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# ASSUMPTION GROTTTO NEWS

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July 05, 2020

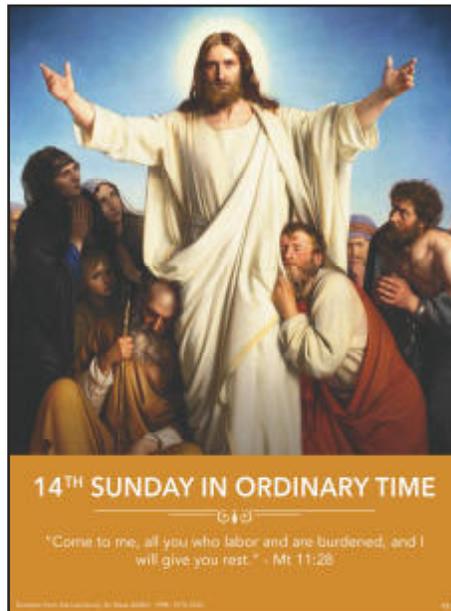


*Our Lady of Lourdes  
Shrine - 1881 -*

## A Vicarious Descant

We began this month by adoring the Most Precious Blood of Our Lord Jesus Christ. St. John Chrysostom teaches us about the Precious Blood in a homily saying, “Do you wish to know the power of Christ’s sacred Blood? Let us then review its Old Testament antecedents, let us recall what prefigured it, listening to what sacred Scripture says. Take the story of the tenth plague. The scene is Egypt, and God has foretold the death of all Egypt’s firstborn at midnight because they retained His firstborn people. But that His chosen nation would be spared—for they were living together in the same land—God devised a visible sign that would save them. A wonderful symbol, one which vividly brings home to us the power of blood! ...And the Destroyer passed by the homes whose entrances were smeared with blood and dared not enter. Likewise the devil must now flee from the soul sealed, not with the blood of an ancient type, but with the very Blood of Christ, the divine Lamb. If the Destroyer fled in terror from the mere figure, with what unimaginable fright will Satan shrink away when he beholds the true reality!”

In the Ordinary Form of the Roman Rite, the first reading calls to mind Palm Sunday of Holy Week. The Catechism teaches us, “the ‘King of Glory’ enters his City [of Jerusalem] ‘riding on an ass.’ Jesus conquers the Daughter of Zion, a figure of his Church, neither by ruse nor by violence, but by the humility that bears witness to the truth. And so the subjects of his kingdom on that day are children and God’s poor, who acclaim him as had the angels



when they announced him to the shepherds. Their acclamation, ‘Blessed be he who comes in the name of the Lord,’ is taken up by the Church in the Sanctus of the Eucharistic liturgy that introduces the memorial of the Lord’s Passover” (CCC 559). We are mindful of our Lord’s words, “Blessed are the poor, the kingdom of God is yours” (Luke 6:20) and “Unless you turn and become as children, you will not enter the kingdom of heaven” (Matt 18:3).

The first reading makes mention of Ephraim and Jerusalem--two places that had seen much war and conflict. Ephraim was a region of rebellion--it was where King David’s kingdom was divided. And Jerusalem remains a place of division to this day, with the Old City divided into four parts. Yet the peace of Christ transcends these places and the power of God is greater than armies or

war. Truly, God’s dominion is from sea-to-sea and from the great River (the Euphrates) to the end of the earth--meaning, all the earth.

Jesus prayed to his heavenly Father constantly, often rising early in the morning to pray or spending the entire night in prayer. The Catechism teaches us, “Vocal prayer is an essential element of the Christian life. To his disciples, drawn by their Master’s silent prayer, Jesus teaches a vocal prayer, the Our Father. He not only prayed aloud the liturgical prayers of the synagogue but, as the Gospels show, he raised his voice to express his personal prayer, from exultant blessing of the Father (as in today’s Gospel) to the agony of Gethsemani” (2701).

While Jesus’ whole life was filled with prayer, today’s Gospel is one of two specific prayers offered by Jesus to the Father and recorded by the Evangelists. (2603) Each prayer begins with thanksgiving. Jesus confesses the Father, acknowledges, and blesses him because he has hidden the mysteries of the Kingdom from those who think themselves learned and has revealed them to infants, the poor of the Beatitudes. His exclamation ‘Yes, Father’, as the Catechism teaches, “expresses the depth of his heart, his adherence to the Father’s [will] echoing his mother’s Fiat at the time of his conception and prefiguring what he will say to the Father in his agony. The whole prayer of Jesus is contained in this loving adherence of his human heart to the mystery of the will of the Father.”

