



St. Vincent Ferrer Catholic Community

Madison Heights, MI www.stvincentferrer.net

JULY 23, 2023 † SIXTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

From The Pastor

In the acceptance and trust of God's infinite mercy, how do we understand and respond to sin? Divine love revealed in the redemption of the Cross frees us from the death of sin, but what of human and worldly consequences of sin? We are all sinners. In Christ, we are redeemed sinners as we embrace the truth and mercy of the Lord's death and Resurrection. Does that close the question on sin and our response to disordered human behavior?

Sin has many faces on every level of human society. Original sin expresses that we are born by nature into a state of sin through the fault of Adam and Eve. Freed from original sin by the grace of Baptism and the acceptance of Christ, we nonetheless are faced with the reality of our human weakness and personal sin. Concupiscence expresses the proneness of human beings to the inclination of sin. St. Paul in his letter to the Romans (7:19ff) captures the essence of this. He says, 'why do I not do the good that I desire, and instead do the evil that I hate? St. Paul was a saintly man and considered the greatest evangelizer the world has ever known. Still, he admits his sinful nature and his essential need to be saved. "What a wretched man I am. Who can save me from this mortal body? Thanks be to God through our Lord Jesus Christ!"

The mercy of God is most effective and fruitful in the one who admits and confesses their human weakness and the fault of sin. Sin is serious and the danger is that we minimize our sin because of the mercy of God. The mercy of God is freely offered at the cost of the death of the Lord Jesus. It is a death that, in the power of Divine love, defeats the disorder of sin for the sake of conversion and union with God. It is most dangerous to deny our sin, pretend it 'isn't that bad,' hide it from ourselves or others, or blame and project it onto others. These behaviors play into the lie and the deception of the Evil one who seeks our separation from God. Hidden or denied sin is the most dangerous to the soul.

How does this square with the story of the Weeds and the Wheat? God is greater than sin and God will do all that God can do to heal and reconcile the lie of sin and the disorder of evil. But we must cooperate with God in this holy exchange. We can never accomplish this on our own. Redemption is God's gift given in the union of Divine love. It cannot be earned, merited, gained, or justified by anything we could do. St. Paul points this out in the second reading. 'The Spirit comes to the aid of our weakness...' Weakness means our inclination to sin in the reality of our human condition.

'...but the Spirit himself intercedes with inexpressible groanings. Only with living faith in the Lord Jesus, through the intercessions of the Holy Spirit do our prayers reach the heart of God. These 'inexpressible groanings of the Spirit bring our humble prayers before the Father. The desperation of our need is carried to the Father through the Lord Jesus in the pleadings of the Holy Spirit.

This is the mystery of the weeds and the wheat. The parable conveys the mystery of the patience, wisdom, and the mercy of God. By the grace of God, in faith, we can all bear the fruit of good wheat. While living lives of fruitful discipleship in Christ, we will have our share of weeds. As much as we try with our best efforts, sin will spring up somewhere. Here is the wisdom, patience, and mercy of God.

Divine love chooses to be vulnerable to human sin. God is so humble to even use our sins to save us for the sake of the wheat our faith may produce for the coming Kingdom. "Do you want us to pull up the weeds?" "No, if you pull up the weeds you might uproot the wheat with them. Let them grow together until harvest..."

God understands human weakness and the nature and kind of every sin. God knows your heart, mind, body, and soul. Jesus knows Peter will sin by his betrayal of the Lord. Why does Jesus allow him to do it despite the pain it will cause both Jesus and Peter? The sin of that denial becomes the fruit of Peter's conversion and his full surrender to the Lord's redemptive love. These kinds of stories abound throughout scripture. David the adulterer, Moses the murderer, the arrogance of James and John, the good thief on the cross, the adulterous woman...

Does this mean God is easy on sin. No. It means God understands, is patient, and merciful. True mercy is realized in the mature believer who owns and admits their sin. Not so much in the one who denies, hides, or pretends sin is not there. Too often we justify our sin in comparison to the sins of others. Big mistake.

Redemption is the singular act of the dying and rising of Jesus. Salvation is how we embrace, in faith, the working out of our lives in Christ day by day. If sin is a competition, then I only have to be one sin better than the next guy. Stupid. Immature. Salvation trusts the mercy of God in the forgiveness of my sin, the weeds in my wheat, as I encourage and support other sinners around me as we journey together to the Kingdom. Resist sin. Confess. Forgive yourself. Let God forgive you. Live with love for others in all their weeds. Those weeds might be for their salvation and yours.

