



Sunday, July 20, 2025—Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

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Saturday - 5:00pm

Sunday - 7:00am, 8:30am and 10:30am

Little Children of God - will take a break for the summer and will resume in September

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NaPro: A Pathway of Healing and Peace

By Jen Petrillo

A few weeks ago, our pastor Fr. Bambrick asked me if I would be open to sharing about my husband and my journey with infertility and treatment through NaPro Technology. This conversation was prompted by an excellent article from Catholic News Agency called “Catholic OB-GYN Finds Life-Changing Alternative to IVF,” by Kate Quiñones. With in vitro fertilization (IVF) getting more and more attention in the media, and even being strongly supported by some of our politicians, Fr. Bambrick thought it would be beneficial to provide some education on NaPro Technology, which is a *radically* different approach. Whereas IVF is incompatible with Catholic morality (even if done with good intentions), NaPro Technology is a well-developed science that approaches women’s health and fertility in a way that is in keeping with the dignity of the human person, and thus in harmony with Catholic ethical standards. I wholeheartedly agreed with Fr. Bambrick, and I’m honored that he asked me to share.

First, let me explain some terms. “NaPro” is short for “Natural Procreative Technology.” The word “technology” may be a little misleading. Whereas the word “technology” often calls to mind electronic devices, apps, and now Artificial Intelligence, the word simply means “the practical application of knowledge especially in a particular area” (according to Merriam-Webster). NaPro Technology is “a women’s health science that monitors and maintains a woman’s reproductive and gynecological health. It provides medical and surgical treatments that cooperate completely with the reproductive system . . . It is a fertility-care based medical approach rather than a fertility-control approach to family planning and gynecological health” (<https://naprotechnology.com/>). NaPro Technology works with the information that is gathered through using the Creighton Model FertilityCare System (see <https://creightonmodel.com/>). The Pope Paul VI Institute at Creighton University in Omaha, Nebraska is essentially the hub of NaPro training and research in the United States (<https://saintpaulvi.com/>), and there are trained practitioners throughout the U.S and beyond. The Creighton Model is a form of Natural Family Planning (NFP), and the data from this system can be used to either avoid or achieve pregnancy (depending upon what the couple discerns would be best for their family at a given time).

I think that the key words here are “natural” and “cooperate.” When approaching any health issue, a NaPro-trained physician seeks to get to the root cause. If a woman comes to a NaPro physician with polycystic ovarian disease, endometriosis, hormonal imbalances, unexplained infertility, repetitive miscarriages, abnormal bleeding, or any other health concern, the physician pursues treatment that simply helps the women’s body to heal and to function the way that a healthy body should. There are no attempts to impede or override the natural workings of her reproductive system. Putting a patient on hormonal birth control is *never* offered as a solution to a medical problem. The question of infertility is met with a comprehensive approach aimed at genuine health, healing, and hope; a couple is *never* referred to an IVF clinic. Any attempts to conceive a child always take place within the marital embrace, and the destruction or freezing of embryos is *never* part of the process.

Now, before I share a bit of our own story, let me offer a disclaimer. My husband and I know firsthand the ache of longing for a child. We know what it’s like to feel empty-handed while all our closest friends are having children. We know the awkwardness that comes when well-meaning acquaintances (or people we barely know) innocently asked when we would have children, having no idea how much pain that question caused. We know the feeling of celebrating Mother’s Day and Father’s Day year after year, rejoicing in the motherhood and fatherhood of family and friends, wondering if we will ever have the privilege of being called “mom” and “dad.” We spent years taking consolation in the roles of godmother and godfather to the children of family and close friends, and trying to appreciate the opportunities to be “fruitful” through service and hospitality to others.

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If anyone is reading this and has carried the cross of infertility, please know that we get it. If anyone reading this has pursued IVF in the past, or on the other hand, has used artificial contraception to limit the size of your family, we are not here to judge or condemn. Persons who are created using IVF are still made in the image and likeness of God, with an inviolable dignity and worth. We know that sadly, NaPro Technology and the methods and benefits of NFP still seem to be a best-kept secret in many circles. We are just here to share, and to help get the word out that there *is* a better way, one that is in accord with our dignity as human persons and thus compatible with Catholic morality.

