St. Cajetan Parish

July 11, 2021

15th Sunday IN ORDINARY TIME

Jesus summoned the Twelve and began to send them out two by two and gave them authority over unclean spirits. - Mk 6:7

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From Our Pastor

Dear Sisters and Brothers,

I am thrilled to announce that we will have a Mass to celebrate the feast of St. Cajetan on Saturday, August 7th. Bishop Dan Turley, OSA will be the celebrant, and will bless the statues of the Sacred Heart and Blessed Mother after the Mass. Bishop Turley, as you may know grew up in our parish, then entered the Augustinians. He has just retired as bishop of the Diocese of Chulucanas, Peru; and is currently residing at St. Rita Parish. Work for the Mary garden is still being finished, however the landscaping and bench installation around the Sacred Heart statue have been completed.

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Today's first reading, about the prophet, Amos, seems to have been chosen to connect with the Gospel – the sending of the 12 on mission. It is interesting that Amos first occupation was not that of prophet, but one who was a dresser of sycamore trees. When we look at the apostles and their lives, they too, were not first disciples or apostles. They came from different backgrounds, such as being fishermen. But the thing Amos has in common with the apostles is "calling" from God. They are not self-appointed, but chosen.

The first reading seems to compare two contrasting conceptions of religion—one represented by Amaziah, priest of Bethel, and the other represented by the prophet Amos. Amos is known as the prophet of social justice.

Amaziah thought of religion as existing to promote loyalty to the status quo—the royal house and patriotism. Bethel was the king's sanctuary and the temple of the kingdom. Amaziah thought of his own role as that of a court chaplain, whose job was to prophesy "a smooth, and easy message."

Amos, however, was not the typical prophet (whose members viewed their duties much as Amaziah did his); he was an outsider whom God had called to denounce the government for its injustices and inhuman policies.

I recently read a story of an idealistic young priest once visited Thomas Merton at the Trappist monastery in Kentucky and spoke to him about his agony over social justice issues. "I know it's wrong," he said, "and sometimes I can hardly face myself in the mirror for going along with things as they are. Yet I don't know what to do. What can I do?"

"Don't do a darned thing," replied Merton, "Just take the time to become what you profess to be. Then you will know what to do." Merton had great credentials in the area of social justice, and because of that, his answer is most profound. In some ways, it is the answer of a saint to the agonizing question: what can I do in the area of social justice?

Perhaps one way we can understand Merton's answer is that if we don't know what to do, then we are still not ready to do anything. If we are still asking what to do, if our own problems are still too distracting, and if we are having trouble looking at ourselves in the mirror, then we are still too caught up in our own neuroses, ambitions, woundedness and false values to be of much help to the poor. We are still too poor ourselves. Our lives are not yet lives of praise and gratitude, lives that spill over and pour out graciousness. Our service, our prophecy and our resistance are still too self-seeking, too motivated by guilt, too distracted by wound and bitterness and anger.

To be a prophet of justice, an instrument of peace and a channel of graciousness necessitates that one be living more in gratitude than in anger, more in the posture of praise than the posture of paranoia.

Saints and prophets aren't characterized by bitterness, guilt or anger. These do not serve the poor. Saints and prophets are recognized by the warmth of their love and their sense of God's presence. That is why Merton tells that young man: "Take the time you need to become what you profess to be. … Don't rush wounded, self-preoccupied, ill-prepared and badly motivated into the crisis."

What do you do with the notion of social injustice?
Do you take the time to become what you profess to be?
Does it bring you to more prayer, more graciousness, more peace?

Blessings,
Fr. Steve Dombrowski

Parish Life

Welcome to St. Cajetan Catholic Community. If you come as a visitor today, we hope you leave as a friend. We consider it a privilege and blessing to celebrate Mass with you. If you are looking for a Faith community home, we invite you to join us regularly.

Sunday Offering

Due to early transmission of the bulletin the amount for the weekend of July 4 will not be listed.

Thank you for your generosity.

We are truly blessed.

Summer Vacation

Try as we might, we cannot seem to convince our bills to take a summer off. As you continue with your summer activities, please remember your parish needs your support throughout the year. Thank you for your continued generosity.

If you are contemplating making a will or changing your will and plan to leave something to charity, please keep St. Cajetan Parish in mind. A bequest to your parish continues your love and concern for your parish long after your life on earth has been completed.

Remember to pray the rosary for world peace, the unborn, the homeless, people who have lost their jobs, for vocations and people who are affected by the coronavirus.

Family Rosary will be held in church on Sunday, July 11 at 7:00 p.m.

