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Daily Masses

Monday-Saturday | 9:15 AM Chapel

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Parish Office Hours

Monday - Thursday 9:30 AM - 4:30 PM

Friday 9:30 AM - 12:30 PM

Join Us For Mass

Sunday Masses | Saturday Vigil— 5:00 PM Church

Sunday— 8:00 | 10:00 | 11:30 AM Church

Confessions— Saturday 4:15-4:45 PM

Holy Days— 9:15 AM | 7:30 PM Church

Daily Mass Intentions

Sunday, July 9 *Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time*

8:00 AM For the Intentions of Sisters of Jesus
Our Hope

r/o Alicia & Gary Montemurno

10:00 AM For the Intentions of Michaela Gatto

r/o Aunt Kay Gatto

11:30 AM Mary Murphy

r/o Kathy Dalton

Monday, July 10

9:15 AM Ray Vesey, Jr.

r/o Michele Godleski

Tuesday, July 11 *St. Benedict, Abbot*

9:15 AM For the Intentions of Jim Hughes

r/o Dave & Caroline Crane

Wednesday, July 12

9:15 AM Peter Sepesi

r/o Caroline & Dave Crave

Thursday, July 13 *St. Henry*

9:15 AM Margaret Dias

r/o Rosina

Friday, July 14 *St. Kateri Tekakwitha, Virgin*

9:15 AM Pamela Wentzheimer

r/o Her Family

Saturday, July 15 *St. Bonaventure, Bishop and Doctor of the Church*

9:15 AM Nina Columna Halley

r/o Emma DeBorja

5:00 PM Deborah Ferguson

r/o Dr. Sanjeev Saxena

Sunday, July 16 *Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time*

8:00 AM Joseph Steliga

r/o Sarah, Abigail & Mim

10:00 AM Francis Alapatt

r/o The Alapatt Family

11:30 AM Jeffrey Easthope

r/o Family

Please remember in your prayers the sick, homebound and disabled of our parish family, all those listed in the parish book of intentions, and all the men and women of the Armed Forces.



Mass Intentions Available

Mass Intentions are available for 2023/2024. To request to have a Mass offered for a loved one, please contact the Parish Office or request online at <https://olmwarren.org/mass-intentions>. Mass stipends are \$10.

In Loving Memory



Please pray for the families and loved ones of the departed who now enjoy everlasting life:

Peter G. Sepesi

*Father of Tommy, Peter, and Laura,
Father-in-law of Kasia and Amy,
and Grandfather of George*

Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May their souls and the souls of all the faithful departed through the mercy of God rest in peace. Amen.



July 9, 2023 - 14th Sunday in Ordinary Time

*"For my yoke is easy, and my burden light."-
Matthew 11:30*

When we think of being good stewards, we may think that God is asking too much of us when He calls us to generously share our time, talent and treasure. However, we must remember that we are not "owners" of anything, we are merely "stewards" of the gifts God has given us. All He is asking is that we give back a small portion, in gratitude, of what He has already given to us.



The Sanctuary Lamp in the Chapel
burns this week in loving memory of

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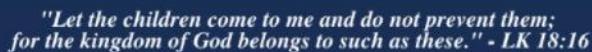
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Saint of the Day

Saturday, July 8 2023

Saint Gregory Grassi and Companions



Christian missionaries have often gotten caught in the crossfire of wars against their own countries. When the governments of Britain, Germany, Russia, and France forced substantial territorial concessions from the Chinese in 1898, anti-foreign sentiment grew very strong among many Chinese people.

Gregory Grassi was born in Italy in 1823, ordained in 1856, and sent to China five years later. Gregory was later ordained bishop of North Shanxi. With 14 other European missionaries and 14 Chinese religious, he was martyred during the short but bloody Boxer Uprising of 1900.

Twenty-six of these martyrs were arrested on the orders of Yu Hsien, the governor of Shanxi province. They were hacked to death on July 9, 1900. Five of them were Friars Minor; seven were Franciscan Missionaries of Mary—the first martyrs of their congregation. Seven were Chinese seminarians and Secular Franciscans; four martyrs were Chinese laymen and Secular Franciscans. The other three Chinese laymen killed in Shanxi simply worked for the Franciscans and were rounded up with all the others. Three Italian Franciscans were martyred that same week in the province of Hunan. All these martyrs were beatified in 1946, and were among the 120 martyrs canonized in 2000.

Reflection

Martyrdom is the occupational hazard of missionaries. Throughout China during the Boxer Uprising, five bishops, 50 priests, two brothers, 15 sisters and 40,000 Chinese Christians were killed. The 146,575 Catholics served by the Franciscans in China in 1906 had grown to 303,760 by 1924, and were served by 282 Franciscans and 174 local priests. Great sacrifices often bring great results.

Saint of the Day

Sunday, July 2, 2023

Saint Augustine Zhao Rong and Companions



Christianity arrived in China by way of Syria in the 600s. Depending on China's relations with the outside world, Christianity over the centuries was free to grow or was forced to operate secretly.

The 120 martyrs in this group died between 1648 and 1930.