If our Lord entered his city riding on the back of a donkey, in humility, how much more humility should we express in our

*Mass Intentions for the Week*

**Monday, - July 06, 2020**

7:30 a.m.– Joshua & Elise Tomaszewski (L)

**Tuesday, - July 07, 2020**

7:30 a.m.– The Helpers of God's Precious Infants

**Wednesday, - July 08, 2020**

7:30 a.m.– Glenn Hardy (D)

**Thursday, - July 09, 2020**

7:30 a.m.– Matthew Lindeman (L)

**Friday, - July 10, 2020**

7:30 a.m.– Victor Lacroix (D)

**Saturday, - July 11, 2020**

7:30 a.m.– Patrons of the Shrine

4:00 p.m.– Special Intention

**Sunday, - July 12, 2020**

6:30 a.m.– Special Intention; 9:30 a.m.– People of the Parish; 12:00 p.m.–Special Intention

*“Know, O Christian, that the Mass is the holiest act of religion. You cannot do anything to glorify God more, nor profit your soul more, than by devoutly assisting at it, and assisting as often as possible.” – St. Peter Julian Eymard*

**Readings for the week of July 05, 2020**

**Sunday:** Zec 9:9-10/Ps 145:1-2, 8-9, 10-11, 13-14 [cf. 1]/Rom 8:9, 11-13/Mt 11:25-30

**Monday:** Hos 2:16, 17b-18, 21-22/Ps 145:2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9 [8a]/Mt 9:18-26

**Tuesday:** Hos 8:4-7, 11-13/Ps 115:3-4, 5-6, 7ab-8, 9-10 [9a]/Mt 9:32-38

**Wednesday:** Hos 10:1-3, 7-8, 12/Ps 105:2-3, 4-5, 6-7 [4b]/Mt 10:1-7

**Thursday:** Hos 11:1-4, 8e-9/Ps 80:2ac and 3b, 15-16 [4b]/Mt 10:7-15

**Friday:** Hos 14:2-10/Ps 51:3-4, 8-9, 12-13, 14 and 17 [17b]/Mt 10:16-23

**Saturday:** Is 6:1-8/Ps 93:1ab, 1cd-2, 5 [1a]/Mt 10:24-33

**Next Sunday:** Is 55:10-11/Ps 65:10, 11, 12-13, 14 [Lk 8:8]/Rom 8:18-23/Mt 13:1-23 or 13:1-9

*Mass Servers*

**Saturday, July 11, 2020**

4:00 p.m. D. Bastuba, J. Praet, J. Cline

**Sunday, July 12, 2020**

6:30 a.m. R. Jacek, M. Pomeroy.

9:30 a.m. K. Garavaglia, A. Santine, M. Grado, J. Prevo, D. Grado, C. Bueche

12:00 p.m. M. Chambers, A. & M. Arrigoni, A. & W. Remske, G. Welsing, J. & D. Berch



*“He loves, He hopes, He waits, Our Lord prefers to wait, Himself, for the sinner rather than keep us waiting for an instant.” -St. Maria Goretti*

**Prayer to St. Maria Goretti (July 06)**

Oh Saint Maria Goretti who, strengthened by God's grace, did not hesitate even at the age of twelve to shed your blood and sacrifice life itself to defend your virginal purity, look graciously on the unhappy human race which has strayed far from the path of eternal salvation. Teach us all, and especially youth, with what courage and promptitude we should flee for the love of Jesus anything that could offend Him or stain our souls with sin. Obtain for us from our Lord victory in temptation, comfort in the sorrows of life, and the grace which we earnestly beg of thee (here insert intention), and may we one day enjoy with thee the imperishable glory of Heaven. Amen

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**SUNDAY MASSES:** Saturdays at 4:00; Sundays at 6:30, 9:30 (Tridentine), & Noon

**HOLY DAY MASSES:** 6:30, 9:30 (Tridentine), Noon & evening at 7:00 p.m.

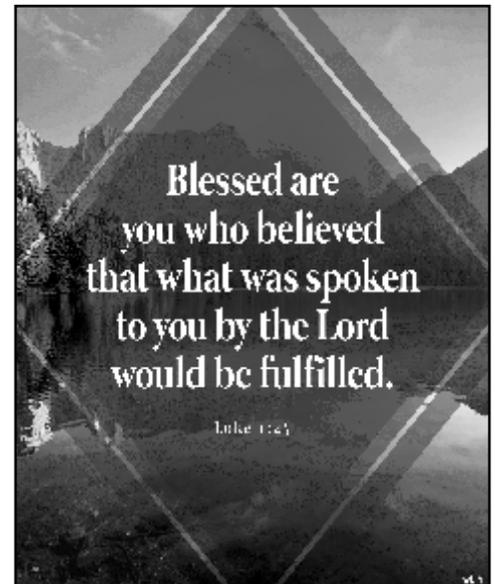
**WEEKDAY MASSES:** Monday-Saturday 7:30 a.m. (all Tridentine).

