

# *Thansfiguration of Jesus Catholic Church* 506 E Main Street, Wallace, North Carolina 28466

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# Santa Clara Catholic Mission

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Lord, to whom shall we go? thou hast the words of eternal life. JOHN 6:68

21<sup>st</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time August 25, 2024

# On the HORIZON

August 30	16 <sup>th</sup> Annual Bill Lord Memorial Golf Tournament
September 1	No First Sunday Breakfast (Labor Day Weekend)
September 8 9:30 A	M Faith Formation Classes Begins Orientation for Students/Parents

## Twenty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time

#### **Background on the Gospel Reading**

For our Gospel today we hear the conclusion of the "Bread of Life discourse" in the sixth chapter of John's Gospel. In the preceding verses, which we have heard proclaimed in our liturgy over the past few weeks, we have heard Jesus explain that he is the Bread of Life, given so that those who believe may have eternal life. This discourse follows the miracle in which Jesus fed more than five thousand people with five barley loaves and two fish. As Jesus has been teaching these things, John's Gospel describes a murmuring crowd unable to accept Jesus' words. In today's Gospel, the crowd has dwindled in number, and John no longer references them, or the Jews. Instead John describes the questioning of those considered to be Jesus' own disciples.

Today's Gospel first records the response of those in the crowd who are described as Jesus' disciples. Just as the larger crowd had struggled with Jesus' teaching, these disciples also cannot accept Jesus' words. Jesus is said to know about their murmuring. He responds by acknowledging their unbelief and by reiterating that only those chosen by the Father will follow Jesus to the end. John's Gospel reports that many of those who had been Jesus' disciples ceased to follow him at this point. The number of people following Jesus dwindled from a crowd of more than 5,000 to only 12 people. And it is to these Twelve that Jesus now turns his attention.

Simon Peter's response to Jesus' question as to whether those closest to him will also leave, reminds us of the reports of Peter's confession of faith in the Synoptic Gospels. Peter announces, on behalf of all the Twelve, that they have come to believe all that Jesus has taught about himself: Jesus is the one from God in whom they have found the path to eternal life.

This conclusion of the Bread of Life discourse focuses on personal faith in the life of Christian discipleship. Each person must make his or her own judgment about who Jesus is and in doing so determine the way of life that he or she will follow. God's grace invites us to be Jesus' disciples, but each person must respond to the grace of God and confess as his or her own the belief that Jesus is the one from God. This faith then commits us to the path of life, leading us to eternal life.

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#### Our Mission To love and know more profoundly our Catholic faith, worship the Lord, minister to our members and to further spread our faith in the community.

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#### **New Office Hours**

Mon.9-6 PM (Wallace)Tue.Day-offWed.9-12 NN (Goldsboro)Wed.2-6 PM (Magnolia)Thur.9-12 NN (Wallace)3-6 PM (Goldsboro)Fri.9-12 PM (Wallace)Call to make an appointment

Adoration

Mon.	6:00 – 7:00 PM
Thurs.	9:30-10:30 AM

#### Reconciliation

Thur.during Holy HourSat.4:30 PM or by appointment

# Weekend Mass Schedule

Transfiguration of JesusSaturday5:00 PM EnglishSunday8:30 AM English10:30 AM Spanish

Santa Clara Mission 1:00 PM Spanish

#### Weekday Masses

Mon, Thurs-Fri Mon Wed (Santa Clara) 9:00 AM (Eng.) 7:00 PM (Esp.) 7:00 PM (Esp.)

#### The Pope's Monthly Intention (August) For political leaders

We pray that political leaders be at the service of their own people, working for integral human development and for the common good, especially caring for the poor and those who have lost their jobs.

### **Pastoral Care of the Sick**

Prayer Tree Requests should be sent to all three committee members. This is to ensure that no prayer request goes unanswered. Also, please make sure that permission is given by the person or family needing prayer, to send out the request.

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Dear Jesus, we turn to You in the time of illness. O dearest Comforter alleviate our worry with your gentle love. We place our sick under Your care and humbly ask that You restore Your servants to health again. Above all, grant us the grace to acknowledge whatsoever you do, you do for the love of us.

# Parish Capital Campaign - 75th Anniversary



#### **Parish Ministries & Committees**

#### Faithful Citizenship (Series)

# How Does the Church Help the Catholic Faithful to Speak About Political and Social Questions?

#### **Doing Good and Avoiding Evil**

21. Aided by the virtue of prudence in the exercise of well-formed consciences, Catholics are called to make practical judgments regarding good and evil choices in the political arena.

