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July 25, 2021 Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time



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Mass Weekdays:

Monday—Saturday
8:00 a.m.
Wednesday
7:00 p.m. Traditional Latin

Mass Weekends:

Saturday
4:00 p.m. Vigil
Sunday
8:00 a.m., 10:00 a.m.
11:30 a.m. Traditional Latin

Reconciliation:

Saturday 10:00 a.m.-11:00 a.m. or
by appointment by calling
the parish office

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Mass Intentions and Weekly Readings

Mass Intentions

Saturday, July 24

4:00 p.m. Donna Strmensky †

Sunday, July 25

8:00 a.m. Living and Deceased Members of St. Anthony the Abbot Parish

10:00 a.m. Barbara Cowne †

11:30 a.m. Norbert Erben †

Monday, July 26

8:00 a.m. Alexander Michael Sharp

Tuesday, July 27

8:00 a.m. Brittney & Floyd Croka & Child

Wednesday, July 28

8:00 a.m. Rose Abusaid †

Thursday, July 29

8:00 a.m. Elsa Valladares & Family †

Friday, July 30

8:00 a.m. Richard Brooks †

Saturday, July 31

8:00 a.m. Bert Mooney

4:00 p.m. Amanda Strmensky †

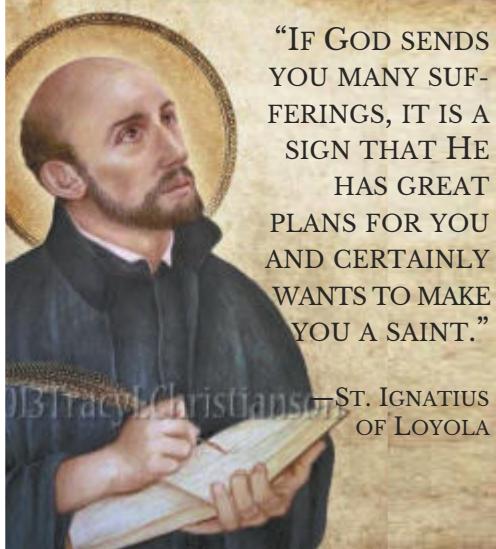
Sunday, August 1

8:00 a.m. Living and Deceased Members of St. Anthony the Abbot Parish

10:00 a.m. Dinis Chaves †

11:30 a.m. Melissa Tipton

**SAINT IGNATIUS
OF LOYOLA, PRIEST**
 1491-1556
 FEAST DAY JULY 31



"IF GOD SENDS
 YOU MANY SUF-
 FERINGS, IT IS A
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 YOU A SAINT."

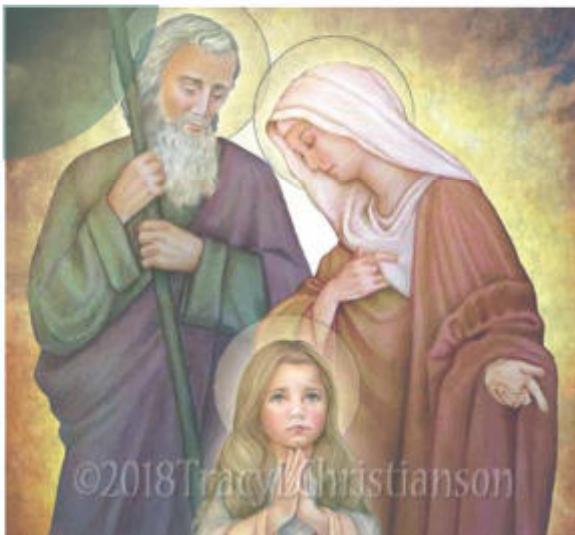
—ST. IGNATIUS
 OF LOYOLA

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Joachim and Anne

DATES: FIRST CENTURY FEAST DAY— JULY 26



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Not mentioned in the Bible, Joachim and Anne are first named as the parents of Mary in the apocryphal Protoevangelium of James, which may date from the second century. In this story, they are old and childless, like the Old Testament Hannah, mother of Samuel, when angels deliver the news that Anne will

conceive a child. Anne was an especially popular saint in medieval England, and her feast was celebrated in the West by 1350; Joachim's feast was authorized or suppressed by various popes, but was joined with Anne's in 1969. They are the patrons of married couples; Anne is also the patron of childless women, expectant mothers, and miners.



