

Fire in Our Hearts

In today's Gospel reading Jesus says that He has come to set the earth on fire. Of course He didn't mean that He wanted everything to burn up. He meant that He wanted the flame of the Holy Spirit to burn in the hearts of people all over the world.

What do you think happens when the Holy Spirit is in someone's soul? The Holy Spirit pulls us closer to Himself and God the Father and Jesus. When we are closer to God that means we love Him more, and the more we love God the more we will love other people too. We were made to love God and be happy with Him, so we want the Holy Spirit to live in us and bring us close to Him!

How does the Holy Spirit come into our souls? When we are baptized the Holy Spirit comes into us for the first time. He will stay with us unless we sin and close our hearts to Him. But when we go to Confession He comes back, and in Holy Communion and the other Sacraments

He becomes even stronger in us. He comes in a special way in the Sacrament of Confirmation, when He gives us grace and strength to live as grown-up Christians and soldiers for God. Pray to the Holy Spirit to live in your heart and make you love God more every day!

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SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM:

Baptisms are usually celebrated on the fourth Sunday of every month. Please contact the Parish Office at least 6 weeks before the date.

SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE:

Couples must contact the Parish Office to arrange at least 6 months before the desired date.

MASS INTENTIONS:

Intentions must be booked at least by the Wednesday, one week before the desired date.

Word Search Puzzle

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GREAT	RACE	JESUS	JOY	FAITH
WITNESSES	THROW	THRONE	EYES	RUN
MARKED	FIX	HINDERS	CLOUD	SIN

Follow the Leader Fill-in-the-Blanks

Use the words from the list to fill in the blanks and unscramble the letters from the boxes to fill in the spaces at the end!

Brothers and sisters:
Since we are surrounded by so _____ a cloud of witnesses,
let us rid _____ of every burden and sin that clings to us
and persevere in _____ the race that lies before us
while _____ our eyes fixed on Jesus, the leader and _____ of faith.
For the sake of the joy that lay before _____ he endured the cross, _____ its shame, and has taken his seat at the right of the _____ of God.
Consider how he _____ such opposition from sinners, in order that you may not grow _____ and lose heart.



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OURSELVES
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KEEPING
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GREAT
DESPISING
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Jubilee 2025: Pilgrims of Hope

20TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - 17TH AUGUST 2025 - YEAR

Consuming Fire.

Our God is a consuming fire, the Scriptures tell us, and in this week's Gospel, Jesus uses the image of fire to describe the demands of discipleship.

The fire He has come to cast on the earth is the fire that He wants to blaze in each of our hearts. He made us from the dust of the earth and filled us with the fire of the Holy Spirit in Baptism. We were baptized into His death. This is the baptism our Lord speaks of in the Gospel.

The baptism with which He must be baptized is His passion and death, by which He accomplished our redemption and sent forth the fire of the Spirit on the earth. The fire has been set, but it is not yet blazing. We are called to enter deeper into the consuming love of God. We must examine our consciences and our actions, submitting ourselves to the revealing fire of God's Word.

In our struggle against sin, we have not yet resisted to the point of shedding our own blood, Paul tells us in the Epistle. We have not undergone the suffering that Jeremiah suffers in the First Reading, but this is what true discipleship requires. To be a disciple is to be inflamed with the love of the God. It is to have an unquenchable desire for holiness and zeal for the salvation of our brothers and sisters.

Being His disciple does not bring peace in the false way that the world proclaims peace. It means division and hardship. It may bring us to conflict with our own flesh and blood.

But Christ is our peace. By His Cross He has lifted us up from the mire of sin and death as He will rescue the prophet Jeremiah. And as we sing in the Psalm, we trust in our deliverer.

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CONFESSIONS

Every Saturday
9.00 - 10.00 a.m
&
by appointment

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SUNDAY READINGS

First Reading
Jer.38:4-6,8-10

Second Reading
Heb.12:1-4

Gospel
Lk.12:49-53



MASS TIMES

Gros Islet
Morning Prayers:
Mon -Fri
5:45 a.m.



MONDAY
6:00 a.m./12:30 p.m.



TUESDAY
6:00 a.m.



WEDNESDAY
6:00 a.m./12:30 p.m.
G/Riviere: 6:00 p.m.



THURSDAY
6:00 a.m./12:30 p.m.



FRIDAY
6:00 a.m./12:30 p.m.



SATURDAY
6:30 a.m./6:00 p. m.



SUNDAY
Gros Islet/G. Riviere
7:30 a.m.

Gros Islet/Monchy
10:00 a.m.



HOLIDAY
Variable

The Queenship of The Blessed Virgin Mary - 22 August

On August 15th, the Church celebrated the Solemnity of the Assumption of Mary into heaven. In the course of eight days since then, the Church meditates more deeply on the mystery of the Assumption, and we conclude the reflection with the celebration of the Queenship of Mary on the Octave of the Assumption.