Father John Esper

LITURGICAL SCHEDULE

DAILY MASS

8:00am Monday thru Thursday

WEEKEND MASSES

Saturday - 4:00pm

Sunday - 9:00am

Church doors open 1/2 hour before Mass begins

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturdays 3:00 - 3:45pm
in Adoration Chapel

Only one person allowed in chapel at a time. Persons seeking Sacrament of Reconciliation will be allowed in church to line up at 3:00pm

LIVE
STREAMING

Live Streaming of Mass
Monday thru Thursday 8:00am and
Sunday 9:00am

Adoration on Tuesdays
8:45am to 10:00am

Livestream of Rosary on Thursday
following Mass

Search for St. Vincent Ferrer Catholic Church (in Madison Heights) on youtube to find our channel or connect via our APP or website

CONTACT INFORMATION

ST VINCENT FERRER PARISH OFFICE

28353 Herbert St., Madison Heights, MI 48071
248-542-8720 Fax 248-542-8721
Website: www.stvincentferrer.net

PARISH OFFICE SUMMER HOURS

Monday through Thursday
9am to Noon - 1:00pm to 4:30pm
Closed Friday, Saturday & Sunday

Parish Office Staff

Reverend John C. Esper, Priest in Solidum
Deborah Tourville, Bus. Mgr/Adult Faith Formation
Sheryl Brown, Parish Secretary/Bulletin
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by appointment 248-542-8720**

Matthew Zinser, Childhood Faith Formation Coordinator

**For information on Baptisms, OCIA and
Funerals contact the Parish Office 248-542-8720**



MONDAY, July 24, 2023

8:00am Mass: Bob Mazurco† req. by Corrine McCarthy

TUESDAY, July 25, 2023

8:00am Mass: Intentions of Deanna req. by Mom

WEDNESDAY, July 26, 2023

8:00am Mass: Joseph Pantano† req. by Family

THURSDAY, July 27, 2023

8:00am Mass: Virginia Esper† req. by Family

SATURDAY, July 29, 2023

4:00pm Mass: Parishioners of St. Vincent Ferrer
Ben Guç† req. by Mary Jane Guç

Peter Conway (special Intention) req. by Mom

SUNDAY, July 30, 2023

9:00am Mass: Parishioners of St. Vincent Ferrer
Mike Kapolka† req. by Bernadette Gutowski



READINGS THIS WEEK

July 23, 2023

Sunday: Wis 12:13, 16-19/Ps 86:5-6, 9-10, 15-16 (5a)/Rom 8:26-27/ Mt 13:24-43 or 13:24-30

Monday: Ex 14:5-18/Ex 15:1bc-2, 3-4, 5-6/Mt 12:38-42

Tuesday: 2 Cor 4:7-15/Ps 126:1bc-2ab, 2cd-3, 4-5, 6/Mt 20:20-28

Wednesday: Ex 16:1-5, 9-15/Ps 78:18-19, 23-24, 25-26, 27-28/Mt 13:1-9

Thursday: Ex 19:1-2, 9-11, 16-20b/Dn 3:52, 53, 54, 55, 56/Mt 13:10-17

Friday: Ex 20:1-17/Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 11/Mt 13:18-23

Saturday: Ex 24:3-8/Ps 50:1b-2, 5-6, 14-15/Jn 11:19-27 or Lk 10:38-42

Next Sunday: 1 Kgs 3:5, 7-12/Ps 119:57, 72, 76-77, 127-128, 129-130 (97a)/Rom 8:28-30/ Mt 13:44-52 or 13:44-46



The Catholic Bubble
by Colleen Jurkiewicz Dorman

There’s a dangerous myth that exists among pockets of faithful, observant Catholic families. I call it the Legend of the Catholic Bubble.

Here’s how the legend goes: you find a devout Catholic parish and a devout Catholic community filled with devout Catholic people who care about devout Catholic things, and you stay away from everything and everyone else, you and your children will be safe from the influence of the evil one. Your children will never fall away from the faith, or even be tempted, and your own faith will stay steel-strong amidst the many tempests and trials of this earthly life.

But like the Loch Ness Monster and the Abominable Snowman, it’s all made up.

