

August 20, 2023 - Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time



# BLESSED CARLO ACUTIS PARISH



## TRANSFORMING SPIRITS, HEARTS & MINDS

PARAFIA BLOGOSŁAWIONEGO CARLO ACUTIS

PARROQUIA DEL BEATO CARLO ACUTIS



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Please like and follow us on all major social media platforms, @carloacutischi

## LITURGICAL SCHEDULE

**SATURDAY MASS**  
5:00 p.m. SH (Vigil)

**SUNDAY MASS**  
8:30 a.m. SH (Polish)  
9:45 a.m. SJB  
11:00 a.m. SH  
12:30 p.m. SJB (Spanish) SH until  
May 31st and then SJB until Oct 31st

**DAILY MASS**  
8:00 a.m. Mon - Sat SH

**CONFESSIONS**  
4:15 p.m. Saturday - SH  
7:30 a.m. Weekdays - SH  
\*also by appointment

**DEVOTIONS**  
**Eucharistic Adoration**  
7:30 a.m. Monday through Saturday  
7:00 p.m. Tuesday and Friday

**Our Lady of Perpetual Help Novena**  
8:30 a.m. Tuesday

**Novena to St. Peregrine**  
8:30 a.m. Wednesday

**Litany of the Sacred Heart**  
7:45 a.m. First Friday

**Litany of the Blessed Virgin Mary**  
7:45 a.m. Saturday

**DOLMA**  
4:00 p.m. First Saturday

**Rosario y Consagración a Nuestra  
Virgen De Guadalupe**  
12:30 p.m. Primer Domingo

**Anointing of the Sick**  
8:00 a.m. First Wednesday

\*All Devotions held at St. Hedwig Site



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773-486-1660

**St. John Berchmans Site (SJB)**  
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Chicago, IL 60647  
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## FR. TOM

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

The Gospel story of the Canaanite woman holds powerful implications for our lives as we navigate our faith journey.

Imagine the scene: a desperate mother approaches Jesus, seeking healing for her tormented daughter. Initially met with silence, she persists despite the disciples' urging to send her away. Jesus' response might appear challenging; He explains His mission to the people of Israel. Yet, this woman's unyielding faith stands strong.

The turning point comes with her response, showing extraordinary humility and trust. She acknowledges her place, yet firmly believes in God's boundless mercy. Her faith, like a spark, ignites a compassionate response from Jesus. He praises her faith, and her daughter is healed.

What does this mean for us? It illustrates that our faith has the power to transform our lives. Like the Canaanite woman, we might face silence or challenges in our prayers. We might even question God's plan during difficult times. However, this story teaches us that persistent faith has the ability to move God's heart and bring about incredible change.

In our lives, we often encounter obstacles – health issues, family concerns, or personal struggles. The Canaanite woman's story encourages us not to lose heart. It encourages us to approach God with unwavering faith, humility, and a deep trust that His love and healing are always available to us.

Let's reflect on this story's life implications: Are there areas in our lives where we need to grow in faith? Are we willing to persevere in our prayers, even in the face of challenges? Can we approach God with humility, acknowledging His wisdom and mercy, even when the answers are not immediate?

Any time as we partake in the Eucharistic celebration, let's remember that our faith has the power to transform our lives. Let's open our hearts to the possibility of healing, change, and growth. Just as the Canaanite woman's faith led to her daughter's healing, may our faith lead us to a deeper experience of God's love and transformation in our lives.

May we go forth with strengthened faith, ready to face life's challenges with unwavering trust in God's goodness. God bless us all.

Peace  
Fr. Tom

## MISSION STATEMENT

We are a multicultural, intergenerational Catholic parish community of people on the journey to learning about, celebrating, serving and proclaiming our faith in the Risen Jesus.

## CORE VALUES

We are welcoming, learning, believing, serving, celebrating, understanding, sharing, diverse, community and focused on quality.

Scan The QR Code and find all the Readings for the Week



## BCAP SACRAMENTS

### RECONCILIATION

4:15 p.m. Saturday - SH

7:30 a.m. Weekdays - SH

\*also by appointment

### ANOINTING OF THE SICK

8:00 a.m. First Wednesday - SH

Please call the Parish Office to receive this sacrament of healing if a family member is ill or preparing for surgery.

