

St. Caspar's Calling



Ordinary Time Part 1 2022

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Shrine Mass

Saturday, August 13 5 p.m.

Celebrating Mass outside in God's creation is unique. We will be doing a picnic style dinner after the Mass by bringing side dishes for your family; the Knights of Columbus will provide burgers, hot dogs, brats, condiments (pickles, relish, sauerkraut), chips, bottled water, and lemonade. Please bring your own chairs, if you do forget we will have chairs available.

For safety reasons around the Shrine area, please park in the church parking lot. Those having difficulty walking should park in the cleared grassy area east of the creek. In case of threatening weather or excessive heat, the Mass will be held inside. Newly Baptixed

Congratulations to these children who were baptized: Yazleemar, Yessenia, & Esmeralda Rojas-Sereno Parents – Marco & Karina Rojas-Sereno Baptized: 4/23/22 Yunuel Rojas-Brena Parents: Yunuel & Jessica Rojas-Brena Baptized: 4/24/22 Daxton James Martin Parents: Wesley & Julianne Martin Baptized: 6/5/2022 **Emma Jean Rawlins** Parents: Nate & Casemira Rawlins Baptized: 6/5/2022 Milani Valencia Montez-Ellis Parents: Jastin & Leticia Montez-Ellis Baptized: 6/12/2022



Welcome our new parishioner: Jordan, Catie & Kasen Lemley (Archbold)

# Our Sympathy

May the angels and saints welcome into heaven, James Spieles, 4/18/22 and Nancy Hill, 5/31/22. Please remember their families and friends in your thoughts, prayers, and action.

#### What is Adoration?

When Catholics say they are "going to Adoration," they are typically referring to Eucharistic Adoration. In the most basic terms, Adoration is the worship of the Holy Eucharist outside of the Mass. Jesus, in the consecrated Eucharistic Host, is worshiped in exposition. Exposition of Jesus, the Holy Eucharist, occurs in a Monstrance (the ornamental, big gold display case) so that all can see Jesus and worship Him in prayer.

The Catechism of the Catholic Church tells us that, "*Adoration* is the first attitude of man acknowledging that he is a creature before his Creator. It exalts the greatness of the Lord who made us and the almighty power of the Savior who sets us free from evil... (CCC 2628) We can show our Adoration to God in many ways, but in Eucharistic Adoration, we spend time adoring the true presence of Jesus Christ in the Eucharist - Body, Blood, Soul, Divinity.

## Why Adoration on First Fridays?

Adoration occurs at St. Caspar Parish on First Fridays. The first Friday of the month is marked by special devotion to the Sacred Heart of Jesus since Jesus died for us and won our salvation on a Friday. Every Friday of the year, and not only the Fridays in Lent, is a special day of penance as stipulated in the **Code of Canon Law: "The penitential days and times in the universal Church are every Friday of the whole year and the season of Lent" (Canon 1250).** 

**St. Margaret Mary Alacoque (1647-1690)** reported visions of Jesus Christ directing her to **promote devotion to the Sacred Heart of Jesus** on nine consecutive First Fridays in reparation for sins and in order to show love to Jesus. In return for this act of devotion, which usually includes Mass, Communion, confession and even an hour of Eucharistic Adoration, our blessed Savior reputedly promised St. Margaret Mary the following blessings:

"In the excess of the mercy of my Heart, I promise you that My all powerful love will grant to all those who will receive Communion on the First Fridays, for nine consecutive months, the grace of final repentance: they will not die in My displeasure, nor without receiving the sacraments; and My Heart will be their secure refuge in that last hour."

## What Do I Do During Eucharistic Adoration?

When you attend Adoration at our parish, Exposition of Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament occurs at the end of the Friday morning Mass. As a form of respect, you should always genuflect when you see our Lord in the Monstrance. Maintain an attitude of respect, and if others are present, silence. There may, however, be music playing to help foster a spirit of prayer, worship, and Adoration. Always keep in mind that you are in the presence of God! Kneeling, sitting, or standing before the Blessed Sacrament are all appropriate forms of prayer. Let your posture reflect your worship of God.

## The Saints Encourage Us to Go to Adoration

"Whenever I go to the chapel, I put myself in the presence of our good Lord, and I say to him, 'Lord, I am here. Tell me what you would have me to do'... And then, I tell God everything that is in my heart. I tell him about my pains and my joys, and then I listen. If you listen, God will also speak to you, for with the good Lord, you have to both speak and listen. God always speaks to you when you approach him plainly and simply." – **St. Catherine Labouré** 

The time you spend with Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament is the best time that you will spend on earth. Each moment that you spend with Jesus will deepen your union with Him and make your soul everlastingly more glorious and beautiful in heaven, and will help bring about an everlasting peace on earth. "- St. Teresa of Calcutta

"Know also that you will probably gain more by praying fifteen minutes before the Blessed Sacrament than by all the other spiritual exercises of the day. True, Our Lord hears our prayers anywhere, for He has made the promise, 'Ask, and you shall receive,' but He has revealed to His servants that those who visit Him in the Blessed Sacrament will obtain a more abundant measure of grace." – **St. Alphonsus Liguori** 



