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Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time | August 20, 2023

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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, August 20 *Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time*

8:00 AM **John Tomczak**
r/o Tomczak Family

10:00 AM **Richard Cannon**
r/o Aunt Mary

11:30 AM **Ruth Smalley**
r/o Bill & Sylvia Smalley

Monday, August 21 *St. Pius X, Pope*

9:15 AM **For the Intentions of Nancy Mathison**
r/o Doreen & Steve Gliebe

Tuesday, August 22 *The Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary*

9:15 AM **Lois & Thomas Dalton**
r/o Amanda Schmalz
Arthur P. Lynch, Jr.
r/o Nancy & Greg Riley

Wednesday, August 23 *St. Rose of Lima, Virgin*

9:15 AM **William & Ruth Smalley**
r/o Bill & Sylvia Smalley

Thursday, August 24 *St. Bartholomew, Apostle*

9:15 AM **Gaetano Sasso**
r/o Stephanie Sasso
Jerry Biro
r/o Elizabeth Biro

Friday, August 25 *St. Louis; St. Joseph Calasanz, Priest*

9:15 AM **Jerome Kelble**
r/o Greg & Sue Kelble

Saturday, August 26 *BVM*

9:15 AM **Mary Murphy**
r/o Kathy Dalton

5:00 PM **Florence & Stanley Baron**
r/o Pat Sheffield

Sunday, August 27 *Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time*

8:00 AM **Egeo DeDominicis**
r/o DeDominicis Family

10:00 AM **Peter Sepesi**
r/o Tom Chin

11:30 AM **Nicasia Aguilar & Lucille de la Paz**
r/o Stewart & Amor Diaz

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:

Donna Lynn Gauthier

Daughter of Frances and Sister of Maurice

Stephen Gregory Smith

Husband of Rowena

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.



Welcome!

Register at Our Lady of the Mount



Registering in the parish you attend is important if you wish to receive pastoral care, sacraments and religious education for yourself or your children. It is necessary if you wish to obtain a letter of suitability to be a godparent or Confirmation sponsor.

We welcome you to register at Our Lady of the Mount Church to more fully participate in the life of our parish. Receive mail and/or email communications to stay up-to-date with the latest happenings and opportunities in our parish.

To register please visit our website:

www.olmwarren.org



To register as a parishioner please visit our website, www.ourladyofthemount.org, and complete our online registration form or scan the QR code.



August 20, 2023 - 20th Sunday in Ordinary Time

"For the gifts and the call of God are irrevocable." - Romans 11:29

God has a special mission in mind for each of us. He has given us the gifts we need to accomplish that mission. We are called to be good stewards by using those gifts to do the work that He has planned for each of us. If we deny our gifts or fail to use them as God calls us to use them, then some part of His work will be left undone. Each of us has a part in God's salvation plan.



Scripture Readings For the Week of August 20, 2023

Sunday | Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time
Is 56:1, 6-7; Ps 67:2-3, 5, 6, 8; Rom 11:13-15, 29-32;
Mt 15:21-28

Monday | Memorial of Saint Pius X, Pope
Jgs 2:11-19; Ps 106:34-35, 36-37, 39-40; 43ab & 44;
Mt 19:16-22

Tuesday | Memorial of the Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary
Jgs 6:11-24a; Ps 85:9, 11-12, 13-14; Mt 19:23-30

Wednesday | Memorial of Saint Rose of Lima, Virgin
Jgs 9:6-15; Ps 21:2-3, 4-5, 6-7; Mt 20:1-16

Thursday | Feast of Saint Bartholomew, Apostle
Rv 21:9b-14; Ps 145:10-11, 12-13, 17-18; Jn 1:45-51

Friday | Memorial of Saint Louis of France and Saint Joseph Calasan, Priest
Ru 1:1, 3-6, 14b-16, 22; Ps 146:5-6ab, 6c-7, 8-9a, 9bc-10; Mt 22:34-40

Saturday
Ru 2:1-3, 8-11; 4:13-17; Ps 128:1b-2, 3, 4, 5; Mt 23:1-12

Sunday | Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time
Is 22:19-23; Ps 138:1-2, 2-3, 6, 8; Rom 11:33-36; Mt 16:13-20



