JULY 17, 2022 Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time





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WEEKDAY MASS

Monday - Saturday | 8:00am

WEEKEND MASS

Saturday Vigil | 5:00pm Sunday | 7:30am, 9:00am, 10:30am

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RECONCILIATION

Saturday | 3:30-4:30 pm

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Monday - Saturday at 8:00am

Eucharist Adoration

Monday - Friday 8:30am-9:30am

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FOR THE WEEK OF 7-10

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MASS INTENTIONS

SATURDAY 7/16

8:00 am James Kenny, RIP 5:00 pm James Kenny, RIP SUNDAY 7/17

SUNDAY 7/17
7:30 am James Kenny, RIP
9:00 am James Kenny, RIP
10:30 am James Kenny, RIP
10:30 am James Kenny, RIP
Monday 7/18
8:00 Alicia Londono, RIP
TUESDAY 7/19
8:00 Jose Romasanta, RIP
WEDNESDAY 7/20
8:00 Lucas Barton, SI
THURSDAY 7/21
8:00 Tom Kenny, RIP
Friday 7/22
8:00 Sara Clark, RIP
SATURDAY 7/23

8:00 am Judy Kenny, RIP 5:00pm Douglas W Ealy, RIP

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Summer Office Hours: Monday through Thursday | 9:00-1:00

The Office for Youth and Young Adult Ministry is collaborating with the young adult ministries in each of the deaneries, or geographical clusters of parishes, in San Diego County to organize weekly bonfires at La Jolla Shores, complete with s'mores.

The seven-week series of bonfires, which began June 9, will continue to be held every Thursday, from 7 to 9 p.m., until July 21. The events are open to all young adult Catholics, ages 18 to 39, regardless of parish affiliation.

The Youth and Young Adult Ministry Office is expecting between 50 and 100 young adults at each bonfire.

Six of the diocese's seven deaneries – Mission, Oceanside, South Bay, El Cajon, Escondido, and Cathedral – will take turns hosting a bonfire.

The final bonfire will be hosted by Pastoral Juvenil, the diocese's Spanish-speaking young adult ministry. Both English- and Spanish-speakers are welcome at the event, which have a different feel than the previous bonfires. It will take the form of a praise-and-worship night, followed by a bonfire social.

Details on Instagram: @sdcatholic

Contact: Brilema Perez, (858) 490-8260, bperez@sdcatholic.org

A NOTE FROM OUR PASTOR

Greetings in the Lord!

Today is the sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary time. For two Sundays we have our Gospel readings focused on some elements of discipleship that has been the theme of the past several Sunday readings. Briefly, discipleship is a response to the call of Jesus to follow Him demanding knowledge of His person, his mission and teachings, the decision to follows him by totally leaving behind everything that would hinder oneself from making Jesus the center of our lives and finally being active agents of the mission for which Jesus himself was sent into the world, namely in order to proclaim the reign of God. These three elements were the points that the gospel of the past Sundays mentioned and which we reflected on.

Last Sunday we heard about the parable of the Good Samaritan. This story relayed by the gospel told us how Jesus wants every disciple to be a "good neighbor," just like the act of compassion that the Good Samaritan showed towards the victim of the robbers who was left half-dead on the road bypassed by a priest and a Levite for reasons that may be understood as both religious and cultural. Nonetheless it was the Good Samaritan, who went out of his way who turned out to be a true good neighbor, by being compassionate with the victim and showing his love without expecting anything in return. This is the how a disciple of Jesus is expected to treat every person, especially those who are suffering, the poor, the oppressed and those who are marginalized in society.

