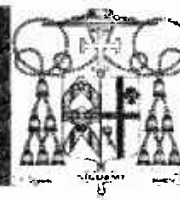




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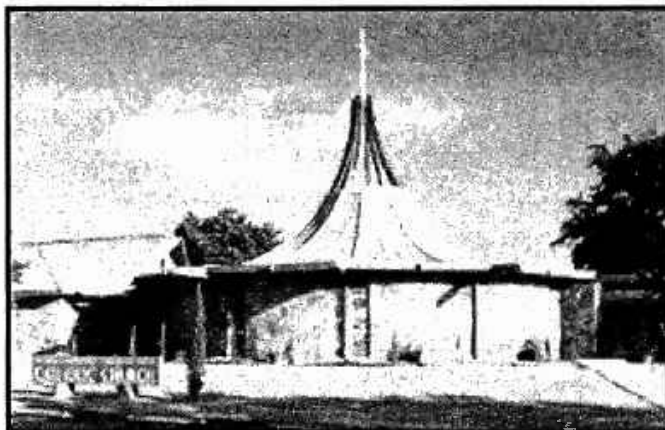


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Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

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Saturday 5:30 pm

Sunday 9:00 am

Weekdays

Tuesday 6:00 pm

Wednesday through Friday 8:00 am

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Fridays 8:30 to 9:30 after Mass
or by Appointment

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Twenty Second Sunday in Ordinary Time – 2017

Prophet Jeremiah exemplifies our Christian Calling: prophet, priest and king.

What a beautiful lesson that the Holy Mother Church presents us on this Twenty Second Sunday in Ordinary Time! God tells Jeremiah, "Before I formed you in the womb I knew you, and before you were born I consecrated you; I have appointed you a prophet to the nations." (Jeremiah 1: 5). So why do we worry? Why do we struggle? Why do we complain and whine as if to say that any agonies we experience determine who we are, or who we should be? God has, through many prophets and, at last through his own Son, made his love known to us. But, we cannot blame ourselves because we know that we are children of Adam and Eve, but again, we must have consolation in Our Lord Jesus Christ and His Mother, the Blessed Virgin, who have replaced weaknesses and disobediences of our fore-parents.

In the first reading of this Sunday, Jeremiah captures what should be our joyful lamentations. He says to God, "You duped me, O Lord, and I let myself be duped; you were too strong for me, and you triumphed." To be duped in this context is to be chosen by God and be given special task or calling. When you and I were baptized, we were duped. When we became age of reason, we became responsible for our actions, which we can either use for the glory of God and for the good of our neighbors or we chose to become otherwise. When we follow the paths of the Lord, we can argue that we have allowed ourselves to be duped. Jeremiah, in what seems he could not escape from serving our Lord our God laments, "All the day I am an object of laughter; everyone mocks me. Whenever I speak, I must cry out, violence and outrage is my message; the word of the Lord has brought me derision and reproach all the day." Does this sound familiar to you that when you want to live a life according to your Christian callings that you are derided by your family members, friends and community? Have you ever asked yourself, why some politicians and public officials keep the hat of their faith at home or in their cars when they enter the House of Congress to deliberate on moral and social issues? Or when they tell us that their faith is private affairs and should not guide them in making decisions and judgements, otherwise, they would appear to be better than others? This is the kind of situation that Jeremiah was tempted to be, but he would quickly find out that, it is better to live in the house of the Lord for one day than to live elsewhere for a million days. One of the hardest things in this world is to be a Christian, because you have to leave everything, carry your cross and follow our Lord. How easy is that brethren? Prophet Jeremiah epitomizes this truth when he laments again, "I say to myself, I will not

mention him, I will speak in his name no more. But then it becomes like fire burning in my heart, imprisoned in my bones; I grow weary holding it in, I cannot endure it." Just like we have discussed earlier, the weakness of the flesh is so powerful that it weighs down the will power and the spirit to do good. We can only sustain our spirit over the power of flesh by relying solely on God's grace. Jeremiah had almost abandoned God who created him and gave him the privilege to become the bearer of God's good message. But God true to his nature begins to turn Jeremiah's desolation into consolation. Jeremiah moves away from lamentation to joyful anticipation, he says regarding the word of God "... [it] becomes like fire burning in my heart, imprisoned in my bones; I grow weary holding it in, I cannot endure it." And he cannot escape it. I thank God, every day that I am called to serve in the Priesthood of Christ among God's people, despite all the beauties, joy, and human challenges that come with it. How about us? Are you grateful and joyful to your position in life – your calling or vocation: marriage, politician, teacher, student, worker, doctor, nurse, janitor, waiter or waitress, you name the rest.

