

The Catechism of Fr. John Hardon: The 6th & 9th Commandments

Since apostolic times, the 6th and 9th Commandments have been understood as two aspects of the same divine law, forbidding respectively external and internal sins against chastity. Christ, however, raised these commandments far above their Old Testament understanding. Under the Mosaic Law, which tolerated divorce, remarriage, and even polygamy, adultery was regarded principally as a sin against justice: husband and wife possessed mutual rights over one another, and adultery violated those rights. This appears even in the wording of the Ninth Commandment, where coveting another man’s wife is listed alongside coveting his house, field, servants, or animals. “Everyone who looks at a woman lustfully has already committed adultery with her in his heart.”

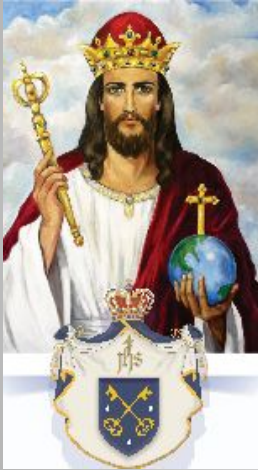
Chastity as Sacrifice and Love: Chastity is a form of temperance by which sexual desire is restrained and enjoyed only within the divinely established bounds of marriage. Within marriage, sexual union is a sacred good connected with mutual love and the generation of children. St. Paul therefore commands Christians to “keep away from fornication,” reminding them that their bodies are temples of the Holy Ghost. The Christian does not regard his body as belonging absolutely to himself. It belongs to God both by creation and, more profoundly, because through grace it has become the dwelling place of the Holy Ghost.

The Sacredness of Human Sexuality: Human sexuality is sacred...through the reproductive powers man and woman cooperate with God in bringing a new human being into existence. Thus chastity is neither hatred nor contempt of sexuality. Rather, precisely because sexuality is good and sacred, its use must conform to the order established by God.

The Purpose of Sexuality: The sexual organs themselves are good because God created man male and female and commanded them to “be fruitful and multiply.” The marital act likewise is good because it serves the generation of children and expresses authentic mutual love between husband and wife. Christian sexuality is therefore essentially directed beyond oneself: ultimately toward the children who may result from the union, and immediately toward one’s spouse. It becomes disordered when it is deliberately made selfish—when its procreative purpose is frustrated, when intercourse takes place outside the stable setting necessary for the care of children.

Direct and Indirect Sexual Pleasure: An action deliberately intended to arouse sexual pleasure is morally reserved to husband and wife within marriage. Other actions may incidentally produce sexual stimulation without being sinful when they are undertaken for some legitimate purpose and the person neither seeks nor voluntarily consents to the resulting pleasure. The distinction: whether the sexual stimulation is deliberately chosen as an end or merely occurs incidentally while pursuing some other legitimate good.

Sexuality Within Marriage: The Church does not consider sexual pleasure between husband and wife something dirty or shameful. The marital act, when exercised in a truly human and chaste manner, is honorable and expresses the mutual self-giving of the spouses. The very sacredness of sexuality explains the gravity of its misuse outside marriage: what is sinful is not sexuality itself but the profanation of something God has reserved for a particular sacred purpose.



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14th Sunday after Pentecost
August 30th, 2026

“...the fruit of the Spirit is, charity, joy, peace, patience, benignity, goodness, longanimity, Mildness, faith, modesty, continency, chastity. Against such there is no law. And they that are Christ's, have crucified their flesh, with the vices and concupiscences.” - Galatians 5:22-24

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Masses

Sunday: 7:00am, 8:30am, 10:30am (high), 1:00pm

Monday: 12:00pm
Tues: 9am; Wed-Thur: 7am & 9am
Friday: 9:00am & 6:30pm.
Saturday: 9:00 am.

Ocala:
Sunday: 4:30pm
Monday: 7:00am.

Confession: 30 min before Mass

Adoration: Fri 10am-6:15pm

Date and Time	Mass Intention	Requested By
8-30	7:00 AM James Flanigan+	Margaret & Kevin Weber
	8:30 AM Br. Goretti Zilli, MM	Zilli family
	10:30 AM <i>Pro Populo</i>	
	1:00 PM Gabriel Bednarz	Grandparents
8-31	12:00 PM Fr. Chris Hathaway, FSSP	Brenda Rodriguez
9-1	7:00 AM A loved one	Anonymous
	9:00 AM Frank & Melissa Burns 25th Anniversary	Burns family
9-2	7:00 AM The Donabedian Family	Bob & Mary Kuziel
	9:00 AM Tim Steindorf+	Steindorf family
9-3	7:00 AM Noreen Seaman	Mary Milana
	9:00 AM John & Sharon Belmont	M/M T. Flamminio
9-4	9:00 AM Mary Ann Dombro	Zaffina family
	6:30 PM Claire Verdini+	Zilli family
9-5	9:00 AM Priest's Intention	
9-6	7:00 AM Robert Grabowski+	Margaret & Kevin Weber
	8:30 AM Robert Kenney+	Craig & Jeanne Vaughn
	10:30 AM <i>Pro Populo</i>	
	1:00 PM Dominico Can Tran+	K.D.