Our gospel reading today continues on our reflections on discipleship. The story about the hospitality of Abraham may be considered as a background context in the consideration of discipleship, showing a way to consider discipleship also as a means to look on how visits our lives and how we respond to his visitations. The gospel reading speaks on how there could be two possible ways of responding to God's visitations, either by active serving him or by actively listening to him. The models given in the gospel is that of Martha who was so concerned about serving Jesus, her guest and Mary, who spent her time in attentively listening to the words of the Master. These two models have become the ways the many disciples have engaged in their response to the call of Jesus into discipleship and their participation in the mission. On the one hand, many actively involve themselves in the social concerns of the Church, working for the poor, defending the rights of the oppressed, seeking justice where there injustice reigns in the lives of people. These disciples are the socially minded followers of Jesus. On the other hand, there are so spend their lives in active contemplation, in deep prayer and silence in order to respond to the call of Jesus for discipleship.

The answer of Jesus to Martha is worth consideration. He said "Martha, Martha, you are anxious and worried about many things. There is need of only one thing. Mary has chosen the better part and it will not be taken from her." This answer appears to affirm the reality that being contemplative and prayerful is only what is necessary. However, we must consider that being concerned with the plight of our brothers in need is also very important in the lives of being disciples as mentioned in the gospel read last Sunday wherein Jesus "go and do likewise" in response to the lawyer's question as who is "my neighbor." When one gives oneself in order to serve the other because of the inspiration coming from listening to Jesus, his words in Scriptures and the teachings of the Church, one becomes truly enlightened and fully aware that his work is indeed done in response to the call of discipleship. Both ways, being active and contemplative, are ways of being disciples. However, one's action in behalf of the welfare of others because of his love for Jesus whom he has listened attentively and obeyed with dedication, become a more noble way to doing one's discipleship and participating in the mission of Jesus in the world today.

Let us pray that we all become attentive listener to Jesus and His Church so that we can truly assist our brothers in need with compassion and love just like the Good Samaritan everyday in our lives.

WEEKLY PRAYER

READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF JULY 17, 2022

Sunday: Gn 18:1-10a/Ps 15:2-3, 3-4, 5 [1a]/Col 1:24-28/Lk 10:38-42

Monday: Mi 6:1-4, 6-8/Ps 50:5-6, 8-9, 16bc-17, 21 and 23/Mt 12:38-42

Tuesday: Mi 7:14-15, 18-20/Ps 85:2-4, 5-6, 7-8//Mt 12:46-50

Wednesday: Jer 1:1, 4-10/Ps 71:1-2, 3-4a, 5-6ab, 15 and 17/Mt 13:1-9

Thursday: Jer 2:1-3, 7-8, 12-13/Ps 36:6-7ab, 8-9, 10-11/Mt 13:10-17

Friday: Sg 3:1-4b or 2 Cor 5:14-17/Ps 63:2, 3-4, 5-6, 8-9/Jn 20:1-2,

11-18

Saturday: Jer 7:1-11/Ps 84:3, 4, 5-6a and 8a, 11/Mt 13:24-30

Next Sunday: Gn 18:20-32/Ps 138:1-2, 2-3, 6-7, 7-8 [3a]/Col 2:12-14/Lk

11:1-13

OBSERVANCES FOR THE WEEK OF JULY 17, 2022

Sunday: 16th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Monday: St. Camillus de Lellis, Priest

Wednesday: St. Apollinaris, Bishop and Martyr

Thursday: St. Lawrence of Brindisi, Priest and Doctor of the Church

Friday: St. Mary Magdalene

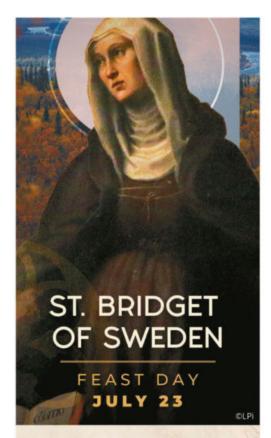
Saturday: St. Bridget, Religious

Next Sunday: 17th Sunday in Ordinary Time; St. Sharbel Makhlūf, Priest

LIVE THE LITURGY

Inspiration for the week

We become a welcoming person when we can step aside from our own needs and desires to create space for someone else. Welcoming involves a quality of listening and presence that communicates to another person that what they are sharing and who they are have importance. When we shift attention and focus from ourselves and direct it toward someone else, positive things can happen. When someone knows that their story matters, it can be life changing and life-giving. Hospitality brings forth life and celebrates relationships. Whether we are actively tending to the business of serving the needs of others or opening ourselves to listening to their story, devotion and attentiveness are friends of love. Becoming anxious and preoccupied with one's personal agenda leaves no room for the creative, nurturing and spontaneous power of God's love.



