Love is patient, love is kind.
1 Corinthians 13:4

Happy Mother’s Day!

Most Sacred Heart of Jesus & St. Augustine Catholic Churches
May 12, 2019 | Jeffersonville, IN
Dear Parishioners,

Happy Mother’s Day! Today we celebrate motherhood in its many forms with gratitude and joy. Three years ago, my husband and I brought our son, Simon, home from the hospital on Mother’s Day. Looking back, I was unprepared for much of what motherhood required in those first months. I was completely unprepared to wake up all hours of the night—sleepless but starry-eyed—to care for our baby boy. I was surprised when I was able to nourish him with my very being and shocked when he trusted and adored me without reservation. And now that he’s a toddler, I realized how unprepared I was to answer the question, “WHY?” hundreds of times a day and to gently facilitate his growing independence.

Even more so, I realize how truly unprepared I was for the joy being his mother brings me. Motherhood has been my life’s greatest teacher, teaching me a different kind of holiness and a divine kind of love. I re-learn lessons of grace, patience, and humility every day.

And, on those days when I feel defeated from the hard work of motherhood—when I realize again that I can’t do this hard work on my own—I find God embraces me as I am, even if I’m feeling worn down and defeated. The hard days have been my greatest teachers—where I turn to God like a child would their mom, wanting comfort, assurance, and love. Of course, God’s love never fails to bring the kind of comfort I need.

I hope you have a blessed Mother’s Day. Below, I leave you with an excerpt from Allison Woodard’s poem, God Our Mother that captures beautifully the spirituality of motherhood and God’s unconditional love:

“To be a Mother is to suffer;
To travail in the dark,
stretched and torn,
exposed in half-naked humiliation,
subjected to indignities
for the sake of new life.

To be a Mother is to say,
“This is my body, broken for you,”
And, in the next instant, in response to the created’s primal hunger,
“This is my body, take and eat.”

To be a Mother is to self-empty,
To neither slumber nor sleep,
so attuned You are to cries in the night—
Offering the comfort of Yourself,
and assurances of “I’m here.”

To be a Mother is to weep
over the fighting and exclusions and wounds
your children inflict on one another;
To long for reconciliation and brotherly love
and—when all is said and done—
To gather all parties, the offender and the offended,
into the folds of your embrace
and to whisper in their ears
that they are Beloved…”

Peace,

Gillian Mocek
Coordinator of Communications
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**OUR Chronically Ill**

Marie Long  
Melissa Long  
Rhett Luecke  
Venita Lynch  
Doris Malady  
Charlotte Marr  
Kavin Mathes  
May Mathias  
Doug Mattingly  
Kathy McHugh

**OUR PRAYER LIST**

Charlie Meyer  
Bill Bob Meyer  
Frances Keeney  
Barbara Amy  
Don Huff  
Karly Ward  
Rita Brendle  
Merle “Bob” Robertson  
Katia Byram  
Donnie Sperzel  
Terry Urekew  
Drew Adams  
Brad Jacobs  
Lucy Giuffre  
Mark Uhl  
Jim Williams

**THOSE WHO HAVE RECENTLY PASSED AWAY:**

*Msgr. Lawrence Moran*

Eternal rest, grant unto them, O Lord and let perpetual light shine upon them. May their souls and the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen
Be a part of Totus Tuus this June at Sacred Heart. Volunteers are needed to assist the Totus Tuus team during each day of our program – June 23-28. The daily schedule is quite full and demands all the energy each person can bring to the day. This is deliberate so as to provide an intense giving of ourselves in service to Jesus Christ and the spreading of His Gospel. It is when we are weak that we are strong, for the Lord’s grace makes up for all that is lacking in us. In other words, it is meant to challenge and stretch each of us and our teachers so as to form us in selfless generosity, so that we might truly say with our Holy Father Saint John Paul II, an imitation of Mary’s “yes” at the Annunciation, “TOTUS TUUS!”

Are you up for the challenge? Do you have a day or a week to give in service to the youth in this program? Please contact Veronica Prechtel 812-284-3324 for more information.

**Want a Faith-Based Adventure for your family this summer?**

Join us for Totus Tuus – a week-long dive into our faith for elementary, middle and high school students being held at Sacred Heart from June 23-28. Registration is available on our website – jeffersonvillecatholic.org. If you have questions, please contact Veronica Prechtel 812-284-3324

**New Altar Server Training** will be conducted on Saturday May 18th and is open to students in 4th grade through 12th grade. Training to serve at Saint Augustine will be at 10 am and training to serve at Sacred Heart will be at Noon. Training will take about an hour and students must be accompanied by a parent. Please register for the training with Father Marcotte 812-282-2677 ext.

**Mother’s Day Roses** The weekend of May 11-12 the Catholic Community of Jeffersonville will be selling roses for mother’s day. This event is sponsored by the Right to Life of Southern Indiana. Roses are $2.00 each. This is a great way to honor mothers and grandmothers on this special day.
Please remember that the 3rd Sunday of every month, we collect non perishable food items for the Center for Lay Ministries. Your support of the Center is greatly appreciated!

4th Annual Shredding Day
Benefiting St. Elizabeth Catholic Charities

Thursday, May 16, 2019
11 am - 1 pm
St. Mary’s parking lot
(corner of 8th & Spring Street, New Albany)

Safely dispose of old paperwork that is cluttering your home or office and help support St. Elizabeth Catholic Charities at the same time!
Due to last year’s demand, we will be bringing TWO trucks on site!
Please call (812) 949-7305 or email info@stecharities.org with questions.
Open to the public!

Please remember that the 3rd Sunday of every month, we collect non perishable food items for the Center for Lay Ministries. Your support of the Center is greatly appreciated!

Blessings to those who received their First Communion on April 27-28, 2019!
Rowan Bauer, Jacob Bischof, Luke Bobo, Atticus Cope, Serenity Dees, Mason Fisher, Ava Hicks, Rebecca Johnson, Caroline Knigge, Kaleb Madden, Collin Perry, Gabriel Popp, Evelyn Renn, Penelope Schroeder, Maxwell Semones, Benjamin Short, Macy Stith

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EASTER FLOWERS 2019

In Honor of:
John Hoppes
Ray & Carolyn Pfannmoeller

In Memory of:
August E. & Katherine L. Jones
Charles David Jones
The Julius Family
Ron Hostetler
Edward Jankowski
Stella Jankowski
Linda Hostettler
Helen Wise
Trent Osborne
Robert W. Cosby
Sister Clareta Heffner, O.P.
The Kalb Family
Deceased Frederick Family
Donald Dillon

In Memory of:
The Julius and Tod Families
Bill Marcotte
Wilber Marcotte Family
Leonard Nienaber Family
Carl & Mary Uhl
Timer & Rene Jones
Mr. & Mrs. Bliss Dawson
Leah Gadzikowski
Jim & Carol Ford's Parents
Frank Dierking
Ralph & Helen Swank
Diane Swank
Gilbert & Eva Gallegos
Connie Basford
Eula & Alvin Satterly
Ann & Curt Vogt
Chad Book
Conrad Storz III

In Memory of:
Donald Gootee
Theresa Gootee Batts
Mary E. Molina
Mrs. LeLa Poteete
Mrs. Victoria Magnetti
Tressie Magnetti
Kenneth Yost
Mary G. Yost
Jack Leuthart
John A. Leuthart III
Mildred Leezer
Larry Elder
The Whitehead Family
The Kreilein Family
Patricia Hardin
Joyce Lacy
Fred Lacy
Louis G. “Sonny” Julius