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Readings for the week of July 25, 2021

Sunday, July 25, Seventeenth Sunday In Ordinary Time
 2 Kgs 4:42-44; Ps 145:10-11, 15-16, 17-18; Eph 4:1-6/Jn 6:1-15

**Monday, July 26,
Memorial of Saints Joachim and Anne, Parents of the Blessed Virgin Mary**
 Ex 32:15-24, 30-34; Ps 106:19-20, 21-22, 23; Mt 13:31-35

Tuesday, July 27, Weekday
 Ex 33:7-11; 34:5b-9, 28; Ps 103:6-7, 8-9, 10-11, 12-13; Mt 13:36-43

Wednesday, July 28, Weekday
 Ex 34:29-35; Ps 99:5, 6, 7, 9; Mt 13:44-46

Thursday, July 29, Memorial of Saint Martha
 Ex 40:16-21, 34-38; Ps 84:3, 4, 5-6a and 8a, 11; Jn 11:19-27 or Lk 10:38-42

Friday, July 30, Weekday
[Saint Peter Chrysologus, Bishop and Doctor of the Church]
 Lv 23:1; Ps 4:11, 15-16, 27, 34b-37; Ps 81:3-4, 5-6, 10-11ab; Mt 13:54-58

**Saturday, July 31,
Memorial of Saint Ignatius of Loyola, Priest**
 Lv 25:1, 8-17; Ps 67:2-3, 5, 7-8; Mt 14:1-12

Sunday, August 1, Eighteenth Sunday In Ordinary Time
 Ex 16:2-4, 12-15; Ps 78:3-4, 23-24, 25, 54; Eph 4:17, 20-24/Jn 6:24-35

Weekly Message from Fr. Pecchie



My Dear Friends in Christ,

Five loaves and two fish cannot feed a crowd of five thousand men (plus at least as many women and children). It is impossible. Not even a year's salary (the equivalent of two hundred denarii) could buy enough for such a feast, as Philip nervously points out. Yet, when the Apostles hand over their paltry resources to the Lord, they become more than enough to do the job.

The same goes for every Christian, including ourselves. The mission we have received, the mission of becoming saints, the mission of using our gifts and talents to help others lead fulfilled and fulfilling lives, the mission of being bright torches in this dark world, torches that guide searching souls towards the hope of heaven - this mission is beyond our natural capacities. It's too much for us, which may be one reason we tend not to think about it too much.

Whose natural talents and wisdom are sufficient to defeat the forces of evil that seem to hold the world in tow? Whose innate strength is sufficient to put an end to the selfishness, lust, and greed that rage within the human heart? How can the meager resources of a single parish or diocese suffice to do battle with media moguls, corrupt politicians, international banking cartels, and other agents of the culture of death? We only have five loaves and two fish; by ourselves we can do nothing.

Only if we put all we have and all we are into Christ's hands, confiding in him and not ourselves, can we hope to fulfill our life mission and make a real difference for the good of the Kingdom - in our hearts and in society at large. What we could never achieve on our own, we can immeasurably surpass with God. As Jesus himself put it, "For God, everything is possible" (Matthew 19:26).

The devil knows this, and he does whatever he can to discourage us from putting our few loaves and small fish at Christ's service. Normally his strategy is simple and subtle - he tempts us by encouraging us to give in to self-centered, comfort-seeking attitudes that are built in to our fallen human nature. But the devil also works more directly and less subtly. St John Vianney was a man who put every last crumb of his loaves at God's service. He didn't enjoy natural gifts of intelligence, good looks, or a fetching personality. Yet, people from all over the world

would come to his little French town of Ars to go to confession with him.



The humble ministry of hearing confessions, sometimes for 16 hours a day, was the avenue through which God multiplied this priest's loaves and fish. So the devil would do everything he could to discourage the priest from this ministry, even attacking him at night physically. More than once, the devil actually set his room on fire. But this diabolical tactic backfired - it only made the priest more dedicated to the confessional than ever. St John would sometimes say:

"The devil gave me a good shaking last night, so we shall have a great number of people tomorrow. The grappin [his name for the devil] is very stupid; he himself tells him of the arrival of big sinners... He is angry - so much the better!"

The devil is convinced that even our small efforts to fulfill our life-mission can work wonders, but are we convinced?

An aid to help us to be convinced is the Holy Rosary. The Rosary is a simple but profound prayer. When we pray it well, we not only glorify God and obtain grace for ourselves and our loved ones, but we also prepare ourselves for the sufferings that life in this fallen world will bring to us. When we pray the Rosary, we review in our mind and heart all the most important scenes from the life of Christ, including those of his passion.

Reviewing those scenes is, through God's grace, almost like a rehearsal. As we admire the self-giving, self-sacrificing love of Jesus and Mary, we are, in a spiritual sense, practicing it. As a result, when the time comes for us to imitate that love in our own lives, we are ready.

At Mass, Jesus will renew his commitment to each one of us, and he will renew his call in our hearts. When he does, let us renew our yes to him, let us give him all our loaves and fish, and let us pray for the young men and women God is calling in a special way, that they, like the apostles, will put their trust in the Lord.

Oremus pro Invicem

Fr. Pecchie

Ministry Information

Pastor's Class



Join Fr. Pecchie to study and learn as he shares the truths of God's Word, and enjoy the fellowship of other people like you.

Mondays 7:00 p.m.
Thursdays 9:00 a.m.



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Office of Life, Justice & Advocacy The Equality Act

The Equality Act is well-intentioned but ultimately misguided. Instead of respecting differences in beliefs about marriage and sexuality, the bill would discriminate against people of faith, threaten unborn life, and undermine the common good. Tell your elected officials to oppose it. Follow this link for more information: <https://www.usccb.org/equality-act>.