SAINT OF THE WEEK

Saint Bridget or Birgitta was born in 1303, the daughter of Birger Petersson, governor of Uppland and his wife Ingeborg Bengtsdotter. She was married to Ulf Gudmarsson, who became governor of the province of Nericia. They had eight children, all of whom survived past infancy which was rare for the 12th century. One of their daughters would become St. Catherine of Sweden.

Saint Bridget was hailed as a mystic and her visions, which began in her early childhood when she had visions of Christ Crucified, made her somewhat of a Middle Ages celebrity. Her vision of the Nativity of Jesus even influenced the art of the Nativity through the Baroque era! She is said to have predicted the Vatican State. Saint Bridget's Revelations, which she dictated to Peter Olafsson, the prior at the Cistercian monastery of Alvastra near which she retired after her husband's death in 1344, were published in 1492. They have since been published in many languages and can still be purchased today.

Some of her most profound visions regarded the founding of a new religious order which would be primarily for women, ruled by an abbess, but with a separate house for monks who would serve as order chaplains. Her visions detailed everything from the abbey church to the clothing that would be adopted as the nun's habit, and how the order would be ruled. King Magnus II of Sweden granted Bridget land and buildings. The order, called the Bridgettines or the Order of the Most Holy Savior was approved by Pope Urban V in 1370.

Saint Bridget was canonized in 1391 by Pope Boniface IX and in 1999 Pope John Paul II named her one of the Patron Saints of Europe.

SUNDAY, JULY 17, 2022 | 16TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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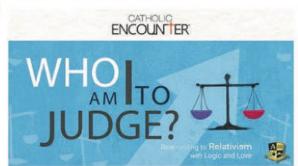
PICK OF THE WEEK

July 17, 2022

WATCH

WHO AM I TO JUDGE? WITH DR. EDWARD SRI - SESSION 1: DON'T IMPOSE YOUR MORALITY ON ME!

What is "right" and "wrong"? Is what's right for you right for me? These are difficult questions to discuss in our culture. We live in a society that supports the opinion that each person should make up his or her own morality, Äîthat there is no moral truth that applies to everyone. So, how do we talk about right and wrong in this world? In this series, Dr. Ted Sri explores the fragility of a relativist outlook and the importance of absolute truth.



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GIVEN FORUM TALKS: EDUCATING ON THE NATURE AND DIGNITY OF WOMEN BY KATHERINE MEEKS

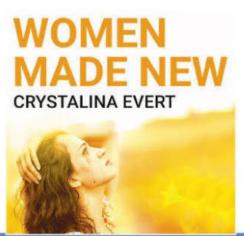


This week we celebrate Mary Magdalene, the most well-known woman in the Gospel accounts besides Christ's holy mother. In honor of this great saint and disciple, enjoy this presentation on the nature and dignity of women by Katherine Meeks. In her talk, Katherine shares how she chose to pursue a mission-driven life for Christ.

LISTEN

WOMEN MADE NEW BY CRYSTALINA EVERT

In "Women Made New," Crystalina Evert, author of Pure Womanhood, explains that it doesn't matter what you've done or where you've been,Äîall that matters now is where you go from here. Moreover, she discusses topics like dating, healthy habits, and the importance of listening to the Lord. In honor of Mary Magdalene and her devout discipleship, enjoy this talk on authentic femininity.



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The Literary Artistry of John's
Mystical Gospel: Jesus' Encounter
with the Samaritan Woman

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8,19,22 Ten Ways Protestants Argue like Atheists Trent Horn

In this talk, Trent shows how common Protestant arguments against Catholicism mirror atheistic arguments against Christianity and why Protestants need to give up arguments that undermine our shared Christian faith.

