

**My dear friends in Jesus Christ,**

*“An Un reflected Life is an Unlived Life.”* Today we are entering into the 24<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary time. Through the readings of today, the Holy Mother Church invites us to have a sincere reflection about our life of faith in Jesus Christ. By being a baptized person, do I really know Jesus? By going to the Catholic School & Catholic Church do I really become a true faithful of Christ? By holding & reading Bible, do I really able to say who Jesus is? Does your knowledge of Christ helps you to experience Christ in your life and in others life too? Today the question to be answered is who is Jesus for me?

When an unbeliever asks about Jesus, I am sure many of us will turn the pages of Bible and try to give answer. But be sure, from the Bible we get only the knowledge about Christ. As a Christian, every one is called to be a missionary for Christ. A Christian with the knowledge of Christ is only a missionary without a vision. To be an effective missionary we should have vision and in order that, we should be able to translate the knowledge of Christ into an experience of Christ. This combination of knowledge and experience of Christ helped apostles to be great missionaries of the world and that is what we see from the Acts of the Apostles. Now how do I experience Jesus in my life? How will I be able to say like Peter *“You are the Christ, son of the Living God”*?

*There was a little girl, she was very smart and talented and the whole village was proud of her, but her parents were very poor. She had a great desire to become a great dancer in her life, and because of her insistence, her parents permitted her to get trained from a famous teacher of that time. After many days of training, she and her teacher felt that she should be able to perform a stage show for the people. The whole village and people were in the mood of celebration and many other prominent guests were also invited for her first stage performance. All people were amazed at her performance. At the end of the dance show, the whole audience got up and expressed their appreciation, by clapping their hands. But she was standing still, and fixed her eyes on someone in the audience at the behind. She started crying aloud and all were stunned and her parents and near ones rushed to the stage and tried to console her and find out the reason for crying. After some time, she said you all clapped for me and expressed your appreciation, but my master is sitting at the corner of the hall, he did not clap for me. That means I have not performed up to his desire. That made me sad.*

Yes, only by looking back to the life and evaluating along with the Lord we can experience Jesus in our

daily life and make others to experience Christ in their lives too. Yes, we need to sit back and see whether Jesus is happy with my performance of everyday. So experience of our life as child of God is the experience of Jesus in my life, and only then, I can also tell Jesus *“You are truly the Christ, son of the Living God.”* Be sure, each one of us will be asked and interviewed about our own relationship with Jesus. To give a right answer we need the divine revelation and to get this divine revelation we need to have the divine knowledge and divine experience and that is the knowledge of Christ and the experience of Christ. Holy Eucharist is the medium through which we can experience Jesus very personally in our lives. So don't miss it.

**May God Bless you.**

**HAPPY NEWS! LET'S CELEBRATE!**

Callie Hayden grew up in our church, and now that's she's about to become a married woman, we want to wish her, and her soon-to-be-husband, George Zhang, congratulations. While we can't attend the wedding in South Carolina, Callie's friends at St. Sebastian can certainly send the couple well wishes, lots of love, prayers for a happy life together . . . and gift cards! The couple is registered at Amazon and Crate & Barrel, but they also shop at Kroger and Walmart. You could also slip a check or some money in an envelope, if that suits you better. No matter which form of card you choose, just slip it into an envelope (with your greetings and name) and bring it to church on Sunday, October 3rd. A wedding shower table will be set up in the foyer for your sweet gift. Mark and Paula Hayden, proud parents of the little girl who used to play the organ and lead us in song, will take the gifts with them to Callie and George's wedding. Please keep the couple and their families in your prayers.

**MORE GOOD NEWS!**

Sam and Bethany Hayden will be welcoming a sweet baby girl to their family in November. St. Sebastian is so blessed to have babies coming into the church and for the families that bring them in! As is our church custom, a diaper shower will be held for Baby Girl Hayden on Sunday, October 31st. Please bring a package of diapers for Little Miss Hayden. Her big sisters, Lucy and Molly, can hardly wait to help their Mama (and Daddy!) with diaper duty. Please continue your prayers for a good, safe delivery.

