



# Mary Help of Christians Traditional Roman Catholic Church

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## August 27<sup>th</sup>, 2023 † 13<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost

Sunday, Aug. 27, HIGH MASS 9:00 am – St. Joseph Calasanctius, C

*Pro Populo*

Mon., Aug. 28, No Mass in Springs – St. Augustine, BCD

*Fr. Augustine's Intention*

Tues., Aug. 29, HOLY MASS 8:00 am – Beheading of St. John the Baptist

*Private Intention*

Wed., Aug. 30, HOLY MASS 8:00 am – St. Rose of Lima, V

*RIP Robert Bernard*

Thurs., Aug. 31, HOLY MASS 8:00 am – St. Raymond Nonnatus, C

*For all the Benefactors of MHC*

Fri., Sept. 1, DISTRIBUTION of HOLY COMMUNION 8:00am – Feria (First Friday)

HOLY MASS and BENEDICTION 6:30 pm

*Private Intention*

Sat., Sept. 2, REPOSITION 8:45 am, HOLY MASS 9:00 am – BVM Saturday (First Saturday)

*Private Intention*

Sunday, Sept. 3, HOLY MASS 9:00 a.m – 14<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost

*Pro Populo*

### Serving Schedule:

Sun., Aug. 27<sup>th</sup>: Nick Vigil, Andrew Fries

Wed., Aug. 30<sup>th</sup>: Anthony & Toby Vigil

Fri., Sept. 1<sup>st</sup>: 8:00am Joseph Fries

Sat., Sept. 2<sup>nd</sup>: Steven Kosovich, Andrew Fries

Sun., Sept. 3<sup>rd</sup>: Anthony Kosovich, Anthony Vigil

Sun., Sept. 10<sup>th</sup>: Steven Kosovich, Joseph Fries

Tues., Aug. 29<sup>th</sup>: Andrew & John Fries

Thurs., Aug. 31<sup>st</sup>: Alex & Jude Vigil

6:30pm: Eric & Anthony Kosovich

**“God mingles the bitter with the sweet in this life, to set us seeking another life where there shall be sweet alone.” - St. Augustine**

**Confessions:** Sundays – 8:00 am and after Mass    **Tues. & Wed.** – 8:00 am    **Thurs.** - 2:00pm

**Ending Hymn:** God Father Praise and Glory Pg. 59 #58

**Catechism Classes:** will resume Sunday, Sept 10<sup>th</sup>, from 8:15am – 8:45am.

**PLEASE PRAY FOR:** The Slusher Family, Gabriel Trujillo, Pauline Buonocore, Maria Allie, Kyle Kaltenbacher, Elijah Nosko, Joshua Potts, Cynthia Bernard, Miller Family, Michael Micklich, our Military and Police, Tom Gallegos, RIP Frances Kwitek, RIP Susan Walz, RIP Paula Micklich, RIP Robert Bernard, RIP Zack Hemlock, RIP Bob Cure, RIP Malachai Miller, RIP Matias & Ben Trujillo RIP Richard Micklich and all those in need. (Contact Sister to add to this prayer list.)

**PAINTING:** all hands on deck to clean and paint the church basement the weekend of September 8<sup>th</sup>-9<sup>th</sup>. Please check your email for a sign-up sheet with details.

**MOWING:** the sign-up sheet is posted in the vestibule for tending the Church grounds. Pick your week!

**FIRST FRIDAY and FIRST SATURDAY MASS:** in reparation to the Sacred Heart of Jesus and the Immaculate Heart of Mary are this week. Please sign up for the all night adoration on the Google sheets link that has been sent out. All the hours must be filled in order for us to have this privilege! Devotions for First Saturday will begin at 8:00am; these include the Rosary with meditations and prayers to the Immaculate Heart.

### **Lessons of St. Augustine**

*Saint Augustine, Sermo ad Caesariensis Ecclesiae plebem 6:*

"No man can find salvation save in the Catholic Church. Outside the Catholic Church he can find everything save salvation. He can have dignities, he can have the Sacraments, can sing 'Alleluia', answer 'Amen,' accept the Gospels have faith in the Name of the Father, the Son and the Holy Ghost, and preach it too, but never save in the Catholic Church can he find salvation."

*St. Augustine, De Spiritu et littera, lviii*

But "God wills all men to be saved to come and to the knowledge of the truth (1 Timothy, ii, 4); not, however, so as to take away their will, for the good or bad use of which they are most justly judged. When this happens it is true that unbelievers act contrary to God's will, when they do not believe in His Gospel; but that does not mean that they conquer God, but that they deprive themselves of the great good and involve themselves in evils as their reward, afterwards to experience in their punishment His power whose mercies they despised in His gifts."

"Sinners do not hope for the pardon of the sins of which they repent: but they hope that, though they continue to commit sin, God will have mercy upon them: and thus they make the mercy of God serve as a motive for continuing to offend Him. This hope will make God hasten the execution of His vengeance: for surely a master will not defer the punishment of servants who offend him because he is good. God is good: I will do what I please!"~St. Augustine

We can be guilty of no greater folly than to delay our preparation for death, repentance, the reception of the sacraments, and the amendment of our life, from day to day, from the time of health to the time of illness, and in illness to the very last moments, thinking that even then we can obtain pardon. St. Augustine observes: "It is very dangerous to postpone the performance of a duty on which our whole eternity depends to the most inconvenient time, the last hour." "Let no one say to himself. I do penance to God in private. I do it before God. Is it then in vain that Christ hath said: 'Whatsoever thou shalt loose on earth shall be loosed in heaven?' Is it in vain that the keys have been given to the Church? Do we make void the Gospel? void the words of Christ?"~St. Augustine

#### **A Prayer Composed by St. Augustine, and Recommended to the Devotion of all Catholics by Urban VIII**

Before thy eyes, O Lord, we bring our sins, and with them compare the stripes we have received. If we weigh the evil we have done, we find what we suffer to be much less than what we deserve. "What we have committed far outweighs what we endure. We feel the punishment of sin, and yet we turn not from our willfulness in sinning. Our weakness faints under Thy scourges; but our perverseness is still the same. Our diseased mind is racked with pain, and our neck is as stiff as ever. Our life is spent in sighs and grief; but in our actions we are not reformed. If Thou expect our amendment, we grow no better; if Thou take revenge, we are not able to subsist. When we are chastised, we acknowledge what we have done; but when thy visitation is over, we forget what we have wept for. If Thou stretch out Thy hand, we promise duty; if Thou suspend Thy sword, we keep not our promise. If Thou strike, we cry for pardon; and if Thou pardon, we provoke Thee again to strike. Here, O Lord, are criminals confessing their guilt; we know that unless Thou forgive Thou mayst justly destroy us. Grant, without our merit, what we ask, O Almighty Father, Who out of nothing didst create us to ask Thee, through Christ our Lord.

Amen.