Eighty-seven of them were born in China, and were children, parents, catechists, or laborers, ranging in age from nine years to 72. This group includes four Chinese diocesan priests. The 33 foreign-born martyrs were mostly priests or women religious, especially from the Order of Preachers, the Paris Foreign Mission Society, the Friars Minor, Society of Jesus, Society of St. Francis de Sales (Salesians), and Franciscan Missionaries of Mary.

Augustine Zhao Rong was a Chinese soldier who accompanied Bishop John Gabriel Taurin Dufresse of the Paris Foreign Mission Society to his martyrdom in Beijing. Not long after his baptism, Augustine was ordained as a diocesan priest. He was martyred in 1815.

Beatified in groups at various times, these 120 martyrs were canonized together in Rome on October 1, 2000.

Reflection

The People's Republic of China and the Roman Catholic Church each have well over a billion members, but there are only about 12 million Catholics in China. The reasons for that are better explained by historical conflicts than by a wholesale rejection of the Good News of Jesus Christ. The Chinese-born martyrs honored by today's feast were regarded by their persecutors as dangerous because they were considered allies of enemy, Catholic countries. The martyrs born outside China often tried to distance themselves from European political struggles relating to China, but their persecutors saw them as Westerners and therefore, by definition, anti-Chinese.

The Good News of Jesus Christ is intended to benefit all peoples; today's martyrs knew that. May 21st-century Christians live in such a way that Chinese women and men will be attracted to hear that Good News and embrace it.

*Scripture Readings
For the Week of July 9, 2023*

Sunday | Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time
Zec 9:9-10; Ps 145:1-2, 8-9, 10-11, 13-14; Rom 8:9, 11-13; Mt 11:25-30

Monday
Gn 28:10-22a; Ps 91:1-2, 3-4, 14-15ab; Mt 9:18-26

Tuesday | Memorial of Saint Benedict, Abbot
Gn 32:23-33; Ps 17:1b, 2-3, 6-7ab, 8b & 15; Mt 9:32-38

Wednesday
Gn 41:55-57; 42:5-7a; 17-24a; Ps 33:2-3, 10-11, 18-19; Mt 10:1-7

Thursday | Memorial of Saint Henry
Gn 44:18-21, 23b-29; 45:1-5; Ps 105:16-17, 18-19, 20-21; Mt 10:7-15

Friday | Memorial of Saint Kateri Tekakwitha, Virgin
Gn 46:1-7, 28-30; Ps 37:3-4, 18-19, 27-28, 39-40; Mt 10:16-23

Saturday | Memorial of Saint Bonaventure, Bishop and Doctor of the Church
Gn 49:29-32; 50:15-26a; Ps 105: 1-2, 3-4, 6-7; Mt 10:24-33

Sunday | Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time
Is 55:10-11; Ps 65:10, 11, 12-13, 14; Rom 8:18-23; Mt 13:1-23 or Mt 13:1-9



*Day for Grandparents and Seniors
July 26, 2023*

The Diocese of Metuchen is pleased to host a Celebrate Life Event - A Day for Grandparents & Seniors (55+) on Wednesday, July 26, 2023 from 9:30 am to 12:30 pm at the St. John Neumann Pastoral Center, Piscataway. The morning will include breakfast, fellowship, and a guest speaker presentation followed by Eucharistic Adoration and Holy Mass. This event is an outreach to our aging Catholic community and promises to be an upbeat day! There is no fee but registration is required. For more information or to register, visit: <https://www.diometuchen.org/humanlifeanddignity>

2023 Bishop's Annual Appeal



Thank you to all who have given so generously to the 2023 Bishop's Annual Appeal. If you have not made a pledge, there is still time to participate. Mail your gift to: Diocese of Metuchen, Bishop's Annual Appeal, PO Box 4000, Metuchen, NJ 08840-4000 or give online at

<https://diometuchen.org/BAA>.

*To date, the Development Office
has received payments totaling
\$374,148.00 This represents 97.69 %
of our \$383,000.00 goal.*



***Mission Appeal to benefit
Expansion of the DeMatha
Elementary School in India***

July 29 and 30th, 2023

On July 29 & 30, 2023, Fr. Valliyakulathil Devasia Jins, O.S.S.T. (Order of the Most Holy Trinity and of the Captives) will be in our parish for a mission appeal. Fr. Jins currently serves as a missionary in the Middle East. At each Mass Father will ask for our prayers and financial assistance as his Order works to expand its ministry of Catholic education in Kamrup (Assam) India. Most of the Christians in this secluded part of the country belong to tribal communities and are often persecuted for their faith by non-Christian tribes. In this part of the county children do not have access to a proper education due to extreme poverty and persecution. The Trinitarians in India hope to expand their ministry of Catholic education through their newly opened DeMatha Elementary School. This expansion will allow the school to add additional grade levels, dormitories for boarding students, a Monastery for the religious, a playground for the younger children, and an auditorium. The Trinitarians are hopeful that your generosity during this Mission Appeal will help them to more effectively live their school's motto, "Educate to Liberate." Please consider supporting the work of the Trinitarians in India as they continue to spread God's mercy and redemption in this remote part of the world. Checks and donations can be made out to our parish. Thank you for your prayers and support.

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