**CONFESSIONS:** Saturday 2:30-3:30, Sunday 9:00 & 11:30 a.m.

**BAPTISMS:** Every Saturday after the 4:00 p.m. Mass or Sunday after the Noon Mass. Arrange at the Rectory Office.

**BLESSING FOR EXPECTANT MOTHERS:** After the Noon Mass on the first Sunday of the month.

**REGISTRATION:** Visit the Rectory or call for a form to be sent out to you.



**A Vicarious Descant (continued)**

entering into the presence of the Lord? In entering his house of prayer? Humbling ourselves is done in part through prayer--by acknowledging our weakness and asking God to help us each day--in things great and small--the way children pray.

But our humility in prayer should also be expressed in our actions such as arriving early to prepare for Mass, dressing in our best--as if we were attending a wedding banquet--which we are. It should be expressed in careful attention and reverence--something that might understandably take some time and patience to teach little ones. These are ways we ask God to allow us to be counted among those to whom the Father has been revealed.

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**Adoration:** We are in need of more adorers! Please contact the rectory to sign up.

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**The dispensation from the Sunday obligation to attend Mass is granted to all the faithful through Sunday, September 6, 2020.**

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**Seven Sisters Apostolate Renewal of Prayer Commitments**

One Sister, One Holy Hour Each Week, One Priest, One Heart of Prayer Together! On the Solemnity of the Sacred Heart of Jesus our three parish Seven Sisters groups renewed their prayer commitments to pray one Holy Hour a week for Fr. John Bustamante, Fr. Eduard Peronne, and our Archbishop Allen Vigneron. The day began with a Holy Mass offered for all the Seven Sisters and those for whom they pray. After Mass, the renewal of the prayer commitments for another year took place at the Grotto, where we requested the help of our Lady

to persevere in our commitments. We also placed the priests for whom we are praying into her protection.

See the flyer on the side tables of the church for more information on our three parish Seven Sisters Groups. We are in need of more women willing to commit an hour a week for one of our priests, as a substitute or alternate. Please call and leave your name at the rectory if God is calling you to assist our priests in this apostolate.

**"In strengthening the priest you strengthen the whole Church. Strengthen the priest and you strengthen the whole foundation, you strengthen everything in the church"-- Fr. Gerald Fitzgerald, S.P.**

For more information on the Seven Sisters Apostolate go to their website: <https://sevensistersapostolate.org/home>

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**The Marian Catechist 16 Week Basic Catholic Catechism Course** will meet on alternate Saturdays at 1 p.m. in the Shrine Lounge. For more information on Marian Catechist Basic or Advanced Home Study Courses leave your name at the rectory.

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voters at the doors. PLEASE CONTACT ME TODAY: Anna Marie Danyko, Michigan Field Director, Susan B. Anthony List, (734) 284-5226, or at [anna@sbalistfield.org](mailto:anna@sbalistfield.org).

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**Morning Offering**

“O Jesus, through the Immaculate Heart of Mary, I offer you all my prayers, works, joys and sufferings of this day, for all the intentions of your Sacred Heart, in union with the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass throughout the world, in reparation for my sins, for the intentions of all my relatives and friends and in particular for the intentions of the Holy Father” (from “Manual of Prayers,” Midwest Theological Forum).

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**Act of Contrition**

O my God, I am heartily sorry for having offended Thee, and I detest all my sins because of thy just punishments, but most of all because they offend Thee, my God, who art all good and deserving of all my love. I firmly resolve with the help of Thy grace to sin no more and to avoid the near occasion of sin. Amen.

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**Act of Spiritual Communion**

Most loving Jesus, I adore You with a lively faith, who are present in the Blessed Sacrament by virtue of Your infinite power, wisdom, and goodness. All my hope is in You. I love You, O Lord, with all my heart, who have so loved me, and therefore I desire to receive You now spiritually. Come, therefore, O Lord, to me in spirit, and heal my sinful soul. Feed me for I am hungry; strengthen me for I am weak; enliven and sanctify me with Your sacred Body and Blood; deliver me from all sin, and let me never be separated from You, my Savior, who with the Father and the Holy Spirit live and reign, one God forever and ever. Amen.



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~ Father Perrone*

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**DIANE M. KORZENIEWSKI**  
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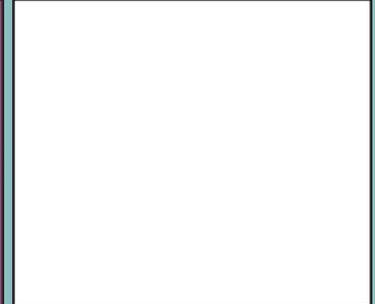


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