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July 04, 2021



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A Vicarious Descant

In the Extraordinary Form of the Roman Rite, today's ancient Solemnity commemorates the martyrdoms of Ss. Peter and Paul. It is an "External" Solemnity since it was observed last week, but may be optionally celebrated the following Sunday. It is also the Sixth Sunday after Pentecost and the 14th Sunday in Ordinary Time.

St. Ambrose tells us that when the devoted Christians of Rome finally persuaded St. Peter to leave Rome and avoid an earlier martyrdom, St. Peter finally relented and left. He was met at the gate of the city by Christ, to whom St. Peter said, "*Quo vadis?*" Our Lord replied, "To Rome, to be there crucified again." St. Peter understood that the Lord desired him to remain in Rome until his martyrdom, which he did.

God had intended St. Peter to establish the Church at Rome, which is exactly what St. Peter did in the time remaining before he was martyred. St. Peter set everything in order and wrote his Second Epistle, saying at one point, "The laying away of this my tabernacle is at hand, according as our Lord Jesus Christ also has signified to me." The early Church understood these words to be an allusion to his meeting Christ on the Appian Way as he was about to flee Rome.

It wasn't until the last few days of St. Peter's life that he placed his hands on Clement and St. Clement became the second Bishop of Rome. Since then, no one has sought to move the center of the Church anywhere—even when the Holy Father was exiled by force or circumstance to other places.



Traditionally, when the Church commemorates St. Peter, she always includes a commemoration of St. Paul. And vice versa. Both Saints received the crown of martyrdom in Rome about 3 years apart.

The Lord had told St. Peter at the end of the Gospel according to St. John, "Follow me." It seems that the Lord was saying "follow me to the cross." St. Peter was crucified and later, his brother Andrew and four other Apostles were martyred with crucifixion.

The month of July is dedicated to the Precious Blood of Jesus. The Feast of the Precious Blood was established by Pope Pius IX in 1849. At that time, the pope, accompanied by one priest from the Fathers of the Most Precious Blood, had to flee Rome as the Papal States fell into the hands of the invading army. It was the French who came and drove out

the invaders and restored the Pope to Rome and as head of the Papal States. Soon after his restoration, the Holy Father established the Feast dedicated to the Precious Blood which we observed until 1969, when it was removed from the new calendar. It is still observed in the Extraordinary Form.

There are many devotions to the Precious Blood of Jesus. In 2001, the Congregation for Divine Worship and the Discipline of the Sacraments issued the document "Directory on Popular Piety and the Liturgy" which is meant to provide norms in observing the many forms of popular piety and worship in our time.

In this document there is a section on Devotion to the Precious Blood where we read, "The veneration of the Blood of Christ has passed from the Liturgy into popular piety where it has been widely diffused in numerous forms of devotional practices. Among these mention can be made of the following: The Chaplet of the Most Precious Blood is a meditation on the seven "effusions of the Blood of Christ", implicitly or explicitly mentioned in the Gospels, are recalled in a series of biblical meditations and devotional prayers: the Blood of the Circumcision, the Blood of the Garden of Gethsemane, the Blood of the Scourging, the Blood of the Crowning of Thorns, the Blood of the Ascent to Calvary, the Blood flowing from Christ's side pierced by the lance."

The greatest Devotion to the Precious Blood is to receive Holy Communion. All our devotions should direct us to this greatest prayer before God: the one sacrifice of Our Lord Jesus: the spotless Lamb:

Mass Intentions for the Week

Monday, - July 05, 2021

7:30 a.m. – Sandra Dekeyser (L)

Tuesday, - July 06, 2021

7:30 a.m. – Laura/Charles Zechin (L&D)

Wednesday, - July 07, 2021

7:30 a.m. – Holy Priests (L&D)

Thursday July 08, 2021

7:30 a.m. – Thomas Ulrich (D)

Friday, - July 09, 2021

7:30 a.m. – Anna Clougherty (L)