### MARRIAGE

To schedule a wedding, please contact the Parish Office six months prior to the wedding date. Please remember that at least one of the persons should be a registered, active parishioner for four months or more.

### BAPTISM

If you would like to baptize your child, Please contact the Parish Office in order to begin the process.



### Raffle Ticket Sales for support of the Congregation of the Resurrection

Next weekend, at ST. JOHN BERCHMANS, we will be selling raffle tickets to support the Senior Priests and Brothers and the Formation Program for the Congregation of the Resurrection. Tickets are \$25 each or 6 for \$100. **Bring your return address labels to use on the ticket stubs.** If you are not prepared to purchase the tickets we will have envelopes for you to mail them. The parish of the first place winner will receive a \$500 bonus. If raffles are not your thing, a basket for donations will be available.

The 26<sup>th</sup> Annual Gala will be on September 24 at Allegra Banquets in Schiller Park, Illinois. For dinner reservations call or email Brother Bill Hallas at: 773-320-5782 or [whallascr@gmail.com](mailto:whallascr@gmail.com).

**PLEASE  
CONSIDER  
DONATING  
TODAY**



### Carlo's Salon

*A salon is a discussion group among individuals who seek to learn more about the Bible, the sacraments, religion in general, and life itself.*

*A group like this meets every Thursday in the chapel of St. Hedwig Church, led by Father Gene, immediately after the 8:00 a.m. Mass (usually about 8:30 a.m.). There is no cost. The last four Thursdays were devoted to the Creation Stories in the opening chapters of Genesis, as well as an exploration of other ancient mythologies.*

The next four Thursdays (August 17, 24, 31, and September 7) will be devoted to an exploration of the Gospels of Mark and John. Bring a copy of the New Testament and join your friends.

### Current Pantry Needs Updated - July 2023

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|--------------------|-----------------------|
| ✓ Canned Fruit     | ✓ Syrup               |
| ✓ Instant Coffee   | ✓ Dish Soap           |
| ✓ Flour            | ✓ Shampoo & Body Wash |
| ✓ Sugar            | ✓ Hand Soap           |
| ✓ Salt             | ✓ Paper Towels        |
| ✓ Breakfast Cereal | ✓ Toilet Paper        |
| ✓ Oatmeal          | ✓ Silverware          |
| ✓ Pancake Mix      |                       |

*Together  
We Can!*



### REORGANIZING THE FOOD PANTRY

The food pantry will now be open at St. John Berchmans on Mondays from 1-3 PM. Mary Rita and Barb are now in charge of the food pantry. We will be looking for volunteers to join us. Give your name and phone number to the rectory. Donated items can be left at the back of church on Sundays or dropped off at the rectory. Pass the word to whomever needs to know that the food pantry is open.

# MASS INTENTIONS & PRAYER REQUESTS <sup>5</sup>

## BLESSED CARLO ACUTIS PARISH MASS INTENTIONS

### Saturday, August 19: Saturday in Ordinary Time

8:00 AM Elena (Laney) Woodburn

5:00 PM † Harriet E. Nega

† Sr. Diane Marie Collins

### Sunday, August 20: Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:30 AM † Samuel Ornelas & Deceased Relatives

† Leonarda Abreau (Birthday Remembrance)

† Marek Batdyga

† Sr. Diane Marie Collins

9:45 AM † Virgilio Bonifazi & Family

† Lewis & Dorothy Buttita

† Rosa Munoz

† Jesus R. Trevino

† Sr. Diane Marie Collins

11:00 AM † Moises & Josephine Paulin

† Sr. Diane Marie Collins

† Jesus Barrera (4th Year Anniv.)

† William Armendariz

† Joann Damien

† Edward Ukleja, Sr.

H&B Jake Kardasz

Antionette & All Her Living & Deceased Relatives & Friends

12:30 PM † Ramiro Mendez Serrano (7 meses)

† Eulalia Gonzalez

† Jose Antonio Berdeja Leyva (4 meses)

† Sr. Diane Marie Collins

† Cesaria Zuniga

Edward Diaz

Adelaida Otero

### Monday, August 21: Memorial of Saint Pius X, Pope

8:00 AM † Glen F. Rylko

† Rev. Patrick Rylko, C.R.

