

**READINGS**

August 24, 2014

21st Sunday in Ordinary Time

First Reading: Isaiah 22:19-23

Second Reading: Romans 11:33-36

Gospel: Matthew 16:13-20

**STEWARDSHIP**

August 17th Collection.....\$2,510

St. Vincent De Paul Collection.....\$686

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“Oh, the depth of the riches and wisdom and knowledge of God!” Paul exclaims because in the



Gospel, the heavenly Father reveals the mystery of His kingdom to Peter. With Peter, we rejoice that Jesus is the anointed son the one prophesied to build God’s temple and reign over an everlasting kingdom. As we hear in today’s First Reading, Isaiah foretold that the keys to David’s kingdom would be given to a new master, who would rule as father to God’s people. Jesus, the root and offspring of David, alone holds the kingdom’s keys. In giving those keys to Peter, Jesus fulfills that prophecy, establishing Peter - and all who succeed him - as holy father of His Church. His Church, too, is the new house of God - the spiritual temple founded on the “rock” of Peter, and built up out of the living stones of individual believers. Abraham was called “the rock”

from which the children of Israel were hewn. And Peter becomes the rock from which God raises up new children of God. The word Jesus uses - “church” (ekkllesia in Greek) - was used in the Greek translation of the Old Testament for the “assembly” of God’s children after the exodus. His Church is the “assembly of the firstborn,” established by Jesus’ exodus. Like the Israelites, we are baptized in water, led by the Rock, and fed with spiritual food. Gathered at His altar, in the presence of angels, we sing His praise and give thanks to His holy name.

*Adapted from Dr. Scott Hahn*

**GOSPEL REFLECTION**

Jesus says Peter is the rock on which the church will be founded. Pope Francis is Peter’s successor. Take some time this week to reflect on something you have seen Pope Francis do. How has it touched your life? How can you follow his example?

**PLEASE CONSIDER POPE FRANCIS’ PRAYER INTENTIONS FOR THE MONTH OF AUGUST**

That refugees, forced by violence to abandon their homes, may find a generous welcome and the protection of their rights

**AND**

That Christians in Oceania may joyfully announce the faith to all the people of that region...

**ALSO**

**BISHOP VÁSQUEZ’ PRAYER INTENTION FOR TODAY:**

For Pope Francis and all bishops that they may model themselves after Peter and the Holy Apostles as leaders of the church ...

**PARKING POLICY**

Starting Mon. August 25<sup>th</sup> parking will be permit parking only. We would like to invite those coming to daily Mass to park along our back fence line or to find street parking. There are two visitor spaces and a designated handicap space. Please be considerate.



**WEEKLY ACTIVITIES**

**ROSARY** every Sunday 9:30am in the Lounge

**ADORATION** of the Blessed Sacrament *Tuesdays* 5:45-9pm and *Mornings Mon-Fri* 8:30-9:30am in the Chapel

**FREE LUNCH** every Tuesday 11am-1pm in the Lobby

**BOBCATS FOR LIFE** 1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursdays 6pm in the Library

**BIBLE STUDIES** every day!

*CHECK OUT OUR WEBSITE FOR MORE INFORMATION*

**BOBCAT AWAKENING #42 Sept.26<sup>th</sup>-28<sup>th</sup>.** An energy filled weekend with great talks, small groups, prayer and Sacraments. Open to college students at Texas State. Fill out an Application online on our website under the Spiritual Growth tab, “Bobcat Awakening”, or fill out a paper copy from the lobby. Cost is \$35.

**ST. JOHN’S 66<sup>th</sup> ANNUAL FIESTA** is Labor Day weekend, Aug. 30<sup>th</sup> and 31<sup>st</sup>, from 6pm-11:30pm. Stop by for music, games, food and great fun!

**RCIA & SACRAMENT PREPARATION CLASS** for adults who have not received one or more of the sacraments (Baptism, First Reconciliation, First Eucharist, and/or Confirmation) will be offered beginning Wednesday, August 27th at 7:00pm, upstairs. You can register on our website, under the “Spiritual Growth/ Religious Education” tab.

**ETHICS & INTEGRITY IN MINISTRY EIM WORKSHOP**  
TAKE ADVANTAGE OF THESE CONVENIENT OPPORTUNITIES!

Thursday August 28th, 7-10pm  
3hr. Basic, English  
St. Mary of the Visitation in Lockhart  
or  
Saturday August 30th 9am– 12pm  
3hr. Basic, English  
St. Anthony’s in Kyle

Please register online at [www.austindiocese.org/offices-ministries/offices-ethics-and-integrity-ministry-office/eim-workshops](http://www.austindiocese.org/offices-ministries/offices-ethics-and-integrity-ministry-office/eim-workshops)

**LECTOR, EUCHARISTIC MINISTER AND ALTAR SERVER TRAINING** Those interested in serving in liturgy may sign up outside the chapel doors. If you have any questions please contact Mauro Reyes at [mrr63@txstate.edu](mailto:mrr63@txstate.edu)

**STUDENT REGISTRATION August 17th through August 31st!** Turn in a registration card or go online to [www.txstatecatholic.org/registration](http://www.txstatecatholic.org/registration)

All registered students receive Bobcat Catholic Updates and important messages weekly! Also if you register before August 31st your name will automatically be entered in a drawing for a \$100, \$50 and \$25 gift card! If you know any incoming Catholic freshmen or transfer students please be sure to tell them about Our Lady of Wisdom and invite them to visit!

Use the QR Code to Register!



**MEΘ INFO MEETINGS**

Do you love The Lord? Do you love sisterhood? Mu Epsilon Theta is a national Catholic service sorority and we would love for you to be a part of our sisterhood! Information meetings will take place here at Our Lady of Wisdom on September 2nd and 3rd at 7pm.

**ΛΩΑ INFO MEETINGS**

Do you love The Lord? Do you love brotherhood? Lambda Omega Alpha Catholic service fraternity. Information meetings will take place here at Our Lady of Wisdom on August 24th and 31st after the 5pm Mass.