Eucharistic Adoration

Third Tuesday

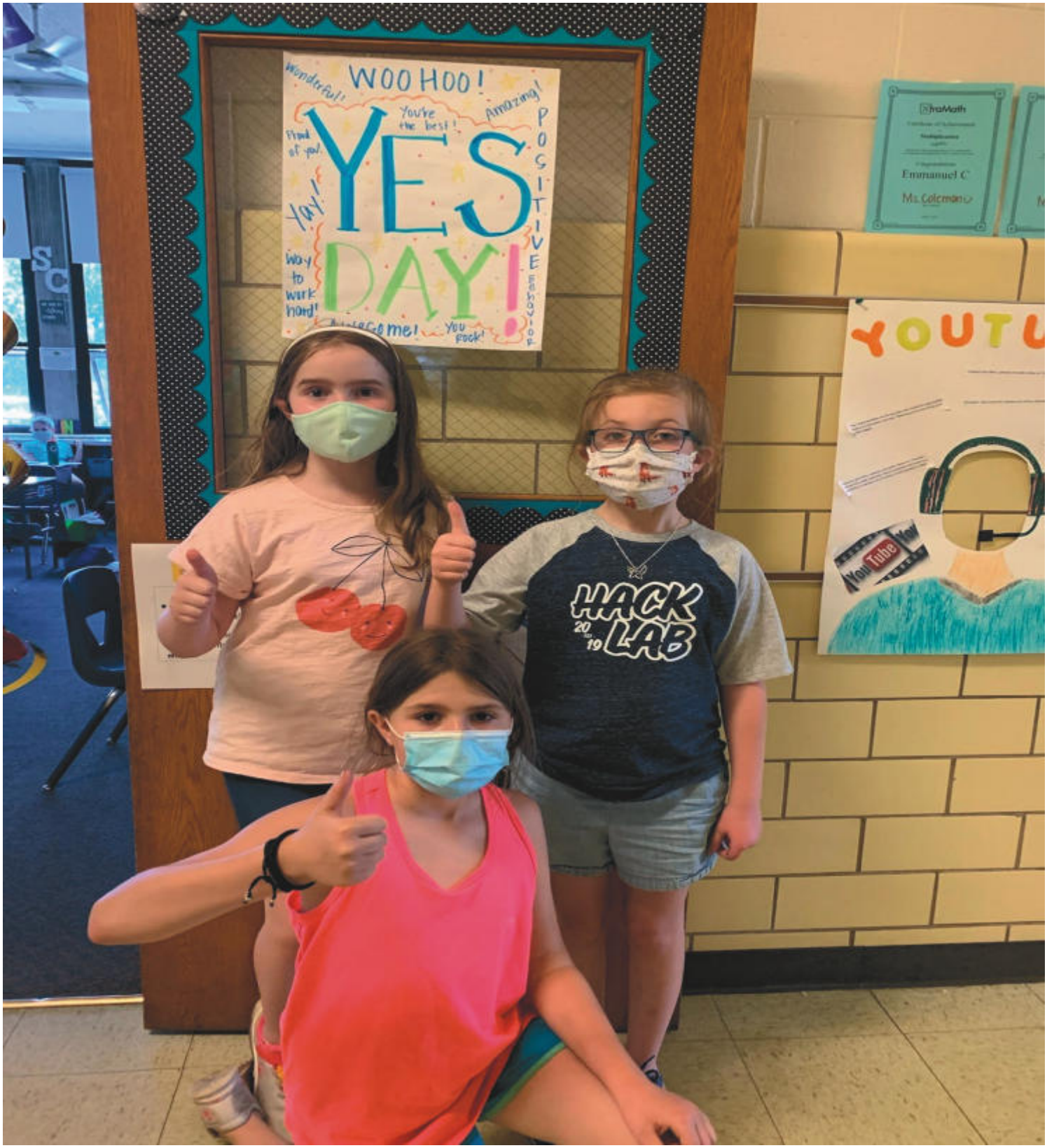
After 8:30 a.m. Mass -7:30 p.m.

July 20	October 19
August 17	November 16
September 21	December 21

Saint Cajetan School

Saint Cajetan School Mission Statement

Saint Cajetan Parish School, in partnership with parents and guardians, educates children intellectually, spiritually and morally in the context of a strong Catholic environment which fosters diversity and discipleship in building the kingdom of God through words and deeds.



Eva McMahon, Carolyn Milton and Grace Boza painted vases and created floral arrangements for Smith Village. These third grade girls worked together to give back to our community.

If you would like your name or a relative's name removed for our prayer list, please call the Parish Center at 773-474-7800.

Please Pray for Our Sick Relatives & Friends

Bill Biros, Marty Brogan, David Brombosz, Patsy Brown, Jo Lynn Burke, Raymond Cook, Nancy Curry, Kristen Cusack, Jim Davoren, Adam DeYoung, Dylan Dryer, Robert Ford, William Healy, John Hincks, Mike Hughes, Janet Huntington, Mary Ann Hurley, Mary Kaye Jenrich, Karen Kocanda, Sharon Kozola, Cathleen Limburg, Mike Lyle, John Lynch, Don McCarthy, John McDonald, Brian McDonough, Phil McGee, Barb McSweeney, Edmund Mitchell, Glenn Mitzner, Matt Moran, George Nedved, Mary Ellen Nedved, Jeffrey Oakes, Bernie O'Reilly, Jack Parker, Beatrice Siwek, Anthony Spalla, John Stanton, Bill Tomczak, Melanie Williams, for people who have coronavirus and those who are in need of our prayers.

