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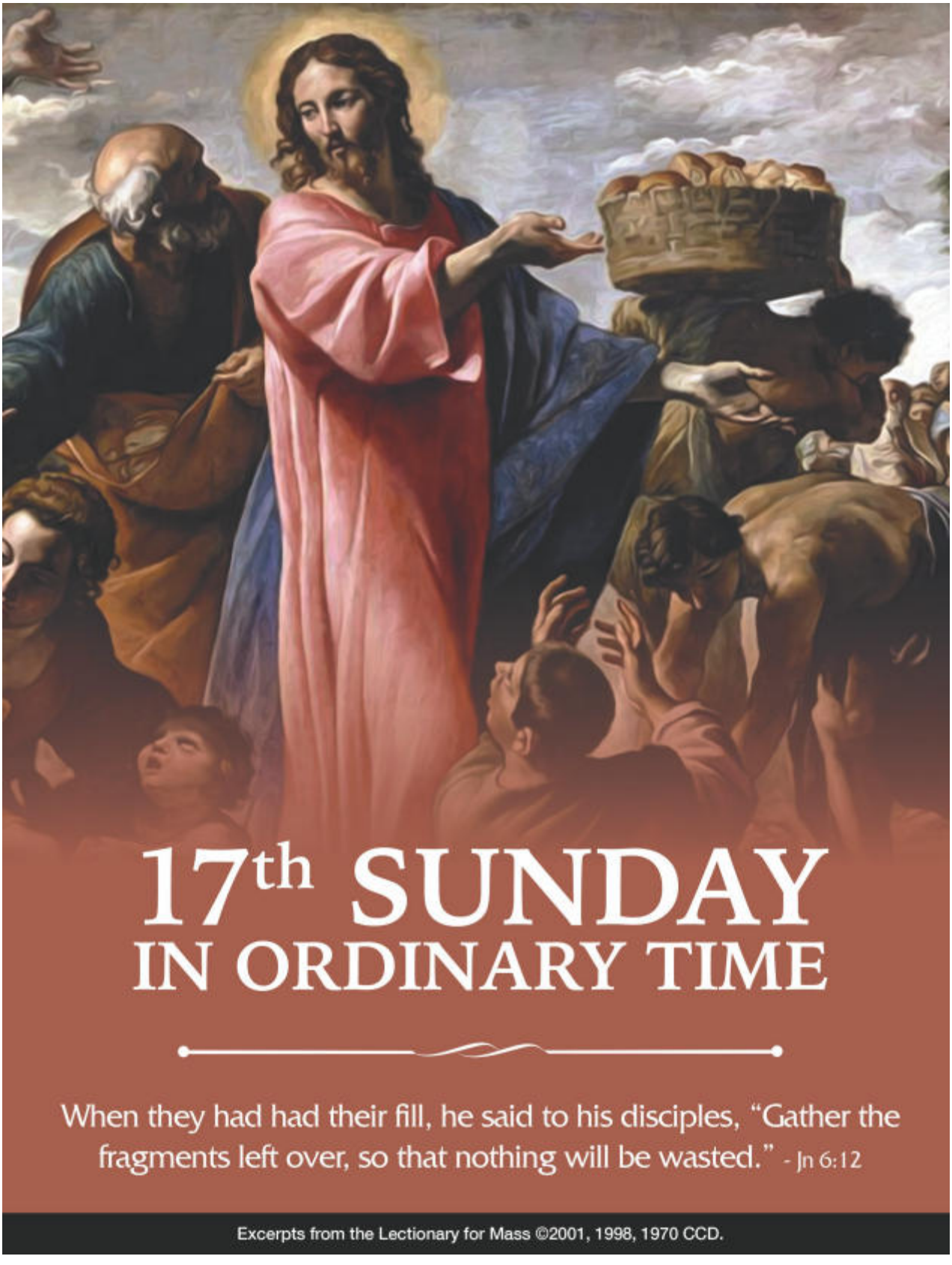
July 27, 2021



17th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

When they had had their fill, he said to his disciples, "Gather the fragments left over, so that nothing will be wasted." - Jn 6:12

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From Our Pastor

Dear Sisters and Brothers,

Our Psalm response at this weekend's liturgies is *The hand of the Lord feeds us; he answers all our needs.* Do you believe this is true? Last week we looked at Jesus in terms of the way he shepherds – keeping us safe, leading us to cool waters, setting a table before us. Today, in the gospel, he feeds us by his own hand.

