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12TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
JUNE 21, 2026

THE SACRIFICE OF THE MASS SCHEDULE
Weekend: Saturday 6:00 PM - Sunday 8:30 AM
Daily: Tuesday - Saturday 8:30 AM
Holy Hour: Saturdays 7:30-8:30 AM, Thursdays 7:00-8:00 pm
Confessions: 30 min. prior to all Masses

PRAYER REQUESTS
MAY GOD THE SON SEND HIS HEALING AMONG US.

- Tim Pingel
- Rosemary Cloud
- Kaylee Nichole Ross
- Jackie Ballard
- Martha Gerling
- Donna Manuel
- Catherine Barragan
- Judy Horstman

MASS INTENTIONS

Sat	June 20	8:30am	Fr. Lloyd Opoka +
Sat	June 20	6:00 pm	Sue Huff +
Sun	June 21	8:30 am	James Bonenfant +
Mon	June 22	8:30 am	NO MASS
Tues	June 23	8:30 am	Kathleen Drew
Wed	June 24	8:30 am	Jeff Ousley
Thurs	June 25	8:30 am	Carl Dirkes +
Fri	June 26	8:30 am	Success of Legion of Mary Home Visits
Sat	June 27	8:30 am	Joe & Delaney Graves
Sat	June 27	6:00 pm	Parishioners of St. Ann

ANNOUNCEMENTS

NEW SATURDAY MASS TIME: Starting on July 4th, the Saturday Vigil Mass will now be at **4:00 pm** instead of 6:00 pm. In addition, starting on July 1st, evening Holy Hour & confessions will be held on **Wednesdays** from 7:00-8:00 pm instead of Thursday evenings.

AVIA CHRISTI ACADEMY ASSISTANT TEACHER: Avia Christi Academy is seeking an assistant teacher position for the 2026/2027 school year. Classes meet on Wednesdays from 8:15 am - 3:00 pm here at St. Ann. Duties include assisting lead teachers in various subjects and substitute teaching when needed. Please contact Courtney Champagne for more information: aviachristiacademy@gmail.com

FRESH GARDEN PRODUCE: Be sure to stop by the table outside after Sunday Mass to see what fresh produce our gardener Ralph Sander has for sale each week. *Proceeds will go to support the new playground fund.*

MIDWEST CATHOLIC FAMILY CONFERENCE: Is your family looking for something this summer to build your faith and grow together as a family? The Midwest Catholic Family Conference is just the place! Held in Wichita, KS from **Friday evening, July 31 through Sunday afternoon, August 2**, this conference has something for EVERYONE in the family. This year features well-known speakers like Jason Evert, Gianna Emanuela Molla (the surviving daughter of St. Gianna Beretta Molla), Fr. Chris Alar, and Fr. Dennis McManus and many more. Explore more at ***catholicfamilyconference.org*** and to register.

OCIA - *INTERESTED IN BECOMING CATHOLIC? REACH OUT TO FR. DREW*
CLASSES WILL RESUME IN THE FALL

GOSPEL ENCOUNTER GROUP
1ST & 3RD THURSDAYS - 9:15AM TO 10:15AM, FOLLOWING MORNING MASS.
Contact Ed & Maryann Barlettt terppahmeb@gmail.com with questions.

MEN'S GROUP
SATURDAYS, 7:00 AM IN THE CHURCH HALL, EXCEPT 1ST SATURDAYS
For Info: Eddie VanBuskirk eddievanbuskirk11@outlook.com

LEGION OF MARY
MEETS EVERY SATURDAY IN THE HALL AT 9:15 AM
Contact Mary Lou Greim 816-645-7370

ALTAR FLOWERS AT ST. ANN'S
Thank you
Dave & Deb Faltys
for donating to the flower fund for the Altar!

What a beautiful way to honor God!

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FROM FATHER DREW

THE GREAT ADVENTURE STORY OF THE BOOK OF KINGS …

1 Kings 21.17.29, Tuesday of the 11 th week in Ordinary Time

Have you found me out, my enemy? That is another great opening line from the corrupt King Ahab, as he sparred once again with the prophet Elijah. Earlier in the 1 st Book of Kings, heard read at daily Mass this month, King Ahab began a conversation with Elijah by asking: *Is that you, you troubler of Israel?*

Elijah was trouble indeed. He killed over 450 of Queen Jezebel's prophets after proving they were *false* prophets. One would have hoped an incident like that would have been a conversion opportunity for Ahab and his scheming wife. But it wasn't. Instead, Jezebel vowed to kill Elijah, and Ahab kept to his corrupt ways, giving himself up to doing evil and becoming a
complete abomination to God.

The idolatry and paganism were one thing, but as we saw in yesterday's passage, Ahab ventured into the violation of human rights. A common man, Naboth, had a nice vineyard. And the king wanted it. He did offer to buy it, but the vineyard owner refused, telling Ahab, "I will not sell out my ancient heritage." So, Jezebel engaged in what today we call "lawfare" against Naboth, complete with scoundrel witnesses and a show trial. Naboth the vineyard owner was then sentenced to death. Ahab murdered and then took possession. That prompted Elijah to give Ahab a message from God:

For this, the LORD says:
In the place where the dogs licked up the blood of Naboth,
the dogs shall lick up your blood, too.'

Because you have given yourself up to doing evil in the LORD's sight,
I am bringing evil upon you: I will destroy you.

And here the courage of Elijah and the clarity of his message brought about a conversion of sorts in Ahab. For Ahab put on sackcloth and became subdued. He fasted. Then, humbled before the Lord, the punishment that was in order would not visit Ahab in his own lifetime. Instead, his sons would have to pay for it.

A couple hundred years before this, King David murdered and took possession of another man's wife. After David put on sackcloth and fasted the prophet Nathan told him his sin was forgiven. However, the sword would never leave David's household; the peace he made would not last. For there are consequences for sin. Whether God forgives a person's sins or not, he still has to pay for it. That is called justice. So we will all pay for sin – either in this life, or the next one. The smart play then is to humble ourselves now, and make reparation now, and give up doing evil and chasing after man-made idols.

In the meantime, understand: A descendent of King David, the Prince of Peace, brought a sword with Him. The sword was His cross, on which He shed His Blood. At Holy Mass we get on our knees and lap that Blood up; Blood produced in God's vineyard on Calvary; the Blood that gives us eternal life.

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