

Kids Column

Show that You Believe in Jesus!

James 2:14-18



In today's second reading, Saint James tells us that we can't just say that we have faith. We need to show it by what we do.

Being a follower of Jesus means believing in Him, and also doing what He wants us to do.

Do you know what God wants you to do? He wants you to obey His commandments. That means He wants you to listen to your parents and teachers, and not steal or lie or be mean to other kids.



You can also show your faith by doing good works, like being nice to other people.

What are some kind things you can do for someone today and tomorrow?



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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 should contact the Parish Office to make arrangements at least **6 months** before the desired date.

WHAT'S HAPPENING

OFFERINGS & DONATIONS

We advise that your Offerings and Donations to the Parish can be made via Sure Pay. When visiting the Sure Pay payment desk please note the following:

1. Ensure you communicate clearly that the payment is for the St. Joseph The Worker Parish
2. You will be given a number for each community (see below). Please choose the one required.

Gros Islet – 01

Grande Riviere – 02

Monchy – 03

Payments can be made in person or online. For further clarification please contact the Parish Office. We appreciate your support.

A Coronavirus Prayer

Jesus Christ, you travelled through towns and villages, "curing every disease and illness". At your command, the sick were made well. Come to our aid now, in the midst of the global spread of the Coronavirus, that we may experience your healing love.

Heal those who are sick with the virus. May they regain their strength and health through quality medical care. Heal us from our fear, which prevents nations from working together, and neighbours from helping one another. Heal us from our pride, which can make us claim invulnerability to a disease that knows no borders. In place of our anxiety, give us your peace. In your wisdom protect our country, Saint Lucia, our region and the whole world from this pandemic. Be with the doctors, nurses and researchers, and all medical professionals who seek to heal and help those affected, and who put themselves at risk in the process. May they know your protection and peace. Mary, comforter of the afflicted, pray for us.

Amen.



St. Joseph the Worker Parish
Gros Islet, Grande Riviere & Monchy

CONFESSIONS

Every Saturday
9.00 - 10.00 a.m.
6.00 - 6.45 p.m.
&
by appointment

VISION 2020-DISCIPLES ON MISSION

24TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - 12TH SEPT 2021 - YEAR B

Journeying with the Lord.

In today's Gospel, we reach a pivotal moment in our walk with the Lord. After weeks of listening to His words and witnessing His deeds, together with the disciples we're asked to decide who Jesus truly is. Peter answers for them, and for us too, when he declares: "You are the Messiah."

Many expected the Messiah to be a miracle worker who would vanquish Israel's enemies and restore the kingdom of David. Jesus reveals a different portrait. He calls Himself the Son of Man, evoking the royal figure Daniel saw in his heavenly visions. But Jesus' kingship is not to be of this world, and the path to His throne, as He reveals, is by way of suffering and death.

Jesus identifies the Messiah with the suffering servant that Isaiah foretells in the First Reading. The words of Isaiah's servant are Jesus' words as He gives Himself to be shamed and beaten, trusting that God will be His help. We hear our Lord's voice again in the Psalm, as He gives thanks that God has freed Him from the cords of death.

As Jesus tells us, to believe that He is the Messiah is to follow His way of self-denial, losing our lives to save them, in order to rise with Him to new life. Our faith, we hear again in the Epistle, must express itself in works of love. Notice that Jesus questions the Apostles "on the way." They are on the way to Jerusalem, where the Lord will lay down His life.

We, too, are on a journey with the Lord. We must take up our cross, giving to others and enduring all our trials for His sake and the sake of the Gospel. Our lives must be an offering of thanksgiving for the new life He has given us until that day when we reach our destination and walk before the Lord in the land of the living.

(excerpt:stpaulcentre.com)

First Reading
Is.50:5-9

Second Reading
Jas.2:14-18

Gospel
Mk.8:27-35

MASS TIMES

GROS ISLET

Morning Prayers:
5:45a.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.

Monchy: 6:00 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

7:00 a.m.



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St. John Chrysostom - 349 to 407- Feast Day September 13

John was born in Antioch in 349 to Greek parents from Syria. His father was a high-ranking military officer who died soon after his birth, and he was raised by his mother who brought him up as a Christian.

John studied law under a distinguished pagan rhetorician, Libanius, from whom he acquired the skills for a career in rhetoric, a love of the Greek language and literature. As he grew older, John became more deeply committed to Christianity, going on to study theology.

In about 375, he became a hermit-monk, but when his health gave way he returned to Antioch and was ordained a priest. Over the course of 12 years in Antioch, he established himself as a great preacher. His straightforward understanding of the Scriptures meant that his talks were practical, explaining the Bible's application to everyday life. The zeal and clarity of his preaching appealed especially to ordinary people, and earned him the Greek name Chrysostom, meaning “golden-mouthed.” Even today, his words strike the reader as forcefully as ever. He was concerned, above all, for the spiritual and temporal welfare of the needy and oppressed. He was not alone among the early Fathers in speaking out against the abuse of wealth, but none surpassed John in his eloquent, moving, and repeated insistence on almsgiving.

