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Reverend Patrick Dolan, Pastor

Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time, July 18, 2021

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Mass Schedule



Weekday

Monday—Friday (Church).....7:30 am

Sunday

Saturday.....4:00 pm

Sunday.....8:00 am, 9:30 am

Sunday.....11:00 am (Bilingual)

Chapel is open for prayer:

Tuesday & Thursday.....10:00 am – 4:00 pm

Confessions

Saturday (Church).....3:00—3:45 pm

Or by appointment

Please Note New Closure Policy

When it's announced on TV Channels 4, 7 or 9 that Arrupe High School is either closed or on remote learning status, there will be no Masses or other activities at Holy Family.

MISSION STATEMENT

Holy Family Parish is a community that builds on a long tradition of bringing people to a closer relationship with God through prayer, sacraments, celebrations, education, and service to those in need.

Dear Parishioners,

Even as we are moving slowly out of the time of the pandemic, I am aware of how fragile life is. All one has to do is see reports on the wild fires across the region to know that "the stability of life" is an idea that (while being necessary for our psychological health) never really lines up with our actual day-to-day experience of the world.

As I have arrived here at Holy Family, we've experienced a small cluster of funerals, which certainly drives this point home deeply. Yet as I meet with families, I can't help but notice the immense grace with which people face tragedy. I think of the famous passage from John's Gospel about the grain of wheat falling to the ground and becoming new life.

Perhaps sometimes it is the very hardships of life that breaks us open and allows light into areas of our heart that were previously closed off. Whatever the truth, there's something about the vulnerability of suffering that allows others to reach out to us in new ways. even more amazing, our own suffering tends to move us to reach out to others. Nothing is more uplifting, for me, than to witness generosity from those who are experiencing loss.

Now don't get me wrong, I'm not a big fan of suffering. But I have learned that by excepting the suffering that comes our way, we move through it more quickly and allow it to transform us in positive ways rather than shutting us down. When people experience a death among their family or close circle of friends, I have never heard anyone say, "the pain of loss is so great, that I wish I'd never known them." Instead, I suspect that if asked, most of us would tell one another that we would gladly go through the pain of loss again just to know the person all over again.

The pain we feel at the loss of a loved one is always an acknowledgment of the goodness that they gave us in life. It's not that we pretend the suffering isn't there, or think that if we had stronger faith there would be no pain. In fact, I would suggest that our faith, far from replacing the challenges of life, allows us to enter into suffering without losing hope. I have found in all my years of ministry that those who can truly take the time to feel pain are the same people who can feel joy and celebrate the triumphs of life to the fullest.

It's seems a odd thing to say, but seeing families as they handle grief with dignity and warmth, is one of the most wonderful first images I could have of this parish. I know later this summer we will have occasion to celebrate events like the picnic and the garage sale. And I am really looking forward to sharing in those happier times. But I feel as though I have been given an immediate introduction to part of the deep soul of this parish in these moments of grief. That is an honored place to be invited.

I hope that during our weekend liturgies, when we hear names read during the prayers of the faithful for our dearly departed, we will always remember to keep the family and friends who have survived these losses in our prayers, asking God for their healing, and a return to the fullness of joy and of life.

**God bless,
Father Pat**

The Story and You



Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

The assault of Nebuchadnezzar's army on the citizens of Jerusalem in 597 BC is, until the Holocaust, certainly the greatest horror ever afflicted upon the Jewish people. A third of the population died by fire, a third by the sword, and a third were taken away in chains, to be marched 1700 miles to Babylon.

Jeremiah, who had the terrible burden of witnessing this seige, must certainly have thought, "how did this happen?" and "who didn't do their job along the way, that this could happen to us now?" His answer was bitter: *it was the religious and civil leadership of Jerusalem that failed us, for years and years.* Woe to those shepherds.

Watching the videos of the collapse of the condominium complex in Florida, and trying to imagine how this could possibly have happened, we feel like Jeremiah. *Whose fault is this? How did an event like this happen in our own rich country?* We've heard the answers, but no matter how we try to distance ourselves, a deep disturbance is rising within us. Something is very wrong.