Brothers and sisters, indeed Prophet Jeremiah truly exemplifies our Christian calling: prophet, priest and king – to have absolute and undivided trust in God through his Son, our Lord Jesus Christ.

In Christ,

Father Uche Obikwelu

Bishop Vasquez' Prayer Intention

- That we would be open to the guidance of the Holy Spirit as we follow the Lord Jesus as his disciples ...
- Que estemos abiertos a la guía del Espíritu Santo siguiendo a Jesús nuestro Señor como sus discípulos ...

Mass Intentions

Mass intentions can be booked in the office on Tuesday or Thursday or you can fill out the form and drop the envelope in the black box in front of the office. You will find envelopes in the book holders in the pews. You can book Mass for your family members, the sick, the dead, personal needs and God's blessing.

Rosary

The Rosary is prayed every Sunday at 8:30 AM before Mass at St. Charles and every Saturday at 3:25 PM before Mass at Our Lady of the Lake

Join us in praying the Rosary.

Sacrament of Reconciliation

The Sacrament of Reconciliation is scheduled an hour after Friday Mass (8:30 to 9:30) at St. Charles. This will allow us to prepare for this beautiful sacrament, which invites us to deep reflection, introspection, and gratitude to God for His Love and Mercy.

Mass Readings

Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

1st Reading: Jeremiah 20:7-9
 Responsorial Psalms: PS 63:2, 3-4, 5-6, 8-9
 2nd Reading: Romans 12:1-2
 Gospel: Matthew 16:21-27

Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

1st Reading: Ezekiel 33:7-9
 Responsorial Psalms: PS 95:1-2, 6-7, 8-9
 2nd Reading: Romans 13:8-10
 Gospel: Matthew 18:15-20

PARISH LIFE...come and be with us

WELCOME Newcomers or Visitors

Newcomers or visitors wishing to become members of St. Charles or Our Lady of the Lake, please fill out a membership form located in the back of church and give the form to one of the greeters/ushers. Welcome!

Visit St Charles' and Our Lady of the Lake 's website at :
<http://stcharleskingslandtx.com>



Join us for Coffee and donuts after 9:00am Mass in Lee Hall

Mass Intentions: September 02 - September 10

OUR LADY OF THE LAKE

Sat 09/02	4:00 PM	Roger Seguin †
ST. CHARLES BORROMEO		
Sat 09/02	5:30 PM	Deceased Members of Davis Family †
Sun 09/03	9:00 AM	Doma C Johnson †
Tues 09/05	6:00 PM	Mary Jane Pfeiffer †
Wed 09/06	8:00 AM	Brian Massey
Thurs 09/07	No Mass	
Fri 09/08	8:00 AM	Barbara Bowden

OUR LADY OF THE LAKE

Sat 09/09	4:00 PM	Mary Van Liew †
ST. CHARLES BORROMEO		
Sat 09/09	5:30 PM	Lillian Davis †
Sun 09/10	9:00 AM	Deacon Ron Woods †

**Statement of Bishop Joe S. Vásquez and Auxiliary Bishop Daniel E. Garcia of Austin
Concerning the Catastrophic Effects of Hurricane Harvey**

Together with our brother bishops, we urge all people of good will to be united with those suffering as a result of the catastrophic damage caused by Hurricane Harvey. We are deeply concerned about the parishes, communities and people that have been and will continue to be impacted by the storm. We urge all people to continue to follow the safety directives of the local emergency management officials. Even as the hurricane has been downgraded, some victims will feel the long-term effects of the storm system for years to come. We encourage the faithful of the Diocese of Austin to be spiritually united with the communities affected through prayer and support. Because we believe that "God is our refuge and our strength, an ever-present help in distress" (Psalm 46:1), our neighbors require our resolve to help them in their time of need. Considering the unprecedented flooding and the disheartening circumstances in which our brothers and sisters find themselves, we are reminded that Jesus requires us to help our neighbors out of mercy and love (cf Luke 10:29-37). Catholic Charities of Central Texas is coordinating our diocesan relief efforts. We encourage you to visit www.ccctx.org for more information on how to offer help and to provide financial assistance for the victims of the storm.