Are You Interested in Inquiring About The Catholic Faith?

RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS

RCIA A JOURNEY IN FAITH

If you have been coming to Mass for a while, but are not Catholic, we invite you to look deeper into the Catholic faith through the RCIA process.

Sessions are held from September through May and include an in-depth study of THE CREED: WHAT WE BELIEVE. We always welcome and encourage you, or others that you may wish to invite, to ask those perplexing and difficult questions about the Church.

Sessions are held in the Parish Hall, on Sundays from 11:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.. (fellowship 11:15 a.m.).

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- Returning Catholic who has been away from the Church for a while

Place completed form in the collection box or bring to the parish office.

For more information, you may call Michele in the Parish Office at (352) 796 2096, ext. 108.

What is God calling you to do?

Welcome

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Jane & Anita Bennett**

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We are glad you are here!

"But the crowds were aware of this, and followed Him; and welcoming them, He began speaking to them about the Kingdom of God..." ~ Luke 9:11

In Sympathy

Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. Please pray for the deceased members of our parish, especially ...

Alexandra Hendricks



Help Is Available for Catholic School Tuition



Have you thought about sending your child to a Catholic school, but didn't think it was financially possible? You may qualify for a scholarship. In fact, a family of four with an income of nearly \$100,000 may qualify for a scholarship.

The money can help pay for tuition and fees. The application is free, and it's first come, first served. Make time to apply today! More students are eligible than ever before, including those with learning disabilities and children of active duty military, regardless of rank or pay. Visit www.stepupforstudents.org/catholic.

Ministry Information

THE SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



Today is the first World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly!

"It is important for grandparents to meet their grandchildren and for grandchildren to meet their grandparents, because — as the prophet Joel says — grandparents, before their grandchildren, will dream, and have illusions [great desires], and young people, taking strength from their grandparents, will go forward and prophesy." – Pope Francis, January 31, 2021



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A Different Kind of Prayer

Heavenly Father, help us remember that the jerk who cut us off in traffic last night is a single mother who worked nine hours that day and was rushing home to cook dinner, help with homework, do the laundry and spend a few precious moments with her children.

Help us to remember that the pierced, tattooed, disinterested young man who can't make change correctly is a worried 19 year old college student, balancing his apprehension over final exams with his fear of not getting his students loans for next semester.

Remind us, Lord that the scary looking bum, begging for money in the same spot every day (who really ought to get a job!) is a slave to addictions that we can only imagine in our worst nightmares.

Help us to remember that the old couple walking annoyingly slow through the store aisles and blocking our shopping progress are savoring this moment, knowing that, based on the biopsy report she got back last week, this will be the last year that they go shopping together.

Heavenly Father, remind us each day that, of all the gifts you give us, the greatest gift is love. It is not enough to share that love with those we hold dear. Open our hearts not just to those who are close to us but to all humanity. Let us be slow to judge and quick to forgive. Bless us with patience, empathy and love.

Amen!

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New Pro-Life Movement

"The moral chaos that now seems to be imposing itself on the world, the drift toward transhumanism that is becoming increasingly explicit, and the culture of death that dominates the legislation of present-day States, must vigorously and resolutely be opposed with the integrity of truth and the unwillingness to compromise on the good; hence, the need for a new pro-life movement without compromise to the ideologies of modernism; a pro-life movement that courageously affirms the absolute unlawfulness of any attack on innocent human life from conception to natural death."

This new pro-life movement cannot remain silent about that monstrous and global structure of sin that is crying out to God for vengeance; such as, the routine use by pharmaceutical, cosmetics and food industries of human cell lines from aborted embryos and fetuses.

The exploitation of human embryos and fetuses as a reservoir of biological material, is an abomination that every reasonable man and woman of good will should oppose by denouncing its perverse and diabolical nature.

I invoke the Divine blessing on all those who support this initiative."

—Bishop Athanasius Schneider

Respect Life, Marie Brown

Information

Weekly Calendar

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8:00 a.m. Mass
10:00 a.m. Mass
11:30 a.m. Traditional Latin Mass
Coffee and Donuts after all Masses

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8:00 a.m. Mass
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7:00 p.m. Pastor's Class

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9:00 a.m. Pastor's Class

Friday, July 30, Weekday

8:00 a.m. Mass
8:30 a.m. Divine Mercy Chaplet

Saturday, July 31, Memorial of Saint Ignatius of Loyola, Priest

8:00 a.m. Mass
10–11 a.m. Reconciliation
11:00 a.m. Spanish Legion of Mary —Portable
4:00 p.m. Mass

Sunday, August 1, Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 a.m. Mass
10:00 a.m. Mass
11:30 a.m. Traditional Latin Mass
Coffee and Donuts after all Masses

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EYES OF *God*.
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Love.*”
—St Therese of Lisieux

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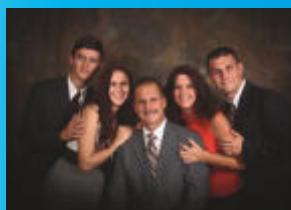
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