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SUNDAY, JUNE 26, 2022

13TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



And another said, "I will follow you, Lord, but first let me say farewell to my family at home." To him Jesus said, "No one who sets a hand to the plow and looks to what was left behind is fit for the kingdom of God." - Lk 9:61-62

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**MERCEDARIAN'S ANNUAL
CONTINUING FORMATION CONFERENCES
IN COLUMBUS, OHIO
SCHEDULE CHANGES (This week only!)**

NO MASSES TUESDAY & WEDNESDAY: JUNE 28 & 29
NO CONFESSIONS TUESDAY THROUGH FRIDAY:
JUNE 28 TO JULY 1
NO ADORATION OR SOLEMN VESPERS ON THURSDAY:
JUNE 30

Thank you for your understanding.

And to another he said, "Follow me." In every moment of every day, in every circumstance and experience, God is calling us. We can easily get distracted and not hear it or simply ignore it, pretending it wasn't even heard. When we do hear it and favorably respond, there are some conditions that must be met. Jesus makes it clear that once we say yes to his invitation, we must stay focused and forge ahead. We cannot keep looking behind or worry about unfinished business. There are some tasks, and discipleship is one, that require our full devotion. There are many "masters" vying for our attention. We need something or someone to give us direction. Human nature requires it. Our motives and actions reveal what has our allegiance. It is tempting to give ourselves to masters that lure us with intriguing promises. When given the choice between a "master" that promises

worldly success, abundant wealth, status, privilege, and security versus a "master" that asks for self-sacrifice, hardship, suffering, ridicule, and death, to whom do we go? While the promise of immediate pleasure is enticing, there is always a catch. For all that secular masters can promise, they always keep us looking behind, checking on ourselves, second guessing choices, calculating options, and being slaves to excessive worry. Our guard can never come down. Only one master really promises life: Jesus Christ. Hearing his call, we either trust him or we don't. Saying yes to following Christ does come with a risk. But it also comes with the brightness of future hopes and dreams. There is no need to keep looking behind. Sins are forgiven and regrets serve no effective purpose. God is not there. He's moved beyond all that stuff. God is in the today and the tomorrow and what he can continually do with our daily affirmation to follow Him. All we need to do is be obedient. St. Gianna Molla is credited with saying, "The stillness of prayer is the most essential condition for fruitful action. Before all else, the disciple kneels down." Begin with prayer. We will not only hear God's call but find the courage to trust that He will guide us where we need to be. God uses us in the most ordinary of ways through the simple daily expression of our lives.



Sunday, June 26

8:00am +Mary Theresa Michelle Dupre
9:30am Cynthia Jimmo
11:30am Pro Populo
8:00pm +Buccino/Talarico/Mollinedo Family

Monday, June 27 St. Cyril of Alexandria

8:30am Fiona Cullen

Tuesday, June 28 St. Irenaeus

NO MASS - Mercedarian Continuing Formation [scheduled intention (+All Souls) to be fulfilled in Columbus, OH.]

Wednesday, June 29 SS. Peter and Paul, Apostles

NO MASS - Mercedarian Continuing Formation [scheduled intention (+Kathleen Levis) to be fulfilled in Columbus, OH.]

Thursday, June 30 First Martyrs of the Holy Roman Church

8:30am Devin Cullen

Friday, July 1 St. Junipero Serra

8:30am Colleen Young

Saturday, July 2

8:30am For Vocations
4:00pm +Glynn Family

Sunday, July 3

8:00am Pro Populo
9:30am Fr. J. Horvath
11:30am +All Souls in Purgatory
8:00pm Jason Young

Readings for the Week of June 26, 2022

Sunday: 1 Kgs 19:16b, 19-21/Ps 16:1-2, 5, 7-8, 9-10, 11/Gal 5:1, 13-18/Lk 9:51-62
Monday: Am 2:6-10, 13-16/Ps 50:16bc-17, 18-19, 20-21, 22-23/Mt 8:18-22
Tuesday: Am 3:1-8; 4:11-12/Ps 5:4b-6a, 6b-7, 8/Mt 8:23-27
Wednesday: *Vigil:* Acts 3:1-10/Ps 19:2-3, 4-5/Gal 1:11-20/Jn 21:15-19
Day: Acts 12:1-11/Ps 34:2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9/2 Tm 4:6-8, 17-18/Mt 16:13-19
Thursday: Am 7:10-17/Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 11/Mt 9:1-8
Friday: Am 8:4-6, 9-12/Ps 119:2, 10, 20, 30, 40, 131/Mt 9:9-13
Saturday: Am 9:11-15/Ps 85:9ab and 10, 11-12, 13-14/Mt 9:14-17
Next Sunday: Is 66:10-14c/Ps 66:1-3, 4-5, 6-7, 16, 20 [1]/Gal 6:14-18/Lk 10:1-12, 17-20 or 10:1-9



The Missionary Sisters of the Holy Rosary wish to Thank You for your generous response to our mission appeal. Your interest and concern is a real source of encouragement to us and our various missionary endeavors throughout the world. Please be assured of a continuous remembrance in the prayers of all the Sisters. May God continue to bless you and your families.