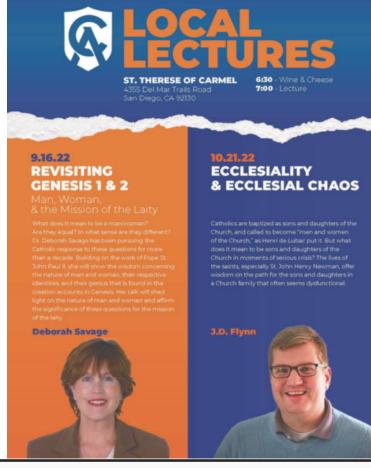
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12-12:15 PM: 5 Decades of Rosary

3-3:15 PM: The Divine Mercy Chaplet

♥5-5:15 PM: 5 Decades of Rosary

OUR LADY OF KIBEHO, November 28, 1981-1989 - "I am the Mother of the Word...I am concerned for my children and I am turning to the world...the world is in rebellion against God...One must recite the Rosary every day and also the Rosary of Seven Sorrows of Mary to obtain the favor of repentance."

Please pray the Rosary with your parish community! Mary wants us to teach the world her rosaries!

READ THE Kids Corner **GOSPEL &** COLOR



When company came, Martha hurried to get the house ready. She made sure the food was cooked. She set the table with cups, dishes, and silverware. She put clean sheets on the beds. She emptied the trash. Mary didn't worry about all that. She stopped everything to listen to her visitor. If your house is neat all the time, you can relax and talk with your guests. Then you can cook dinner together.

PRAYER

Lord, I want to stop working to listen to my visitors.

MISSION FOR THE WEEK

I will sit on the front doorstep and talk with Jesus every morning.

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Confirmation.

Your contact information has automatically been added to our class lists. Registration for the 2022-2023 Catechetical Year will start in August.

A few responses from our Year End Survey - "What is something you learned about our faith this year?"

- I have learned a lot about God
- Something I have learned about our faith this year is that there is always more to learn
- I learned about the meanings behind the prayers
- That the Pope is trying to hear more from the youth
- I learned a lot about God and his calling of us
- I have learned more about the gifts of the holy spirit and how God works through others

I learned that God is all-forgiving and is always there for us when we need Him. Even in times where we feel like we can't turn to God, he will always love us and the Holy Spirit guides us in all aspects of life

"What is the best part about Youth Group?"

- Meeting new people
- The best part of youth group is learning more about the faith and the people here
- The people and learning about our faith
- bonding with kids my age over faith
- getting to meet new people my age that go to the same church as me
- I like connecting and hanging out with other people my age who share my faith
- Social and learning about our religion

The best part about Youth Group are the people and the teachings from this class. I have learned so many life lessons/skills/morals that have shaped the way I am as a person and how I make decisions.

Also, this group of people always serves as a safe place to come and feel welcome and wanted — and also understood by others because of our similar values.

For more information on Youth Ministry or Confirmation contact Mike James, Youth Ministry Director, at mjames@nativitycatholic.org or see the Youth Ministry page on the parish website at https://nativitycatholic.weconnect.com/youth-ministry

The Inquiry Period for the 2022-2023 R.C.I.A. Year has opened.

If you are an adult looking to learn more about or to be initiated into the Catholic faith, need to prepare for a missed sacrament, or are a lifelong Catholic looking for a refresher course, then the R.C.I.A. can help.



The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (R.C.I.A.) is the process that welcomes you to join the Catholic faith community and introduces you to the beliefs and practices of the Church. If you are not baptized, the process leads to the reception of the sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation, and Eucharist. If you are Baptized in another Christian tradition, the process invites you to participate fully in the church through the Sacraments of Confirmation and Eucharist.

During each R.C.I.A. session we spend time answering your questions about the Catholic faith, reviewing the Scripture readings from Mass, and discussing the current chapter in our book. The most important thing is getting your questions answered.

If you are interested in joining the class that starts in September, please contact Mike James, R.C.I.A. Director, at mjames@nativitycatholic.org.