I was very blessed that, about five years before I got married, I had already started seeing a NaPro doctor to address some health issues. My roommate at the time had recommended Dr. Jean Golden-Tevald of Morningstar Family Health Center. Thanks to Dr. Jean, I learned how to chart according to the Creighton Method, and was able to discover and receive treatment for a major hormonal imbalance. Charting is not just for women looking to achieve or avoid pregnancy; it can yield very valuable information for any woman looking to better understand her own health. The data from my charts, coupled with a series of blood tests, helped us to pinpoint the hormonal issue.

When my husband and I were preparing for marriage, we met several times with a good friend who was a FertilityCare practitioner, so that we could learn the Creighton Method of Natural Family Planning together. It was so helpful for me to already have a basic understanding of this, which I could build on as my husband and I prepared to begin our married life together. I felt so incredibly blessed that my husband was 100% on board, and even though biology is not his forte, he made a strong effort to understand the information and to process how this would be integrated into our married life.

As mentioned above, NFP can be used to avoid or achieve pregnancy. It all centers on identifying days of fertility. A couple would abstain on days of fertility if they are looking to avoid pregnancy. They would choose to be intimate on days of fertility if their goal is to achieve pregnancy. For NFP couples who are desiring to achieve pregnancy, it is recommended that if they do not conceive within six months of trying, they should work with a physician to see if there are underlying health issues that need to be addressed. Once we had begun our new life together and were trying to start a family, those six months came and went. Thankfully, my husband and I were able to return to Dr. Jean, who compassionately and prayerfully walked with us throughout our journey, a journey which lasted over six years. During that time frame, Dr. Jean diagnosed multiple health issues and was able to refer me to NaPro-trained surgeons when necessary. We dealt with the ongoing hormonal imbalance, along with uterine polyps, luteinized unruptured follicles, endometriosis (for which I had three surgeries), and a few uterine infections. Our journey involved a lot of time and dedication, including traveling significant distances to meet with Dr. Jean and later Dr. Naomi Whittaker, who did my second and third surgeries. Although we experienced a mix of hope and heartbreak with each month that passed as we strove to trust in God's providence, we always had a tremendous gift: the peace of knowing that every measure that was recommended to us was in line with our Catholic faith and morals.

With Dr. Jean Golden-Tevald, Dr. Kyle Beiter (who did my first surgery, but is now in Ohio), and Dr. Naomi Whittaker (who did my second and third surgeries), we never had to question whether a procedure was ethical. We knew that we could totally entrust ourselves to their expertise and care. You do not have to be Catholic to be a NaPro physician, but every NaPro physician I have met is a very faith-filled Catholic. I think that this is because the NaPro approach is totally in harmony with Catholic moral teaching, so for physicians who take their faith seriously and want to work in the field of women's reproductive health, NaPro affords them the opportunity to practice medicine in a way that really is grounded in a Catholic understanding of the human person.

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I remember having a conversation with my husband before my first surgery. Although now I feel like a pro when it comes to abdominal surgery, the decision to go ahead with the first one was definitely scary, even though we knew that Dr. Jean was advising the best course of action for us. My husband asked me, "So, what would happen if you didn't have the surgery?" I replied, "Well, apart from the infertility, if I don't have the surgery, I'll still have scar tissue growing on my organs and interfering with their ability to function, and *that's* not good . . ." Throughout each step of our journey, I knew that we were moving towards getting me healthy and healed. Even though we were seeking all this treatment with the main goal of one day getting pregnant, along the way we had the benefit of knowing that underlying health issues were being addressed.

We did get to the point when, after my third surgery, I had a clean bill of health for several months, and we still had not conceived. During that time, as we continued to pray for discernment in knowing God's will for our family, the idea of adoption was coming up. We kept encountering people who had adopted and were willing to share their story with us. We finally really opened our minds and hearts to the possibility that God was calling us to this path, and we spent much of our spare time in the summer of 2023 researching adoption and keeping in touch with my cousin and her husband who had adopted their daughter. In August of 2023, Nick and I had our parents over for dinner to share with them the news that we had decided to start the adoption process. In October of 2023, we had our parents over for dinner again to share the joyful and shocking news that I was pregnant. We had just found a social worker to do our home study, and before we even told our parents, we called our social worker to let her know that God had other plans at this time!