Don’t misunderstand me: I *love* a good devout Catholic parish. I *live for* a supportive, devout Catholic community. It’s one of the biggest blessings in the Christian life, and I cannot overstate how helpful it is to raise children in an environment that upholds your Catholic faith and does not denigrate it.

But. *But.*

Make no mistake: the Catholic Bubble will not save you. The trials and the temptations will find you there, too: on the parish council, at Catholic school, in your Catholic moms’ group. No community on earth is so supportive that it mimics Heaven. The weeds have been sown with the good seed, and the harvest time is not yet upon us.

Cherish your community, certainly — but beware of the lure of the Catholic Bubble. We are called to be yeast in the loaf of bread, and yeast is nothing on its own.

“And the one who searches hearts knows what is the intention of the Spirit, because he intercedes for the holy ones according to God’s will.” — Romans 8:27 ©LPi



ROSARY PRAYER INVITATION

THIS MONDAY, July 24 at 7pm
Administration Bldg. Patio

The Immaculata prayer group invites all to join them on the Administration Building Patio to pray the Holy Rosary on the second and fourth Mondays of June thru August, 2023.

If the weather is intolerable, we will not meet but ask all to pray the rosary in private. The Immaculata group prayers will be at 6:30pm and the Rosary will begin at 7:00pm.

Please bring your own lawn chair, a rosary, your prayer intentions, and, if needed, a bottle of water. If you have any questions please contact Jane McKay at 248-548-2765.



- Sunday: 16th Sunday in Ordinary Time
- Monday: St. Sharbel Makhlūf, Priest
- Tuesday: St. James, Apostle
- Wednesday: Sts. Joachim and Anne, Parents of the Blessed Virgin Mary
- Saturday: Sts. Martha, Mary and Lazarus
- Next Sunday: 17th Sunday in Ordinary Time ©LPi



Patience is Rooted in Hope

Life, like the church, is often burdened with evil, smallness, and impurities. The Lord’s parables give us a hope-filled perspective on all three.

Evil: in Jesus’ parable about the good farmer whose enemy plants weeds at night, Jesus tells us that God is not the cause of evil but permits evil to exist with good out of his patient love. He *will* finally deal with it, but his love lets things stay messy for a time.

Smallness: It’s funny that Jesus says his kingdom looks like ... wait for it ... a bush. What a letdown! Yet this little shrub still somehow has room for all the birds of the sky. The smallness of the Church, and even our own little lives, still provides plenty of room for all whom God sends.

Impurities: divisions and hypocrisies in the Church and our own hearts exasperate us. Recall that Jesus compares his kingdom to a lump of dough with impure leaven eating away at it and therefore making it expand. It’s the secret of the Cross. Not how we’d prefer it. But finally, great news.

The field, the bush, the loaf: all three parables invite us to embrace a patience rooted in hope: one day the field will be weeded, the bush filled with birds, and the risen loaf leaven-free.

— Father John Muir ©LPi



Evangelical Service Corner

SCHOOL SUPPLIES COLLECTION JULY 15 THRU AUGUST 6

Items requested:

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| backpacks | 2 pocket folders |
| glue sticks & white glue | #2 pencils |
| pens | pencil cases |
| scientific calculators | erasers |
| colored pencils | 24 pack |
| crayons | |
| scissors (blunt & regular) | rulers |
| markers/washable markers | highlighters |
| composition notebooks | |
| spiral notebooks (wide & college ruled) | |
| looseleaf paper (wide & college ruled) | |
| Trapper keeper for middle & high schoolers | |




PRAYER REQUESTS

Pray for... all government leaders to seek wisdom in finding a peaceful resolution to the Ukraine crisis.
 ...medical and humanitarian aid for those suffering from economic hardship and from complications caused by catastrophic weather, earthquakes and disasters
 ...the safety of men and women dedicated to protecting lives and freedom.
 ...the homeless, the addicted and all who are suffering physically, spiritually, mentally, and emotionally
 ...all who are sick, homebound, undergoing or recovering from surgery, medical procedures, treatments or testing, and those who have made specific prayer requests.
 Lord Jesus,

You are the Divine Physician and Healer. To You, we lift up in prayer all who are lonely, homeless, sick or addicted; all who are unemployed or underemployed; all who are anxious or depressed and all who are suffering in any way spiritually, physically or emotionally. In their pain and brokenness, we ask that you bring them the comfort of your loving presence. In You, may they find strength for the day and hope for the journey. Amen

St. Vincent Ferrer Catholic Community

extends its deepest sympathy and support to the family and friends of

Michael Kapolka
Jeffrey Williams



Please remember them and the souls of all the faithful departed in your prayers.

