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SUNDAY, JUNE 30, 2024

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THURSDAY 4TH JULY, 2024

WE ARE WALKING IN THE PARADE

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JOIN THE WALKING TEAM



Come join our Independence Parade on the 4th of July! Celebrate this special day by joining this spectacular parade

Welcome!

We're so glad you're here and invite you to journey in faith with us. We believe the church is the sacrament of God's saving presence in the world. Our goal is to provide a spiritual home where all are welcome, where the healing, reconciling, liberating love of God flows through us to all people. If you have any questions about our parish, please call or email our parish office.

From

Timothy Johnston



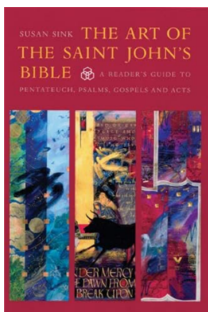
I had a wonderful formation director when I was in graduate school. She helped me see the world and my ministry with new and ever-adapting lenses. Barbara Sutton, in my opinion, is a treasure for the Church as she has accompanied hundreds of pastoral ministers over the many years of her ministerial career; she helped them grow into competent, thoughtful, and engaged ministers. One of the programs she developed while I was in grad school was *Seeing the Word*, which uses illuminations from the *Saint John's Bible* to illuminate the Word in prayerful contemplation. We used this program here at the parish during Easter 2023. The *Seeing the Word* website says, "Participants LISTEN and MEDITATE on Scripture, SEE with eyes of faith as they gaze on illuminations, PRAY to God, CONTEMPLATE the Spirit's movements, and reflect how they might further BECOME CHRIST-LIKE." These are the six prayerful steps of the *visio divina* (holy seeing) process.

Barbara, and so many other mentors, have helped me *see* the Word not only in art, but also in the proclamation of the Word, in my accompaniment of students in my religion classroom, in my diocesan and parish ministry these twenty plus years. As we grow in faith and strengthen our discipleship as a parish and as individuals, I invite you to practice *seeing* the Word. Allow God's Word to transform your heart and rouse you *see* with the eyes of faith.

The cover art for this week's bulletin is from the *Saint John's Bible*. The illumination, titled *Two Cures*, depicts the gospel narrative we hear at today's Mass (Mark 5:21-43). I invite you to spend some time gazing upon the illumination in a prayerful manner and contemplating the Scripture apart from Mass, throughout the week. **Pay attention to what words, phrases, or details of the image you are drawn to and bring them into prayer.**

Ask the Holy Spirit to illuminate your heart and make you aware of what God is inviting you to learn and embody from this story. I know we're not all artist and this may seem impossible, but I encourage you try it. There's no right or wrong way of praying with the image or the text of the Mark's gospel.

To aid your prayer, below is an excerpt from Susan Sink's book *The Art of the Saint John's Bible: A Reader's Guide to the Pentateuch, Psalms, Gospels, and Acts* (Liturgical Press, 2007, p. 66).



THE PRACTICE OF *VISIO DIVINA*

She had heard about Jesus, and came up behind him in the crowd and touched his cloak, for she said, "If I but touch his clothes, I will be made well." —Mark 5:27-28

Why do you think the artist showed the healing miracles this way, rather than with a dramatic image of someone before and after being healed?

Iconography is employed again in the story of the healing of the woman with hemorrhages and the daughter of the leader at the synagogue. The panels make great use of the structure of the story. The woman who touches the hem of his garment appears as he is going to the girl's home. A story of faith is inserted inside a story of faith. A woman who is unclean is bold in reaching out to touch Jesus. Jairus travels from the synagogue to where Jesus is to get him to lay hands on his daughter so that she may be healed. Observe Jesus' hands in the illustrations. In the first he makes a sign of blessing, in the second, he holds up his cloak, from which power has gone out, and in the third he grasps the wrist of the girl, while again making the sign of blessing.

In these images, also, Jesus is surrounded. The boy in the crowd breaks the frame of the second panel, showing how large the crowd is that surrounds him. Three figures join him in the other panels, old and young, of different levels of status.

