

**SUNDAY BULLETIN JUNE 16, 2024**  
**ELEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

*Holy Father's Prayer Intentions for June*

*For Those Fleeing Their Own Countries*

*Let us pray that migrants fleeing from war or hunger, forced to undertake journeys fraught with danger and violence, may find welcome and new living opportunities in their host countries.*

**WEEKDAY MASS SCHEDULE AND INTENTIONS**  
**CONFESSIONS HEARD 30 MINUTES BEFORE EACH MASS**

**Tuesday, June 18—Mass for Persecuted Christians**

5:00 PM—Adoration

6:00 PM—Kelly Smith+

**Wednesday, June 19—St. Romuald**

7:30 AM—Roy B. Quinn+

**Thursday, June 20—Votive Mass of St. Joseph**

7:30 AM—John and Helen Manning, Sr.+

**Friday, June 21—St. Aloysius Gonzaga**

7:30 AM—Art and Nora Haynes+

**Saturday, June 22—St. Paulinus of Nola**

7:30 AM—Mike Anderson+

5:00 PM—Donnie Murrell+ (Sunday Vigil Mass)

**Sunday, June 23—Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

8:00 AM— People of the Parish

10:00 AM—Wanda Geiger+

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 Ezekiel 17:22-24  
 2 Corinthians 5:6-10  
 Mark 4:26-34

**DIOCESAN OFFICE OF CHILD AND YOUTH PROTECTION**

THE DIOCESE OF KANSAS CITY-ST. JOSEPH IS COMMITTED TO COMBATING SEXUAL ABUSE IN THE CHURCH. IF YOU ARE A VICTIM OF SEXUAL ABUSE, OR IF YOU *OBSERVE OR SUSPECT* SEXUAL ABUSE:

1. Call the Missouri Child Abuse Hotline at 1-800-392-3738 (if the victim is currently under the age of 18) and
2. Contact your local law enforcement agency or call 911 and
3. After reporting to these civil and law enforcement authorities, report suspected *sexual abuse of a minor or vulnerable adult* to the Ombudsman, Joe Crayon, 816-812-2500 or [crayon@ombudsmankcsj.org](mailto:crayon@ombudsmankcsj.org), if the abuse involves a priest, deacon, employee or volunteer of The Diocese of Kansas City - St. Joseph. The Diocese has a sincere commitment to providing care and healing resources to victims of sexual abuse and their families. Please contact Whitney True-Francis, Victim Assistance Coordinator, at 816-392-0011 or [true.francis@diocesekcsj.org](mailto:true.francis@diocesekcsj.org) for more information.

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**“LORD, IT IS GOOD TO GIVE THANKS TO YOU.”**

## **THIS WEEK’S SAINTS**

### **June 19: St. Romuald**

In the midst of a wasted youth, Romuald watched his father kill a relative in a duel over property. In horror he fled to a monastery near Ravenna. After three years, some of the monks found him to be uncomfortably holy and eased him out.

Romuald spent the next 30 years going about Italy, founding monasteries and hermitages. He longed to give his life to Christ in martyrdom, and got the pope’s permission to preach the gospel in Hungary. But he was struck with illness as soon as he arrived, and the illness recurred as often as he tried to proceed.

During another period of his life, Romuald suffered great spiritual dryness. One day as he was praying Psalm 31 (“I will give you understanding and I will instruct you”), he was given an extraordinary light and spirit which never left him.

At the next monastery where he stayed, Romuald was accused of a scandalous crime by a young nobleman he had rebuked for a dissolute life. Amazingly, his fellow monks believed the accusation. He was given a severe penance, forbidden from offering Mass, and excommunicated—an unjust sentence that he endured in silence for six months.

The most famous of the monasteries Romuald founded was that of the Camaldoli in Tuscany. Here began the Order of the Camaldolese Benedictines, uniting the monastic and eremitical lives. In later life Romuald’s own father became a monk, wavered, and was kept faithful by the encouragement of his son.