Last week I was driving through Wisconsin, marveling at the beauty of the landscape, and focusing on the acres of corn spread before my eyes. "America, America, God shed his grace on thee." The first corporal work of mercy is the command to feed the hungry. How can we feed the hungry?

Even if we truly hear Jesus' command to do this, how, in fact, can it be done today? The world is a big place and millions upon millions of people live in hunger. We also live in a situation of great complexity -- political, social, and economic. There is no simple way to get resources to the poor, from our table to the table of someone who is hungry.

We look to our government and to relief services to feed the hungry and to care for those living below the poverty line. But is there a way we can each be involved?

A quick way to act is by donating money or food. I wonder, though, when I write a check, is this the easy way out – signing my name, and wishing poverty would disappear, in an action that is rather dismissive?

In my last parish, we read and discussed the book, "Living Like Francis Today." Through a number of chapters, the readers have the opportunity to look at their lives, and decide how to simplify those lives. Someone also turned me on to the book, "The Life-Changing Magic of Tidying Up." This book has a way of looking at our possessions and deciding what we truly need…or, what brings us joy. Is that the way to go? Fr. Ron Rolheiser says this: "To feed the hungry means to consume less ourselves, to do some fasting, and to live in a simplicity that puts us in more solidarity with the poor. Feeding the hungry also means prayer. We have some bad habits that only God can cure and thus only the outside power of God can ultimately transform our world."

Another approach is realizing that each poor person has a face. Maybe that means taking food to hungry people or working in soup kitchens. This can be quite challenging. A friend of mine, who after finishing his Masters in Social Work once said, "The poor can be quite ugly in their attitude and actions." But facing those who are poor is more in line with Jesus' way. For many years, we have had the peanut butter and jelly ministry at our parish – people who would collect food, assemble, then deliver food to the homeless of our city. For many years, we have had parishioners be part of the St. Blaze supper ministry.

A third approach is one who attempts to feed the hungry by involving oneself in social justice groups that are trying to change the conditions that produce poverty.

I am always moved by that line from today's Second Reading -- I, a prisoner for the Lord, urge you to live in a manner worthy of the call you have received…Is it possible that we have a different calling at different stages in our life? If you were to sit quietly, listening for God's voice, what would you hear in terms of caring for the hungry?

Finally, today has been marked out to be the World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly. Perhaps the call is also to feed those who are hungry for attention and affection. If we open our eyes, they are all around us!

Blessings,
Fr. Steven Dombrowski

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.

We joyfully welcome these children into God's family.

Kylie June Cano,
daughter of Karen & Michael Cano

Charlotte Carmella Warren,
daughter of Hannah & Collin Warren

Prayer For The First World Day For Grandparents And The Elderly

I thank You, Lord, for the comfort of Your presence: even in times of loneliness, You are my hope and my confidence, You have been my rock and my fortress since my youth! I thank You for having given me a family and for having blessed me with a long life. I thank You for moments of joy and difficulty, for the dreams that have already come true in my life and for those that are still ahead of me. I thank You for this time of renewed fruitfulness to which You call me. Increase, O Lord, my faith, make me a channel of your peace, teach me to embrace those who suffer more than me, to never stop dreaming and to tell of your wonders to new generations. Protect and guide Pope Francis and the Church, that the light of the Gospel might reach the ends of the earth. Send Your Spirit, O Lord, to renew the world, that the storm of the pandemic might be calmed, the poor consoled and wars ended. Sustain me in weakness and help me to live life to the full in each moment that You give me, in the certainty that you are with me every day, even until the end of the age.

Feast of St. Cajetan and Statue Dedication/Blessing

Join us for the Feast of St. Cajetan, Saturday, August 7 at 10:00 a.m.