22. There are some things we must never do, as individuals or as a society, because they are always incompatible with love of God and neighbor. Such actions are so deeply flawed that they are always opposed to the authentic good of persons. These are called "intrinsically evil" actions. They must always be rejected and opposed and must never be supported or condoned. A prime example is the intentional taking of innocent human life, as in abortion and euthanasia. In our nation, "abortion and euthanasia have become preeminent threats to human dignity because they directly attack life itself, the most fundamental human good and the condition for all others" (Living the Gospel of Life, no. 5). It is a mistake with grave moral consequences to treat the destruction of innocent human life merely as a matter of individual choice. A legal system that violates the basic right to life on the grounds of choice is fundamentally flawed

23. Similarly, human cloning, destructive research on human embryos, and other acts that directly violate the sanctity and dignity of human life are also intrinsically evil. These must always be opposed. Other direct assaults on innocent human life, such as genocide, torture, and the targeting of noncombatants in acts of terror or war, can never be justified. Nor can violations of human dignity, such as acts of racism, treating workers as mere means to an end, deliberately subjecting workers to subhuman living conditions, treating the poor as disposable, or redefining marriage to deny its essential meaning, ever be justified.

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#### **Finance Committee (Monthly Financials)**

	July Budget	July Actuals	July Expense
Offertory	\$	\$	
Maintenance	\$		
Others			
Total	\$	\$	\$
Net Revenue			

No report available yet for July 2024 due to the change of software throughout the Diocese.



#### **Parish Pastoral Council**

The parish hall from now on shall be known as the **FOUNDER'S HALL** in recognition of the vision and boldness of the families that started the Catholic Mission in the Duplin County.

The 504 E Main Street shall be known as **SETON HOME** – in honor of Saint Elizabeth Ann Seton, the first American Saint, founder of the first American parish school and Catholic Orphanage, and founder of the first American Religious Community of Women, the Sisters of Charity.

The official Dedication of the Seton Home is on Sept. 8, 2024 after the 8:30 AM Mass. The dedication of the Founder's Hall is on September 15 after the 8:30 AM Mass.

Weekly Schedule (August 24-29)				
Saturday			Saint Bartholomew Rv 21:9b-14/Jn 1:45-51	
4:30 PM	Confessions	Greeters:	P Schaeffer	
5:00 PM	Vigil Mass (English)	Transporter:	A Jiminez	
	+Walter Rising requested by John and	Lectors:	J Couch	
	Julia Callahan	EMC:	J Couch, M Hopkins, B Keeney	
		Altar Servers:	M McCarthy	
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Sunday			21 <sup>st</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	
			Jos 24:1-2a, 15-17, 18b/Eph 5:21-32 or 5:2a,	
			25-32/Jn 6:60-69	
8:30 AM	English Mass	Greeters:	M Russell, C Russell	
	+Ashleigh Jordan Dale requested by Paul	Transporter:	M Masinick	
	and Jeanne Jazowski	Lectors:	G Stracuzza, J Paquette	
	+Consuelo Valdez requested by Mike and	EMC:	P George, V Matera, Deacon Mike	
	Diane Orlowski	Altar Servers:	Adriana, Miguel, Janet	
9:15 AM	RCIA – Spanish			
10:30 AM	Spanish Mass	Greeters:	Jorge, Tino, Jorge, Elias, Valentin, Alberto	
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		Lectors:		
		EMC:		
		Altar Servers:	Josef, Dorian, Sofia, Jairo	

Monday		2 Thes 1:1-5, 11-12/Mt 23:13-22
9:00 AM	Mass (English)	
6:00 PM	Adoration (Spanish)	
7:00 PM	Mass (Spanish)	
Tuesday		Saint Monica
-		2 Thes 2:1-3a, 14-17/Mt 23:23-26
Wednesday		Saint Augustine
6:00 PM	Adoration (Santa Clara - Spanish)	2 Thes 3:6-10, 16-18/Mt 23:27-32
7:00 PM	Mass (Santa Clara – Spanish)	
Thursday		The Passion of Saint John the Baptist
9:00 AM	Mass (English)	1 Cor 1:1-9 (428)/Mk 6:17-29
9:30 AM	Adoration/Morning Prayer	
Friday		1 Cor 1:17-25/Mt 25:1-13
9:00 ÅM	Mass (English)	
Saturday		1 Cor 1:26-31/Mt 25:14-30
4:30 PM	Confessions	
5:00 PM	Vigil Mass (English)	