The Bishops of the United States are calling for a three-year grassroots revival of devotion and belief in the Real Presence of Jesus in the Eucharist. They believe that God wants to see a movement of Catholics across the United States, healed, converted, formed, and unified by an encounter with Jesus in the Eucharist—and sent out in mission “for the life of the world.” These three years will culminate in the first National Eucharistic Congress in the United States in almost fifty years. For more info on the Eucharistic Revival, please visit: <https://www.phillyeucharisticrevival.org/>

SAVE THE NEW DATE! The Archdiocesan Pilgrimage to the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception, Washington, DC is scheduled for Saturday, October 15, 2022. More details to come soon.

WEST CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL REUNION

33rd Annual ‘Burrs at the Beach’ will be on Sunday, June 26, 2022 from 1-6pm at Keenan’s Pub, North Wildwood, NJ. For info, call George Light at 610-853-2028; Peg Panichelli at 610-420-0987; Tom McGinn at 610-461-6141.

ABBAYFEST—FAITH AND MUSIC

September 17, 2022 at Daylesford Abbey, Paoli, PA. A day for Catholics of all ages to celebrate our faith thru music. For more info, visit: www.theabbeyfest.com

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Please remember the souls of the faithfully departed.

REMEMBER OUR SICK

Dorothy Hardy, Kurt Mohammed, Patricia Nicholson, Colin Ramberan, Avery Lofton, Eugene Colombaro, Monica Ramberan, Yosan Gabriel, Jenell Sifontis, Cathy Norman, Sabrina Freeman, Leslie Wade, Esmond Family, Scott Stierbeim, Sr. Mary Charles, A.S.S.P., Mecca Taylor, Melissa Becker, Christian Lafty, Lisa Becker, Debbie Everett, Nigel Simon, Donald Graham, Jean Hargraves, Marci Wade, Mary Frances Doran, Maureen Doran Hendrix, Melissa Potts, Cayla Wade, Theresa Gilliam, Suzanne Dupre, Indramattie Somwaru, John Bricker, Alina Simon, Carmelina Desiderio, Graham Family, Samantha Johnson, Charles Epps, Ramona Wade, David and Gay Cooper, Jack Weber, Miguel Pulido, Matthew Pulido, Alex Julius Wade, Bernadette Sanchez, Kaela Marie Davis, Catherine Joseph, Adele Bream, Kent Bream, Emma Bream, Thomas Bream

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The Sanctuary Lamp intention is:
For All Mercedarians, Living and Deceased

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Sanctuary Lamp in the Church - \$15.00 per week*

Saint Oliver Plunkett was the last Roman Catholic Martyr to die in England. He was canonized in 1975, the first new Irish saint in almost 700 years. Oliver was born in Loughcrew, Oldcastle, County Meath in November 1625, the son of the Baron of Loughcrew. As a young man, he wanted to become a priest, but it was illegal to travel to the continent to enter seminary. Even so, he undertook the dangerous journey with four other young men and a Papal Envoy. They were pursued by English privateers, storms at sea, and robbers on land. However, Oliver entered Rome in 1647, and was admitted to the Irish College. He was an excellent student and was ordained on January 1, 1654. Oliver remained in Rome, studied law and served as chaplain at Spienza University, ministered at Santo Spirito hospital, and cared for the poor and ill. By 1657 he was a professor of Theology and later of Apologetics or Controversies at Propaganda College. The 1650s were a difficult time in for Catholics in Ireland, the majority of population, as Cromwell passed many penal laws against them, and the practice of Catholicism was banned. During this time Oliver was appointed by Irish bishops to be their agent in Rome. Following the Restoration of Monarchy, Pope Clement IX appointed Oliver Archbishop of Armagh and Primate of all Ireland 1669. Oliver returned to a country where the Catholic Church was in disarray and divided. He had to travel largely incognito and perform his duties in makeshift locations. He is credited with unifying the Church and in traveling across the eleven dioceses under his purview, confirming thousands, and ordaining several priests. In 1673 persecution of Catholics was again on the rise and bishops were banned. Oliver went into hiding, but in 1679 he was arrested and charged with treason. He was hanged, drawn, and quartered at Tyburn in July 1681. Before his death he publicly forgave those responsible.





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