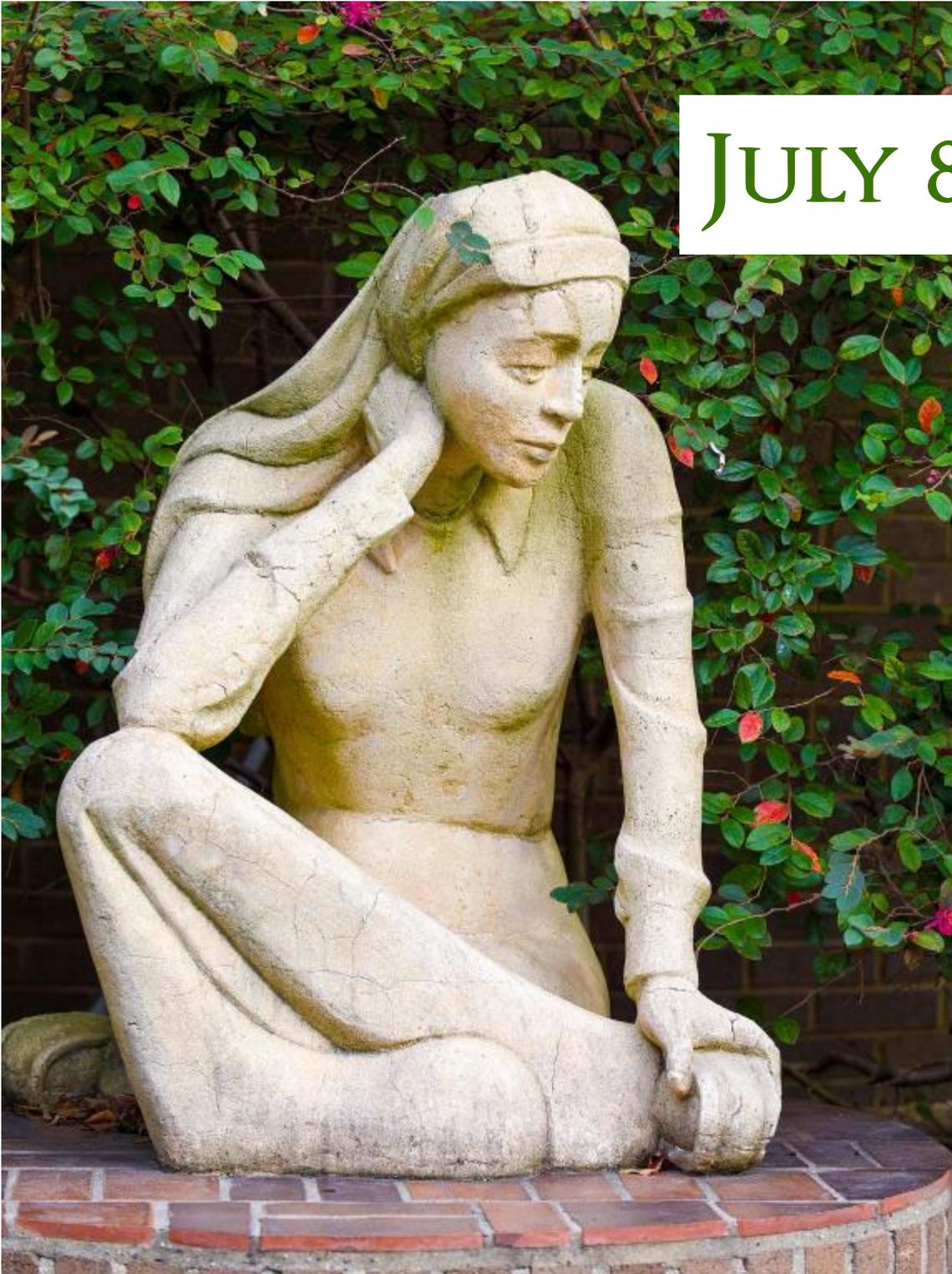


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JULY 8, 2018



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Dear Friends,

Congratulations to Allison and Michael Jochetz on the arrival of their first child, Tyler Marshall, who will be welcomed into the community of the Church through the sacrament of Baptism at the 11:15 am Mass this Sunday, July 8. A very special welcome to all their family and friends who will be celebrating this great event with us here at St. Catherine's. With the example and encouragement of his parents, his godparents, John Jochetz and Kaitlin Nowak, and the parishioners here and wherever he continues his faith journey, he will grow in his knowledge and love of God and his neighbor.

On a completely different front, I have something of which you should be acutely aware. Clergy in Charlotte, North Carolina, recently warned parishioners to beware of scammers posing as their pastors. "Criminals recently sent emails impersonating Fr. Frank O'Rourke to parishioners of St. Gabriel Church asking for iTunes gift cards to help a sick friend in the hospital," reported the Catholic News Herald; "Several parishioners did ... trust that the email was actually from their pastor and sent the impostor gift cards worth about a thousand dollars. The gift cards were used immediately, and none of that money has been recovered," said Claudia Goppold, St. Gabriel Church business manager." Other parishes in the area have also been targeted.