We will join for Eucharist celebrated by Bishop Daniel Turley, OSA; followed by the blessing of the Mary Memorial Garden and Sacred Heart Statue.

Sunday Offering
July 18, 2021

Envelopes: **$ 3,926.00**

Online: **$ 2,895.00**

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.

SUMMER REGISTRATION

St Cajetan Parish

Religious Education Program (REP)

2021-2022

It is time now to register your children for our Religious Education Classes which are offered for students in 1st- 8th grade who attend a public grammar school. Beginning in October, classes will take place on alternate Tuesdays 6:00-8:30 p.m. in the Parish Center.

First Grade parents please be aware that preparation for First Communion is a 2 year program… grades 1 & 2.

7th grade parents, be aware that preparation for Confirmation is a 2 year program (grades 7 & 8).

How do you register?

- Online at **www.cajetan.org** (click on the REP Registration Form link)
- Forms are also available in the church vestibule.
- Or… In the Parish Center during regular business hours.

Tuition fees help to pay some of the program expenses. Initial payment is due before the first class, but do not delay your registration for financial reasons. We can talk about that.

One child: $200 2 children $350 3+ children $475

We are always seeking catechists to work tuition-free with our REP students. Please consider this option. We would take care of training and materials for you.

We look forward to teaching your children in our Religious Education Program. JOIN US

Sister Anne Martin Phelan
Director of Religious Education

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, 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 & friends

Readings For The Week

Monday:	Ex 32:15-24, 30-34/Ps 106: 19-20, 21-22, 23 [1a]/Mt 13: 31-35
Tuesday:	Ex 33:7-11; 34:5b-9, 28/ Ps 103:6-7, 8-9, 10-11, 12-13 [8a]/Mt 13:36-43
Wednesday:	Ex 34:29-35/Ps 99:5, 6, 7, 9 [cf. 9c]/Mt 13:44-46
Thursday:	Ex 40:16-21, 34-38/Ps 84:3, 4, 5-6a and 8a, 11 [2]/Jn 11:19-27 or Lk 10:38-42
Friday:	Lv 23:1, 4-11, 15-16, 27, 34b-37/Ps 81:3-4, 5-6, 10-11ab [2a]/Mt 13:54-58
Saturday:	Lv 25:1, 8-17/Ps 67:2-3, 5, 7-8 [4]/Mt 14:1-12
Sunday:	Ex 16:2-4, 12-15/Ps 78:3-4, 23-24, 25, 54 [24b]/Eph 4:17, 20-24/Jn 6:24-35

Eucharistic Celebrations

Monday - July 26 - St. Joachim & St. Anne

8:30 a.m. - Dick Temple *(Jackie & Jim Davoren)*

Tuesday - July 27

8:30 a.m. - John Davoren *(The Davorens)*

Wednesday - July 28

8:30 a.m. - Mark Mellenthin *(Meaghan Niego)*

Maeve McNicholas - 17th Anniversary *(Family)*

Mike Robb *(Amy Robb)*

Thursday - July 29 - St. Martha

8:30 a.m. - No Mass

Friday - July 30 - St. Peter Chrysologus

8:30 a.m. - No Mass

Saturday - July 31 - St. Ignatius of Loyola

4:00 p.m. - Felix Coccaro *(Beverly Coccaro)*

Tom Senese *(Family)*

Jack, Helen & Jake Matijevic *(Family)*

Patrick Clancy *(Vicki Mulcrone)*

William Kenney *(Barb & Joe McSweeney)*

Sunday - August 1 - 18th Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:00 a.m. - Deceased members of the Sharpies

Holy Souls in Purgatory *(The Spalla Family)*

11:00 a.m. For increased vocations *(The Spalla Family)*

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.

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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 31 & August 1	***4:00 p.m.***	***9:00 a.m.***	***11:00 a.m.***
Celebrant	***T.B.A.***	***T.B.A.***	***Fr. F. Kuruc*z**
Lectors	*K. Kozlowski*	*A. Spalla*	*M. Stanton*
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