† Josephine Paulin

### Tuesday, August 22: Memorial of the Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary

8:00 AM † Sr. Diane Marie Collins

### Wednesday, August 23: Weekday in Ordinary Time

8:00 AM Intentions to St. Peregrine

H&B Louie Russo (Birthday Blessing)

### Thursday, August 24: Feast of St. Bartholomew

8:00 AM † Wayne P. Kwiatek

### Friday, August 25: Weekday in Ordinary Time

8:00 AM † Deceased Benefactors of Our Parish

### Saturday, August 26: Saturday in Ordinary Time

8:00 AM † Sr. Diane Marie Collins

5:00 PM † Harriet E. Nega

H&B Dembkowski, Snider, Bourdeau Family

### Sunday, August 27: Twenty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:30 AM † Samuel Ornelas & Deceased Relatives

† Maria Gonzalez & Delia Ornelas

† Marek Batdyga

9:45 AM † Sr. Diane Marie Collins

11:00 AM † Moises & Josephine Paulin

† William Armendariz

Antionette & All Her Living & Deceased Relatives & Friends

12:30 PM † Eulalia Gonzalez

Adelaida Otero

Anna y Mark Rabe

## PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

Jazzmyne Aguilar  
Apolonio Alarcon  
Frances Alequin  
Transito Alvarez  
Tallulah Andresen  
Robert Bauer  
Manglio Bonilla  
Daniel Brady  
Terry Brady  
Joan Brzeski  
Junior Burgos  
Alejandro Carmona  
Sally Cox  
Antonio de Vera  
Cyndi DeLira  
Nancy, Brian & Jimmy  
Denges  
Carolyn S. Duckunue  
Barbara Durbin  
Rachel Mauricio Elizar  
Teresa Ellison  
Sarah Ellison  
Margaret Flisiak  
Ana Flores  
Celeste Galeij  
John Graff  
Natividad Galeana  
Charlene Herda  
Sophie Hernan  
Nancy Idaszak

Eleanor Jura  
Nick Jurado  
Linda Klickmann  
Monika Klonecka  
Antionette Krerowicz  
Dolores Kryszak  
Doreen Maneely  
Hailey Marose  
Crystal Mohetano  
Joseph Murphy  
Karel O'Brien  
Danny Olivero  
Salomea Olszewska  
Joseph Price  
Linda Riske  
Angela Rivera  
Hertha Runowski  
Eleanor Rylko  
Reynaldo Sanchez  
Jackie Schuman  
Angie Schuman  
Mary Anne Sedey  
Berenice Sosnowski  
Verena Tonnesen  
Nichole Vilches  
Joseph Wyse  
Patricio A. Yanez Guerra  
Gail, Jason & Family



## Back to School Checklist

- SCHOOL FORMS
- SCHOOL UNIFORM (DENNIS UNIFORM CODE GJBSV)
- GYM SHOES, BACKPACK, LUNCH BOX, WATER BOTTLE
- NO SCHOOL SUPPLIES! (INCLUDED IN TUITION)



## IMPORTANT DATES



**Contact Us Today, All Are Welcome!**



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**PADRE TOM**

Estimados Hermanos y Hermanas,

La historia del Evangelio de la mujer cananea tiene importancias poderosas para nuestras vidas mientras navegamos en nuestro viaje de fe.

Imaginen la escena: una madre desesperada se acerca a Jesús, buscando sanación para su hija atormentada. Inicialmente ella se encontró con el silencio, y persiste a pesar de la insistencia de los discípulos de que se retirara. La respuesta de Jesús puede parecer desafiante; Él explica su misión al pueblo de Israel. Sin embargo, la fe inquebrantable de esta mujer se mantiene firme.

El resultado es debido a su acción, mostrando una extraordinaria humildad y confianza. Ella reconoce su lugar, pero cree firmemente en la misericordia ilimitada de Dios. Su fe, como una chispa, enciende una respuesta piadosa de Jesús. Él alaba su fe y su hija es sanada.

¿Qué significa esto para nosotros? Esto ilustra que nuestra fe tiene el poder de transformar nuestras vidas. Como la mujer cananea, podemos enfrentar silencio o desafíos con nuestras oraciones. Incluso podríamos cuestionar el plan de Dios durante tiempos difíciles. Sin embargo, esta historia nos enseña que la fe persistente tiene la capacidad de mover el corazón de Dios y producir un cambio increíble.