The identical same scam took some unwitting parishioners here at St. Catherine's by surprise two weeks ago. Emails, with a lovely picture of me beside a false email address, were sent to various parishioners asking for the very same iTunes cards; know that it is easy to cut and paste my photo from our webpage. They were asked to scan the cards and email the information back to them (supposedly me), and then that was the end of the money! Should you get a similar request, check the e-mail or check with me to determine the legitimacy of the request.

Also keep in mind that I have never asked for money, gifts or otherwise from anyone here in the church – so this is truly out of character. If I need something from you, I will ask you personally and in the flesh. Don't trust a phone call either. I know it would take a good impersonator to copy my accent, but you never know! Only give something into my own hands, and even then, make sure it is me.

Be safe, and above all, be careful when it comes to solicitations, no matter who appears to be making the request.

God bless,

Fr. Niall

MASS TIMES

SUNDAY MASSES

Saturday Vigil 5:00 PM
Sunday 8:30 AM and 11:15 AM

WEEKDAY MASSES

Tuesday - Friday, 12:15 PM

RECONCILIATION

Saturday 4:00 - 4:30 PM

OFFICE HOURS

Monday - Friday
10:00 AM - 4:00 PM



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TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

Some say tomato--and some say tomahto--you know the old song. What do you say when you arrive at church and see a font prepared, a baby in the wings, the paschal candle burning? Well, maybe you will say that "we're having a baptism today," or maybe you say "we are having a christening." The proper term is baptism, since that is the name of the sacrament. But the persistent use of "christening" in our culture, probably from due to the influence of the Episcopal Church, is interesting. Baptism, an ancient word, is from the Greek meaning to dip or to dunk. Christening is an Old English word that describes perfectly well that more than getting splashed with water, the person being baptized is being "Christ-ed." No matter what you call it, there's always water involved, and then an anointing with chris--fragrant olive oil consecrated as a sign of Christ's presence--poured upon the brow as we say, "As Christ was anointed Priest, Prophet, and King, so may you live always as a member of his body, sharing everlasting life." So, in being Christ-ed, you are conformed to his image, your life is expected to be a retelling of his life in miniature and you--even though you may be squirming or sleeping--are commissioned to be a priest, a prophet, a king. This means that you are called to be one who worships, you are called to speak the truth, you are called to shape the world and exercise right judgment. That is the deepest treasure of our tradition, and every time you gather to celebrate a baptism, you renew your vows precisely so that you can be more "Christ-ed." No matter what vocabulary you assign to the liturgy, the key is transformation of the human person in the community of the Body of Christ.

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Café Catholica 2018 "The Voice of Christ: Rooted in Love" is an annual summer series for young adults (20's-30's) sponsored by the Archdiocese of Galveston-Houston. We present some of the most dynamic Catholic speakers from around the country and feature Catholic ministries and businesses of interest to young adults. A Free event, donations are accepted. Come all or part of the evening.

This year we will meet over **4 Mondays** evenings starting **July 9, 2018** for Confessions, Mass, Dinner and a Talk by a dynamic Catholic speaker. Table Sponsors showcase organizations and ministries and businesses that are of interest to young adults.

Each night, we follow the same schedule:

- 5:15pm** - Confessions & guided prayer
- 6:15pm** - MASS
- 7:15pm** - DINNER, socializing, table exhibits
- 8:15pm** - TALK by Featured Speaker (ends with Q&A time)

Location: St. Michael Catholic Church
1801 Sage Rd, Houston TX 77056

For more information visit <https://www.archgh.org/cafecatholica>

PARISH CALENDAR

FOURTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

St. Vincent de Paul Society Black Bag Annual Collection

SAT 7 5:00 PM Sunday Vigil Mass

SUN 8 8:30 AM Sunday Mass

11:15 AM Sunday Mass

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*Mission of
Yahweh Food
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FOURTEENTH WEEK IN ORDINARY TIME

MON 9 OFFICE HOURS: 10 AM-4 PM
No Weekday Mass

TUES 10 OFFICE HOURS: 10 AM-4 PM
12:15 PM Weekday Mass

WED 11 OFFICE HOURS: 10 AM-4 PM
12:15 PM Weekday Mass

THURS 12 OFFICE HOURS: 10 AM-4 PM
12:15 PM Weekday Mass

FRI 13 OFFICE HOURS: 10 AM-4 PM
12:15 PM Weekday Mass

FIFTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

SAT 14 5:00 PM Sunday Vigil Mass

SUN 15 8:30 AM Sunday Mass † Monica Senff

11:15 AM Sunday Mass

Reward yourselves this summer!

**TAKE A WEEKEND OFF TO
REDISCOVER EACH OTHER
and find God
IN YOUR MARRIAGE!!**



**Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend
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PARISH WEBSITE
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