FOR REFLECTION

- ▶ My heart is stirred when I hear . . . in the gospel story. It reminds me of or calls me to . . .
- ▶ I am drawn to . . . in the illumination. God is inviting me to consider . . .
- ▶ Being powerless before severe illness and death has brought me to faith because . . .
- ▶ The comfort I gain by seeing Jesus as the Lord of life is . . .
- ▶ How I am serving the needs of the sick and the dying at STA is . . .
- ▶ The Communion procession is filled with suffering people who want to touch Jesus and be touched by him. This affects my belief in and reverence for the Body of Christ in that . . .



Worship

THIS SUNDAY'S READINGS: 13TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Job 38:1, 8-11 ♦ Psalm 107:23-24, 25-26, 28-29, 30-31 (1b) ♦ 2 Corinthians 5:14-17 ♦ Mark 4:35-41

Mavis Willis, (Special Intention)

We encourage you to prepare yourself for next weekend's liturgy by reading and praying the scriptures (visit www.usccb.org).

NEXT SUNDAY'S READINGS: 14TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Wisdom 1:13-15; 2:23-24 ♦ Psalm 30:2, 4, 5-6, 11, 12, 13 (2a) ♦ 2 Corinthians 8:7, 9, 13-15 ♦ Mark 5:21 or 5:21-24, 35b-43

DAILY READINGS AND PRAYER INTENTIONS

Please remember those listed below in your prayers this week.

MONDAY, July 1

Readings: Is 49:1-6 | Ps 139:b-3, 13-14ab, 14c-15 | Acts 13:22-26 | Lk 1:57-66, 80

✠ **Alberta Williams**

TUESDAY, July 2

Readings: 2 Kgs 19:9b-11, 14-21, 31-35a, 36 | Ps 48:2-3ab, 3cd-4, 10-11 | Mt 7:6, 12-14

✠ **Dr. Herman Neal**

WEDNESDAY, July 3

Saint Thomas, apostle

Readings: 2 Kgs 22:8-13; 23:1-3 | Ps 119:33, 34, 35, 36, 37, 40 | Mt 7:15-20

✠ **Clarence Roody**

THURSDAY, July 4

Saint Elizabeth of Portugal

Readings: 2 Kgs 24:8-17 | Ps 79:1b-2, 3-5, 8-9 | Mt 7:21-29

✠ **Jennifer Miller**

FRIDAY, July 5

Saint Anthony Mary Zaccaria, priest

Readings: 2kgs 25:1-12 | Ps 137:1-2, 3, 4-5, 6 | Mt 8:1-4
Mt 56:19-23

✠ **Karl Wilson**

SATURDAY, July 6

Saint Maria Goretti, virgin and martyr

Vigil: Acts 3:1-10 | Ps 19:2-3, 4-5 | Gal 1:11-20 | Jn 21:15-19
Day: Acts 12:1-11 | Ps 34:2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9 | 2 Tm 4:6-8, 17-18
Mt 16:13-19

Ruth Jones, (Speedy Recovery)

Richard Allen, (Birthday Blessings)

REMEMBER IN PRAYER

PARISHIONERS AND FRIENDS WHO ARE ILL

Dorla Allen, Lucas Allen, Rita Allen, Alexandria Banks, Romulo Barreno, Dorothy Bonds, Bradford family, Diane Clarke, Emil F. Coccaro, Thomas & Carol Cole, Patricia Comeaux, Romy Crena, Esther Dionisio, Jean Douglas-Washington, Sheldon Dugan, Barbara Dunn, Pat & Dick English, Marilyn Epps, Joan Gallagher, Lina Garcia, David Giles, Pamela Graniczny, Albert Hines, Kathleen Holden, Maria Jimenez, Olga Jimenez, Carolyn Jones, Connie Jose, Terri Kilbane, Charlie King, Carol Landrum, Mary Lerps, Linda Loggins, Manowski Family, Anastacia I. Mebane, Clara Morgan, Caridad Neal, Carmen Orendain, Edmond Peirre, Agnes Pelt, David Nathaniel Robinson, Dick Russel, Nelson R. Sample, Justina Sentino, Zahari Simmons, Bobby Sims, Olustee Smith, Ernest Talbott, Ronald Spencer, Ed Vaughn, Charles Walker, Sr., Jo Washington, Julia Washington, Terrance Watson, Mavis Willis, Marie Bijou Wong, Maria Wooder, Joan Yedinak.