### **June 21: St. Aloysius Gonzaga**

At age 7 Aloysius experienced a profound spiritual quickening. His prayers included the Office of Mary, the psalms, and other devotions. At age 9 he came from his hometown of Castiglione to Florence to be educated; by age 11 he was teaching catechism to poor children, fasting three days a week, and practicing great austerities. When he was 13 years old, he traveled with his parents and the Empress of Austria to Spain, and acted as a page in the court of Philip II. The more Aloysius saw of court life, the more disillusioned he became, seeking relief in learning about the lives of saints.

A book about the experience of Jesuit missionaries in India suggested to him the idea of entering the Society of Jesus, and in Spain his decision became final. Now began a four-year contest with his father. Eminent churchmen and laypeople were pressed into service to persuade Aloysius to

remain in his “normal” vocation. Finally he prevailed, was allowed to renounce his right to succession, and was received into the Jesuit novitiate.

In 1591, a plague struck Rome. The Jesuits opened a hospital of their own. The superior general himself and many other Jesuits rendered personal service. Because he nursed patients, washing them and making their beds, Aloysius caught the disease. A fever persisted after his recovery and he was so weak he could scarcely rise from bed. Yet he maintained his great discipline of prayer, knowing that he would die three months later within the octave of Corpus Christi, at the age of 23.

### **June 22: St. Paulinus of Nola**

Born near Bordeaux, he was the son of the Roman prefect of Gaul, who had extensive property in both Gaul and Italy. Paulinus became a distinguished lawyer, holding several public offices in the Roman Empire. With his Spanish wife, Therasia, he retired at an early age to a life of cultured leisure.

The two were baptized by the saintly bishop of Bordeaux and moved to Therasia’s estate in Spain. After many childless years, they had a son who died a week after birth. This occasioned their beginning a life of great austerity and charity, giving away most of their Spanish property. Possibly as a result of this great example, Paulinus was rather unexpectedly ordained a priest at Christmas by the bishop of Barcelona.

He and his wife then moved to Nola, near Naples. He had a great love for Saint Felix of Nola, and spent much effort in promoting devotion to this saint. Paulinus gave away most of his remaining property—to the consternation of his relatives—and continued his work for the poor. Supporting a host of debtors, the homeless and other needy people, he lived a monastic life in another part of his home. By popular demand he was made bishop of Nola and guided that diocese for 21 years.

**SUNDAY BULLETIN- ELEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

<b>KNIGHT RESPONSIBILITIES JUNE 22-23</b>		
<b>Mass Time</b>	<b>Position</b>	<b>Knight(s)</b>
<b>Sat. 5pm</b>	Acolyte 1 Acolyte 2	Graham Randolph Evan Randolph
<b>Sun. 8am</b>	Acolyte 1 Acolyte 2	Gabe Widner Dominic Robinson
<b>Sun. 10am</b>	M.C. Thurifer Acolyte 1 Acolyte 2 Cross Bearer Torch Torch	Alijah Hibner James Mathew Dominic Sherer Rocky Sherer Sam Brobst Jack Cooper Eli Gratton

<b>LECTOR SCHEDULE JUNE 23</b>	
<b>Mass Time</b>	<b>Lector</b>
<b>Sun. 8am</b>	Steve Palmer
<b>Sun. 10am</b>	Mary Pauley



*Weekly Offering*

*June 2  
Offertory \$8,027  
Parish Prop Maint \$114  
Birthright \$355*

*May Income/Expense  
Income \$94,193  
Expense \$109,704  
Income over (under) Expense (\$15,511)*

**FATHER'S DAY BIRTHRIGHT SHOWER**

The baby buggy is in the back of church and will remain there for all three Masses. Please be generous in helping the local Birthright Center.

**BISHOP HOGAN NEWS  
TEACHER POSITION AVAILABLE**

Bishop Hogan Memorial School is seeking a full time Middle School Science Teacher, beginning the 2024-25 school year.

If interested, please contact Pam Brobst at 660-646-0705.

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