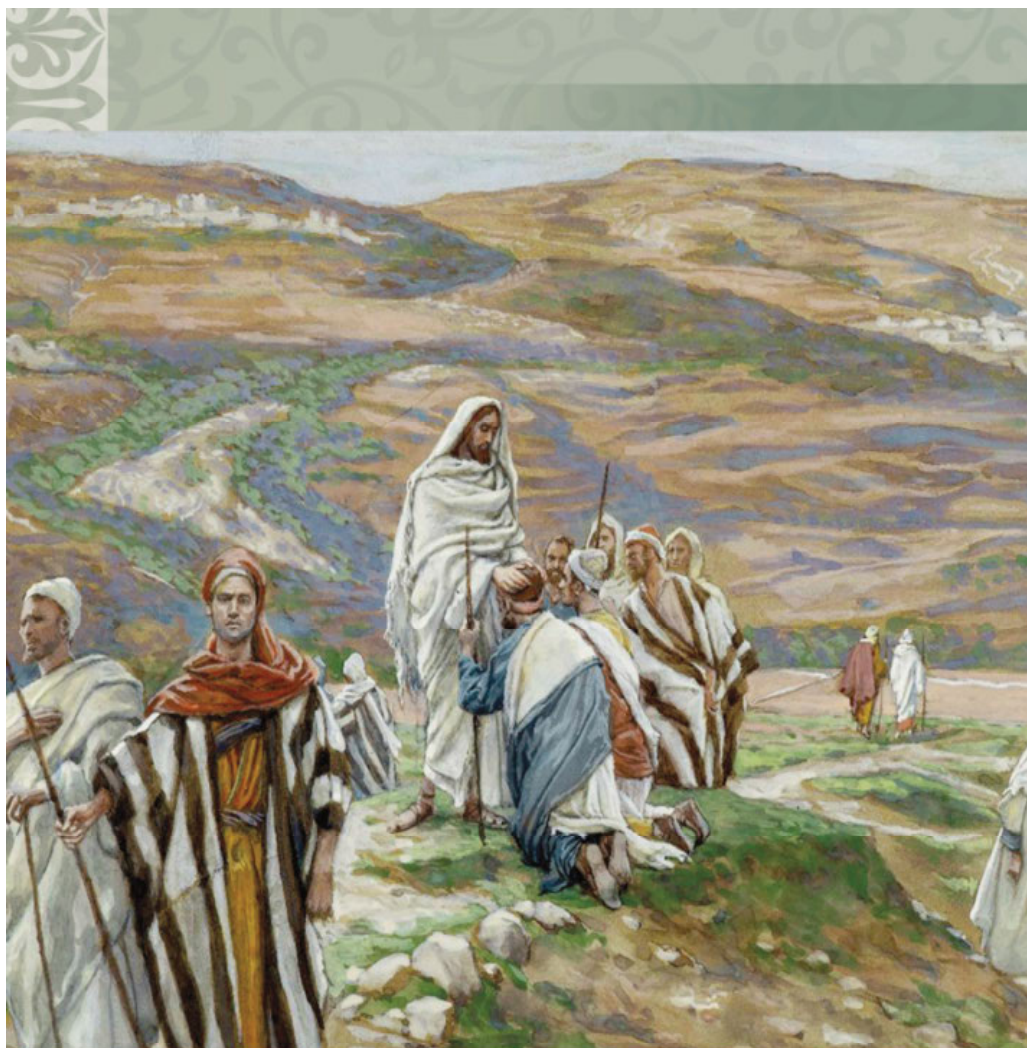


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Sacraments & Liturgies

Sunday Masses:

Saturday Vigil: 5:30pm

Sunday: 8:00am (Spanish)

Sunday: 10:30 am

Holy Days of Obligation:

9:00am & 7:00pm

Daily Mass:

Tues, Wed, & Fri.: 9:00am

Thurs.: 5:30pm

Confession:

Saturday: 4:30-5:15pm & by appt.

Baptism: By appointment, contact Parish Office.

Weddings: Six months notice required. Please contact the pastor to begin the preparation process.