Every city in our wealthy country is now faced with encampments on the street and in neighborhoods. *How did we lose our way? How can we recover the bright hope of decades past?*

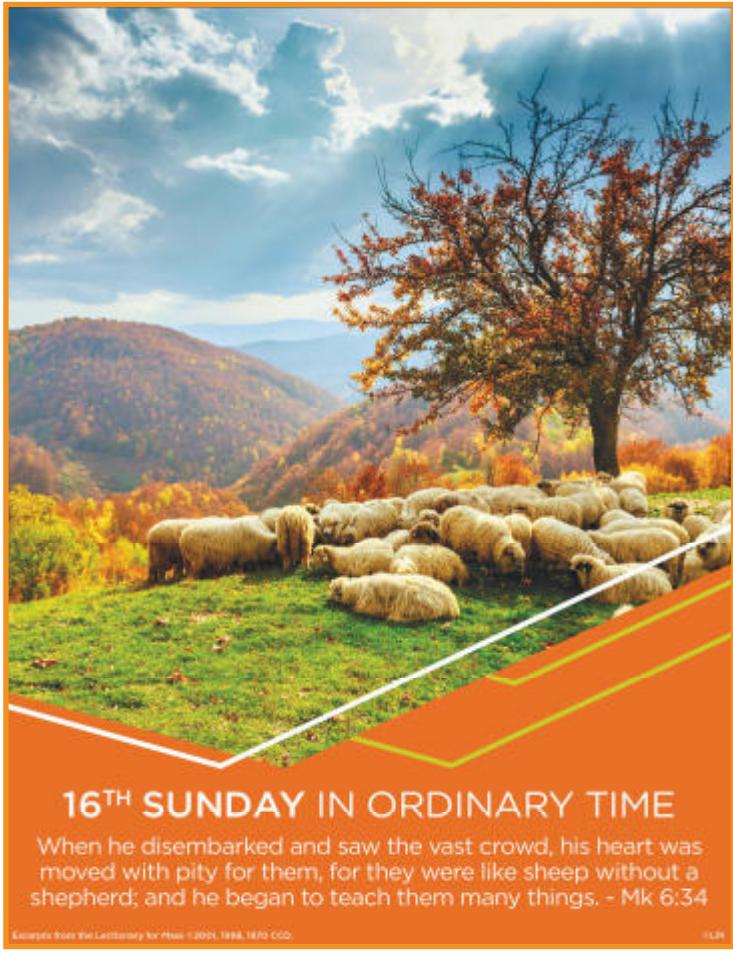
Jesus gets this. He's trying to help his travel-weary disciples get some rest from the crowds surging around them, but the people simply run ahead to meet them. Jesus understands that something has gone terribly wrong. The basic needs of the people have not been met.

Understanding that HE is their most basic need, he takes the time to teach them many things. Finally, something has gone terribly right. *What do you long to have Jesus teach you?*

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DID YOU KNOW? You must have noticed that we have a Mass each week dedicated to "the People of Holy Family". You have a Mass said for you and your intentions EVERY WEEK. There is a requirement for this Mass to be said. It is called Pro Populo. So the next time you see the Mass in the Bulletin be aware that it is said for YOU. Say a prayer of thanks.

PLEASE BE AWARE: THE PHONE LINE IN THE PARISH OFFICE WILL BE DOWN ON TUESDAY, JULY 20TH AS WE INSTALL A NEW PHONE SYSTEM.



16TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

When he disembarked and saw the vast crowd, his heart was moved with pity for them, for they were like sheep without a shepherd; and he began to teach them many things. - Mk 6:34

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Annual Wedding Anniversary Mass

WHEN: Sunday, October 10, 3pm Mass with reception

WHERE: Immaculate Heart of Mary parish

Every year the Office of Evangelization and Family Life Ministries invites couples throughout the Archdiocese of Denver that have celebrated or will be celebrating this year their 25th, 50th or 50+ anniversaries to attend our annual Anniversary Mass. Please call the Parish Office if you would like to attend the Anniversary Celebration on Sunday, October 10th at Immaculate Heart of Mary parish.

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## **Calendar Events:**

**Raffle/Garage Sale      August 7 & 8**

**Parish Picnic - Sept. 19, Berkeley Park**

## LIFTING UP IN PRAYER

*We remember our parish deceased*

*† Annette Krieger*

*and the Holy Souls in Purgatory. May their souls and*

*all the souls of the faithful departed Rest in Peace.*

*We pray for the homebound, sick, caregivers,*

*and those in the book of the sick.*

*We pray for our men & women in uniform.*

*Lord, Hear Our Prayer*



**Anointing of the Sick** The Church believes and confesses that among the seven sacraments one is especially intended to strengthen those who are ill: the Anointing of the Sick. People receive this Sacrament when sick, often before surgery, or if they are in hospice care.

