

Saint Joseph Church

✠ ROMAN CATHOLIC ✠

PRE-VATICAN II - TRADITIONAL LATIN MASS

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Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost

September 13th, 2026

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The Healing of the Man with Dropsy

“And Jesus answering, spoke to the lawyers and Pharisees, saying: Is it lawful to heal on the sabbath day? But they held their peace. But he taking him, healed him, and sent him away.” (Luke 14, 3-4)

✱ **MASS TIMES THIS WEEK** ✱

Sunday, September 13 th	SIXTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST Our Priests (Mrs. Christine Hall)	5:30 P.M.
Monday, September 14 th	Exaltation of the Holy Cross ✠All deceased (Mrs. Coleen Cortese)	
Tuesday, September 15 th	SEVEN SORROWS OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY In honor of the BVM (Mrs. Coleen Cortese)	
Wednesday, September 16 th * <u>Fast & Partial Abstinence</u>	SS. Cornelius, P & Cyprian , BpMm (Ember Wednesday) Ione & Gregory Pang -birthday (Mrs. Joan Pang)	
Thursday, September 17 th	The Stigmata on St. Francis Franciscan Tertiaries (Holy Redeemer Chapel)	
Friday, September 18 th * <u>Fast & Complete Abstinence</u>	St. Joseph Cupertino , C (Ember Friday) Safe travels (Mrs. Lan Hoàng)	
Saturday, September 19 th * <u>Fast & Partial Abstinence</u>	St. Januarius , Bp & Companions , Mm (Ember Saturday) Mrs. Theresa Bruno (Mrs. Elaine Andreski)	
Sunday, September 20 th	SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST Victims of forest fires (Br. Michael)	5:30 P.M.

✱ **ANNOUNCEMENTS** ✱

- **WEDNESDAY, FRIDAY, AND SATURDAY ARE EMBER DAYS.** Please observe the *Rules of Fast & Abstinence*.
- **CATECHISM CLASSES ENROLLMENT** is taking place today. Classes begin on September 27th. Please see Sr. Elizabeth for more information and enrollment.
- **HOLY MASS AT ST. JOSEPH'S:** Sundays at 5:30 P.M. **Potluck** every 1st Sunday of the month after Mass.

WISDOM OF THE SAINTS

Prayer

- *“The soul that perseveres in the exercise of prayer, however many sins, temptations and falls of a thousand kinds the devil may oppose to it, may hold it for certain, after all, that the Lord will sooner or later rescue it from danger and guide it into the harbor of salvation.”—St. Teresa of Avila*
- *“A man of prayer is capable of everything; therefore, it is of great importance that missionaries should give themselves to this exercise with particular earnestness; and as without it they will gain little or no fruit, so with its help they will become much more able to move hearts and convert souls to their Creator, than by learning and oratorical skill.”—St. Vincent de Paul*

INSTRUCTION ON KEEPING SUNDAY HOLY

by Fr. Gabriel of St. Mary Magdalen, O.C.D.



is it lawful to heal on the Sabbath-day? (Luke 14, 3) *Why did Christ put this question?*

Because the Jews, particularly the Pharisees, were so very superstitious in keeping the Sabbath, they would not recognize Jesus as the Messiah, while He healed on the Sabbath, which was really a good work. But, if the Jews were so conscientious, through superstition and hypocrisy, and considered the performing of an external good work on this day as a sin, some Christians, on the contrary, blinded by avarice and worldly pleasure, place themselves heedlessly, nay, insolently above the commandment to observe the Sabbath, and do not consider those things as wrong which are sometimes very grievous sins.