May all the deceased be welcomed into paradise!



Anointing of the Sick

HEALING MASS NEXT SATURDAY

JULY 29, 2023 - 4:00pm

Fr. John will administer the Sacrament of the Sick after Mass. Prayer teams will be available for individual prayer.

QUESTIONS OF THE WEEK FOR REFLECTION

First Reading: Wis 12:13, 16-19

Our Jewish wisdom writer describes God as lenient, powerful, and kind. What words would you use to describe God?

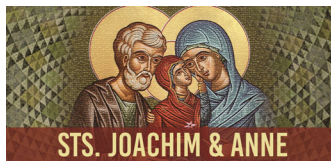
Second Reading: Rom 8:26-27/

Paul encourages the believers in Rome that the Spirit intercedes for us and teaches us what to pray for. What could you pray for this week?

Gospel: Mt 13:24-43 or 13:24-30

In the parable of the weeds among the wheat, Jesus speaks privately to his disciples of the presence of the evil one, the devil in this world. How can we best defend our family and loved ones from evil?

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STS. JOACHIM & ANNE

WORLD DAY FOR GRANDPARENTS AND THE ELDERLY JULY 23, 2023

“His mercy is from age to age” (Lk 1:50). This is the theme of the Third World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly, and it takes us back to the joyful meeting between the young Mary and her elderly relative Elizabeth...God wants young people to bring joy to the hearts of the elderly, as Mary did to Elizabeth, and gain wisdom from their experiences. Yet, above all, the Lord wants us not to abandon the elderly or to push them to the margins of life, as tragically happens all too often in our time....

This year, the World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly takes place close to World Youth Day. Both celebrations remind us of the “haste” (cf. v. 39) with which Mary set out to visit Elizabeth. In this way, they invite us to reflect on the bond that unites young and old. The Lord trusts that young people, through their relationships with the elderly, will realize that they are called to cultivate memory and recognize the beauty of being part of a much larger history. Friendship with an older person can help the young to see life not only in terms of the present and realize that not everything depends on them and their abilities. For the elderly, the presence of a young person in their lives can give them hope that their experience will not be lost and that their dreams can find fulfillment.”

Pope Francis (Excerpts from 2023 message for this day)

WHY DO WE DO THAT? CATHOLIC LIFE EXPLAINED

WHY WEAR A ROMAN COLLAR?

Question: Why do priests wear a Roman collar?



Answer: The practice of priests wearing the Roman collar developed in the mid-nineteenth century as an alternative to wearing the cassock which in some places was seen as impractical or which was even outlawed by anti-Catholic legislation. Since its introduction, it has taken different forms, and if you visit different countries today, you will see variation in what priests wear.

The Code of Canon Law simply observes that priests wear “suitable ecclesiastical garb” according to the judgments of the national bishops conferences and local custom (no. 284). The US Bishops have instructed that outside of liturgical functions, a “black suit and Roman collar are the usual formal attire for priests. The use of the cassock is at the discretion of the cleric.” Priests who are members of religious communities are to follow the rules of their institute regarding the habit or other approved clothing.

In the end, whether a priest wears the Roman collar, a religious habit, or, as is the case in many European countries, a suit and tie (to distinguish them from Protestant clergy who wear a collar) the goal of their clerical clothing is to serve as a sign of their commitment to guide and to serve, and to also allow them to be truly public figures because they are ordained for the service of all.

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ATTENTION MINISTERS

If your ministry does/might put you in contact with children, the homebound, senior citizens or involves a one-on-one encounter, the Archdiocese of Detroit is requiring recertification in the Protecting God’s Children Program. Certification is only valid if received after 2020.

All others must recertify by August 31, 2023 through Virtus online at www.virtus.org If you don't already have an account with Virtus you can create one when you log in. If you have one and can't remember your password or username there is a button that says "i need help logging in"

If you do not have computer access, you can sign up to use a computer in the Parish Office. If questions, call the Parish Office - 248-542-8720.

FAITH FORMATION

Dear Parishioners,

I hope you are all enjoying this beautiful summer! During these months, I have started preparing for religious education classes for the upcoming school year. Last year we had 24 students in our religious education program, but I believe we will have more this coming year.