Sometimes loved ones wait until the sacrament cannot be fully administered. The Sacrament involves Anointing, Confession, and reception of Communion. The Eucharist should be the last sacrament of the earthly journey, the “viaticum” for the “passing over” to eternal life.

Please, be advised, call the priest in time for your loved one to receive the Sacrament fully. If you wait until the last minute, the priest may not be available, or the loved one may die, at which point, the loved one will receive a blessing, and not be able to receive the full Sacrament.

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There seems to be a lot of grief at this time. From death of a loved one, to death of a way of life. Holy Family receives a newsletter from Centura Health addressing this very topic.

**Adapt** - This is what grief requires; ongoing and intensely. We are forced to adapt to a world without a person, perhaps our world will never be exactly the same. Adapting is the main work of loss.

**Improvise** - The world is not so great at dealing with our loss. Allow yourself to improvise is essential. Giving ourselves a lot of latitude, carving out space for more “downtime”, and by taking people up on “how can I help?”

**Overcome** - We live through loss by going through it. Most people don't know how to be helpful. Good grief allows each person to feel what they need to feel. This is your loss. These are your feelings. Don't listen to “shoulds”. Embrace what works for you. Ask people to pray for you.



## MASS INTENTIONS

**July 17 - July 25, 2021**

**17 Saturday, Weekday, BVM**

**4:00** †Federico/†Pasqualita Baca - Baca/Barrios Family

**18 Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**8:00** †Connie Muñiz by Carlo Amato & Family

**9:30** †Marge & †John Conway by Family

**11:00** People of Holy Family

**19 Monday, Weekday**

**7:30** †Laura Rosetta by Baker & Clapes Families

**20 Tuesday, St. Apollinaris, Bishop & Martyr**

**7:30** +Cindy Rokovitz by Marti Pawol

**21 Wednesday, St. Lawrence of Brindisi, Priest & Doctor**

**7:30** Intention of Rev. Frank Garcia

**22 Thursday, St. Mary Magdalene**

**7:30** †Ilene Basquez by George

**23 Friday, St. Bridget, Religious**

**7:30** Intentions of Betty August by Family

**24 Saturday, Weekday, BVM**

**4:00** †Armanda Salzano by Mena Vitale

**25 Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**8:00** †Marge Markham by Sue Markham

**9:30** †William D. Collins by Mary Collins

**11:00** People of Holy Family

**OFFERTORY CONTRIBUTIONS FOR:**

**WEEK ENDING SUNDAY, JULY 11, 2021**

**MASSES \$ 3,388.00**

**MAIL-IN 370. 00**

**ON-LINE 5,065.00**

**TOTAL \$ 8,823.00**

*Thank you for your generosity.*

St. Mary Magdalene—Feast July 22, is one of the greatest saints of the Bible, and an example of God's mercy and grace. She is mentioned at least a dozen times in the Gospels. What she did in her life after meeting Jesus is significant. She gave us an example of how no person is beyond the saving grace of God. Mary likely watched the crucifixion from a distance along with the other women who followed Christ during His ministry. Mary was present when Christ rose from the dead, visiting his tomb to anoint his body only to find the stone rolled away and Christ, very much alive. She was the first witness to His resurrection.



# PARISH OFFICE

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*The Parish Office is closed on Mondays*



## MEET OUR STAFF

Pastor.....Rev. Patrick Dolan

Pastoral Assistant .....Deacon Richard Vieira

Parish Business Manager..... Mike Brisnehan

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Administrative Assistant..... Anni Fassel

Administrative Assistant..... Sabina Doane

Director of Faith Formation..... Sr. Sharon Ford

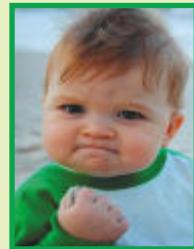
Music Ministry..... Patricia Doane

Sacristans.....Anna Velasquez, Mary Ellen Iten, Mark Potter

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Plant Manager.....Dave Havermann

## LET'S GET SERIOUS!!



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