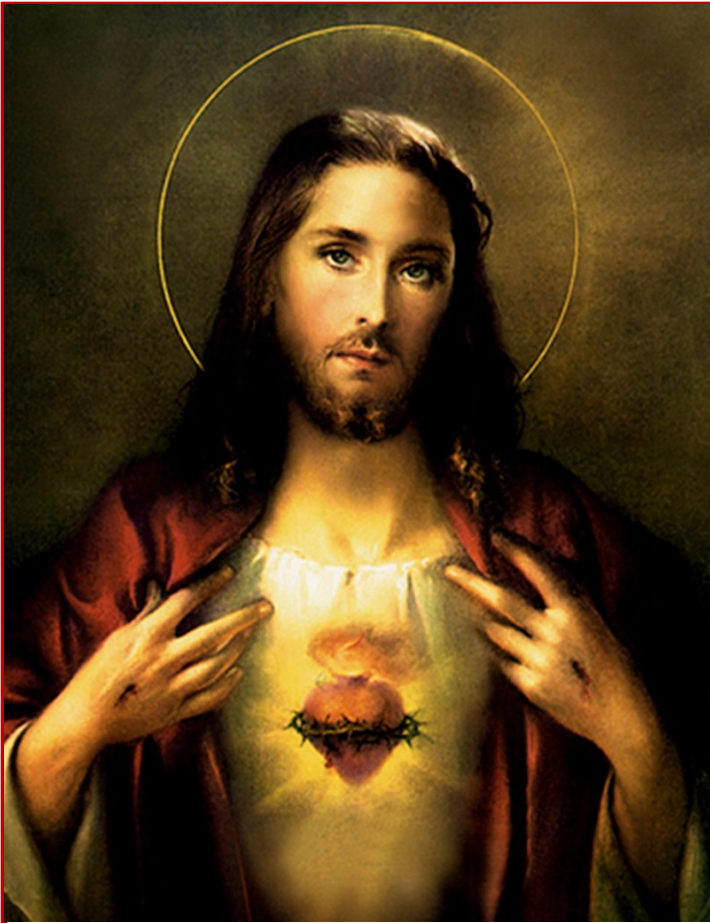


*Twelfth Sunday in
Ordinary Time
June 21st, 2026*





From the Gusset

The Spirituality of **the Sacred Heart of Jesus** teaches us that we are all **married** to Jesus! It is not just **Sister Margaret Mary Alacoque** or **Sister Faustina Kowalski** or **Sister Martinelle Bonnell** (who is celebrating her **70th Jubilee** as an **OSF Sister** this year) or even **Sister Mary Paul**, who are **married** to Jesus; rather, every **Baptized person** has entered into what is called **nuptial love** with God. **St. Paul** tells the Ephesians: “...a man shall leave his father and his mother and be joined to his wife, and the two shall become one flesh. This is a great Mystery, but I speak in reference to Christ and the Church. Jesus leaves God the Father and God the Holy Spirit and Jesus comes **to earth** to be joined to each of **the Baptized**—to take **us** as His spouse, and the two shall become **one flesh**! Ephesians chapter 5 becomes the scriptural basis of **nuptial love**. One

ramification of this **nuptial love** of **the Sacred Heart of Jesus** comes out when we lose a **loved one** to **death**. If you were once **married**, but your **spouse** has passed away – we think that our **relationship** with God has changed. Just like **Fr. Randy** thought that his **relationship** with God changed when I lost my **parents** to **death**. In all reality, our **relationship** with God is still the same (God always **loves** us)—we are still **married** to **the Sacred Heart of Jesus**. It is only the means of how **love** is given to us, which has changed! When your **spouse** was alive, God’s **love** came to you through your **spouse** – just like God’s **love** for **Fr. Randy** came through my **parents** to me, while they were alive. When **the vector** of God’s **love** has **died** – God still gives us **all** of His **love** only now it comes to us directly through **the Eucharist**! That is why when a **death** occurs in your **family**, you ought to go to **Mass** more often. **The Eucharist** has become **the vector** through which God **pours out** all of His **love** directly into your **heart** from His **Sacred Heart** to our **humble, fragile, human heart**. When we are **young** or if you are not offended – when we are **naïve**, we need to experience God’s **love** for us through other **human beings**, but as **St. Paul** says, *when I became a man I put aside childish ways* – he began to **understand** how great God’s **love** was. My **heart** goes out to all who have lost a **loved one** to **death**, and I pray that **the Sacred Heart of Jesus** will help you to see distinctly how much you are **loved** by God. God can only **love** you more (not less) when your **beloved** **dies**. Even after 7 years, I am not quite used to God showing me His **love** to me using a different **vector** (I still prefer **the old vectors**), but God has never stopped **loving** me.