Eternal Rest Grant unto them, oh Lord

For our deceased family members and friends

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Readings For The Week

Monday:	Ex 1:8-14, 22/Ps 124:1b-3, 4-6, 7-8 [8a]/Mt 10:34—11:1
Tuesday:	Ex 2:1-15a/Ps 69:3, 14, 30-31, 33-34 [cf. 33]/Mt 11:20-24
Wednesday:	Ex 3:1-6, 9-12/Ps 103:1b-2, 3-4, 6-7 [8a]/Mt 11:25-27
Thursday:	Ex 3:13-20/Ps 105:1 and 5, 8-9, 24-25, 26-27 [8a]/Mt 11:28-30
Friday:	Ex 11:10—12:14/Ps 116:12-13, 15 and 16bc, 17-18 [13] Mt 12:1-8
Saturday:	Ex 12:37-42/Ps 136:1 and 23-24, 10-12, 13-15/Mt 12: 14-21
Sunday:	Jer 23:1-6/Ps 23:1-3, 3-4, 5, 6 [1]/Eph 2:13-18/Mk 6:30-34

Eucharistic Celebrations

Monday - July 12

8:30 a.m. - Peggy Ruane *(The O'Malley Family)*

Special Intention for Connie Mae Covarrubias *(Connie & Bob Ratzel)*

Tuesday - July 13 - St. Henry

8:30 a.m. - Kathy Brennan Condron *(Family)*

Wednesday - July 14 - St. Kateri Tekakwitha

8:30 a.m. -

Thursday - July 15 - St. Bonaventure

8:30 a.m. - No Mass

Friday - July 16 - Our Lady of Mount Carmel

8:30 a.m. - No Mass

Saturday - July 17

4:00 p.m. - Jack, Helen & Jake Matijevic *(Family)*

Patricia Dunleavy *(Family)*

Maureen Crouse *(The Smith Family)*

William McClelland *(Joe & Barb McSweeney)*

Richard Reynolds *(Peggy Kerrigan & Marty O'Malley)*

Sunday - July 18 - 16th Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:00 a.m. - Patrick Clancy *(Barb Mulcrone)*

11:00 a.m. Mary E. Griffin - 40th Anniversary *(The Griffin Family)*

Thomas Griffin - 35th Anniversary *(The Griffin Family)*

James Sheridan *(Elle Sheridan)*

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Our Weekend Celebrants

Rev. Leopold Glueckert, O.Carm.

Rev. Peter McGarry, O'Carm.

Weekend Masses: **Saturday** - 4:00 p.m.

Sunday - 9:00 a.m. & 11:00 a.m.

Holy Day Masses: As scheduled

Daily Mass: 8:30 a.m. Monday, Tuesday & Wednesday

Sacrament of Reconciliation: Saturday, 3:00 p.m. to 3:30 p.m. & by appointment.

Baptisms: The first and third Sunday of each month at 12:30 p.m. Arrangements must be made in advance; first time parents need to schedule pre-baptism program. Contact the Parish Center at 773-474-7800.

Marriage: In order to receive the Sacrament of Matrimony at St. Cajetan, engaged couples are asked to call the Parish Center at least six months to a year prior to the requested date. Weddings are not celebrated on Sunday.

Holy Communion for Homebound Parishioners: If you or a friend or family member is homebound, on a long or short term basis, please call the Parish Center at 773-474-7800. A Minister of Care will be happy to bring you Communion in your home at your convenience.

Sacrament of the Sick: If you or a friend or family member would like to receive the Sacrament of the Sick, please contact the Parish Center at 773-474-7800 to make arrangements.

Adult Choir: Rehearsals are Wednesday at 6:30 p.m. in the Parish Center. New members are welcome.

New Parishioners: Welcome! Please register at the Parish Center or at **www.cajetan.org** at your convenience. Moving parishioner, please let us know as soon as possible.

Bulletin Deadline: Articles must be submitted in writing by **noon Friday for the following weekend**. You can also email your article to **bulletin@cajetan.org.** Articles must be in Word format.

Weekend Mass Schedule

July 17 & July 18	*4:00 p.m.*	*9:00 a.m.*	*11:00 a.m.*
Celebrant	*Fr. P. McGarry*	*Fr. S. Dombrowski*	*Fr. L. Glueckert*
Lectors	*J. Kennelly*	*S. Regan*	*D. Lauryn*

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