We welcome newcomers to our church! If you would like to become a member of our parish family, please complete one of the blue registration forms, which you will find on the table near the front door of the church. You can bring the form to the office during business hours or put it into the collection basket.

## Mass Intentions

8/29/21 For the People of the Parish

8/31/21 Sage Hayward Martin

9/1/21 Lucy Nolte

9/2/21 Edward Martin Waggoner

9/4/21 Bryan Sieben

Week of August 22 - 28, 2021

Income \$2,104.00 CCD \$84.00 Expenses \$10,089.48

Birthday List

Janye Rodgers 8/29

Randell Richard 9/3

Jordan Leventry 9/4

## August 29, 2021 The Twenty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time

## It's Ministries Fair Weekend! It's great to come together again!

The Parish Pastoral Council met last Thursday. The minutes of the meeting will be posted on the bulletin board in the hall.

Religious Education for Adults and Youth (CCD) will resume on Sunday, September 12, at 9:15 and in compliance with the Bishop's directive we will require all students, teachers, and adults to wear face masks. Registration forms are in the vestibule of the church and you can register in person at the Ministries Fair. Amanda is looking for Adult Volunteers to become Catechists for: PreK-First Grade (approximately 5-10 students) and Jr High Class approximately (10-15 students).

Amanda is also looking for a Confirmation Class teacher (9th Grade, 3-5 students). Confirmation class meets on Wednesdays, from 6:00 – 7:30, beginning September 15. Please contact Amanda at 409-287-3287 or email at schusterDRE@yahoo.com

Middle School Youth Ministry (grades 4-8) will meet on Wednesday, September 15, at 6:30pm in the parish hall.

Does a friend or relative want to know more about the Catholic Faith? RCIA will be starting in September. Please contact Father Ross if you're interested 409-287-3287.

The Second Collection next Sunday goes to support the Catholic University of America.

Saturday, September 4 marks the fifty-fourth anniversary of the sacrificial death of **Father Vincent Capodanno**, **MM**. Father Vincent laid down his life for his brother "grunts" of the 3<sup>rd</sup> Battalion, 5<sup>th</sup> Marines in the Que Son Valley of Viet Nam. Father was born February 13, 1929 in Staten Island, NY, the tenth child of Italian immigrants, whose close-knit family endured during the trials of the Great Depression through their strong Catholic faith. Vincent studied under the Jesuits at Fordham University, during which time he came to discern his vocation as a mission priest. He joined the Catholic Foreign Mission Society, the Maryknolls in 1949 and was ordained on June 14, 1958. Father Vincent spent eight years working in the missions, for the most part in Taiwan and then Hong Kong. In 1966, inspired in part by the military service of three of his brothers in the Second World War, Vincent joined the Navy Chaplain Corps and insisted on being sent to serve the Marines in Viet Nam. This "Grunt Padre" spent himself in tirelessly ministering to those in the thick of combat. Father provided the sacraments and first aid. He also counseled those who were struggling, earning the affection and trust of his men. On September 4, 1967 during a ferocious North Vietnamese ambush, Vincent, himself wounded, noticed a wounded corpsman being pinned down by machine gun fire. Father ran to the Marine and administered first aid and the sacraments. Twenty-seven bullets from the enemy gunner sent Father Vincent Capodanno to his heavenly reward. He was buried in the family plot of St Peter's Cemetery, Staten Island.

September 3 is the Memorial of **Pope Saint Gregory the Great**, Doctor of the Church. St Gregory was born at Rome around the year 540. He rose through various public offices to the prefecture which he renounced. He entered the monastic life and once ordained deacon, he discharged the duties of legate at Constantinople. On September 3, 590, he was elevated to the Chair of Saint Peter and he proved to be a true shepherd by carrying out his office, helping the poor, spreading and strengthening the faith. He wrote extensively on moral and theological subjects. He died on March 12, 604. – *from the Liturgy of the Hours* 



Lequita Baldwin, Barbara Allen, JoAnne & Travis Harris, Martin Brantley, Wanda Brantley, Daniel Begnaud, Alice Loftin, Fred Blanchette, Castro Family, Vivian Lopez, Maylee Converse, Cody Warner, Denise Tremonte, Linda Brown, Sue Dickey, Sandra Dugan, Jim Kaiser, Woodrow Guidry, Dora Robinson, Annie Marino, Kelcey Converse, Jo Frances Manuel, Mary Rogan-Reeder, Joseph Reeder, Steve Morris, Karon Preiss, Roy Harmon, Ann Crain, Cece Cobb, Patsy Bobo, Aprille McLaughlin, Norman Lytle, Sami Thibodeaux, Mrs. Martha, Janet Swearingen, Larry Britain, The Men and Women of the USS Makin Island, Sara Spikes, Leah & Natalie Spikes-King, Abril Spikes, David Ready, Martha Waggoner, Ernie and Shirley Brown, Jennie Beeve, Donna Collier, Joe Wheaton, Kelvin Wheaton, Ray Shawn Wheaton, Frica Redmon, Yvonne Guidry, Linda and Paul Gantz, Carol Marsh, Jaystan Davis, Justin Steele