Altar Flowers this weekend

ST. CHARLES



Sponsoring Altar Flowers for 2017: If you would like to sponsor the Altar Flowers for a weekend in 2017 to honor a loved one or special occasions, there are many weeks still available. Forms can be found on the table at the church's entrance. Please make checks payable to Judy Breaux. The following dates are still available; please consider sponsoring the flowers on these dates. The recommended amount is \$40. Thank you Sept30/Oct1, Oct 7/8, Oct 28/29, Nov 4/5

Last Week's Collections

St. Charles: \$ 1684.33
Our Lady of the Lake: \$ 1079.00

"Give and it shall be given to you... For the measure you measure with will be measured back to you."

Luke 6:38 We've been promised that God will not be out-done in generosity. May God bless you a hundredfold for your generosity to His Church.

2nd collection this weekend for Hurricane Disaster Fund

Announcements

For your own comfort at Mass this summer, due to air conditioning the church may be cold. Father Uche suggests that you please bring a jacket. Also keep in mind the weather conditions, as in winter the church inside may be a little warmer. Extra sweaters are available upon request to ushers.

Free Rosaries ...A very generous parishioner has donated Rosaries and Rosary Booklets in both English and Spanish. They are located on the table in the Narthex. Anyone who wants one is welcome to take one. Please remember that the Rosary becomes a sacramental when it is blessed by Father. If you take one please be sure to have it blessed by Father.

NEW TELEPHONE DIRECTORY

It is important that we have an accurate count of parishioners. The parish census is reported to the Diocese. In order to update our records, the Pastoral council has requested that we collect information for the Parish Pictorial Directory. Please take a moment to complete one of the forms in the Narthex of the church and drop it in the collection basket. If you do not want your phone number published in the directory, omit that item, but please include your name and address so our count of parishioners is accurate. Your cooperation is greatly appreciated.

Pictures taken for the directory will be at no cost. The photographer will be taking different poses. You will choose the picture that will be used for the directory. You will receive the one 8 X 10 picture you choose. You may purchase more of that one or one of the other poses. Any purchase will offset the cost of the directory. If you have any questions, please call the office during office hours.

VOLUNTEER

NEEDLERS is a group of ladies from St. Charles and OLOL who meet on Mondays from 9 to 11 AM to make lap blankets for children, elderly and babies in the local area. Please consider joining us at Lee Hall. It is not necessary that you know how to sew.

Religious Education Teachers needed. Today's youth are the church's future. Our church is in need of dedicated people who are willing to give of their time to serve as teachers. Please prayerfully consider joining St Charles' RE program. Contact Richard Collins for more information (325) 388-3830.

PARISH MINISTRIES...come and be with us.

MISSION STATEMENT

We, the people of God of St. Charles Borromeo Parish in Kingsland, Texas and Our Lady of the Lake, Sunrise Beach, in the Diocese of Austin form a faith community that challenges each to love and proclaim the Gospel of Jesus Christ based on Faith, Hope and Love with no regard to race, gender, nationality religion or social standing.

Share the Harvest

Don't forget our "Share the Harvest Food Wagon" at St. Charles and the "Box" at OLOL. When you are out doing your grocery shopping please consider picking up an extra item or two and bring when you come to Mass. Also cash is five times as good. Every \$1.00 given buys \$5.00 from the food bank. Thank you for your generosity. God Bless You.

Send bulletin announcements to stcharles@nctv.com by 5:00 PM on MONDAY. You MUST put "bulletin announcement" in the subject line of your email. This will help us and it will ensure your important information is not overlooked.

Statues of our Blessed Mother



at St. Charles

at Our Lady of the Lake

Rosary

Hail Mary, full of grace, the Lord is with thee; blessed art thou among women, and blessed is the fruit of thy womb, Jesus. Holy Mary, Mother of God, pray for us sinners, now and at the hour of our death. Amen.

Read more at: <http://www.catholic.org/prayers/merton.php>

"A Sacrificial Gift"

How can I determine how much is a "sacrificial gift"? One way to determine a sacrificial gift is by relating your gift to your income. Some people reach into their pocket to see what is left from Saturday night.

As a good steward, you are being asked to consider donating one hour (2 1/2%) or two hours (5%) of your weekly income. As circumstances change, increase gradually toward the ideal of 10% to your church and other charities. Some will be able to do more while others may need to do less.

There are two important points: first is that your gift be a sacrifice and second is that you relate your donation to your income. If your income is \$1000/week or \$4333/month then a weekly sacrificial gift would be 2.5% = \$25, 5% = \$50 and 10% = \$100.

Let us pray for those devastated from flooding in Texas and Louisiana. May God provide for their needs mind, body, & soul.

— Fr Uche —

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