Catholic teaching on the Queenship of Mary is expressed in the papal encyclical Ad Caeli Reginam issued by Pope Pius XII. It states that Mary is called Queen of Heaven because her son, Jesus Christ, is the King of Israel and Heavenly King of the universe. Indeed, the Davidic tradition of Israel recognized the mother of the King as the Queen Mother of Israel. Said Pope Pius, “The purpose of the Feast is that all may recognize more clearly and venerate more devoutly the merciful and motherly sovereignty of her who bore God in her womb”. In the fourth century, St. Ephrem of Syria said that the Queenship of Mary derives from her maternity: She is Mother of the Lord, of the King of kings, and she points to Jesus as our life, salvation and our hope.

It could be said that God assumed Mary into heaven to share the victory of Christ and to reign with Him in glory as Queen of Heaven. So the proclamation and celebration of Mary's Queenship in essence points to the Kingship of Christ.

In celebrating the Queenship of Mary, we are also reminded that we are not just the chosen and royal people of God. We are also the chosen and royal servants of Christ the King. Mary showed us how to serve when she responded to God's call by accepting God's will, giving us the concrete example of obedience in the form of servanthood. With Mary as our Queen, let us offer ourselves in service to the Church, so that in all that we do and say, God will be God will be glorified and exalted.

What Christ has done in Heaven and the Church has done on our behalf we should now do individually, and recognize Mary's Queenship, enthrone her in our homes, consecrate ourselves to her, and by this means establish in our lives the reign of Mary, Immaculate Queen of the Universe.

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PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Monday, Wednesday, Thursday
& Friday: 9:00am to 2:00p.m.
Closed Tuesdays, Weekends & Holidays

PLEASE PRAY FOR	
THE SICK	
Patsy Crafton Iris Macauldy Martha Mason Marie Joseph Anne Marie Felicien	
DECEASED	
Tessa M. Philip Felix Eugene Adams Alexis Henry Alexander Therese Jn. Baptiste St. Mark St. Martin	
WEEKDAY READINGS	
✠ MONDAY Jdgs.2:11-19 Mt.19:16-22 ✠ TUESDAY Jdgs.6:11-24 Mt.19:23-30 ✠ WEDNESDAY Jdgs.9:6-15 Mt.20:1-16 ✠ THURSDAY Jdgs.11:29-30 Mt.22:1-14 ✠ FRIDAY Rth.1:1,3-6,14-16,22 Mt.22:34-40 ✠ SATURDAY Rth.2:1-3,8-11;4:13-17 Mt.23:1-12 ✠	

MASS INTENTIONS		
GROS ISLET	CLERGY/RELIGIOUS	INTENTIONS
20TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - YEAR C		
Sat Aug 16 - 6:00 p.m.	 <p>PSALM 40:1-2</p> <p>I waited <i>patiently</i> for the LORD; <i>He</i> turned to me and <i>heard</i> my cry. <i>He lifted</i> me out of the slimy pit, out of the mud and mire; <i>He</i> set my feet on a <i>rock</i> and gave me a firm place to <i>stand</i>.</p>	Wedd Ann: Adrian & Liesl Glace Nichalan & Josephine Myers
Sun Aug 17 -7:30 a.m.		MISSA PRO POPULO
10:00 a.m.		Holy Spirit: Theophilus family B'day: Juliana Thomas Stephanie Gideon, Carlyn Prospere
Grande Riviere - 7:30 a.m.		Guid. & Protec: Marcella Johnson
Monchy - 10:00 a.m.		Parishioners
WEEKDAY MASS INTENTIONS		
Mon Aug 18 - 6:00 a.m	Fr. Gabriel Arockiasammy Sr. Bernadette Peter	Healing: Brandon Eugene B'day: Solomon Alexis, Karen Matthews
12:30 p.m.		Dc'd: Sullivan Josie, William Antoine Richard & Annette Antoine Members of Antoine family
Tue Aug 19 - 6:00 a.m.	Fr. Lambert St. Rose	Dc'd: Charles Hippolyte Neil, Rosemarie & Joyce Edmunds
Wed Aug 20 - 6:00 a.m. <i>St. Bernard, Abbot & Doctor</i>	Fr. Paul Vu	B'day: Yohannes Nsima Holy Spirit: Kerlan Myers Genevieve Gregg
12:30 p.m.		Dc'd: St. John & Collins families
Grande Riviere - 6:00 p.m.		Parishioners
Thu Aug 21 - 6:00 a.m <i>St. Pius X, Pope</i>	Rev. Anthony Louis Rev. Robert Harvey Rev. John Douglas	IHO St. Michael: Vivian & Kishan d'Auvergne Thks: Miguel Louisy, Ellen Regis
12:30 p.m.		Dc'd: Adiola Amsterdam-Khan Cecilia & Sylvester Louis
Fri Aug 22 - 6:00 a.m. <i>The Queenship of Mary</i>	Fr. Cecil Goodman Rev. Thomas Alexander	Protec: Collinthia Eugene St. Michael: Avesh Peraud, Wayne Burke
12:30 p.m.		Thks: Bertha Hyacinth The Chong family, Shanta King
Sat Aug 23 - 6:30 a.m. <i>St. Rose of Lima, Virgin</i>	Fr. Linus Clovis Sr. Adinase Mumba	B'day: Philipp Lake Conversion of Sinners