

Acts 1:1–11, 14–17 / Ephesians 1:17–23 / Matthew 28:16–20



Power Unmasked

FR. JOSEPH JUKNIALIS

hen the Lone Ranger and Tonto rode across our TV screens in days of old, someone would often ask, "Who was that masked man?" Folks never learned his identity, and it didn't matter. For that man had saved them from evil, restoring their lives. In a sense, the Ranger, with Tonto, had passed on to them the power to live safely and productively.

As he was about to return to his Father, the risen Lord said to the apostles, "You will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes upon you, and you will be my witnesses" (Acts 1:8). Yet being blessed with the power that raised the Lord Jesus does not always feel much like a blessing. At times it can feel more like a burden that falls upon our shoulders, one to heal and mend as we try to bring peace and a better world. We wonder why we always must be the one who says, "I'm sorry." Why must we always be the one who plans the evening out or writes the Christmas cards or calls Mom or spends time with the children or listens to someone's tale of woe? Yet such is the power of Jesus for bringing about healing to both spirits and bodies, for creating joy, for designing bridges into the hearts of others, all because the Messiah rode off on a cloud of silver to be welcomed to the right hand of God. Thus, he empowers us. •

Reflect -

Have you ever been surprised by the good God has brought about through you?



St. Joseph's Church

was consecrated on the 29th January 1928. It is the oldest standing Roman Catholic Church on the island.

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Mass Schedule Saturday afternoon at 4:00 p.m. Sunday morning at 9:00 a.m.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

St. Anthony's - Saturday at 5:00 p.m., or by appointment

St. Joseph's - Sunday morning 8:30 a.m. "

St. Anthony's Mass times: Saturday evening at 6:00 p.m. Sunday morning at 11:15 a.m.

BAPTISMS by appointment – one month in advance

WEDDINGS by appointment – one year in advance (approx.)

Religious education – 4th June 2023

Children's Mass - Sunday, 21st May 2023

Pastoral & Finance Council Meeting - TBA

Coffee Social after Mass – 21st May – Host: Team 2

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Parish Team Leaders

Mrs. Elizabeth Card - Pastoral

Council Chairperson

Society

Mrs. Annette Barclay

St. Vincent de Paul

Representative

Walette Cross

Stewardship Representative

Mrs. Sue Moench

Religious Education

Coordinator

Mrs. Mary Harvey - Parish Administrator & Finance Committee Team Leader

Mr. Tony Bari

Music Ministry

St. Vincent DePaul Society (Contact - Annette)

Go Make of All Disciples #430 Entrance: **Into My Heart** Offertory: Ρ Communion: I Love You Lord Р Recessional: Go Make a Difference #730

Leader of Song: Justin Tavares





Sunday - 28th May 2023

Proclaimer of God's Word **Opening/Closing of Church Eucharistic Minister Collection Counters** Altar Servers Music

Jane Bermingham Kathie Ausenda **Elizabeth Card** Joanne Smith **Liam Stones** Tony Bari

Prayers: Please keep our sick and shut-ins in your prayers, especially Mary Maybury, Ilene Bremar, Eleanor Correia, Bernie & Eileen Davies: Elena Domondon and Evelyn Pinlac

For those hospitalised: Petra Caesar (she may be going this coming week)

MASS INTENTIONS:

		Attendance	Collection
Saturday, 15th May	(Reg)	15	139.00
	(Main)		74.00
Sunday, 16 th May	(Reg)	48	323.00
	(Main)		<u>137.00</u>
			\$673.00

Thank you for your kindness and generosity, it is appreciated. Banking information: St. Joseph's Parish - Account Number: 20006060757062100 - Bank of NT Butterfield.

BIRTHDAYS

Mary Stones

26th May

May God, our loving heavenly Father, grant you many more special days.

Coffee Social: Please join us in the Parish Centre after the Mass this morning for our monthly Coffee Social; it will be hosted by Team 2 (Grace. Amy, Malyn, GiGi, Ailyn & Andrew, Salve, Luz, Susan, and Marcel).

THANK YOU to Grace (Smith) for the donation of the lovely rosaries that were given to the mothers of our parish last Sunday.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CLASS:

There is no RE class this morning, nor on the 28th May. The remaining classes are scheduled for the 4th and 11th June. Children will participate in today's Mass.



Friday, 30th June – Pasta Supper Bingo. 7:00 p.m. Menu: A variety of pasta dishes, salad, garlic bread, chicken wings, and assorted desserts. Tickets: \$25 Adults - \$13 Children - includes one bingo card (no inflation here yet 😊). If anyone would like to donate a prize/raffle, or something towards the table of "goodies." please let Liz know.

From the Pastoral & Finance Council

FYI:

- The portion of ceiling that came down in March at the back of the church was repaired by Kenny Faries as well as the large crack in the roof above.
- When it rains, water is leaking into the church from the front door. We have asked Kenny to have a look into this to see what can be done before more serious problems arise out of it.
- We are still without a photocopier; it has been agreed that ours can no longer be repaired.
- Pasta Supper/Bingo you've had previous info on this.
- There will be one of our "fabulous" afternoon teas in October ; the date to be finalized. This event will be chaired by Sue (Moench), and it is likely that it will be held in Somerset.
- Our annual picnic was on the agenda, and we now need to check out the high tides to determine a date.

