

Holy Family Parish

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EUCHARISTIC LITURGIES

Holy Family

Tuesday ... 8 AM
Wednesday ... 8 AM
Saturday.....4 PM
Sunday.....11 AM
Holy Days & Civil Holidays:
Consult the Mass schedule in the
Bulletin
Sacrament of Reconciliation:
Saturday at 3 PM or by appointment

St Anne

Monday....8AM
Thursday....8AM
First Friday .. 8 AM (preceded by Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament).. 7-8 AM
Saturday....4:30 PM
Sunday.....8 AM & 11 AM
Holy Days & Civil Holidays:
Consult the Mass schedule in the bulletin
Sacrament of Reconciliation:
Saturday at 3:30 PM

Save the Date:

Faith Fun Nights July 28 & August 11



JULY 24, 2022 THE 17TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

PARISH STAFF

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First Reading:

"Please, let not my Lord grow angry if I speak up this last time. What if there are at least ten there?" He replied, "For the sake of those ten, I will not destroy it." (Gn 18:32)

Psalm:

Lord, on the day I called for help, You answered me. (Ps 138)

Second Reading:

He brought you to life along with Him, having forgiven us all our transgressions. (Col 2:13) Gospel:

"And I tell you, ask and you will receive; seek and you will find; knock and the door will be opened to you. For everyone who asks, receives; and the one who seeks, finds; and to the one who knocks, the door will be opened." (Lk 11:9-10)

Readings for the week of July 24, 2022

Sunday: Gn 18:20-32/Ps 138:1-2, 2-3, 6-7, 7-8 [3a]/Col 2:12-14/Lk 11:1-13

Monday: 2 Cor 4:7-15/Ps 126:1bc-2ab, 2cd-3, 4 -5, 6/Mt 20:20-28

Tuesday: Jer 14:17-22/Ps 79:8, 9, 11 and 13/

Mt 13:36-43

Wednesday: Jer 15:10, 16-21/Ps 59:2-3, 4, 10-11, 17-18/Mt 13:44-46 Thursday: Jer 18:1-6/Ps 146:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6ab/

Mt 13:47-53

Friday: Jer 26:1-9/Ps 69:5, 8-10, 14/Jn 11:19-27 or Lk 10:38-42

Saturday: Jer 26:11-16, 24/Ps 69:15-16, 30-31, 33-34/Mt 14:1-12

Next Sunday: Eccl 1:2; 2:21-23/Ps 90:3-4, 5-6, 12-13, 14, 17 [1]/Col 3:1-5, 9-11/ Lk 12:13-21

Observances for the week of July 24,

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

Monday: St. James, Apostle

Tuesday: Sts. Joachim and Anne, Parents of the

Blessed Virgin Mary

Friday: St. Martha

Saturday: St. Peter Chrysologus, Bishop and

Doctor of the Church Next Sunday: 18th Sunday in Ordinary Time; St.

Ignatius of Loyola, Priest

Financial Report for 7/12/2022

Offertory: \$2,394.00 Loose: \$73.00 Monthly: \$170.00 Candle: \$98.00

Parish Income: \$2,735.00

Peter's Pence: \$20.00

Total Offertory: \$2,755.00

SACRAMENT OF ANOINTING OF THE SICK **AND HOLY COMMUNION:** Anointing and Holy Communion are available upon request to those who are sick, elderly or homebound. Families are

requested to call the Parish Office to arrange a visit.

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM: Baptism Preparation Catechesis is required for parents and sponsors prior to the child's baptism. Please call the Office of Faith Formation to register and arrange a time for the ceremony.

GODPARENT/CONFIRMATION SPONSOR CERTIFICATE:

For a Catholic to be a sponsor for the Sacraments of Baptism or Confirmation, one must be a practicing Catholic regularly attending Sunday Mass and receiving the Sacraments, a registered member of the Parish and a faithful contributor to the support of the Parish for a minimum of four months. All requests for a certificate should be made four weeks in advance of the designated date needed for sponsorship.



Faith Formation registration forms should have been returned by this past Friday, July 22nd

Please make every effort to submit them as soon as possible.

Classes begin sooner than we think!



Coming up soon: Blessings of the backpacks for all (Pre-School to College) Further details to

follow

WORSHIP TOGETHER

17th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Legends and myths are full of warnings about being careful of what we ask and pray for, for our request might be filled. The story of King Midas is a perfect example of this. He was a man with a passion for wealth, such that when he was offered the opportunity to ask a gift of the gods, his naïve request was that everything he touched would be turned to gold. At first, he was absolutely delighted. But of course, when he felt hungry, his food and wine in their turn also turned to gold, as did his daughter when he reached out to touch her. His prayer had been answered and it made his life impossible.

In today's Scripture readings we hear Abraham praying – he calls to mind the justice of God, in order to plead for mercy for the inhabitants of Sodom and Gomorrah. In the Gospel, we see Jesus praying – and His words and His life provide the model for every Christian's relationship with God. Paul's selection from the letter to the Colossians reminds us of our Baptism – Baptism is our union with Christ: the death of sin and the beginning of our new life.

The classic pattern of all Christian prayer is patterned after the Lord's Prayer – the Our Father. We begin by giving some type of praise and thanks to God: "Our Father, how holy is Thy name." Only after this do we turn to our petitions, our intercessions: "May Thy Kingdom come, Thy will be done, Give us today our daily bread" – (which covers all the graces we need to fulfill our lives, and

to be protected from Satan).

Like those first disciples, we also want to know how to pray. But what constitutes good prayer? Is it wrong to pray like King Midas – for oneself, for wealth and possessions? Or for health and happiness? Is it permissible in time of war to pray for one's enemy's destruction? And if we pray for victory in war, what about in a game of football. As the baptized, whenever we pray, we do so as children of a loving Father, confident not only that God already knows all our needs, but that fundamentally, God has already answered our prayer. He has given Himself to us totally, by giving us His Spirit. We are confident that His love will never leave us. So whatever we pray for, our prayer is something which only seeks people's good, whether our own or other's, since such is the will of our loving God. And true prayer always lays ourselves open to the possibility of change. Intercessory prayer is not a means of turning God into a *genie in a bottle*, ours to command. True prayer engages both God and the person praying. It is ultimately an act of trust in God's love and an act of obedience, expressing our readiness to follow God's Spirit.

Saints for this Week

July 25 – St James, brother of St John the Apostle, was also known as St James the Greater in order to distinguish him from St James the Less who was younger. Jesus called James and John "Sons of Thunder" because they were so energetic and impetuous.

July 26 – Sts. Joachim and Anne – Ancient Christian tradition records the names of Sts. Joachim and Anne as the parents of Mary, the mother of Jesus. Historically and biblically, not much is known of them, except that they are the parents of Mary and grandparents of Jesus. The Church recognizes the grandparents of Jesus as models of family virtue and faith, which they transmitted to their offspring.

July 29 – St Martha, the sister of Mary and Lazarus. They were very friendly with Jesus and received Jesus as a guest into their home frequently. On one occasion, Martha asked that her sister, Mary, help to prepare dinner. Jesus, feeling that Martha was too preoccupied with household chores, stated that Mary had chosen the better part. Martha is the patron saint of housekeepers.

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

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 724-837-0901, ext. 1221.

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