salvation of the world, to priests as Your representatives, I offer You through the hands of Your most Holy Mother, Mary this present day, whole and entire, with all its prayers, works, and sacrifices, its joys and sorrows, for the sanctification of Your priests, and for all those preparing for the priesthood. Give us truly holy priests, inflamed with the fire of Your divine love, who seek nothing but Your greater glory, and the salvation of souls. And You, Mary, good Mother of priests, protect all priests from dangers to their holy vocation, and with the loving hand of a mother, lead back to the Good Shepherd, those unfortunate priests who, unfaithful to their exalted vocation, have gone astray. AMEN!

OUR LADY OF BARRENSPOT SHRINE Located In The Sugar Mill, Erected 1808



Please feel free to visit, meditate and pray.

Please pray for the members of our Parish who are sick or suffering...

Gavin A. Navarro, Maria Hall, Eugenie Samuel, Blossy Julien, Gloria Roddy, Omar Dubois, Carla D. Beharry, Kimbel President, Neil Dennie, Madonna Hall, Madonna Remy, Patrice John, Francis Charles, Eldon Serrant, Alex Albert, George John, Gloria John, Matilda Nestor, Annel Sylvestre, Julius Francis, Helen Howard, Mary Bishop, Francis (Frankie) Xavier, Charles Philip, Joseph Vigier, Ferdin Tobierre, Juditha Joseph, Anisha Hendricks, Louise L. Henry, Worrell George, Polly Joseph, Mary Vincent, James Eugene, Anne Marie Eugene, Valerie Leon, Keeyan Scotland, Vel Beaubrun, Cammie R. Daniel, Agatha Joseph, Paulina Isaac, Mary N. Elliott, Princilla J. Eugene, Agatha Edwards, Alejandro Ayala, Anna Guiste, Kaishia Toussaint, Ruth Royer, Melanie Popo, Eugenia Johnson, Edita Emmanuel, Melvina Albert, Maureen Tyson, Elisa Harrison, Cornelia Willie, Celine Bradshaw, Uralise Eugene, Mabel Williams, Steven C. Mayers, Judith Nelson, Julien Thomas, Barbara Bretto, Cynthia Richards, Lynette Ettinoffe, Kieran St. Ange, Evarista Sampson, Mercedes Samuel, Leonard Joseph, Sr.

Please call the Office to add or remove names from this list.

Members of the Armed Forces Serving Our Country

Aliyah Brooks, Justin Joseph, Malachi Gaston, Meriano Jacobs, Marquis Joseph, Natasha Massicott-Alcala, Erica Toussaint, Herman Bardouille, Jr., Nicholas Philogene, Isaiah Jonathan Francis, Alexander Buchanan, Rashad A. Richards, Tre'Von Portor, Akeem Grenidge, Enja Gumbs, Ganesia Milligan, Marvin Del Sol, Adrian Nelson, Brianna Nelson, Shawn Pryce, Michael Matthews, Rodney A. Fabio, III, Christopher Samuel, Recquem Serrano, Jahkeel Richardson

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