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament:

Tuesday 9:30-10:30am

Friday 6:00-7:00pm

14th Sunday

I N O R D I N A R Y T I M E

"Nevertheless, do not rejoice because the spirits are subject to you, but rejoice because your names are written in heaven." - Lk 10:20

GOSPEL MEDITATION

Freedom properly defined is freedom properly understood. The Cambridge Dictionary tells us that it is, "the condition or right of being able or allowed to do, say, think, etc., whatever you want to, without being controlled or limited." That same dictionary defines liberty as, "the freedom to live, work, and travel as you want to." Both definitions sound very similar. Is there a difference between freedom and liberty? Many are accustomed to believing that freedom and liberty are interchangeable and simply involve possessing rights and privileges. For the Christian, however, there is a big difference between the two.

St. John Chrysostom directs that "the only person who is free is the one who lives for Christ." There are many other inspirational people throughout history who see freedom as something far greater than liberty. True and properly understood freedom has little to do with entitlement or self-promotion. For the believer, it is a matter of the heart and soul. Freedom (and liberty, for that matter), seen only in terms of the world, can quickly be taken away. The freedom spoken of by St. John Chrysostom can only be lost by personal choice. When one lives for Christ, they live in pursuit of virtues that enlighten one's soul (faith, hope, and love) and strengthen one's character (justice, fortitude, temperance, and prudence). Rather than having the ability to acquire or do more things, true freedom asks us to be detached. Privileges, rights, and responsibilities are important, but they do not define us.

The world is not always open to listening to the truth. "I am sending you like lambs among wolves," Jesus tells his disciples. The secular definitions of freedom and liberty are very attractive. They promise us a great deal. It is no wonder Jesus asks his disciples to travel with very little. The Gospel is not dependent upon things or anything those with worldly power or investment can say or do. When one chooses to live for Christ, they choose to live with peace. That's what true freedom will give us. If we do not want what Christ offers, we can close the door, and the messenger will walk away. Distracted by the lure of personal liberties, we risk losing our freedom. We will not have anything truly life-giving to share with others.

Catechetical Corner

*All Religious Education Classes have ended for the year and will resume in the fall.
Have a Blessed Summer !*

Prayers for the Sick:

Please pray for:

Juan Franco, Jean Beesley, Don & Mary Louise Boyne, Jan Roberts, Josette Haskell, Raymond Conners, Wally Haney, Judy Diskin, Kenny & Bernadette Bowlin.

Happy Birthday to: Barbara Whitesell (4); Joe Rywelski (6); Dempsey Yates (8);

Happy Anniversary to: Karl & Mary Barnett (6).

*Did we miss your birthday or anniversary?
Please contact the office so we can update our information.*

Mass Intentions: July 2 - July 8, 2022

Saturday Irvin Kroll t / Knights of Columbus
Sunday 8:00 Special Intentions
Sunday 10:30 Don & Mary Louise Boyne/Dan & Sue Ausmus
Tuesday Adam Dunkel t / Jake & Vicki Dunkel
Wednesday Special Intentions
Thursday Special Intentions
Friday Special Intentions



Readings for the week of July 3, 2022

Sunday: Is 66:10-14c/Ps 66/Gal 6:14-18/Lk 10:1-12, 17-20
Monday: Hos 2:16, 17c-18, 21-22/Ps 145/Mt 9:18-26
Tuesday: Hos 8:4-7, 11-13/Ps 115//Mt 9:32-38
Wednesday: Hos 10:1-3, 7-8, 12/Ps 105/Mt 10:1-7
Thursday: Hos 11:1-4, 8e-9/Ps 80/Mt 10:7-15
Friday: Hos 14:2-10/Ps 51/Mt 10:16-23
Saturday: Is 6:1-8/Ps 93/Mt 10:24-33
Next Sunday: Dt 30:10-14/Ps 69 or Ps 19/Col 1:15-20/
 Lk 10:25-37