The first person who knew that our little one was on the way was our dear Dr. Jean. We did not know it at the time, but the day that we found out we were expecting was the feast of Our Lady of La Leche, October 11th. About a year and a half prior, my parents had prayed for us at the beautiful Shrine of Our Lady of La Leche in St. Augustine, Florida. For centuries, this has been a powerful pilgrimage site, where pilgrims seek Our Lady's intercession, especially related to fertility, pregnancy, and a healthy delivery. I am 100% sure that our son would not be with us if it were not for NaPro Technology, and the wonderful NaPro physicians who have taken phenomenal care of our family, but I am equally sure that our son is the fruit of the many prayers that were offered for us along our journey, especially through the intercession of Our Lady of La Leche.

Thanks so much for taking the time to read this. Our hearts are filled with gratitude, as we continue to pray and discern God's will for our family. It is beyond our wildest dreams that we get to be parents, and we truly hope that our son will become a big brother someday. Nick and I would be happy to talk with you if you have any questions about what we have experienced. If you are a St. Al's parishioner, you know where to find me, and Nick's diocesan contact info is: 609-403-7128 , npetrillodioceseseoftrenton.org

I understand that a lot of what we have shared is countercultural, and may be new information, depending on your own life experiences and education. I know firsthand that staying within the timeless wisdom of our Catholic faith truly leads to freedom and peace. As Christ tells us, "I came so they may have life, and have it abundantly" (John 10:10).

Here are some helpful resources:

The Gianna Center, named in honor of St. Gianna Beretta Molla and affiliated with St. Peter's University Hospital in New Brunswick, NJ recently welcomed Dr. Monika Potacki, a NaPro surgeon. The Gianna Center is a wonderful resource here in our own state, and you can find Dr. Monika's info here: <https://www.saintpetershcs.com/news/2024/saint-peter%E2%80%99s-university-hospital-welcomes-dr-monika-b-potocki-to-the-saint-peter%E2%80%99s-gianna-center>

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Right here in our own parish, we are so very blessed to have Jeani Juchniewicz, the author of *Facing Infertility: A Catholic Approach*. The book, which offers profound spiritual support coupled with a well-researched explanation of the Catholic response to infertility, is available on Amazon: <https://www.amazon.com/Zzzfacing-Infertility-Jean-Dimech-Juchniewicz/dp/0819827029>

There is an excellent documentary called "NAPRO: A Quiet Revolution" which was produced by the Dominican Friars. It's only about 23 minutes long, and is available on YouTube: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=6JT-m4-iEWE>

NaPro surgeon Dr. Naomi Whittaker uses Instagram to educate others about NaPro Technology and various health issues. You can find her at: https://www.instagram.com/napro_fertility_surgeon


Here is the link to the article that Fr. Bambrick and I were discussing a few weeks ago:

<https://www.catholicnewsagency.com/news/263833/naprotechnology-a-life-affirming-alternative-to-ivf>
Springs in the Desert is a phenomenal ministry for couples who are carrying the cross of infertility. They offer spiritual support through a variety of resources: <https://springsinthedesert.org/>

While Nick and I never personally suffered the pain and grief of a miscarriage firsthand, we have shared the grief of numerous family members and friends. Red Bird Ministries is a wonderful Catholic resource for anyone who has lost a child of any age: <https://www.redbird.love/>

The United States Conference of Catholic Bishops (USCCB) has put together a great deal of information about the science behind Natural Family Planning: <https://www.usccb.org/topics/natural-family-planning/nfp-science>
The part of the website that provides an overview of the effectiveness of NFP is <https://www.usccb.org/issues-and-action/marriage-and-family/natural-family-planning/what-is-nfp/science/nfp-and-effectiveness>

Finally, I wanted to share the website that my husband Nick curates: <https://dioceseoftrenton.org/natural-family-planning> As some of you may know, in July of 2024, Nick began a new role as Associate Director of Marriage Ministries and NFP for our diocese. In talking about Natural Family Planning, I have been referring to the Creighton Model, since that is what we use and are familiar with, but the above website has information on a variety of methods of NFP, including contact info for instructors. As an aside, I should mention that some dear friends of ours have found the Marquette Method to be really helpful for them, and Nick has up to date contact info for a few Marquette instructors on the diocesan website.