Saturday, -July 10, 2021

7:30 a.m. – Patrons of the Shrine

4:00 p.m. – Private Intention

Sunday, July 11, 2021

6:30 a.m. – Private Intention

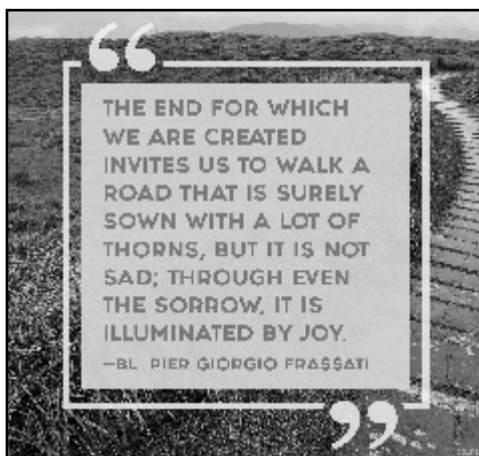
9:30 a.m. - People of the Parish

12:00 p.m. – Dominic & Sharon Laurino (50th Wedding Anniversary)

The Holy Father’s Intention for July is: Social Friendship

“We pray that in social, economic and political situations of conflict, we may be courageous and passionate architects of dialogue and friendship.”

www.usccb.org/prayer-and-worship/prayers-and-devotions/the-popes-monthly-intention



Mass Servers

Saturday, July 10, 2021

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

Sunday, July 11, 2021

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

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

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

Readings for the week of 07-04-21

Sunday: Ez 2:2-5/Ps 123:1-2, 2, 3-4 [2cd]/2 Cor 12:7-10/Mk 6:1-6a

Monday: Gn 28:10-22a/Ps 91:1-2, 3-4, 14-15 ab [cf. 2b]/Mt 9:18-26

Tuesday: Gn 32:23-33/Ps 17:1b, 2-3, 6-7ab, 8b and 15 [15a]/Mt 9:32-38

Wednesday: Gn 41:55-57; 42:5-7a, 17-24a/Ps 33:2-3, 10-11, 18-19 [22]/Mt 10:1-7

Thursday: Gn 44:18-21, 23b-29; 45:1-5/Ps 105:16-17, 18-19, 20-21 [5a]/Mt 10:7-15

Friday: Gn 46:1-7, 28-30/Ps 37:3-4, 18-19, 27-28, 39-40 [39a]/Mt 10:16-23

Saturday: Gn 49:29-32; 50:15-26a/Ps 105:1-2, 3-4, 6-7 [cf. Ps 69:33]/Mt 10:24-33

Next Sunday: Am 7:12-15/Ps 85:9-10, 11-12, 13-14 [8]/Eph 1:3-14 or 1:3-10/Mk 6:7-13



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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.

Independence Day Prayer

O God, you willed that the Jewish people be free from slavery by their Egyptian captors. You will that all people should be free to worship you without fear and to celebrate their religious beliefs freely, even if they have not yet found you. Grant that those of us who live in this great nation will thank you daily for our freedom, and work for the freedom of others around the world that do not yet have the freedom to practice their faith openly and proudly. We seek your wisdom where hatred abounds and ask for humility to offer our good works to others who live in fear and bondage. We ask all this through Christ our Lord, who frees us from sin and death through the wood of the cross. Amen.

the offering of the Second Person of the Most Holy Trinity made to the Father for the remission of our sins.

As we prepare for Holy Communion, we should be gathering our petitions and thanksgiving and, above all, praise, to bring before Our Lord. This should begin not just in the silence immediately before Holy Communion, or as we move through the first part of the Mass, but we should begin preparing when we have received our Lord's Precious Body and Precious Blood in Holy Communion. This preparation is renewed when we return for Eucharistic Adoration, when we offer our rosaries, while we make our way through the day encountering all kinds of situations that we might have expected or not—meditating on the Precious Blood of Jesus from Communion to Communion would be at once both a petition and a beautiful offering before God.

“Truly, truly, I say to you, unless you eat the flesh of the Son of man and drink his blood, you have no life in you; he who eats my flesh and drinks my blood has eternal life, and I will raise him up at the last day. For my flesh is food indeed, and my blood is drink indeed. He who eats my flesh and drinks my blood abides in me, and I in him.” (John 3:53-56).