I am in need of people to serve as catechists (teachers) in order for our program to grow. Classes meet on Monday evenings from 6:15 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. beginning late September until the beginning of May. I know it sounds like a big commitment, and it is, but it is also vital to the future of the parish, and the Church, to have good teachers to pass faith on to this generation of children. Would you prayerfully consider becoming a catechist?

It is okay if you can't be there every single week. In fact, I am open to having 2 catechists in a class to "co-teach" that way if you miss a week, the other can step in. Additionally, we have people who are available to serve as substitutes.

If you are interested, please call me at 646-369-8619, or email me at matthew@stvincentferrer.net

If you are interested, but have some reservations, or would like more information, please call or email me. I would be happy to answer any questions you might have.

God bless,
Matthew Zinser, DRE

Do What Needs to Be Done

A friend recently confided in me that although he prayed frequently each day and was involved heavily in his parish, he did not sense much fruit coming from it all and was left feeling unsatisfied. I assured him he was not alone. I told him of a deceased pastor of mine who had spoken frequently about being in this type of situation. Even as a priest, he knew all too well of how we can feel like we are simply going through the motions. It is precisely at those times that continuing to pray and practicing good stewardship is most important, because it would be easier to simply take a break and risk never coming back. He liked to say, “Do the drill,” meaning just do what needs to be done...

— Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS
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Women’s Prayer/Scripture Study Saturday, July 29 - 9am - Admin Bldg.



ATTENTION WOMEN: Are you being drawn into a deeper relationship with God through the Word. Join other women in learning how to meditate and discern God’s word. There is no cost. If you have not done so, please call the parish office to let us know that you will be joining the study.

GETTING TO KNOW OUR SAINTS...



ST. SHARBEL MAKHLUF - JULY 24

On July 24th, we celebrate the feast of a saint who ran away from home! St. Sharbel was born Youssef Antoun Makhluf in the Lebanese countryside in the mid-1800's. His life was a simple one, attending school, caring for the family cow, and taking long solitary walks to contemplate the beauty of creation. When his family pressured him to marry, the young man quietly left home without a word. He traveled on foot to a nearby monastery. When his family caught wind of where he had gone, the decision had been made. After being ordained a priest, St. Sharbel still showed a longing for solitude. He received permission to become a hermit. His reputation for holiness, however, led to a busier life than he might have liked! Many people sought him for advice and blessings. St. Sharbel Makhluf's life reminds us that a life of prayer -- even an unconventional one -- is attractive!



ST. JAMES THE APOSTLE - July 25

Saint James the Apostle is also called James, son of Zebedee, or James the Greater to distinguish him from the other James in Jesus' group of twelve. Most of what we know about Saint James is recorded in the New Testament. He and his brother John were collected by Jesus along the sea of Galilee. Matthew 4:18-22 tells the story of Jesus calling first Simon Peter and his brother Andrew and then the sons of Zebedee. In Mark 3:17 the brothers receive a nickname from Jesus who calls them "sons of thunder" because of their many extreme reactions, like that in Luke 9:54 when they offer to call down fire on a Samaritan village.

Saint James was part of Jesus' intimate circle, a witness to the Transfiguration, the resurrection of Jarius' daughter, and the agony in the garden of Gethsemane. In A.D. 44 Herod Agrippa had "James, the brother of John, killed by the sword." (Acts 12:2) He is the only apostle whose martyrdom is written of in the New Testament.

According to Spanish tradition, his body was taken to Santiago de Compostela, Spain where his relics were rediscovered in 9th century. This tradition has sometimes been attributed to a passage in the Song of Roland which tells of St. James appearing to Charlemagne in a dream, prophesying that Charlemagne would conquer the Moors in Spain. This was followed by a vision of stars which if followed would lead to the saint's lost tomb. In the Middle Ages Compostela was a hugely popular pilgrimage site. The saint's relics continue to rest in the cathedral there and one can still undertake the pilgrimage.



