

Our Lady of the Desert Catholic Church

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Confesión el Sábado:
Por cita y será al aire libre (Español y Inglés)

Rosario el Sábado: Y letanías de la Santísima
Virgen María—3:45pm

Misa el Sábado: (Vigilia) / Inglés 4:00 p.m.

Rosario el Domingo: Y letanías de la Santísima
Virgen María— 9:45pm

Misa el Domingo: Español /10:00 a.m.

Liturgia en los Días de la Semana

Cada Día a las Doce: Angelus/Regina Caeli

Lunes: Adoración: 7:00am y Misa 7:30am

Martes y Miércoles: Adoración 8:30am y Misa 9:00am

Jueves: Adoración: 8:30am y Misa: 9:00 m o la Oración de la Evangelización a las 10:00am

Viernes Durante Quaresma: Camino de la Cruz a las 3:00pm y concluyendo con Misa

Sábado: Adoración: 7:00am y a las 7:30am
Misa en Honor de Virgen María



22ND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



He summoned the crowd again and said to them, "Hear me, all of you, and understand. Nothing that enters one from outside can defile that person; but the things that come out from within are what defile." - Mk 7:14-15

Después, Jesús llamó a la gente y les dijo: "Escúchenme todos y entiéndanme. Nada que entre de fuera puede manchar al hombre; lo que sí lo mancha es lo que sale de dentro". - Mc 7, 14-15

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AUGUST 29th 2021

Rev. Víctor Yakubu, Parochial Administrator
Rev. Julius Kayiwa, Parochial Vicar

Confession on Saturday:

By appointment and it will be outdoors/English/Spanish

Saturday Rosary: And Litanies of the Blessed Virgin
Mary 3:45pm

Saturday Mass (Vigil): English -4:00 p.m.

Sunday Rosary: And Litanies of the Blessed Virgin
Mary 9:45pm

Sunday Mass: Spanish 10:00am

Liturgy of the Weekdays

Every day at Noon: Angelus/Regina Caeli

Monday: 7:00am Adoration & Mass 7:30am

Tuesday & Wednesday: Adoration 8:30am & Mass 9:00am

Thursday: Adoration: 8:30am & Mass: 9:00am
or Prayer of the Evangelization at 10:00am

Friday During Letn: Way of the Cross 3:00pm
concluding with Mass

Saturday: Adoration: 7:00 a.m. & 7:30 a.m.

Mass in Honor of the Virgen Mary

THE LAW OF GOD AND HUMAN TRADITIONS

Rev. Wilfred Yinah, Parochial Vicar

The 1st reading, (vv. 1-2), insists on the absolute value, the inviolability of the law that cannot be changed because it is not the work of men, but of God. Two temptations must be avoided: that of reducing it, rejecting provisions that are more challenging and difficult, and the opposite of adding new requirements dictated by the “wisdom” of men. This second temptation is particularly insidious because it considers the “will of God” those which are only rules of men. In the face of undue addition to the law of the Lord, Jesus invites his disciples to assume a free and serene attitude. Shake off—he recommends—this unbearable burden, without remorse, without worrying about criticisms and, sometimes, even the threats of those who, unjustly, are responsible in the name of the Lord (Mt 11:28-30). In the second part of the passage (vv. 6-8), the justified pride of the pious Israelite for the Torah appears. The God-given law is loved because it is genuine, not altered by the rigid interpretations and stringent formulation as a result and by arbitrary additions. The word of God is a tree of life to those who make it their own and those who uphold it are filled with joy.”

The second reading again echo’s the theme of “God’s word”. In the first part (vv. 17-18), in response to one who claims that evil comes from God, James affirms that only good comes from the Lord because he is light and in him, there is no darkness. The “word of truth,” the salvation that has been realized in Christ is a gift that comes from him, the Father of light.

To gain salvation, listening to this Word is not sufficient. To produce abundant fruit, it must be accepted with docility (v. 21), Even the docile and attentive listening is not enough. One must make one final step, the decisive one: to put the Word into practice.