In 398 Chrysostom was made archbishop of Constantinople, and his tenure as archbishop was stormy. He gained a large following among the people, but he spoke against the misuse of riches, angering the wealthy and influential. An alliance against John was made by the wife of the Eastern Roman emperor Arcadius, who thought that John's denunciations of extravagance in feminine dress were aimed at her, and Theophilus, the archbishop of the See of Alexandria, who, wanting to bring Constantinople under his sway, had opposed John’s appointment there. In 403 Theophilus convened a synod of disaffected or subservient bishops which indicted John on a number of charges, many of which were purely frivolous. Chrysostom refused to appear before the synod, whereupon it condemned him and deposed him from his See. The emperor then banished Chrysostom, exiling him to Armenia where he was kept in confinement. Chrysostom appealed his banishment to Pope Innocent I, who together with the Western emperor Honorius, attempted to intervene, but his efforts were in vain. In exile, however, John was still able to write letters influencing affairs in Constantinople. As a result, in 407, he was further exiled to an even more remote location at the eastern end of the Black Sea. He did not survive the journey.

John came to be venerated as a saint by the people soon after his death, but his official rehabilitation came about 31 years later, when his relics were brought to Constantinople. He was later declared a Doctor of the Church, and is honoured as a saint in the Oriental and Eastern Orthodox, Catholic, Anglican, and Lutheran churches. His works consist of some treatises and letters, a large number of homilies and sermons including some on the first and fourth Gospels, and on eight of St. Paul’s letters. John Chrysostom’s last words are said to have been: *“Glory be to God for all things”*

(excerpt: britannica.com/ wikipedia.com)

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| THE SICK | |
| Nellie Hall Martha Mason Iris Macauldy Denis Augustin Bentley Jn. Baptiste | |
| DECEASED | |
| Vincent Palmer Edouard Casimir Eustace Alphonse Hamilton Edward David Marcellin Isaac Augustin Henrietta Eugene | |
| WEEKDAY READINGS | |
| ✠ MONDAY 1Tim.2:1-8 Lk.7:1-10 ✠ TUESDAY Num.21:4-9 Jn.3:13-17 ✠ WEDNESDAY 1Tim.3:14-16 Jn.19:25-27 ✠ THURSDAY 1Tim.4:12-16 Lk.7:36-50 ✠ FRIDAY 1Tim.6:2-12 Lk.8:1-3 ✠ SATURDAY 1Tim.6:13-16 Lk.8:4-15 ✠ | |

| MASS INTENTIONS | | |
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| GROS ISLET | CLERGY/RELIGIOUS | INTENTIONS |
| 24TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - YEAR B | | |
| Sat Sept 11 - 2:00 p.m. |  | Int: Leroy & Marietta Moore B'day: Omega John, Julie Radjou Suzette Dussiel, Mandy Boxill Mekuey Henry, Zaeda Hinkson Philomene Lorde, Vaughn Edwin |
| WEEKDAY MASS INTENTIONS | | |
| Mon Sept 13 - 6:00 a.m. <i>St. John Chrysostom Bishop & Doctor</i> | Rev. Vincent Norbert Rev. Anthony Pierre Rev. Madison Stanislaus | Dc'd: Edward Moody James Nicholls John Compton |
| 12:30 p.m. | | Dc'd: Sonia George Janine Moulton Friends of David & Mary Popo |
| Tue Sept 14 - 6:00 a.m. <i>Exaltation of the Cross</i> | Msgr. Justin Barthelmy Sr. Mary Dungdung Sr. Mercy Masaka | Guid & Protec: Victoria Charles -Clarke St. Anthony: Phill Wellington B'day: Garfield Leon, Sheila Joseph |
| Wed Sept 15 - 6:00 a.m. <i>Our Lady of Sorrows</i> | Rev. Jeremy Joseph Sr. Marie Joseph | Dc'd: Kenneth Morgan |
| Grand Riviere - 5:30 p.m. | | Parishioners |
| Thu Sept 16 - 6:00 a.m. <i>St. Cornelius, Pope & Martyr St. Cyprian, Bishop & Martyr</i> | Rev. Errol Frederick Sr. Rosemarie Minj | 89th B'day: Helena Lawrence |
| 12:30 p.m. | | Dc'd: Jerome Peter Popo Rosa & Antoine Glace Irene & Joseph Destang |
| Monchy - 5:00 p.m. | Fr. Yvon Tremont | Parishioners |
| Fri Sept 17 - 6:00 a.m. | | B'day: Renetta Joseph–Bruce |
| 12:30 p.m. | Fr. Gabriel Arockiasammy | B'day: Charms Gaspard Lilian Mathurin 80th B'day: Francis Phillips |
| Sat Sept 18 - 6:30 a.m. <i>BVM</i> | | B'day: Leeann Boxill Thks: Emsco Remy & family Diane & Richard Palton & family |