“If all the prayers of loving hearts from the beginning of the world, and all the seraphic worship of the thrones and principalities of heaven, and the burning devotion and love of the Virgin Mother of God, and the voices of the all creatures of heaven and earth were offered up in one universal and harmonious act of praise and adoration, they would not equal or even approach in value and efficacy the infinite worth of a SINGLE MASS.”

1962 Liturgical Calendar				
8-30	14th Sunday after Pentecost	2	G	
8-31	St. Raymond Nonnatus, Confessor	3	W	
9-1	The Holy Twelve Brother, Martyrs	4	R	St. Giles, Confessor
9-2	St. Stephen of Hungary, King & Confessor	3	W	
9-3	St. Pius X, Pope & Confessor	3	W	
9-4	Sacred Heart of Jesus	3	W	
9-5	St. Lawrence Justinian, Bishop & Confessor	3	W	
9-6	15th Sunday after Pentecost	2	G	

From the Choir Loft: 14th Sunday after Pentecost, 8/30/26; Entr: Hail, Holy Queen SEC 908; Asperges SEC 567; Mass VI SEC 719; Credo IV SEC 780; Exit: To Christ the Prince of Peace SEC 861

You may wonder why we sing different Gregorian Masses. Masses are designated for various seasons or feasts. In the time after Pentecost, most Sundays are second class. Masses for second class feasts are numbered IV through VIII in the Kyriale. Today the choir sings Mass VI (Kyrie Rex Genitor).

Weekly Schedule		Prayer Corner
Holy Face Devotions	Tue, Sep 1, 10:15 AM	Please pray for: Baby Tiberius; Arianne Gardner; Baby Gardner; Frank Burns; Antonio Negrin; Sciscenti family; Carol Labrecque; Terry Angley; Wis family; McNamara family; Peter & the Crowell family; Aaron Pruitt; Mary Therese Anton; Gary Syvertsen
Women's Lectio Divina	Tue, Sep 1, 4:00 PM-5:30 PM	
Adoration	Fri, Sep 4, 10AM-6:15 PM	
Pro-Life Meeting	Sat, Sep 5, 10:00 AM	

Reminder: there will be no 7am Mass on Tuesday going forward

Rosary Raffle – Today: Old or broken rosaries can be exchanged for raffle tickets to win a **new rosary**. Raffle tickets may also be purchased with cash or check made out to Christ the King (rosary raffle on the memo line). The drawing will take place **after the 1:00 p.m. Mass**. Proceeds will help provide rosaries for those in need.

Save the Date! The Diocese of Venice will host the annual **Eucharistic Rosary Congress from October 3–9**. During this time, parishes throughout the diocese will offer Eucharistic Adoration and pray the Rosary each hour. The goal is to have the Holy Eucharist adored and the Rosary prayed every hour somewhere in the diocese. **CtK’s day is Wed, Oct. 7**, beginning with the **9:00 a.m. Mass** and concluding with the **7:00 a.m. Mass on Thurs, Oct. 8**. A sign-up sheet is in the vestibule or scan the QR code to sign-up online.
<https://giving.parishsoft.com/App/Form/4f476f26-ea5c-49bd-9484-45a7f538b4ef>



Youth Catechism 2026-27: This the **final week** to sign-up. Classes begin on Thurs, Sep. 10 and will meet on the 2nd and 4th Thursday of the month. Scan the QR code to sign-up or download forms from the parish website. Forms can also be picked up at the office. Please note that only registered families may attend our youth programs.



Finances	Mass Attendance
Last Sunday’s collection: cash \$3,621.00; online \$2,090.27; <i>Do This in Memory of Me:</i> cash \$6.205.00; online \$3,600.32	Aug 23 - 503 souls 7:00 am- 68 8:30 am- 148 10:30 am- 169 1:00 pm- 118 <i>Ocala- 323</i>
2026 CFA status at CtK as of August 17, 2026: \$104,000.00 assessment; \$43,758.36 pledged; \$39,064.78 paid; 17.07% of HHolds. Thank you for your support!	

Parish Groups

St. Joseph’s Guild

St. Theresa Devotions Guild

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Youth Catechism

Youth Group

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