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Holy Family

Tuesday ... 8 AM
Wednesday ... 8 AM
Saturday.....4 PM
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Bulletin
Sacrament of Reconciliation:
Saturday at 3 PM or by appointment

St Anne

Monday....8AM
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Saturday...4:30 PM
Sunday.....8 AM & 11 AM
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Saturday at 3:30 PM

Save the Date:

Holy Name July 10
Faith Fun Nights July 28
Faith Fun Nights August 11



PRAY THE
LORD OF THE
HARVEST TO
SEND OUT
LABORERS
INTO HIS
HARVEST.

LUKE 10:2

JULY 3, 2022
14TH SUNDAY
IN ORDINARY TIME

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SUNDAY'S READINGS

First Reading:

Lo, I will spread prosperity over Jerusalem like a river, and the wealth of the nations like an overflowing torrent. (Is 66:12)

Psalm:

Let all the earth cry out to God with joy. (Ps 66)

Second Reading:

From now on, let no one make troubles for me; for I bear the marks of Jesus on my body. (Gal 6:17)

Gospel:

"Into whatever house you enter, first say, 'Peace to this household.' If a peaceful person lives there, your peace will rest on him." (Lk 10:5-6)

Readings for the week of July 3, 2022

Sunday: Is 66:10-14c/Ps 66:1-3, 4-5, 6-7, 16, 20 [1]/Gal 6:14-18/Lk 10:1-12, 17-20 or 10:1-9

Monday: Hos 2:16, 17c-18, 21-22/Ps 145:2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9/Mt 9:18-26

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

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

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

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

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

Next Sunday: Dt 30:10-14/Ps 69:14, 17, 30-31, 33-34, 36, 37 or Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 11 [9])/Col 1:15-20/Lk 10:25-37

Observances for the week of July 3, 2022

Sunday: 14th Sunday in Ordinary Time; St. Thomas, Apostle

Monday: Independence Day

Tuesday: St. Anthony Zaccaria, Priest; St. Elizabeth of Portugal

Wednesday: St. Maria Goretti, Virgin and Martyr

Saturday: St. Augustine Zhao Rong, Priest, and Companions, Martyrs

Next Sunday: 15th Sunday in Ordinary Time

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Matters of Sexual Misconduct Information

If you have any suspicion about the sexual abuse (or any other type of abuse) of a minor child by anyone - please contact PA ChildLine immediately at 1-800-932-0313. If the alleged abuser is functioning in a parish, school or diocesan position as clergy, religious, paid staff or volunteer you are also requested to contact the Bishop's Delegate for Matters of Sexual Misconduct after you have called the ChildLine number and made the report. The Bishop's Delegate may be reached at



INDEPENDENCE DAY

This weekend, as our Nation celebrates another birthday, many of us will be celebrating with picnics, going to parades or to the various concerts in the area, or to the fireworks displays. All this is nice as we celebrate. But we cannot forget what it is that we are celebrating. The birthday of these United States did not come about without its "groaning pains", without its bloodshed, without its anxieties.

To leave the old country and cross the ocean to an unknown takes courage – a courage fueled by the desire for a better life.

And while we've experienced that better life, we've sometimes forgotten that that better life is only because of our loving God blessing us with that prosperity and this great nation/ we've sometimes experienced that better life at the cost of Mother Nature or other individuals.

Are we there yet? We still have much to overcome if we are going to be a land "WITH LIBERTY AND JUSTICE FOR ALL."

General Robert E. Lee invaded Pennsylvania in June of 1863. A distinguished citizen of Philadelphia wired Gen'l Ulysses S Grant's chief of staff, General Henry Halleck, to offer his services as a commanding officer to help repel the invasion. General Halleck's return wire was brusque: "We have five times as many generals as we know what to do with, but are greatly in need of privates. Anyone volunteering in this capacity will be thankfully received."