Finally, to those who confuse “religion of the heart” with formalisms and the meticulous execution of rituals, James provides the criterion for determining whether one is practicing the true religion. The real one lies in “helping the orphans and widows in their need and keeping oneself from the world’s corruption” (v. 27). In

To practice this religion it is necessary—James continues—to keep oneself “pure,” that is, “detached from the things of this world.” In today’s gospel passage, a question that touches on a central element of the Jewish religion is raised: “the purifications.” the first part of the passage (vv. 1-8), contains a heated dispute between Jesus and some Pharisees and scribes who came from Jerusalem. The fault that they reproach him of is that his followers do not respect the distinction between the sacred and the profane: “They were eating their meal with unclean hands” The first, very serious, is to attribute to God the distinction between pure and impure people, between the righteous and sinners. This discrimination, and the relative norms to avoid prohibited contacts, lead to isolationism, trigger intolerances and put into action perverse dynamics of aggression. These are not willed by God, for whom all people are pure (Acts 10), and there are no differences of race, gender and social status (Gal 3:28). Even the separation of clean and unclean creatures, between sacred and profane is not desired by the Lord, but by people. Jesus puts himself in the spiritual line of the prophets and pious masters of his time. He focuses on the renewal of life and takes a strict position against the religion reduced to mere compliance to a legal code. He says that God is not interested in external purity, formalisms, and solemn liturgies of the temple appearances. Like the prophets (Am 5:21-27; Is 1:11-20; 58:1-14), he unreservedly condemns this “religious farce” and, quoting Isaiah, says: “This people honors me with their lips, but their hearts are far from me. The worship they offer me is worthless for what they teach are only human rules” (vv. 6-7).

Those who deify these traditions are described as hypocrites, that is, actors, comedians who cover their faces with the mask of piety, devotion, obedience, who pretend to be pious, but, instead neglect the single worship pleasing to God, love for the brothers and sisters. They honor the Lord in word only, and with their lips, not with their hearts (Dt 6:5).

The religion of the heart can be practiced only by those who have reached a mature and adult faith, those who are free, sincere, and open to the light of God and to the Spirit. Jesus establishes the criteria by which to distinguish

WEEKLY PRAYER

READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF AUGUST 29, 2021

Sunday: Dt 4:1-2, 6-8/Ps 15:2-3, 3-4, 4-5 [1a]/Jas 1:17-18, 21b-22, 27/
Mk 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23

Monday: 1 Thes 4:13-18/Ps 96:1 and 3, 4-5, 11-12, 13 [13b]/Lk 4:16-30

Tuesday: 1 Thes 5:1-6, 9-11/Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14 [13]/Lk 4:31-37

Wednesday: Col 1:1-8/Ps 52:10, 11 [10]/Lk 4:38-44

Thursday: Col 1:9-14/Ps 98:2-3ab, 3cd-4, 5-6 [2]/Lk 5:1-11

Friday: Col 1:15-20/Ps 100:1b-2, 3, 4, 5 [2b]/Lk 5:33-39

Saturday: Col 1:21-23/Ps 54:3-4, 6 and 8 [6]/Lk 6:1-5

Next Sunday: Is 35:4-7a/Ps 146:7, 8-9, 9-10 [1b]/Jas 2:1-5/Mk 7:31-37

OBSERVANCES FOR THE WEEK OF AUGUST 29, 2021

Sunday: 22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Friday: St. Gregory the Great, Pope and Doctor of the Church

