CHURCH OF ST. ANN

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SUNDAY, JULY 5, 2020

14TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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"Come to me, all you who labor and are burdened, and I will give you rest." - Mt 11:28

PARISH LIFE



Monday -20	7-6-20
8:00am	Sisters of Mercy rq by Sisters of Mercy
Tuesday -20	7-7-20
8:00am	Mike Mazzaro rq by Loving Family
<i>Wednesday</i> 8:00am	7-8-20 Michael O'Hare rq by Loving Family
<i>Thursday</i> 8:00am	7-9-20 Marie McNamara rq by Loving Family
<i>Friday</i> 8:00am	7-10-20 James White rq by Loving Family
<i>Saturday</i> 5:00pm	7-11-20 James Patrick Sidoti rq by Patty & Glenn Stott
Sunday 8:00am	7-12-20 Kathy Borchert rq by Loving Family Maureen & Jimmy Henkel rq by Loving Family
10:30am	Michael Suckow rq by Loving Family
6:00pm	Edward Farrell rq by Loving Mother

THE SANCTUARY LAMP

The Sanctuary Lamp is available for special intentions. The Lamp burns weekly for deceased members of a family or requests for a special intention. The donation is \$20. Please call the Rectory for further information.. This week's Sanctuary Lamp burns for Jesus Santiago rq by Loving Family



<u>Confessions</u> Sat 1P - 2P *outside* the double doors of the handicapped entrance.

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WEEKLY PRAYER

READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF JULY 5, 2020

SUN 7/5	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
MON 7/6	Hos 2:16, 17b-18, 21-22/Ps 145:2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9 [8a]/Mt 9:18-26
TUE 7/7	Hos 8:4-7, 11-13/Ps 115:3-4, 5-6, 7ab-8, 9-10 [9a]/Mt 9:32-38
WED 7/8	Hos 10:1-3, 7-8, 12/Ps 105:2-3, 4-5, 6-7 [4b]/Mt 10:1-7
THR 7/9	Hos 11:1-4, 8e-9/Ps 80:2ac and 3b, 15-16 [4b]/Mt 10:7-15
FRI 7/10	Hos 14:2-10/Ps 51:3-4, 8-9, 12-13, 14 and 17 [17b]/Mt 10:16-23
SAT 7/11	ls 6:1-8/Ps 93:1ab, 1cd-2, 5 [1a]/Mt 10:24-33
SUN 7/12	ls 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

OBSERVANCES FOR THE WEEK OF JULY 5, 2020

Sunday:	14 th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Monday:	St. Maria Goretti, Virgin and Martyr
Thursday:	St. Augustine Zhao Rong, Priest, and Companions, Martyrs
Saturday:	St. Benedict, Abbot
Next Sunday:	15 th Sunday in Ordinary Time

LIVE THE LITURGY

Inspiration for the week

The flesh is our old self of yesterday and the one we left behind in baptism. It is the self of doubts and fears, sin and error, reluctance, untamed passion, and errors in judgment. It is also the self of missed opportunities and roads untraveled. Although we were baptized many years ago, every day is another day to live, not according to the flesh of yesterday with its regrets and misgivings, but rather to live the life of the spirit of today and tomorrow. The burdens of our personal baggage and of life itself can weigh us down. The love of Jesus Christ and the life of the spirit can pick us up, refresh us, and provide us with the hope for new opportunities and discoveries. Because we have been baptized in Christ, we need not be anxious about what we did or did not do yesterday or anxious about what will come tomorrow. We need only to seek out the love that is before us, around us, and in us and learn.







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FIRST READING

See, your king shall come to you; a just savior is he, meek, and riding on an ass, on a colt, the foal of an ass. (Zec 9:9b)



PSALM I will praise your name for ever, my king and my God. (Ps 145) or Alleluia

SECOND READING

For if you live according to the flesh, you will die, but if by the Spirit you put to death the deeds of the body, you will live. (Rom 8:13)



GOSPEL "Come to me, all you who labor and are burdened, and I will give you rest." (Mt 11:28)

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WORSHIP & MEDITATION



GOSPEL MEDITATION Encourage Deeper Understanding of Scripture

We are all familiar with the refrain, "You have put on Christ. In him you have been baptized. Alleluia, alleluia!" In Baptism, we "put on" Christ. In putting on Christ, we put on all that Christ is and represents: hope, faith, and love. We are no longer bound to the sins and failures of the flesh, that part of us that resists God and relies exclusively on human means. It also means that we are not in debt to our past, complete with its sins, failures, regrets, fears, and unfulfilled dreams. There is always hope. In putting on Christ, we put on God's vision for the world, for all of His children and for us. We have been given a road map to guide our paths and a blueprint to follow for our life's journey.

There is no need for regret, and we are not tethered to our past. Is there anything in your past that you regret? Any decision or memory that continues to haunt you? We have all made mistakes, and we have this uncanny ability to continue beating ourselves up over things we can no longer do anything about, except learn from them. To put on Christ means that I can now bring God's unconditional love to my hurtful memories and sinful choices. With each new moment and every new choice, I can start clean and live in freedom.

Imagine adults when the disciples were preaching and baptizing. They came to baptism not really knowing who they were, with pasts that were broken, seeking to live the joy of the Gospel they heard spoken to them and wanting the love they saw witnessed in the lives of those who believed. What tremendous celebrations their baptisms must have been! They could now have the support of a community, full participation in the sacraments of the church, focus for their disordered lives, consolation, healing, and an understanding of what life is really all about.