Whether it is for our nation, or for our God – we have more chiefs than Indians. Jesus is looking for Indians, or privates, or individuals willing to get a little dirty to help with the work. He sent seventy-two two thousand years ago, and they had great success. He sends you and me today – for we are the ones who are to announce the Kingdom each and every day of our lives – in our daily activities, at school, at work. We are the ones who, like the seventy-two, must offer the invitation to follow Christ and extend the message of hope and love and forgiveness.

The words for the Special Preface of the Mass for Independence Day says it like this – "He [Jesus] spoke to men a message of peace and taught us to live as brothers. His message took form in the vision of our ancestors as they fashioned a nation where people might live as one. This message lives on in our midst as a task for us today and as a promise for tomorrow." Let's all work together so that we can be instruments of that peace, unity, forgiveness, and God's Love & Hope for all.

WORSHIP TOGETHER

14th Sunday in Ordinary Time

(Isaiah 66: 10 – 14; Galatians 6: 14 – 18; Luke 10: 1 – 12, 17 – 20)

Summer time brings back memories of vacations with family as a kid. While we didn't take many vacation because of Dad's work schedule, the ones we did take all had a familiar chant. Are we there yet?" And the answer was almost always – "ALMOST." The journey, the pilgrimage, the desire to get there, are such a large part of human life. Roadside parks and various comfort stations along the way offer temporary relief, but the road constantly beckons the traveler.

Israel has had a long journey from prosperity through infidelity and back again. The Temple has been rebuilt and there is promise of more than a comfort station offered in today's First Reading. As the clock ticked and the miles added up, we in the back seat would begin looking for familiar sights. So the people of Israel had been longing for the consolation of their holy home during their exile. In their own national history, they had stopped at various wayside altars in the false hope that they could worship that god and end the searching. Today's first reading is from the end of the prophecies from the Book of Isaiah. The picture given is that of a mother nursing her whimpering baby.

Jerusalem, as the city of God, is the terminus for God's people and, like a loving mother, God has been waiting to embrace all those who have kept faithful to the long road back. Acceptance, welcome, nourishment and a sense of being back home are promised and all within the experience of great joy for God and for God's children.

This prophecy is a comforting answer, not much different from what my par-

Let us Pray for the Conversion of the World & for Peace

ents would say when our destiny was getting near: "We are getting very close now."

In today's Gospel we hear Jesus saying, "Go on your way." He is preparing a large group to get going, but with some definite instructions about the manner with which they are to go. Instead of a securing-sense offered by having maps, Jesus tells his followers that following Him now means trusting the unknown and indefinite so that God's nurturing care for them will be known. We will hear this missioning to mystery and we might wonder about the efficiency of sending these people out without adequate preparation. – No cell phones, no credit or debit card, no GPS.

They do return at the end of today's reading and apparently have had great success. Jesus welcomes them, but advises them that the real cause for joy is not the success they experienced, but because their names being written in heaven. Their efficiency is a result of God's affection for them.

Where is the "there" that they want to be? For Jesus, the "there" is wherever one can be mapless, but not hapless. In other words, the "THERE" for us is when we quit trying to be in charge and the beginning of our total trust in God's care. Our Mom had a strong wish for us to trust both our parents enough, at least, to keep quiet in the back seat and quit bothering each other. We were going to be away for a week or so, but we wanted to be "there" now. She encouraged us to count cows, windmills; to see how many different license plates from different states we could count. With us three kids in the car, it was the best she could do without "wringing our necks."

Jesus sends us with the promise that if we trust God's promises and care, we might not quarrel, question and quit as we make our journey to proclaim that God is mothering us towards the "there" to which we move through the "here" and even when the "here" seems rather insecure at times. Isaiah speaks words quite reminiscent of things our Mom would tell us from the front seat, "When you see this, your heart shall rejoice and your bodies flourish like the grass; the Lord's power shall be known to His servants." That all sounded very good, but we still wanted to get there now!



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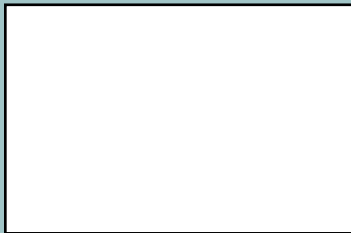
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