	<p>Prayer to St Michael The Archangel</p> <p>St. Michael the Archangel, defend us in battle. Be our protection against the wickedness and snares of the Devil. May God rebuke him, we humbly pray, and do thou, O Prince of the heavenly hosts, by the power of God, thrust into hell Satan, and all the evil spirits, who prowl about the world seeking the ruin of souls.</p> <p>Amen</p>
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Paul Mark Tannenbaum

Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord and let perpetual light shine upon them. May their souls and the souls of the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen

Devotional Lamps - Week of July 20-26, 2025

The Sanctuary Lamp will burn for ***Our Parishioners***

The Blessed Mother Lamp will burn for ***Couples Experiencing Infertility***

The Holy Family Lamp will burn for ***Those Devastated by Recent Natural Disasters***

We honor and thank all those who have served our country. We're thankful for their service and dedication to our nation. Lord, bless and protect al those that have served and are serving our country. We pray that all Veterans may know your love for them.

ISG Nicole Marchitto
RCT Patrick McBride
SSG Marcus Torre
Capt. Cameron Lindsey

C4C Nicholas Accardi, AF
CPT Chris Mision
MJR Jason DiDomenico
AFPVT Logan Moran

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Capt. Scott Maraldo
Capt. Zach Gould
Capt. James Accardi

INTERCESSORY PRAYERS - *Lord of Life, you desire wholeness for your people. Be with those who ask for help. Please bring health, healing and hope to those in our community who ask for our prayers. Amen.*

Vocation Awareness, Stephen Maraldo, Donna Maglio, Brian Venables, A Special Intention, Peace on Earth, Raymond Mamazza Sr., Curtis Hart, Judy Saal, William Raimondi, Meg Noone, Theresa Heublein, Roger Belli, Tom Martin, Jacob Heber, Jackie Fleming, Debbie Scatuccio, Jacqueline Krutulis, Kassidy Krutulis, Gladys Murphy, Corinne Nepsha, Nathaniel Nepsha, Marilyn Zwarych, Ricky DeBlois, Gary D'Alessandro, Frank DiGiamo, Don and Kathy Sopko, Nicholas DeVito, Betty Dreyfuss, Louise Kolarsick, Diane Warner, Lorraine Godleski, M.E. Koval, Patricia Cappello, Greg Mann, Vincent Joliffe, Kathleen Scudieri, Rosalie Delapi, Sharon Christensen, Ruth Nisay, Christian Rivera, Sage Rivera, Rob and Gina Zangrillo, Pam and Mike Mills, Pat Gallagher, Theresa Raimondi, Ann Rucando, Camille DeRosa, Kathy Perlson, Theresa Keim, Susan Miluk, Daniel DeVito, Jack Vreeland, Angelo Magri, Christopher Popp, Kristin Valetta, Jeanette Correa Schalen, Jordan Elkary, Valerie Behar, James McCarthy, Andrea Mitreuter, Barbara Ziff, John and Dolores Cosentino, Gary Gerlach, Iggy Antico, William Johnson, Louis Rivera, Linda McLane, Daffron Family, Barbara Griffin, Davy McClure, Paulette Aronstam, Donna Day, Vinny Day, Marge Sabo, John Harsanyi, James Vihonsky, Bertha Vihonsky, Kaitlyn Krutulis, Logan Martucci, Louise Murnane, Deby Daoust, Laura Meltzer Potts, the Groft Family, Maryann Lombardi, Michael Woodlock, Peggy Mulvehill, Austin Trezza, Lillian Zumbado, Michael Tardio, Agnes Smith, Michelle Neuhaus, Margie Libonati, Viola Gatyas, Kathy Cronin, Robert and Annamarie Kowalewski, Barbara Owens, Laurie Wroda, Louis Iacono, Joe Musumeci, Jeremy Birnbaum, Grace Lowney, Matthew Machin, Toni Marzorati, John Silvestre, Tim Popp, Mickey Silecchia, Ann Farringer, Paige Luke, Eddie Anthony, Karen Nepsha, Patti Misyak-Peters, Kristen Tamburro, Luca DeTommaso, Megan McIntyre, Diane Massiello, Billy Trupia, Provie Grasso, Karen Dudds, Margaret Cook, Victoria Magri, Ramona Martinez, Norm Schoenig, Rudolph Smith, Families in Central Texas affected by the recent floods

Thank you for your prayers for all those on our Intercessory and Armed Forces prayer lists. If you would like to add or change information please contact the Parish Office.