# ONLINE SCHEDULING INSTRUCTIONS FOR PHOTO DIRECTORY



- ♦ Go to the Universal Church Directories website (<u>www.ucdir.com</u>)
- ♦ Click on the box on the right side of the homepage entitled "photography appointment scheduling login"
- ♦ Enter your church code oh2475
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- ♦ Click on the desired photography date
- ♦ Click on the Reserve Time button beside the desired photography appointment time
- ♦ Enter the appropriate information in all required fields (indicated by the asterisk)
- ♦ Enter your email address if a confirmation email is desired
- ♦ Click on the Schedule Appointment button at the bottom of the screen to reserve the photography appointment time in your family's name
- ♦ If you have more than six family members being photographed, please reserve two appointments consecutively (such as 6:00 and 6:10)
- ♦ Print the next screen to use as a reminder of your family's photography appointment
- ♦ Contact your church's online scheduling administrator to change or cancel your photography appointment



# **Cremation and Catholics**

If you are considering cremation, it is important to know what is involved and what your choices are. You will then be able to make a meaningful decision that is right for you and your family.

# What is cremation?

Cremation (through heat and evaporation) is the process by which the body of the deceased is reduced to its basic elements (ashes). Cremation is permitted for Catholics as long as it is not chosen in denial of Christian teaching on the Resurrection and the sacredness of the human body.

The cremated remains are placed in a permanent container or urn. An urn serves the same purpose after cremation that a casket does with burial. A final resting place may then be selected for the urn.

# Does the Church have a preference for either cremation or burial of the body of the deceased?

Although cremation is permitted, Catholic teaching continues to stress the preference for burial or entombment of the body of the deceased. This is done in imitation of the burial of Jesus' body.

"This is the Body once washed in baptism, anointed with the oil of salvation, and fed with the bread of life. Our identity and self-consciousness as a human person are expressed in and through the body... Thus, the Church's reverence and care for the body grows out of a reverence and concern for the person whom the Church now commends to the care of God." (1)

# What are the steps to be taken?

When cremation is chosen for a good reason, the full course of the Order of Christian Funerals should still be celebrated, including the Vigil Service (wake), the Funeral Liturgy, and the Rite of Committal. The preservation of this Order allows for the greater expression of our beliefs and values, especially, the sacredness of human life, the dignity of the individual person and the resurrection of Jesus Christ, the firstborn of the dead. Through its funeral rites, the Church commends the dead to the merciful love of God and pleads for the forgiveness of their sins.

# Should cremation occur before or after the funeral?

The Church clearly prefers and urges that the body be present during the Vigil and Funeral Mass. If cremation of a loved one is to be used, it should take place following the Funeral Mass. If cremation takes place before, cremated remains are permitted to be present for the Funeral Mass.

#### What should become of the cremated remains following the funeral?

Church teaching insists that cremated remains must be given the same respect as the body, including the manner in which they are carried and the attention given to their appropriate transport and placement.

The cremated remains of a body are to be buried in a grave or entombed above ground within a permanently sealed columbarium grave stone, preferably in a Catholic cemetery, and using the rites provided by the Order of Christian Funerals.

The following are not considered to be reverent dispositions that the Church requires: scattering cremated remains, dividing cremated remains in individual urns for grieving family members, placing divided cremains in tokens such as book marks, paper weights, or necklaces.

The remains of a cremated body should be treated with the same respect given to the corporeal remains of a human body. This includes a worthy container to hold the cremated remains. At St. Caspar Cemetery, cremated remains must be in a non-biodegradable urn for burial. For example, a wooden urn must be buried inside a non-biodegradable cremation urn.

## When does the burial/ interment of cremains happen?

The cremated human remains are to be interred *as soon as possible* following cremation. Prayers (the Rite of Committal) are to be prayed graveside.

The practice of keeping cremated remains in the home is not the reverent disposition that the Church requires. It is most appropriate to have the funeral home care for the remains until committal.

## Conclusion

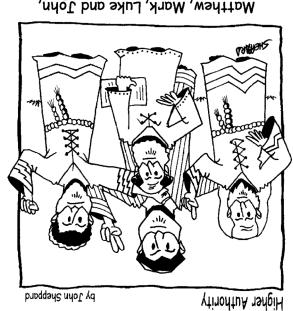
If you are considering cremation, it is wise to discuss your choice with your family, priest, and St. Caspar Cemetery officials.

For further information on Catholic teachings on cremation, see the 1997 statement of the Bishops' Committee on the Liturgy, *Reflections on the Body, Cremation, and Catholic Funeral Rites,* available from USCCB publications (800-235-8722).

(1) from Reflections on the Body, Cremation, and Catholic Funeral Rites, Committee on the Liturgy, USCCB, 1997



"I understand it holds two animals of every species, but we just don't see a need for it at this time, Noah"



Matthew, Mark, Luke and John, the original Fantastic 4

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