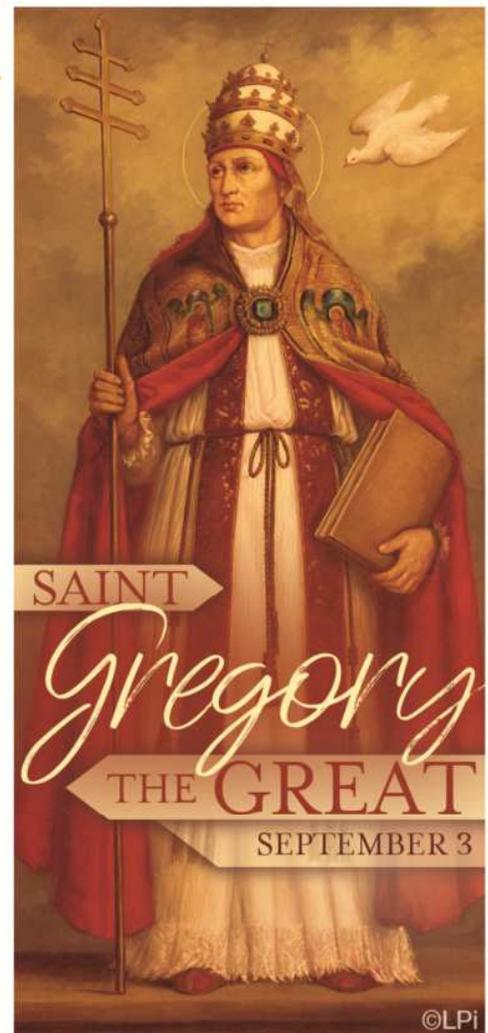
Saturday: BVM

Next Sunday: 23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

LIVE THE LITURGY

Inspiration for the week

What makes a person wise and intelligent? Certainly it is not the ability to memorize facts or minute details about a situation. What makes a person wise and intelligent is when their words and actions harmoniously unite and produce virtue. A person can know many facts and even do the right actions but still have a grave flaw in their character. We sometimes want to delude ourselves into thinking that as long as we are “doing” everything correctly, we are automatically in right relationship with all. Such is sadly not the case in the kingdom of God. We are called not to be just hearers of the Word, but doers as well. That means getting to the heart of what laws and rituals are meant to signify and nurture. If we do not bring the actions home, where they belong, and allow them to speak of the goodness, mercy, compassion, and love of God, then they are simply empty worthless gestures. Welcome the Word that has been planted within you so that you can be a truly wise and intelligent disciple of Jesus Christ.



“Hear me, all
of you, and
understand.”

— MARK 7:14 —

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Announcement & News

Important Announcement

The weekly adoration suggested by the Bishop Thomas Olmsted in his apostolic exhortation *Veneremur Cernui* (Down in Adoration Falling, Holy Thursday 2021) will come up soon. Parishioners who have not read the document should please do so.

You can download the pdf online via our parish website. The printed/hard copies will be on sale anytime soon from the diocese. As soon as we get them, we shall distribute to our parish community to increase publicity of this exhortation on the Eucharist.

Hope & Healing After Abortion

Free Weekend Recovery Workshop

Thursday, October 14th thru

Sunday, October 17th

Center #(928) 692-1301 Cell# (928) 727-1301

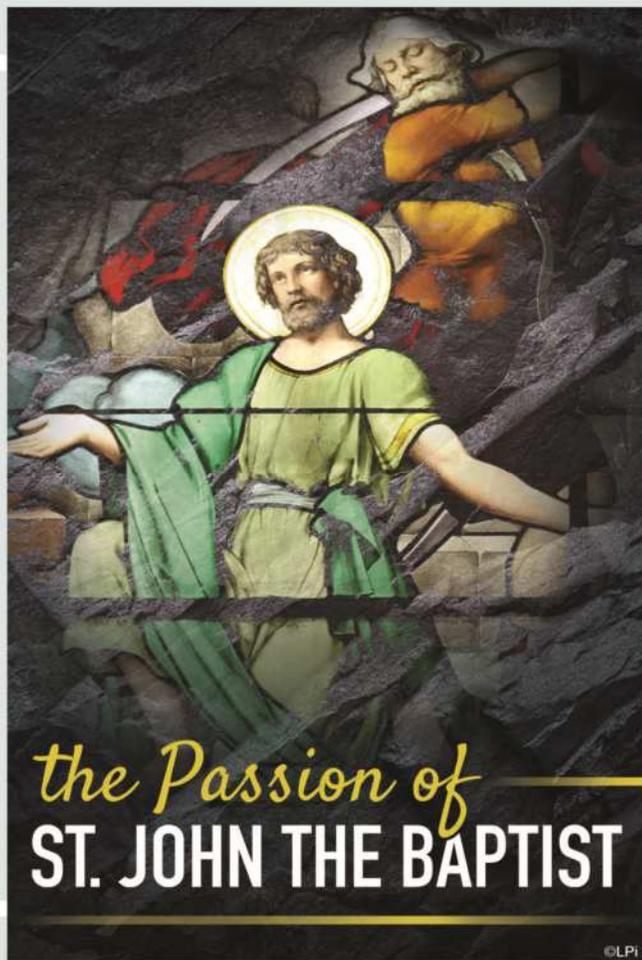
Email: aaapc1@yahoo.com

Location: Advice & Aid Pregnancy Center

2975 Northern Avenue, Kingman

Registration Deadline: September 10th

Bishop Olmsted announces lifting of the dispensation of the Sunday & Holy Day Obligations



REFLECT

FIRST READING

As Moses prepared the Israelites to settle and live in the Promised Land he urged them to stay close to God's commandments and statutes in order to become a "great nation." Why do you think so many nations stray from this idea?

SECOND READING

In the opening verses of his letter, James urges his readers to be "doers of the word and not hearers only, deluding yourselves." Why do you think this is wise advice?

GOSPEL READING

In returning to the Gospel of Mark, we hear today how the religious leaders from Jerusalem questioned Jesus about keeping "the tradition of the elders." Jesus responded with the importance of being clean of heart. Why is this such a challenging spiritual exercise?