En nuestras vidas, a menudo encontramos obstáculos: problemas de salud, preocupaciones familiares o luchas personales. La historia de la mujer cananea nos anima a no desalentarnos. Nos alienta a acercarnos a Dios con fe inquebrantable, humildad y una profunda confianza en que su amor y sanidad están siempre disponibles para nosotros.

Reflexionemos sobre las importancias de la vida en esta historia: ¿Hay áreas en nuestras vidas donde necesitamos crecer en la fe? ¿Estamos dispuestos a perseverar en nuestras oraciones, incluso ante los desafíos? ¿Podemos acercarnos a Dios con humildad, reconociendo su sabiduría y misericordia, aun cuando las respuestas no sean inmediatas?

Siempre que participemos en la celebración Eucarística, recordemos que nuestra fe tiene el poder de transformar nuestras vidas. Abramos nuestros corazones a la posibilidad de sanación, cambio y crecimiento. Así como la fe de la mujer cananea transfirió a la curación de su hija, que nuestra fe nos lleve a una experiencia más profunda del amor y la transformación de Dios en nuestras vidas.

Continuemos adelante con una fe fortalecida, listos para enfrentar los desafíos de la vida con una confianza inquebrantable en la bondad de Dios. Que Dios nos bendiga a todos.

Paz,

Padre Tom

**Ks. TOM**

Drodzy Bracia i Siostry,

Dzisiejsza ewangeliczna historia kobiety kananejskiej niesie ze sobą potężne implikacje dla naszego życia, gdy podążamy naszą drogą wiary.

Wyobraźmy sobie scenę: zdesperowana matka podchodzi do Jezusa, szukając uzdrowienia dla swojej udęczonej córki. Początkowo spotyka się z milczeniem, ale nie ustępuje, pomimo nalegań uczniów, by ją odesłać. Odpowiedź Jezusa może wydawać się trudna; wyjaśnia że jest posłany ze swoją misją wyłącznie do ludu Izraela. Jednak nieugięta wiara tej kobiety jest silniejsza.

Punktem zwrotnym jest jej odpowiedź, wykazująca niewykłą pokorę i zaufanie. Uznaje swoje miejsce, ale mocno wierzy w bezgraniczne miłosierdzie Boga. Jej wiara, niczym iskra, wywołuje współczującą reakcję Jezusa. On chwali jej wiarę, a jej córka zostaje uzdrowiona.

Co to oznacza dla nas? Pokazuje, że nasza wiara ma moc przemieniania naszego życia. Podobnie jak kobieta kananejska, możemy napotkać ciszę lub wyzwania w naszych modlitwach. Możemy nawet kwestionować Boży plan w trudnych chwilach. Jednak ta historia uczy nas, że wytrwała wiara jest w stanie poruszyć Boże serce i przynieść niesamowite zmiany.

W naszym życiu często napotykamy przeszkody - problemy zdrowotne, rodzinne lub osobiste. Historia kobiety kananejskiej zachęca nas, byśmy nie tracili ducha. Zachęca nas do zbliżania się do Boga z niezachwianą wiarą, pokorą i głębokim zaufaniem, że Jego miłość i uzdrowienie są dla nas zawsze dostępne.

Zastanówmy się nad życiowymi implikacjami tej historii: Czy są w naszym życiu obszary, w których musimy wzrastać w wierze? Czy jesteśmy gotowi wytrwać w naszych modlitwach, nawet w obliczu wyzwań? Czy potrafimy zbliżyć się do Boga z pokorą, uznając Jego mądrość i miłosierdzie, nawet jeśli odpowiedzi nie są natychmiastowe?

Dzisiaj, kiedy uczestniczymy w tej Eucharystii, pamiętajmy, że nasza wiara ma moc przemieniania naszego życia. Otwórzmy nasze serca na możliwość uzdrowienia, zmiany i wzrostu. Tak jak wiara kobiety kananejskiej doprowadziła do uzdrowienia jej córki, niech nasza wiara doprowadzi nas do głębszego doświadczenia Bożej miłości i przemiany w naszym życiu.

Obyśmy wyszli stąd ze wzmocnioną wiarą, gotowi stawić czoła życiowym wyzwaniom z niezachwianą ufnością w Bożą dobroć. Niech Bóg błogosławi nas wszystkich.

Pokój,

Ks. Tomek