Our lives are meant to be celebrations of the Spirit we have received in Baptism. How does that joy get expressed in and through you? When we truly understand that we have put on Christ, our burdens can become much lighter. It is odd that so many Christians look like they are carrying the weight of the world on their shoulders. Wouldn't it be wonderful if those weights could be lifted and joy experienced!

LITURGICAL LIFE



EVERYDAY STEWARDSHIP Recognize God In Your Ordinary Moments Faith Like a Child

If you Google Search recommendations on how to raise generous children, almost every list of ideas begins with — or at least contains — the directive for adults to be good models of generosity themselves. Our children learn from our actions much more than from our words. Of course, when I think back over the years while my children were growing up, I think I may have learned as much from them as they learned from me. There is a time between early childhood and middle school where a child seems to be freer to give and share than at any other time in life. It is around the age of First Communion when the cries of "mine" turn to laughter and smiles, and the urge to be a part of something bigger than oneself leads to sharing. Before you know it, the child hits the pre-teen years, and once again, he or she becomes the center of the universe.

I believe that the previous paragraph is all true, however, the stages described seem to repeat themselves throughout adulthood. Don't you agree? Sometimes we fall into seeing ourselves as the center of the universe, or we become consumed by our state in life or with what we have acquired. Also, we at times are generous and loving people. It is sin that draws us back into ourselves and away from any meaningful life of stewardship and generosity. In order to be freed for love, we need role models to help us see what really matters. We need to reflect on the example of many of our brothers and sisters in Christ. And, yes, we need to look to children who may be at the point in their lives where sharing is fun, and love is something in abundance.

- Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS

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WHY DO WE DO THAT? Catholic Life Explained: Kissing the Altar at Mass

Question:

Why do priests kiss the altar at the start of Mass?

Answer:

Our churches and chapels are filled with symbols. We might think of the more common symbols (like the crucifix, statues, stained-glass windows, vestment color and altar cloths) as well as major symbols (such as the paschal candle and the baptismal font). But there are some things that we can take for granted in our sacred spaces, because unfortunately, they seem to just be part of the building, including three of the main symbols of our liturgy: the ambo (lectern), the chair for the priest celebrant, and the altar.

These three objects are placed in a specially designated area called the sanctuary. They are the places where the Word of God is proclaimed, where the priest prays and presides at the celebration, and where the bread and wine are offered by the priest during the Eucharistic Prayer. Although each of these objects is sacred because of the role they play in our worship, the altar holds a special place. In a document containing the rules and instructions for the Mass — the "General Instruction of the Roman Missal" - we read: "The altar on which the Sacrifice of the Cross is made present under sacramental signs is also the table of the Lord to which the People of God is called together to participate in the Mass, as well as the center of the thanksgiving that is accomplished throughout the Eucharist" (no. 296).

One of the ways that we recognize the importance of the altar is when the priest and deacon kiss the altar at the beginning of Mass. Kissing is an ancient act of devotion. Remember, we also kiss the cross on Good Friday, and the deacon or priest kisses the "Book of the Gospels" after the Gospel is proclaimed. This act of devotion reminds us that the altar is a symbol of Jesus, the "living stone" (see 1 Peter 2:4), the foundation stone of our faith. It is a symbol gesture, but it is a powerful reminder of the One on whom our faith is built and in whose name we gather as the "household of faith" (see Galatians 6:10).

To learn more, see the "Catechism of the Catholic Church" (no. 1382-1383).

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"Come to me, all you who labor and are burdened, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you and learn from me, for I am meek and humble of heart; and you will find rest for yourselves. For my yoke is easy, and my burden light."

- Mt 11:28-30

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LITURGICAL LIFE

QUESTIONS OF THE WEEK Invite Parishioners to Reflect and Respond

Invite Parishioners to Reflect and Respond to Scripture

First Reading

The prophet Zechariah envisioned a future king for the people of Israel who would rule the nations with justice and humility. How do you see these virtues as a strength in leadership?

Second Reading

Paul speaks of the promise of the resurrection from the dead for believers who reject the flesh and live according to the Spirit. What spiritual exercises do you practice that help reject the flesh?

Gospel Reading

Jesus praises his Father for the irony of the wise and learned who are unable to see what is revealed to the childlike. What does this tell us about the kingdom of heaven?



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"Our Lord prefers to wait Himself, for the sinner for years rather than keep us waiting for an instant."

- St. Maria Goretti

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THROUGHOUT THE WORLD

and Kathleen Cala, Linda Sullivan, Eleanor Delia, Sean & John Weiler, Dawn Siegel, Rita Nabel, Christine Provenzano, Anthony Metta, Phyllis Pitcock, Dylan & Austin Kellenberger, John Corcione, Edward N, Paddy Conneely, Theresa Marks, Lucy Healy, Randy Smith, Patricia Brennen, Dillon Noble, Pamela Hall, Cooper Ascone, Derek Murphy, Diane Clinton Teresa Swarrow, Baby Benet, Ellen Marie Corby, J. Jeter, Fred Dollinger. Joseph White, Arthur O'Keefe Donna Malagien, Ceilie Reynolds, Linda Reines, Bob Wyatt, Gabriele Shuman, Baby Nathaniel Linderoth, Joe McCue, John Vincelli, Michael Culkin, Jack Rondell, Mary Becker, Nettie Bright, Thomas Erickson, Steve Angerami, Baby Rocco Gallagher, Dawn Sachs, Jean Reynolds, Alice Barry, Frances Stein, Betty Sue Olsen. Annemarie Rossmell, Rocky Wehrle, Kathleen Moore

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