

July 25, 2021
Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time



Mission Statement

We are a Roman Catholic family centered in the Eucharist, rooted in our immigrant traditions since the 1800's and devoted to our Blessed Mother. Humbly guided by the Holy Spirit, and with the warmth and hospitality that springs from a small community, we seek to share our faith in Jesus Christ through prayer, devotion, education, stewardship, and service to others.

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Established ~ October 29, 2006

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MASS SCHEDULE

Church

Saturday Vigil.....4:30pm

Sunday.....8:30am & 11:00am

Church - Weekday Mass

Monday - Wednesday..... 7:00pm

Tuesday - Thursday - Friday ... 9:30am

Confessions

Saturday..... 3:30-4:00pm

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Parish Office Hours

Monday - Friday: 8:30am - 5:00pm

(Please call before you come up)

Sunday, July 25, 2021 - Seventeenth Sunday In Ordinary Time



Monday, July 26

7:00pm - All Parishioners

Tuesday, July 27

9:30am - The Hugo Schraff Family - Barb Schraff

Wednesday, July 28

7:00pm - Sally Hildebrandt - Harold & Eileen Minnich

Thursday, July 29

9:30am - Michael Weimer - Mary Weimer

Friday, July 30

9:30am - Freda Murtagh - Family

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Saturday, July 31

4:30pm - Andrew Sasack - Family

Sunday, August 1

8:30am - Frank Dombrosky - Joyce Korzan

11:00am - Halls Family - Kay Jacob

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Ex 32:15-24, 30-34; Ps 106:19-23;
Mt 13:31-35

Tuesday: Ex 33:7-11; 34:5b-9, 28; Ps 103:6-13;
Mt 13:36-43

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

Thursday: Ex 40:16-21, 34-38; Ps 84:3-6a, 8a, 11;
Jn 11:19-27 or Lk 10:38-42

Friday: Lv 23:1, 4-11, 15-16, 27, 34b-37;
Ps 81:3-6, 10-11ab; Mt 13:54-58

Saturday: Lv 25:1, 8-17; Ps 67:2-3, 5, 7-8; Mt 14:1-12

Sunday: Ex 16:2-4, 12-15; Ps 78:3-4, 23-25, 54;
Eph 4:17, 20-24; Jn 6:24-35

Pray for the Sick: David Blackburn, Jose' Magiste, Leon Denomme, David Myers, Kathy Borowy, Lee Severns, Bille Updegrove, Al Machovina, Pat Wracker, Cathy Buckland, Don Gates, Ken Schroeder, Shayne Reisinger, Dennis Frabotta, Alex Krutowskis, Guy Page, Jeff Frantz, Kevin Stanard, Mark Petricevic, Gladys Rising, Jeff Pfeiffer, Gloria Janosko, Becca Mullins, Grace Smith, Michele Miller, Monica Schaefer, George Schaefer, Patricia Norris, Al Traxler, Edward Bahl, Cathy Cornish, June Jacob, Karen Younglas, Lance Boise, Janet Shenefelt, Marilyn Hamm and Mike Vasbinder.

Please call the Parish Office 440-926-2364, or email us at info@olpgraston.org to have a name of a friend or relative

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The eyes of all look hopefully to you,
and you give them their food in due season.

— Psalm 145:15

INTERESTED IN BECOMING CATHOLIC? If you know someone who may be interested in becoming Catholic now would be a good time to give them the nudge that they may need. It is a good time during these next few months to help them to come in touch with the call of God in their lives and to direct them to Fr. John. I would be happy to sit down with them to answer questions and ease anxieties. The RCIA process for those seeking to become Catholic will begin in September.

RCIA TEAM MEMBERS: If you are interested in being on the team that journeys with the candidates to the Easter Sacraments, please contact Fr. John. It is so rewarding to share one's faith and at the same time to be nurtured in faith by those seeking a deeper relationship with God through participation in the Catholic Church.

BREAD OF LIFE DISCOURSE: Every three years when the Church is using CYCLE B readings for Sunday Mass the Gospel of John chapter 6 (Bread of Life Discourse) is used. This is because the Gospel of Mark is the shortest of the gospels and the Gospel of John is used to supplement the weeks following the multiplication of loaves gospel. From July 25 – August 22 we will be hearing from John's gospel. To help understand these readings I would recommend going to FORMED on the parish website and viewing two very good programs on the Eucharist: *Lectio: Eucharist*, and *Presence: The Mystery of the Eucharist*. These programs will help you to delve deeper into the mystery of the Eucharist which will unfold during these coming weeks at Sunday Eucharist.

25th WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES: At all the Masses on the **weekend of August 21/22** we will recognize and bless those couples celebrating 25 years of marriage in 2020 and 2021. If you are celebrating your silver anniversary in either of these years, please contact the parish office to let us know which Mass you will be attending. And we are also asking if you could submit a photo, either wedding or anniversary, that we could include in a gallery in the Gathering Area for everyone to see. (The recognition of the 50th anniversaries will be September 11/12).

GLFF: Hi from Elizabeth! Have you been looking for ways to grow in your faith and help the youth of our parish? Look no further! As July is winding down, GLFF (PSR) is right around the corner. We are excitedly praying for a great return to guiding our youth in our faith and Sacramental programs. To join our GLFF (PSR) team, please contact me at emiketo@olpgraston.org for more information. Registration and program information will be available soon. Thank you for your patience.