Worship

NOVENA PRAYER TO ST. THOMAS THE APOSTLE

Prayed daily from June 24 to July 3

SIGN OF THE CROSS

In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

PRAYER

Lord Jesus, Saint Thomas doubted your resurrection until he touched your wounds. After Pentecost, you called him to become a missionary in India but he doubted again and so no. He changed his mind only after being taken into slavery by a merchant who



happened to be going to India. Once he was cured of his doubt, you freed him and he began the work you called him to do. As the patron saint against doubt, I ask him to pray for me when I question the direction in which you are leading me. Forgive me for mistrusting you, Lord, and help me to grow from the experience.

Saint Thomas the Apostle, pray for me.

Almighty and ever-living God, who did strengthen your apostle Thomas with sure and certain faith in your Son's resurrection: grant us so perfectly and without doubt to believe in Jesus Christ, our Lord and our God, that our faith may never be found wanting in your sight, through him who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, God, now and for ever. Amen.

Mention your request/petition here

Saint Thomas the Apostle, pray for us.

Our Father . . . Hail Mary . . . Glory be . . .

SIGN OF THE CROSS

In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

SHOULD WE BE INTINCTING?

ANY MINISTERS of Holy Communion can tell you this story: They offer the cup to the next person in line, "The Blood of Christ." The communicant answers, "Amen." But instead of taking the cup, the communicant dips the host in the cup, pops it in the mouth, and slips back to the pew. Intinction, right? Wrong. Our Church does not invite the faithful to this method of receiving Communion.

We offer several methods for receiving Communion. We may receive the Body of Christ on the tongue or in the hand. We may accept the Blood of Christ from the cup. In some parts of the Catholic world, the Blood of Christ is administered through a tube or spoon.

We also have intinction: The priest dips a particle into the chalice and, showing it, says: "The Body and Blood of Christ." The communicants respond: "Amen," receive Communion in the mouth, and return to their places.

The Congregation for Divine Worship and the Discipline of the Sacraments forbids communicants to intinct the host themselves into the chalice, "nor to receive the intincted host in the hand" (*Redemptionis Sacramentum*, 104).

Ever since Jesus appointed the disciples to distribute the great multiplication of loaves, we have designated certain ministers to offer holy food to the faithful. This simple distinction helps us all approach the Communion Table with reverence like beggars, not thieves. We do not

"take" Communion so much as we "receive" it.

Even with intinction, we do not stretch forth our own hands to dip the hosts into the wine, like chip-and-dip football appetizers. If

intinction is offered, the priest completes the action before placing Communion directly in the mouth of the faithful.

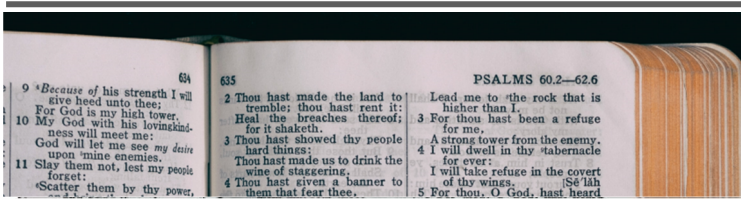


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Shortly after Vatican II, intinction enjoyed some popularity. However, when we got permission to take the Body of Christ in the hand, intinction became less attractive. The minister couldn't place a damp host in the hands of the faithful.

Besides, the two separate actions of eating and drinking helped us connect the Eucharist with the Last Supper and with the way we eat at home. These actions deepen the sense of mystery that our all-powerful God comes to us in the ordinary forms of bread and wine.

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Faith FORMATION

QUESTIONS OF THE WEEK

Rich in Love

For you know the generous act of our Lord Jesus Christ, that though he was rich, yet for your sakes he became poor, so that by his poverty you might become rich.
(2 Corinthians 8: 9)

Wisdom 1: 13–15; 2: 23–24

God's Justice and Its Rejection by the Wicked

2 Corinthians 8: 7, 9, 13–15

Liberal Giving

Mark 5: 21–43

The Daughter of Jairus; The Woman With a Hemorrhage



ADULTS: When have you felt enriched by a sacrifice you made for another?

CHILDREN: Whom could you help by your acts of kindness this week?

FAMILY FAITH FORMATION EARLY BIRD REGISTRATION DEADLINE IS HERE!