**Financial Report - September 5, 2021**

**St. Sebastian- Amount Needed: \$2,883.56 weekly**  
Regular Collection \$ 4736 + 1852.44  
Emergency Fund \$ 640

**Financial Report - September 5, 2021**

**St. Charles - Amount Needed: \$1,058.22 weekly**  
Regular Collection \$ 1394 + 335.78  
Emergency Fund \$ 105

**Mass Schedule**  
**September 12 - September 19**

**Sunday - Twenty-fourth Sunday of Ordinary Time**

-8:30am - Mass at St. Sebastian  
*Robert Vollman*  
-10:30am - Mass at St. Charles  
*Tichenor- Leachman Families*

**Monday - Saint John Chrysostom, Bishop and Doctor of the Church (Memorial)**  
***No Mass***

**Tuesday - The Exaltation of the Holy Cross(Feast)**

- 8:00am - Communion Service at St. Sebastian  
***No Mass***

**Wednesday- Our Lady of Sorrows (Memorial)**  
***No Mass***

**Thursday - Saints Cornelius, Pope, and Cyprian, Bishop, Martyrs (Memorial)**

- 8:00am - Communion Service at St. Sebastian  
***No Mass***

**Friday - Twenty- fourth Week in Ordinary Time**

***No Mass***

**Saturday- Twenty- fourth Week in Ordinary Time**

***No Mass***

**Sunday - Twenty-fifth Sunday of Ordinary Time**

-8:30am - Mass at St. Sebastian  
*Tommy England*  
-10:30am - Mass at St. Charles  
*Bill & Jacinta Garinger*

***Thanks to everyone for your generous contributions to Our Churches during this unfortunate time. God Bless & Be Safe.***

**Ministry Schedule**

**September 19, 2021**

St. Sebastian Euch. Min: Laurie Scott  
Lector: Gail Clayton & Drew McCarty

St. Charles Euch. Min: George Rhodes  
Lector: Zach Albin & Anna Miller

**CDC Recommendations for Covid-19 Pandemic**

- All Vaccinated and Unvaccinated over the age of two are strongly recommended to wear a facemask properly.
- If you are feeling ill or concerned about exposure to the virus be encouraged to remain home.
- Gathering spaces to be cleaned and sanitized regularly.
- Continue with proper hand washing and/or sanitizing.
- No social gatherings or meetings are permitted in the church buildings.
- Eucharistic Ministers should be masked and sanitize their hands after receiving the Eucharist.

**HOW ABOUT SOME MORE GOOD NEWS?**

Nathan and Emily Floyd are expecting a baby boy in January, and no one is more thrilled than big-brother-to-finally-be Abel! Please help us shower Little Mister Floyd with diapers on Sunday, November 21st. It's great to celebrate with the Floyds, Burdens, and Abneys — and with their church family! A table will be set up in the foyer for your gifts. Please continue to pray for a good, safe delivery.

**St. Charles - Anniversary**



Lee & Sandy Edwards - September 12

**St. Sebastian - Happy Birthday**



Matt Hayden - September 15  
Sarah Anderson - September 14

**St. Charles - Happy Birthday**



Derek Miller - September 18

**Please Pray for our Military**

MMN1 Andrew Logsdon, SSgt. James (J.P.) Dye, John Randall Zaremba, Major Jack Kaina, Major Bradley Summers, Lance Corporal Marine Joseph Ryan Hunter, Lt. Col. Michael Rezebek. A.B. Phillip Wilson, Specialist 4 Chaz McKay, Sgt. Adam Dickey, and Corpsman Aly Franklin

**Prayer List for Members of our Community**

Melanie Mayes, Jason Evans, Lisa Jackson, Ethan Settle, Jimmy Clayton, Pat Calhoun, Sonny Renfrow, Kimberly Nowak, Todd Tichenor, Kimberly Stiles, Louis & Alice Weise, Callie Hayden, Mary Jewell, Tom Schutte, Evelyn Drury, Bill Abney, Debbie Dunn, Ben Dunn, Tommy England, Louis Dant, Becky Cheatham, Lisa Vaught, Lance Green and Neil Hayden.