LITURGICAL MINISTERS

	<u>Lector</u>	<u>Eucharistic</u>	<u>Ushers</u>
Saturday			
July 2 -	K Sontag	M Tanner	J Sontag/D Young
July 9 -	J Everard	D Everard	D Yates / P Yates
July 16 -	D Hancock	C Cavenah	D Cavenah/B James
Sunday			
July 3 -	S Rywelski	M Chapman	J Rywelski/R Mulvihill
July 10 -	C Lawson	T McCoy	K Lawson/J Ervin
July 17 -	S Ausmus	M Chapman	C Lawson / JRywelski

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 July 17 - Jackson Family

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*Blessed is the nation whose
God is the Lord.*

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**LIVE THE LITURGY -
INSPIRATION FOR THE WEEK**

The celebration of our country's independence gives us cause to reflect on the gift of freedom. We treasure the liberties our country provides, but are they the real source of freedom? True freedom is a gift given to us by God, not by the world. In fact, the world robs us of freedom by tethering us to a need for money, power, possessions, and prestige as vehicles to success and measures of self-worth. Even though we possess certain liberties, we are held captive by a system that sees no value in the Cross of Christ. It is no wonder Jesus sent his seventy-two disciples into the world with only what they were wearing. The freedom given to us by God is a matter of the heart and requires detachment from the very things we think we cannot do without. A heart secure in God's peace is something no one can take away and something really worth dying for.

**WHY DO WE DO THAT? -
CATHOLIC LIFE EXPLAINED**

Question:

Why do we have a liturgical season called ordinary time? Can you explain?

Answer:

Ordinary time is the longest season of the liturgical year. It begins the Monday after January 6, the Epiphany, and goes until the Tuesday before Ash Wednesday, the beginning of Lent. That period can last anywhere from five to eight weeks, depending on when Easter is celebrated. Ordinary time picks up again the Monday after Pentecost Sunday and lasts from twenty-three to twenty-seven weeks, until the end of the liturgical year, the Saturday before Advent begins.

Why the name ordinary? "Ordinary" is not in contrast to "extraordinary" or "special" but rather stresses the Latin language notion of "ordinal" or numbered Sundays. The Latin title for the season, *tempus ordinarium*, conveys the sense that this time of the year is measured or numbered time. Measured time can allude simply to the numbered Sundays, or the notion that these Sundays are a "measured" time to deepen and immerse ourselves completely in the realities of Jesus' incarnation, ministry, passion, death, and resurrection. Ordinary time offers us the opportunity to connect the ordinary lived experiences of our lives with those of Jesus, who modeled for us how to live a truly human existence.

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Parish Organizations

Knights of Columbus: The Sacred Heart Council meets at 7:00 pm on the 1st Tuesday of the month.
Contact Grand Knight Rick Rumsey at 918-200-3102

Prayer Network: For prayer requests, contact Sheila Ford at (918) 695-8796 or email at skfgma14x@gmail.com or contact the office.

Women's Bible Study Group: Meets Tuesday mornings 10:30 - 12:00. Contact Julie Pittman 918-519-2029.

Fatima Ladies: Every 3rd Sunday 9:00 a.m. & 11:45 a.m. Contact Sue Johnston 918-227-1431.

Grief Support Group: Meets 2nd, 3rd & 4th Tuesday's Contact Connie Anderson by text at 319-470-2800 for information about the next 8 week session

GOD Bless AMERICA

Prayer of Thanksgiving for Freedom

Freedom is enshrined in our US Constitution. The First Amendment of our constitution protects our freedom of speech. However, our speech may not infringe upon another's freedom. Freedom does have its limits. And we must protect everyone's freedoms, not just ours. On this 4th of July, let us remember from whom all our freedoms originate, our good and gracious God. Let us pray...

God, giver of all good gifts,
Help us to be thankful for rest and food,
and remember that, in all we do or say,
you are with us, here this day.
We are thankful for all you do
and for everything you have given us.
But above all we are thankful for our freedoms
and the ability to protect others' freedom.
We are free because of you.
We ask for your continued blessing on all your creation.
Through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.



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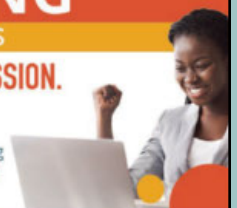
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