Sacred Heart of Jesus...have mercy on us!

Immaculate Heart of Mary...pray for us!

Yours on the Path Fr. Randy

CAPITAL CAMPAIGN GOAL PROGRESS REPORT:

Parish Goal for **St. Patrick's Church** is \$30,044

Total Funds Raised: \$11,200

Percent to Goal: 37.3%

Parish Goal for **St. Mary of the Assumption** is \$43,388

Total Funds Raised: \$7,600

Percent to Goal: 17.5%

Parish Goal for **OLPH** is \$115,881

Total Funds Raised: \$109,163

Percent to Goal: 94.2%



An additional benefit to a **Capital Campaign** is to remind **the Catholic conscience** of how God calls us to **tithe**—to give 10% off the top back to God—the first and the best of our **labors** (like Abel; not Cain). **Tithing** is a great way to “**return love**” to God in **gratitude** for all that the Almighty has given us. **Mounting bills** and **new expenses** have a way of detracting us from giving back to God. A **Capital Campaign** reminds us of how important our **Church** is both in God showing His **love** to us (**the Eucharist**) and our **returning love** to God (**right praise** and **worship**). It is the hope of **Bishop Malloy's Capital Campaign** to ‘**Evangelize.**’ That is, to get our **young families** back to **Church** every Sunday to **worship** God in **the Mass** and teach our children how to offer the first and the best of our **labors** back to God! When the next **Capital Campaign** (at the Diocesan level) comes up again in 25 years, will your children remember how you taught them how to **tithe** back in the Summer of 2026 or will the word: ‘**tithe**’ be such a **strange word** that your children (now grown adults with a **family** of their own) will have to look up **the definition** of the word ‘**tithe?**’

Spiritual Bouquet

Msgr. Mahowald had a **spirituality**, which folded the liturgical year in half—so that he began to prepare for **Feast Days** six months in advance. If this were so, **Monsignor**

would now be preparing for **Christmas**. Last **Christmas Kari Razo** refurbished our **Nativity scene** is **Sublette** for us, but she would not take a **stipend** for this **spiritual work**—repainting the **Holy Family** and all the characters who showed their **love** at **the Incarnation**. Perhaps we could reimburse **Kari** for her labor of **love** by giving her a **Spiritual Bouquet**. Else where in this **bulletin** you will find a ‘**coupon**’ for a **Spiritual Bouquet**—fill it out and return it in the Sunday collection basket, and I will make sure this **beautiful Zealot** receives your **loving prayers** for her.

Collection Amounts for the Month of May

	OLPH	SMA	St. Patrick
Loose Collection	\$699	\$140	\$168
Envelopes	\$6,470	\$1,380	\$925
Total	\$7,169	\$1,520	\$1,093
Monthly Expenses	\$10,921	\$4,184	\$3,695
2025 Diocesan Appeal	\$10,395/\$10,350	\$4,730/\$3,796	\$12,557/\$2,495
2026 Diocesan Appeal	\$640/\$9,376	\$800/\$2,590	\$4,825/\$1,953



The Last Supper by Leonardo da Vinci

One of **the coolest relics** in **Rome** is the finger of **St. Thomas!** When **Leonardo** composed *the Last Supper* way back in 1498 – ‘**the cartoon bubble**’ had not yet been invented. How do we know what **Snoopy** is thinking – we simply read **the bubble** that has appeared over his head. In

order for **the Apostles** to speak to us from **the fresco, da Vinci** used their facial features and the gestures of their hands to indicate who they are. **Doubting Thomas** gestures toward our Lord on the right-side of the painting with his **index finger**. **The finger** that he would probe the nail marks with before **Thomas** would believe that the Christ had **risen**. **St. Helena** brought back from **the Holy Land** the **index finger bones** of this **great Apostle**. This **relic** can now be viewed at the Church called **the Church of the Holy Cross** in **Rome!** **St. Thomas** was the last Apostle to witness the **Resurrection**, but here he is at *the Last Supper*—proclaiming first—his **love** of our Lord. **Leonardo** has captured the Lord’s prediction: *the first shall be last, and the last shall be first.*