MASS INTENTIONS**July 20-27, 2025**

Sunday, July 20, 2025

7:00 a.m. **Parishioners**8:30 a.m. **Carmello Neri**, r/o Anna Cirrincione
JoanAnn Curtachio, r/o Marilyn and Joe Prudenti10:30 a.m. **Fay Sanitate**, r/o Lois Sanitate
James DiDomenico, r/o Flo DiDomenico

Monday, July 21, 2025

8:30 a.m. **Albert Holl**, r/o Jane Holl

Tuesday, July 22, 2025

8:30 a.m. **Patricia Techtmann**, r/o MaryLou and Bill Maguire

Wednesday, July 23, 2025

8:30 a.m. **James Austin**, r/o Jim and Peggy Mulvihill

Thursday, July 24, 2025

8:30 a.m. **Vilma Steinhauer**, r/o Alexandra Garcia

Friday, July 25, 2025

8:30 a.m. **Jean Smerecki and Jean Dougherty**, r/o Ed Smerecki

Saturday, July 26, 2025

5:00 p.m. **Joseph Moroney**, r/o Ed Smerecki
Dorothy Marchuk, Marilyn Meditz

Sunday, July 27, 2025

7:00 a.m. **Jean Smerecki and Jean Dougherty**, r/o Ed Smerecki8:30 a.m. **Martha Serpico**, r/o Antonelli Family
Nora S. Lyng, r/o Sonia and Ken Monahan10:30 a.m. **Parishioners****July 20, 2025:**

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As we enter the final weeks of the Annual Catholic Appeal—end date is July 31st. If you haven't yet made a gift to the appeal, it is not too late. Please prayerfully consider joining your fellow parishioners in this mission of hope. 100% of the collected funds *above* goal comes back to our parish. Visit **giveaca.org** to make your donation online. Thank you for your continued support and generosity. God bless!

Goal: \$80,000**Pledged:** \$59,093 (66%)**Paid:** \$47,009 (59%)**Total Donors:** 281**Average Gift:** \$164.37

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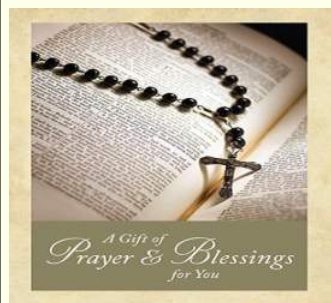
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Did you sign up for online giving?

Please visit our parish website to sign up for online giving with Parish Giving™. Your consistent stewardship while you are on vacation is appreciated.

THANK YOU.

Weekly Readings**Monday** Ex 14:5-18 Ex 15:1bc-2, 3-4, 5-6 Mt 12:38-42**Tuesday** Sgs 3:1-4b or 2 Cor 5:14-17 Ps 63:2, 3-4, 5-6, 8-9 Jn 20:1-2, 11-18**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** 2 Cor 4:7-15 Ps 126:1bc-2ab, 2cd-3, 4-5, 6 Mt 20:20-28**Saturday** Ex 24:3-8 Ps 50:1b-2, 5-6, 14-15 Mt 13:24-30**Sunday** Gen 18:20-32 Ps 138:1-2, 2-3, 6-7, 7-8 Col 2:12-14 Lk 11:1-13



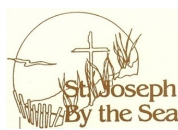
The Annual Enrollment is a beautiful gift for special times in life and for the eternal rest of our faithful departed. We are very happy to pray for you and your loved ones.

The Annual Enrollment Mass is celebrated the First Friday of each month at 8:30am for a period of one (1) year—12 months.