LITURGICAL MINISTRY SCHEDULES: Schedules for the month of August are now posted in the St. Joseph room. The next schedule will be a 3-month schedule covering the September-November timeframe. Please submit your specific requests **by August 15th** to the Parish office or by emailing Jim at jandrews@olpgraston.com or Joanna at jblaz@olpgraston.com

PASTOR'S CORNER: This weekend marks the 1st World Day for Grandparents and Elderly (4th Sunday of July). There is much written regarding the role of the elderly and grandparents in the Church and the Vatican website, especially www.amorislaetitia.va contains many resources. The following is from Pope Francis' General Audience of March 4, 2015: "The Church cannot and does not want to conform to a mentality of impatience, and much less of indifference and contempt, towards old age. We must reawaken the collective sense of gratitude, of appreciation, of hospitality, which makes the elder feel like a living part of his community."

"Our elders are men and women, fathers and mothers, who came before us on our own road, in our own house, in our daily battle for a worthy life. They are men and women from whom we have received so much. The elder is not an alien. We are that elder: in the near or far future, but inevitably, even if we don't think it. And if we don't learn how to treat the elder better, that is how we will be treated."

"We old people are all a little fragile. Some, however, are particularly weak, many are alone, and stricken with illness. Some depend on the indispensable care and attention of others. Are we going to take a step back? Abandon them to their fate? A society without proximity, where gratuity and affection without compensation – between strangers as well – is disappearing, is a perverse society. The Church, faithful to the Word of God, cannot tolerate such degeneration. A Christian community in which proximity and gratuity are no longer considered indispensable is a society which would lose her soul. Where there is no honor for the elderly, there is no future for the young."

On this weekend when we honor the elderly, may we seek ways to show honor, respect, and gratitude every day for them. For those who are homebound, we do have Eucharistic Ministers who take communion to them. Please notify the office if you or someone you know would like someone to bring them communion. And if you are a Eucharistic Minister and would like to take communion to the homebound and those in local facilities, please contact the office.

Remember the festival/picnic is August 14! The 4:30 Mass will be outdoors, and food and games will follow. The evening concludes with fireworks. See you there!

Fr John

First Friday Forum of Lorain County would like to announce, with great joy, the schedule for the **2021 season**. Although our year will not begin until late in summer, our slate of speakers will make up for the abbreviated season.

On **August 6th** we are honored to have **Bishop Edward C. Malesic J.C.L.** as our first speaker. Let's welcome Bishop Malesic with a full house and an enthusiastic audience.

The **September 3rd** meeting will feature **Sr. Melanie Svoboda SND**, whose topic will be *"Hanging onto Hope in Our Imperfect World."*

On **October 1st**, **Meg McIntyre**, Manager of Community Education, Genesis House, will speak on *"Domestic Violence Awareness in Lorain County."*

On **November 5th** we will wrap up the year with popular (retired) radio personality, **Trapper Jack**. His topic will be *"Blind Faith & Mary, His favorite spokeswoman."*

Please join us at LCCC, in the Spitzer Conference Center, beginning at 11:30 with a delicious lunch, prepared by the culinary department. The program begins at noon and concludes at 1:00 pm. The cost is \$20 per lunch or all 4 programs for \$75. Reservations are required by the Monday prior to the event. Make plans to attend with family and friends by calling the Parish Office at 440-926-2364 or emailing info@olqpgrafton.org so we can all be seated together.

OFFERTORY COLLECTION: Starting **July 24/25**, we will resume passing the basket at the Offertory time of the Mass, as well as carrying up the Offertory gifts in procession. If you would like to carry forward the Offertory gifts, please let one of the ushers know prior to Mass. This is just another sign that we are getting back to 'normal' in the parish.

THE COMPASSIONATE FRIENDS: Our next meeting will be this **Monday, July 26th at 7:00pm in the parish hall**. If you or someone you know has experienced child loss, this group is a supportive safe place for you and your grief to be surrounded by people who know and care. For more information contact Terri Zunis at 216-469-5311.

JOYFUL DISCIPLES....will be meeting on **Thursday August 5 at 6:30pm**. Come with your ideas of how we can **celebrate the parish's 15th Anniversary and engage parishioners in making the next 15 years even better**. Anyone in the parish is welcome to come to this meeting and find out more about how they can become more engaged in the parish community.

WOMEN OF FAITH....will be meeting **Sunday, August 8 at 6:00pm in the parish hall**. Women of all ages are invited to come to pray and grow in the spiritual life through the support of other women.



SCRIPTURE STUDY - Thursday July 29th is your next chance to be closer to our Blessed Mother, and continue the fascinating and insightful bible study of our **Blessed Virgin Mary**, with Lesson Four of "The Bible and the Virgin Mary" from the **FORMED LECTIO** series (**no computer is required**). Meet with us at **7:00 PM in the Parish Hall**. Lesson four will cover "The New EVE", on pages 35-44 of the study guide. Study guides are free and can be picked up at the Parish office or at the study. **You do not need a computer to participate.** If anyone has questions please contact Rick Gallaher at (440) 458-6335 for comments or assistance.

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