Later, at the Last Supper, Jesus took bread, and blessed, and broke it, and gave it to the disciples and said, "Take, eat; this is my body." And he took a cup, and when he had given thanks he gave it to them, saying, "Drink of it, all of you; for this is my blood of the covenant, which is poured out for many for the forgiveness of sins" (Matt 26:26-28)

Few people know that during the apparition of the sun at Fatima, there were three other apparitions around the sun that only the children saw. Lucia understood these three apparitions later to be a message about what the Church would face in what turned out to be almost a century later.

The first apparition was the Holy Family.

ly. Lucia understood later that the family would be Satan's last battle before the Second Coming of Christ.

The second apparition: Our Lord as the Perfect Man. How much has Satan attacked what God intended manhood and fatherhood to be.

And third: Our Lady of Sorrows. This is the title of Our Lady that exorcists especially use in their prayers. It calls to mind the perfect obedience of Our Lady in spite of the seven mystical sorrows that were swords that laid bare her soul that the thoughts of many hearts may be revealed (Luke 2:35). There is a great need now more than ever to be aware and resist the attacks of the evil one through prayer, penance and fasting.

The first Catholics at Rome thought they were saving St. Peter when they convinced him to leave Rome and save his life. Our Lord intervened. Our Lord has intervened many times throughout these two millennia. We must place the things that are outside of our control in God's hands and trust He will lead us through even the most difficult times. What is up to us is to pray with confidence and remain the faithful disciples we were called to be.

Summer Attire Reminder

With the warm days of summer upon us, young people (and parents who bring them to Mass) please dress appropriately for the Holy Mass and visits to the parish: shorts, jeans, athletic shoes, skirts that are not well below the knee, sleeveless blouses and other such dress are inappropriate for worship.

August 15th Used Religious Items Sale

It is time to bring in any used religious items for our used-religious sale on Assumption Day. Books, statues, pictures, and any Catholic or Christmas items are accepted. Please drop off all items at the Gift Shop after Sunday Masses. If you have any questions please contact Karen at 586-550-8005.

Day of Recollection

The Canons Regular of the Holy Cross will have a Day of Recollection on August 15 from 2 p.m.-4p.m. More information to follow.

Grotto St. Vincent de Paul Helpers

Parishioners who are in need of help may contact Jeff Cline at 586-242-1959.

Altar Boy Training

Any boy who has received his First Holy Communion is eligible to be an altar boy. Monthly Altar Boy Training will be held this **Saturday, July 10** in the church from 1:00 p.m. until 2:00 p.m. All altar boys are asked to attend.

Seven Sisters Apostolate


Our four groups renewed their prayer commitments of one Holy Hour a week for Archbishop Allen Vigneron, Fr. John Bustamante, Fr. Eduard Perrone and Fr. Aidan Logan on Friday, June 11th. The day began with a Holy Mass offered for all the Sisters and those for whom they pray. After Mass the renewal of their prayer commitments for another year took place at the Grotto where we requested Our Lady's help to persevere in our commitments and placed the Archbishop and priests for whom we are praying into her protection. See the new flyer for 2021 on the side tables of the church for more information on our 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. For more information see their website: <https://sevensistersapostolate.org/home>.





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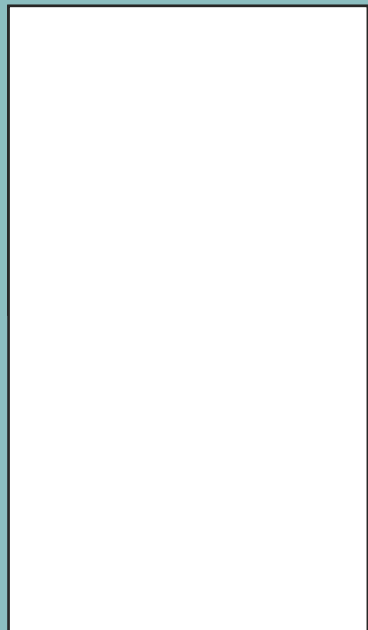
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