

Church of the Sacred Heart

TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



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Liturgy of the Eucharist

Saturday 4:00 pm

Sunday 9:00 am

Weekdays

Wednesday 9:00 am

First Friday of each month 9:00 am

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Every Wednesday after 9:00 am Mass

Sacrament of Reconciliation

First Friday of each month 8:30 am

First Saturday of each month 3:15 pm – 3:45 pm

Or by appointment

Office Hours

Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday

8:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

September 16, 2018

Article Courtesy of Bob Rawson, Guest Writer



Guido Vidal França Schäffer was born on May 22, 1974 in Volta Redonda, which is a municipality in the Rio de Janeiro state of Brazil. Guido was a Brazilian physician, a surfer, and a seminarian. Guido was the son of Guido Manoel Vidal Schäffer and Maria Schäffer. His father is a doctor and his mother is a member of the Good Shepherd Community. Guido grew up in Copacabana, Rio de Janeiro, where he learned to enjoy the beach and surfing. He studied Medicine at the Faculty Technical Educational Souza Marques. He made residence and later joined the medical staff of the Holy House of Mercy in Rio. He decided to become a general practitioner, which is a specialty that allowed him to assess the patient as a whole. During his academic education he was also dedicated to care for HIV patients.

From his knowledge of the Word of God, and for the importance he gave to the sacraments and use of the charisms of the Holy Spirit, Guido founded several prayer groups and held many lectures. During a retreat at the Canção Nova Community, Guido heard a priest preaching the following passage: "Never turn your face from the poor and God will never turn his from you." At that moment, he reflected how many times he had looked away from the poor. He asked God for forgiveness and said, "Jesus, help me take care of the poor." A week later he met the Sisters of the order founded by Mother Teresa (Missionaries of Charity), whose mission is the care for the poor. He realized that God had heard his request and was giving him the direction he wanted for his medicine. He offered his work to the Sisters of Charity and started to meet the homeless on the streets. He organized the volunteers inviting other doctors from the Holy House of Mercy and the youth of the prayer group to join him.

When reading the book "The brother of Assisi," he felt called to the priesthood. Guido fulfilled the first years of preparation at the Institute of Philosophy and Theology of the Monastery of Saint Benedict of Rio de Janeiro. As an external student he combined the preparatory studies for the priesthood with his volunteer medical work. In 2008, he joined the Saint Joseph Seminary in Rio de Janeiro.

On May 1, 2009, at thirty-four years old, Guido died; he died due to an injury to his neck, which caused unconsciousness and drowning while surfing. The funeral mass was held the next day and chaired by Archbishop Orani of Rio de Janeiro (now Cardinal) in the parish of Our Lady of Copacabana. The church was packed with about 1700 people from all locations and social classes and was attended by approximately seventy priests and three bishops. Before the coffin closed at the end of the Mass, Archbishop Orani said: "This church so full shows me how this young man was a good shepherd, and as I know of his desire to become a priest, I will put the stole in his hands." The bishop then placed the stole in Guido's hands, and he was buried with it.

Soon after his death reports of cures started to appear attributed to the intercession of the young doctor, seminarian and surfer. On January 17, 2015 the process of beatification and canonization was initiated. At this stage, Guido Schäffer received the title "Servant of God".

Daily Prayer This Week

This is a good week to imagine how much we are like Jesus' disciples. We clearly want to be his follower, and we do follow him. The humbling reality is that we are inconsistent. At the very time that Jesus is telling us that he wants us to find ourselves by losing ourselves, we are too often being competitive and trying to be on top somehow. Fortunately, he keeps telling us about the real meaning of discipleship. Paul lay sit all out in this week's first readings. The parable of the sower is quite helpful this week. How healthy and rich is the soil of our own souls? Can we feel the longing we have to make our hearts more receptive to the message of Jesus?

Each morning, as soon as we can after waking up, perhaps associated with some automatic behavior like putting on slippers or a robe or getting a cup of coffee, we begin the day in the presence of our Lord. We can get into the habit of greeting our Lord, "Good morning, Lord. Thank you for this day." Even if we didn't have a good night's sleep and we are waking up fairly tired, this habit can part of our routine. Naming our desire for the day can become the way we begin our day with the Lord. Repeating it, with more details, as we encounter the people and responsibilities of our day, will deepen our relationship with the Lord. Brief "prayers" (which are really just conversations) sustain the connection all day.

In one circumstance this week, I might say, "Lord, here I am being that very hard ground. Please get through to me in the part of me that is still 'receptive soil.'" Another day, I might catch myself trying to make myself look good and I can say, "Dear Jesus, your reminder helps me right here. Let me be a servant in this situation, with these people - forgiving, listening, compassion and freer." Sometime this week we might encounter someone who needs us to be like Jesus - healing something that is broken, or even dead and we can say, "Lord, let me do your will, imitate your faith in God here. Thank you for being with me."

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Celebrants

Wednesday, September 19

Fr. Shane Sacred Heart 9:00 am

Saturday, September 22

Fr. Shane Sacred Heart 4:00 pm

Fr. Fitzgerald St. Gregory's 5:00 pm

Sunday, September 23

Fr. Fitzgerald Sacred Heart 9:00 am

Fr. Shane St. Gregory's 9:30 am

Exaltation OF THE Cross

Liturgical Roles

Sat., Sept. 22nd at 4:00 p.m.

Lectors: Al Walz

Communion: Mary Stenger, Chuck Debevec

Gifts: Debevec Family

Ushers: Derek Murphy, Kevin Murphy

Servers: Ava Wendorff

Sunday, Sept 23rd at 9:00 am

Lectors: Kevin Smith, David Prickett

Communion: Scott Tryon, Jean Peno*, Beth Churchsmith

Gifts: Prickett Family

Ushers: Joe Moore, Don Belland, Dennis Kaufmann

Servers: Alexis Ertz, Brayden Ertz

Financial Update

Weekend of :	9/9/18
Envelope	1327.00
Plate	210.00
Bldg. Maint.....	180.00
Food Shelf.....	10.00
CCW Donations.....	38.00
Fall Festival.....	1605.00
EFT money	224.00
Faith Formation	45.00
Total	\$3639.00

"Thank you for your continuing generosity"

Mass Intentions



September 19 † Carol Freid
September 22 † Open
September 23 † Tom Strandmark

Needing our Prayers

"When we pray, God hears more than we say, answers more than we ask, gives more than we imagine...in HIS own time and HIS own way."

Sue Roth
Jim Bartz
Bill Peno
Jim Kirchberg
Dina Scandinato



News

Thank you! Your donations to the Mary, Queen of Heaven missionaries totaled \$832.16. Thank you for your generosity. See thank you letter on bulletin board.

Prayer Partners Needed:

We are looking for committed prayer partners for our 1st year confirmation candidates. Your commitment will be to pray for them until confirmed in the spring of 2020. The sign-up sheet is on the table in the back of the church. Thank you.



Also, there will be an all parent/confirmation candidate meeting on Wednesday, September 19th at 6:30 pm in the Parish house.

Faith Formation classes have started, if you have not registered your child, please contact the church office.

Money Counter Needed:

One more money counter needed on a Tuesday morning once a month to help count the weekend's contributions.

BOOYA—SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 30

Seating & Serving begins at 10:30 AM

Take-out begins at 10:30 AM

The Variety Booth is BACK!!!

Donations Needed! New items only, please.
From pencils to TV's & Bicycles.

Bring items to the Church starting Saturday, September 22 through 4 PM Friday, September 28.

Please label your donations
"Variety Booth"
Thank you!

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