Spiritual Bouquet for Kari Razo

The following **Prayers** have been offered in **gratitude** for your **refurbishing** our **Nativity Scene** in **Sublette**:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Holy Mass(es) Prayed | <input type="checkbox"/> Infant Jesus of Prague Chaplet(s) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Spiritual Communion(s) | <input type="checkbox"/> Hours of Eucharistic Adoration |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Holy Rosary(ies) | <input type="checkbox"/> Divine Mercy Chaplet(s) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Novena to Our Lady of Perpetual Help | |

Prayed with Love by: _____

Mass Intentions



Saturday, June 20th

(+) Joseph & (+) Mary McCoy/ Barbara Maria McCoy
4:00 pm, **OLPH** (+) Raymond & (+) Jean Ritola/ Mary Lynn Valentin &
(+) Gene Leffelman/ Shawn Leffelman

Sunday, June 21st Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 am, **St. Patrick** (+) Urban & (+) Helen Ann Becker/ Fr. Randy

10:00 am, **SMA** (+) Donald & (+) Elaine Henkel/ Family

Noon **OLPH** Pro Populo/ Fr. Randy

Monday, June 22nd

(+) Fr. Kramer/ Carlene Schuhler

Tuesday, June 23rd

7:30 am, **SMA** (+) Gilbert & (+) Celia Haub/ Fr. Randy

Wednesday, June 24th Nativity of St. John the Baptist

8:00 am, **OLPH** (+) Priscilla Droz de Suarez/ Anna Brodarick

Thursday, June 25th

7:30 am, **SMA** (+) Edward, (+) Mary, & (+) Jeanne Hamilton/ Karen McInnis

8:30 am, **OLPH** Sharon Heinlen/ Mr. & Mrs. Doug Klein

Friday, June 26th

8:00 am, **St. Patrick** (+) Don, (+) Kenny, & (+) Sonny Becker/ Regina McCoy

Saturday, June 27th Feast of Our Lady of Perpetual Help

(+) Howard McInnis & (+) Jeanne Hamilton/ Fr. Randy

4:00 pm, **OLPH** (+) Larry Leffelman/ Mr. & Mrs. Michael Vaessen

Sunday, June 28th Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 am, **OLPH** (+) Fr. Kramer/ Sharon Becker Preston

10:30 am, **OLPH** (+) Richard & (+) Leila Garland/ Family & (+) Mary Henkel/ Family

4:00 pm, **Our Lady Queen of Heaven Cemetery, Hillside** (+) Pro Populo/ Fr. Randy



MISSION SUNDAY

WELCOME Fr. Joji Thirumalareddy

The **Catholic Church** continues to work **wonders** in the world especially for the poorest of the poor (the ones closest to **the Sacred Heart of Jesus**). It is easy for us to see how great is God's **love** for us, because we grow up in **families** where **Mom** and **Dad** show us such great **love** and we have plenty of **food to eat**, nice **clothes to wear**, and **schools** to teach us the



marvels of **the Universe**. **Fr. Joji** comes to us from the **Catholic Diocese of Warangal** in the **Telangana State** in **South India**. Most of the **Catholics** of the **Diocese** are **farm laborers**. It is the **Catholic Church** which must **educate the people** and provide **health care**; besides, giving **the Sacramental food of the Eucharist**. **Fr. Joji** will celebrate **the Eucharist** for us this weekend, and speak on his **Missionary work in India**. Remember: you may make a **donation** to our **Missionary Priest** for up to three weeks after he preaches. All the donations go to **Rockford**, and then **the Propagation of Faith Office** will forward the money to the **Mission**. Simply write out a check to your **Parish** and put "**Mission CO-OP**" in the memo. Thank you in advance for your **generosity**!