MASS SCHEDULES

National Shrine of the Little Flower Basilica

2100 W. 12 Mile, Royal Oak, 48073
 SATURDAY - 8:30am and 4:30pm (livestreamed)
 SUNDAY - 7:30am, 9:30am (livestreamed), 11:30am 4:00pm (Spanish-livestreamed), and 6:00pm
 WEEKDAYS (Monday - Friday) 6:30am (livestreamed), 8:30am

St. Justin, St. Mary Magdalen

1631 E. Elza Hazel Park, 48030 (St J)
 50 E Annabelle Ave. Hazel Park, 48030 (St MM)
 SATURDAY - 4:00pm - St. Justin
 SUNDAY - 9:00am & 11:00am - St. Mary Magdalen
 MON-WED & FRI - 9:00am - St. Justin

St. Mary

730 S. Lafayette, Royal Oak, 48067
 SATURDAY - 4:30pm
 SUNDAY - 9:00am, 11am
 MON, TUES, THURS, FRI - 7:30am
 WED - 12:10pm

Ministry Schedule

July 29/30, 2023

Mass	4:00pm	9:00am
Sacristan	T Riley	TKarolski
Reader #1	P Miles	R Grant
Reader #2	R Pasiak	T Karolski
EME	R Pasiak	R Grant
	P Miles	M Waskowski
	M Simmons	M Black
Greeters	P Miles	M Bessler
	L Proszkowski	S Bosetti
	K Heffner	N Oparka
	J Ballantine	T Oparka

Traveling Chalice Host beginning week of July 29/30
 Nancy Sadowski

16TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



INSPIRATION FOR THE WEEK

When the disciples cannot understand something, they approach Jesus, and beseech him to explain. Let us be this forthcoming when we are discerning the will of God or struggling with a decision. Let us ask him to explain in words we can understand.

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World Youth Day Home

WHEN: Aug 5th 9:30am to Aug 6th 10:00am
 LOCATION: Our Lady of the Fields
 1391 Kellogg Rd Brighton, MI 48114
 PHONE: 313-237-5891
 EMAIL: Frederick.katy@aod.org

Join other high school-aged pilgrims from around the Archdiocese of Detroit for a celebration you will never forget!

At the World Youth Day Home Event, we will celebrate our faith in solidarity with the pilgrims gathered in Lisbon, Portugal. Our experience will include many of the same features of the international WYD including: a pilgrimage walk, inspiring talks & break out sessions, liturgy and prayer, live music, food and more...

All attending teens must be accompanied by an adult chaperone (youth minister, high school campus minister, teacher, pastor, parent, etc.).

For more information and to register, visit <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/world-youth-day-home-tickets-537721919737>

Prayer for Increased Faith

Dear Lord,
 You say that faith needs only be the size of a mustard seed, but even that seems like a lot some days. Increase our faith!
 Let's move mountains, together. Amen.

CATHOLIC TRIVIA JUST FOR FUN

Question: What is the name given to the Chalice used by Christ at the last supper?

Answer: Holy Grail

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FINANCIAL STEWARDSHIP - WEEK ENDING JULY 15/16

Fiscal Year 7-1-23 to 6-30-24	Budgeted	Actual	Over/Under	YTD
Offertory Env. Used & e-fund participants	245	93		
Offertory (including loose cash)	\$ 5,293.00	4,949.33	(343.67)	1010.37
Energy	289.00	161.45	(127.55)	(8.55)
Other: Coffee & Donuts, Flowers, Memorial Trees, Candles	\$ 1,115.39	150.00	(965.39)	(3,006.42)
St. Vincent de Paul	n/a	5.00		
Mass Intentions	n/a	150.00		150.00
Special AOD Collections:	n/a			
Holy Days: Assumption	n/a	7.00		17.00
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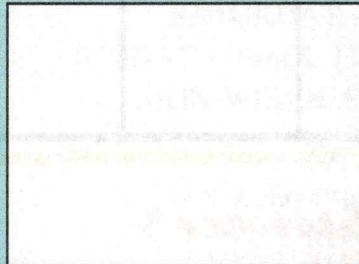
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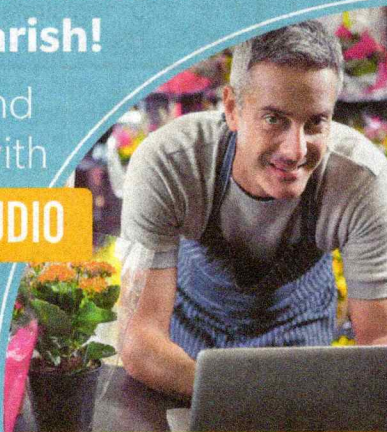
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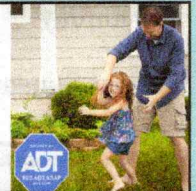
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