James and Natalie McMahon, Richard Iacono, George and Arlene Hassler, Religious Education and Youth Ministry Teams, Frank and Rose Hubit, Joanne and Keith Veltre, Eileen and George Graziano, Richard LoPresti, Edith and Ernesto Scalatempore, Jennie and John Tatulli, John, Lucy, Nick, Mary and George, Glenda Morisano, Michael Seyglinski, Raymond Magnussen, Ruth Nisay, Elena Salvato, Eileen and Don Malter, Robert McCarthy, Pat O'Connor and Tim O'Connor, Angelo Mazzeo, Dante Dedonno, Gilvo L. Gialanella, Steven Pirniak, Angelo Mazzeo, Antoinette Maria Puccio, Lynda J. Bradley Clay, Manny Oliveira, Joao Batista Abreu de Oliveira, Yedda Abreu de Oliveira, Maria de Lourdes Abreu, Joao C. Abreu, Cleisa Abreu Cantuaria, Linda Alm, Frances Brauner, John and Rose Jobst, Kathleen O'Connell, Miriam Whalen, Florence Spinello, Bernie Daquila, Pitkethley, Kuhl, Quillinan, Walters Families, Joanne and Keith Veltre, Kate Castell, Ronald Brancaccio, Anna and Salvatore Carnemolla, Joseph, Josephine and Bob Brancaccio, James D. Diefendorf, III, Mary Ann Borghi, Joseph S. Romano, Dorothy Theresa Maher, Cosmo (Gus) Mongiello, Fermina Lopez, James Migliori, Edna Parzygnat, Sophie, Anthony and Ted Wojton, Tracy Lee Papp-Hill, Walter Heublein, Frank Sandtner and Family, Anthony Sandtner and Family, Connie and Tony Giammona, Barbara Brennan, Miriam Spinelli, Rosemarie Artale, Joyce Elizabeth Mennella, Ana Librada Ramos, Enid Muraca, Paul V. Farley, Steve Yayac, Christopher Oliveira, Pat and Phelan Brady, Judy DeMichael, John P. Riso, Charles C. Gordon, George Rivera, James F. Moran, Anna Oliveia, William McCarthy, Boryschuk Family, Louise Jones, Edward F. Brown, Sr., Teresa Brown, Elizabeth Brown, Edward F. Brown, Jr., Robert Newmiller, Breakfast Club, Maria K. Wolfe, Rosalie and Nick DeLapi, Nunzio Masone, Boscarino Family, Johnson Family and Tessa, Shirley Shuberda, Mark Koval, Justin Jude Gingeleskie, Forgotten Souls of Purgatory, Cirricione Family, Elaine Marie Chambers, Merced Lotrena, Richard Wojaczyk, Paul Frankowski, Lawrence Houlihan, Marie Bivona, Gloria Anderson, Paul Kutz, John Owens, Annamarie DeLeonardis, Miriam A. Whalen, Marie Henshaw, Luca DeTommaso, Andrea K. Lear, Cheryl Stypula Gaydos and the Stypula Family, Chad Vitello, Rosano Family, Richard Toneske, Nora S. Lyng, Gardella Family, Marie DiTomasso, Eileen and George Graziano, Cunningham, Jacobs, Thezan, Theodore, Jourdan, McKenzie, Cabol, Butler, and Duplan Families, Anne Marie Varda Thenor Louis, Madeline Pomposelli, Joseph Pomposelli, Mark Pomposelli, Josephine Chambers, Thomas Chambers, Cornelius Connie O'Donnell, Gene Murnane, Richard Reba, Sandra Martin, Joseph and Pauline Fertil, Susan Glab, Evelyn and George Doerbecker, Gertrude and Eugene McLoughlin, Maureen and Don Gorny, Donald and Erin McLoughlin, Evan and Olivia Gorny, Catherine and William McLoughlin, Sergio and Katie Lee Rossini, Ray Velasco, Mr and Mrs. Timothy Mangan, Mary Mangan, Keith Bailey



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A CURRENT BROCHURE CAN BE FOUND ON OUR WEBSITE – www.sjbsea.org



The Parish and Religious Education offices will be **CLOSED** on Fridays during the months of July and August.

Offices will close at 12:00pm on Wednesday, July 30th for staff to attend a Diocesan event,



Seven young people from our parish are preparing to make a pilgrimage to the **National Catholic Youth Conference in Indianapolis in November of 2025**. There are opportunities available for a full sponsorship of one of our teens. A full sponsorship (which includes the

conference fee, hotel cost, and travel expenses) is \$1,000. If you have been blessed financially and wish to prayerfully consider a full sponsorship of a teen from our parish, please contact Jen Petrillo at 732-370-1515 ext. 311. This is a truly worthwhile investment in young people who are not just the future, but the *present* of our Church.



Help families affected by flooding in Central Texas! Our hearts are broken for the families in Central Texas who were affected by the flash flooding over the July 4th weekend. The Archdiocese of Galveston-Houston has coordinated with Catholic Charities in San Antonio to accept financial donations to provide emergency supplies, counseling and other services needed in the area. If you are looking to support the community go to ccaosa.ejoinme.org/helptoday to make a donation. Our prayers remain for all who are impacted by the flooding.

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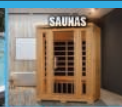
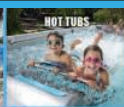
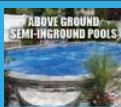
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