Consider, my dear Christian, you serve your body the whole week, you use all your powers for temporal business, to support yourself and your family, and God blesses you, if you work with a good intention. Now God chose one day in the week, Sunday, and in the year several other holidays, which you should devote to His service and the salvation of your soul; is it not, therefore, the greatest ingratitude to steal these days from God and your soul, and employ them to gain a transient good, or to indulge in vain, sinful pleasures? At certain times man gives rest to irrational animals,

and you give the powers of your body and soul none of the rest they would and should find in quiet devotion, in prayer and meditation, in attending divine service, in receiving the holy Sacraments, &c. If you inquire whence come these shameful violations of Sundays and holidays, you will find that there is no other reason than love of gain and avarice, sinful love of pleasure, and often complete want of faith and confidence in God's providence. We wish to become rich by all means, and we do not reflect that this will not happen without the blessing of God, and that wealth is a net, in which thousands entangle themselves to their eternal, perdition. We wish to live merrily and enjoy ourselves, but we do not consider that our life is only a time of penance, to attain that eternally blissful rest, of which Sunday is an emblem. We spend Sundays and holidays in idleness, vain conversations, buying and selling, servile work, or in still worse things, without experiencing the slightest scruple. But God will cover the violators of His sacred days with confusion and shame, (Malach. II. 3) and permit many temporal evils to come upon them, as proved by daily experience. The blessing of God can never rest upon those who never care for it, but rather make themselves unworthy to receive it, by violating days consecrated to God. Let this be a warning to you.

PRAYER: *O good Saviour! how manifest are meekness, and wisdom in all Thy words and actions! O, grant, that we may regulate all our actions in such a manner, that they may be acceptable to Thee and tend to the edification of our neighbor. Give us the grace to employ all the days, consecrated to Thee, for Thy honor and our salvation, that we may never raise ourselves above others, but follow Thee in all humility.*

* A NOTE TO NEWCOMERS *



Welcome to the traditional Latin Mass, and to the unchanged Catholic Faith. The priests and parishioners of Holy Redeemer Chapel reject the changes of Vatican II. They want to preserve the Roman Catholic Faith by maintaining everything that was taught and done by the Church prior to Vatican II. In order to receive the sacraments here, it is therefore necessary that you attend exclusively the traditional Latin Mass, and avoid the new Mass and reformed sacraments. We also invite you to take our booklet entitled *The Traditional Latin Mass*, which is very informative. We encourage you to visit our bookstore for some additional reading & information about the present crisis in the Church.

* PLEASE, OBSERVE OUR DRESS CODE *

For Men: A shirt and tie, with either suit coat, jacket or sweater, and dress shoes on Sundays and holy days of obligation. No earrings. **For Ladies:** A dress or skirt is required; no pants. The skirt must at least cover the knee, and should not be tight or otherwise revealing in any way. Immodest slits are forbidden. Clothing should be loose and not form-fitting. A head covering is also required. See-through blouses are forbidden, as well as clothing which is low-cut. **For Everyone:** No tennis shoes, sandals, denim, even on weekdays. The standards of Catholic modesty must be observed.



* APPOINTMENTS & OTHER INFORMATION *

If you wish to make an appointment with the priest, please call the rectory at (206) 299-1522. **Baptisms** are by appointment. At least one of the **Parents & Godparents** must be practicing Catholics in good standing who reject the changes of Vatican II. If you are contemplating **Matrimony**, catechism instructions may be needed; depending on the case, you may need to contact the priest as early as one year in advance of your wedding. When making arrangements for **Funerals**, please contact the priest before contacting the funeral director. **Extreme Unction & Sick Calls**, please do not put off making arrangements until the last moment. Let us know if a member of the Chapel is sick, hospitalized or in danger of death. For any emergency, please call **Fr. Ercoli** at (586) 215-3251.

- **Confession Schedule:** Sundays & Holydays, 30 minutes before Mass. Saturdays after Mass.
- **Blessing of Religious Articles:** Every First Sunday of the month at the communion rail.
- **Mass Intentions:** For your Mass requests there are Mass Intention envelopes available in vestibule.
- **Building Fund:** A 2nd Collection is taken on the *First Sunday* of each month. This Special Collection will go toward remodeling and building expenses.
- **St. Lawrence Poor Box:** Donations will help the poor and needy. *"He who gives to the poor suffers no want, but he who ignores them shall suffer indigence."* (Prov. 28:27)
- **Purgatory League:** Holy Mass & Prayers for our deceased parishioners are offered on the First Sunday of each month. *May the souls of the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.*
- **Registration at Holy Redeemer Chapel:** If you intend to attend Holy Redeemer Chapel regularly, please complete the Registration Card in the vestibule.