Family Faith Formation registrations received by the end of the day on June 30, 2024 receive a 50% discount on the registration fee.

Family Faith Formation is designed for families with children from PreK through 8th Grade. If you are a high school student, college or graduate student, or adult who wishes to grow in faith, contact us for additional information and opportunities.

Email Rosina Hendrickson at rhendrickson@stapostleparish.org or visit www.stapostleparish.org for more information and registration materials.

Sunday Scriptures at Home

MANY PEOPLE find it helpful to pray over the Sunday Scripture readings at home before going to church. The practice puts them in touch with the Church's prayer, helps them listen as the readings are proclaimed at Mass, prepares them to hear the homily, and engages them personally in the Word of God.

The Sunday readings are available in many publications and online at www.usccb.org. To prepare the readings at home, get a copy of them, or just get the citations and look them up in a Bible. Create some time and space for this prayer. If you do it alone, remove yourself from other activities. Choose a place where you can center yourself. Open the Scriptures and read over them. You might keep a journal and jot down some thoughts that come to you. Ask yourself some questions such as these: "What is going on in this reading? Is something similar happening in my life? What is God saying to me this week?"

If you pray with others, choose a time when everyone is together. You could pray in the living room at the end of the day or around the table before a meal. Someone reads the Scripture aloud. All think about it. Then each shares a few thoughts. Read the passage again. You may choose one or more readings at a time. The exercise can be repeated throughout the week. God's word is able to go as deep inside you as you give it time and room.

When you get to church, do not read along while the readings are proclaimed. Lift your head and open your ears and heart to the Word of God.

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UPCOMING OPPORTUNITIES

BAPTISMAL PREPARATION SESSIONS

Sundays, July 7 and 21, 2024 | 11:30 a.m.–1:00 p.m.

PRESCHOOL FAMILY FAITH FORMATION

Sunday, August 25, 2024 | 9:00 a.m.–9:45 a.m.

FAMILY FAITH FORMATION

Sunday, August 25, 2024 | 11:00 a.m.–2:00 p.m.

For more information, please email Rosina Hendrickson at rhendrickson@stapostleparish.org.

ST. THOMAS THE APOSTLE CHURCH
THE CENTENNIAL BUILDING BALL

**Golden Evening:
Celebrating 100 Years at
The Centennial Building Ball!**



Join us in celebrating a century of faith, community, and countless blessings at the **Centennial Building Ball!** For 100 years, our beloved parish building has been a sanctuary of love and unity. Let's honor this momentous occasion together and create more cherished memories within these sacred walls.

**WAYS TO SUPPORT OUR
CENTENNIAL CHURCH BUILDING:**

- ◆ **Donate Monthly** through the remainder of the year via your Building Fund envelope, Give Central or mark the Building Fund on the envelopes available on the tables in the rear of the Church. Thank you for your generosity!
- ◆ **Be a Sponsor** of the Centennial Building Ball at one of the levels listed below. For more information and assistance, contact Brittany McGhee, Centennial Building Ball Co-Chair, brittany@stapostleparish.org
- ◆ **Donate to the Silent Auction!** Information is in the back of the Church and at Hospitality Sundays, or contact directly Co-Chairs Carrie & Rolf Barth: rolfandcarrie@yahoo.com



OFFERTORY

June 22 and June 23

Offertory	\$3,772.00
Give Central	\$2,795.00
Building Fund	\$100.00
Candle Donations	\$185.00
School Alumni	\$10.00
Funeral	\$500.00
Total	\$7,362.00

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THE HYDE PARK KENWOOD Food Pantry

is open to give out groceries from 10am until 1pm on Saturdays at the **Hyde Park Union Church** at 56th & Woodlawn.

For more information, contact Margaret Mitchell at mmm17@uchicago.edh.

VOLUNTEERS ARE NEEDED for setting up on Fridays 3:00 pm–4:30 pm and food distribution on Saturdays 9:30 am–1:30 pm. For further information and to sign up, please contact Margaret Mitchell at mmm17@uchicago.edu.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS Council 17129

- ◆ **ROSARY:** Fridays following the 8AM Mass. All are welcome!
- ◆ **JOIN** the KofC if you are a male 18+ and a practicing Catholic. This organization was founded in 1882 by Fr. M. J. McGiveny.