If anyone is interested in becoming a member of the Pastoral Council please let Fr. Attilio or Liz know.

St. Anthony's:

Feast of St. Anthony's - Sunday, 11th June

Mass will be held at the normal time on Sunday, 11th June at 11:15 a.m., followed by music and entertainment for the remainder of the afternoon in the church hall and patio.

Food, beverages, Baked Goods and Portuguese Donuts will be available for purchase.

We are looking for:

- Helpers to assist with selling food tickets and Baked Goods
- Donations toward our Baked Goods stall.

Sign-up sheets are at the back of the church.

Everyone is invited to help celebrate St. Anthony on 11th June.

BISHOP's CORNER

Dear Fellow-Catholics,

What do Eya Hegnon (Dressmaker), Agnes Sokpo (Reflexologist), Benedicta Sokpo (Psychologist), Christine Numetu (Pastry Chef), Rebecca Ama Agboli (Pastry Chef), Mamatou Akpo Sotondji (Shopkeeper), Dorcas Fleur Kpodo (Orphanage Founder), Noeline Ezan Akossiwa (Student Hairdresser), and so many other women in Africa have in common? The experience of abandonment, violence, loneliness and unemployment. They are the invisible women the 30-minute documentary film In-Visibles wants to make visible

In-Visibles was seen for the first time on the 13th of May 2023 in Rome, during the World Union of Catholic Women's Organizations (WUCWO) General Assembly in Rome. WUCWO President and World Women's Observatory (WWO) Director María Lía Zervino told Vatican News that In-Visibles seeks to accomplish the WWO's mission of "giving visibility to women who are invisible and who are submerged in the ocean of what the Pope calls the 'globalization of indifference'."

Zervino explained that WUCWO decided that the best way to "raise awareness about what women are suffering in Africa because of gender violence was to make a film on site. Art is the easiest way through which we open ourselves to another reality, become aware of what is happening, about the situations and experiences of women who have suffered, but who have now retrieved a sense of life and economic autonomy to form a family and be reinserted into society, thanks to the help of Sisters and of laywomen as well." This documentary does not show all the suffering of African women, but only a drop. This film is like an X-ray, perhaps not only of African women, but of all the women in the world. The film wants to appeal to every person of good will to support projects sustained by religious women who work in the area of helping women and families become autonomous.

In-Visibles: A film by Lia Beltrami - https://tinyurl.com/2sbx7fp2

Enjoy your weekend and have a blessed week! Bishop Wes

Dear Friends,

I would like to inform you that, as in the past on Bermuda Day, Friday, 26th of May 2023, our Cathedral will remain locked all day. There will be no Mass celebrated at 7:30 a.m. nor at 12:10 p.m. Stay well and be blessed!

Many thanks and God Bless, Bishop Wes

Dear Padre,

Why should I be confirmed?

In baptism, God calls you to be a priest, prophet and king. In confirmation, you receive the gifts of the Holy Spirit to live out those vocations. A priest offers prayer and sacrifice. In confirmation, you are moved to make your everyday life a sacrifice that you join to the sacrifice of Christ on the cross (Romans 12:1). Prophet is from prophētēs, a Greek word meaning "spokesperson." In confirmation, you are compelled to preach the gospel (1 Corinthians 9:16), just as the apostles were when they received



the Holy Spirit on the original day of Pentecost (Acts 2:2-4). When you were baptized, you were made a member of the royal family of God (1 Peter 2:9). Just as Jesus showed what it means to be a Servant King, so are we called to serve others in love. In confirmation, we are inspired by the love that God pours into us in his Holy Spirit (Romans 5:5).

In his first public preaching, Jesus quoted from Isaiah the prophet: "The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because he has anointed me to bring glad tidings to the poor. He has sent me" (Luke 4:18). That was the beginning of his public ministry. When the bishop anoints you with chrism, you can say the same. Your confirmation is the beginning of your own public ministry.

A WORD FROM POPE FRANCIS

A disciple follows the Master daily and shares the joy of discipleship with others. Not by conquering, mandating, proselytizing, but by witnessing, humbling oneself alongside other disciples and offering with love the love that we ourselves received. This is our mission...to show by our lives...that God loves everyone and never tires of anyone.

HOMILY, ROME, OCTOBER 20, 2019

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Bishop Bruce Lewandowski, CSsR / DearPadre.org

MONDAY

May 22 Easter Weekday Acts 19:1-8 Jn 16:29-33

TUESDAY

May 23 Easter Weekday Acts 20:17-27 Jn 17:1-11a

WEDNESDAY

May 24 Easter Weekday Acts 20:28-38 Jn 17:11b-19

THURSDAY

May 25 Easter Weekday Acts 22:30; 23:6-11 Jn 17:20-26

FRIDAY

May 26 St. Philip Neri, Priest Acts 25:13b-21 Jn 21:15-19

SATURDAY

May 27 Easter Weekday Acts 28:16-20, 30-31 Jn 21:20-25

SUNDAY

May 28 Pentecost Acts 2:1-11 1 Cor 12:3b-7, 12-13 Jn 20:19-23