Please contact Allen Hawkins, *Grand Knight*, at 630-945-4133 for more details.

STEWARDSHIP NOTE *for* 13th Sunday in Ordinary Time

*"...as a matter of equality your abundance at the present time should supply their want, so that their abundance may supply your want, that there may be equality."*2
CORINTHIANS 8:14

One of the tenants of living a grateful and generous lifestyle is giving without expecting anything in return. It is important that we not only grow, nurture, and share our gifts; but that we also teach our children and encourage others to do the same. This is the communal aspect of our Catholic faith. We are the "Body of Christ." We are called to be dependent on each other and not live in isolation.

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Events

COMMUNITY FELLOWSHIP



Our Parish office hours for the upcoming summer season. Starting June 14th through August 9th, our office will be closed on Fridays.

During this period, our office will remain open from Monday through Thursday, 7:00 AM to 3:30 PM



Feast Day

Celebration of St. Thomas the Apostle

July 6th & 7th



We are thrilled to invite you to our much-anticipated **Welcome Back Summer Bash!** Mark your calendars for a day filled with fun, fellowship, and fantastic memories on August 25th. This event is a wonderful opportunity for everyone to reconnect, celebrate, and enjoy the vibrant spirit of our community as we transition from summer into the new school year. Join us for an array of exciting activities, delicious food, and plenty of entertainment for all ages. Whether you're a long-time parish member or new to our school family, this is the perfect occasion to come together and strengthen the bonds that make our community so special.

We can't wait to see you there! I'll be sure to get more details soon, so stay tuned. Let's make this Summer Bash an unforgettable event!

Save the Date

Welcome Back **STA Summer Bash**

Join us for Fellowship, Food Trucks and Games this August 25, 2024 at 11:00AM

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If you're considering enrolling your children in a school that combines academic excellence with strong moral values, St. Thomas the Apostle Catholic School is an outstanding choice. Known for its nurturing environment and dedicated faculty, the school aims to provide an education that prepares young minds for future academic challenges while fostering spiritual growth.

One of the many benefits of choosing St. Thomas the Apostle Catholic School is the community it builds among families and staff. Active parishioners are eligible for a special discount on tuition, making quality education more affordable. This initiative underscores the school's commitment to supporting its parish community and ensuring that every child has the opportunity to receive a foundational education grounded in Catholic values.

Enrolling your children at St. Thomas the Apostle Catholic School means investing in their future. The preschool program is designed to engage young learners through a curriculum that promotes intellectual curiosity, social skills, and a love for learning. With a focus on both academic and spiritual development, children are given a strong start that sets them on a path to success in school and in life. Join the St. Thomas community today and provide your children with an education that nurtures both mind and soul.

ST. THOMAS THE APOSTLE CATHOLIC CHURCH & SCHOOL

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MASS SCHEDULE

Sunday:	8:00 AM and 10:00 AM
Monday:	8:00 AM
Tuesday:	8:30 AM
Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday:	8:00 AM
Saturday:	4:00 PM VIGIL
Holy Days:	8:00 AM
Confession:	Sundays, 9:00-9:45 AM Saturdays, 2:30-3:30 PM or by appointment

BAPTISM: Visit our website for additional information or contact Rosina Hendrickson at rhendrickson@stapostleparish.org

MARRIAGE OR MARRIAGE PREPARATION: Contact Fr. Michael Trail at least six months before your wedding date.

TO SCHEDULE A FUNERAL: Email the parish secretary, Lisa Couch or call 773-324-2626

INTERESTED IN JOINING THE PARISH AS A MEMBER? Contact the parish secretary, Lisa Couch or visit our website for the registration form.

INTERESTED IN LEARNING MORE ABOUT THE CATHOLIC CHURCH OR BECOMING CATHOLIC?

Contact Rosina Hendrickson at rhendrickson@stapostleparish.org

Any school related matters or interested in having your child enrolled St Thomas the Apostle School? Email marketing@stapostleschool.com

IN NEED OF MATERIAL ASSISTANCE?

St. Vincent de Paul Society is available to help. Call the parish office at 773-324-2626 and dial ext. 108. Please leave your name, phone number, and state your need and someone will return your call.