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Saint Bernard of Clairvaux

Man of the century! Woman of the century! You see such terms applied to so many today—"golfer of the century," "composer of the century," "right tackle of the century"—that the line no longer has any punch. But Western Europe's "man of the twelfth century," without doubt or controversy, had to be Bernard of Clairvaux. Adviser of popes, preacher of the Second Crusade, defender of the faith, healer of a schism, reformer of a monastic Order, Scripture scholar, theologian, and eloquent preacher: any one of these titles would distinguish an ordinary man. Yet Bernard was all of these—and he still retained a burning desire to return to the hidden monastic life of his younger days. In the year 1111, at the age of 20, Bernard left his home to join the monastic community of Citeaux. His five brothers, two uncles, and some 30 young friends followed him into the monastery. Within four years, a dying community had recovered enough vitality to establish a new house in the nearby valley of Wormwoods, with Bernard as abbot. The zealous young man was quite demanding, though more on himself than others. A slight breakdown of health taught him to be more patient and understanding. The valley was soon renamed Clairvaux, the valley of light.

More and more he was lured away from the monastery to settle long-standing disputes. On several of these occasions, he apparently stepped on some sensitive toes in Rome. Bernard was completely dedicated to the primacy of the Roman See. But to a letter of warning from Rome, he replied that the good fathers in Rome had enough to do to keep the Church in one piece. If any matters arose that warranted their interest, he would be the first to let them know.

The Holy See prevailed on Bernard to preach the Second Crusade throughout Europe. His eloquence was so overwhelming that a great army was assembled and the success of the crusade seemed assured. The ideals of the men and their leaders, however, were not those of Abbot Bernard, and the project ended as a complete military and moral disaster.

Bernard felt responsible in some way for the degenerative effects of the crusade. This heavy burden possibly hastened his death, which came August 20, 1153.

Reflection

Bernard's life in the Church was more active than we can imagine possible today. His efforts produced far-reaching results. But he knew that they would have availed little without the many hours of prayer and contemplation that brought him strength and heavenly direction. His life was characterized by a deep devotion to the Blessed Mother. His sermons and books about Mary are still the standard of Marian theology.



Volunteers Needed

We need your help to serve our Faith Formation program. We are currently in need of catechists/substitutes/aides at the following times:

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*"Let the children come to me and do not prevent them;
for the kingdom of God belongs to such as these." - LK 18:16*

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Saint John Eudes



How little we know where God's grace will lead. Born on a farm in northern France, John died at 78 in the next "county" or department. In that time, he was a religious, a parish missionary, founder of two religious communities, and a great promoter of the devotion to the Sacred Heart of Jesus and the Immaculate Heart of Mary.

John joined the religious community of the Oratorians and was ordained a priest at 24. During severe plagues in 1627 and 1631, he volunteered to care for the stricken in his own diocese. Lest he infect his fellow religious, during the plague he lived in a huge cask in the middle of a field.

At age 32, John became a parish missionary. His gifts as a preacher and confessor won him great popularity. He preached over 100 parish missions, some lasting from several weeks to several months.

In his concern with the spiritual improvement of the clergy, John realized that the greatest need was for seminaries. He had permission from his general superior, the bishop, and even Cardinal Richelieu to begin this work, but the succeeding general superior disapproved. After prayer and counsel, John decided it was best to leave the religious community.

That same year John founded a new community, ultimately called the Eudists—the Congregation of Jesus and Mary—devoted to the formation of the clergy by conducting diocesan seminaries. The new venture, while approved by individual bishops, met with immediate opposition, especially from Jansenists and some of his former associates. John founded several seminaries in Normandy, but was unable to get approval from Rome—partly, it was said, because he did not use the most tactful approach.

In his parish mission work, John was disturbed by the sad condition of prostitutes who sought to escape their miserable life. Temporary shelters were found, but arrangements were not satisfactory. A certain Madeleine Lamy, who had cared for several of the women, one day said to him, "Where are you off to now? To some church, I suppose, where you'll gaze at the images and think yourself pious. And all the time what is really wanted of you is a decent house for these poor creatures." The words, and the laughter of those present, struck deeply within him. The result was another new religious community, called the Sisters of Charity of the Refuge.

John Eudes is probably best known for the central theme of his writings: Jesus as the source of holiness; Mary as the model of the Christian life. His devotion to the Sacred Heart and to the Immaculate Heart led Pope Pius XI to declare him the father of the liturgical cult of the Hearts of Jesus and Mary.

Reflection

Holiness is the wholehearted openness to the love of God. It is visibly expressed in many ways, but the variety of expression has one common quality: concern for the needs of others. In John's case, those who were in need were plague-stricken people, ordinary parishioners, those preparing for the priesthood, prostitutes, and all Christians called to imitate the love of Jesus and his mother.



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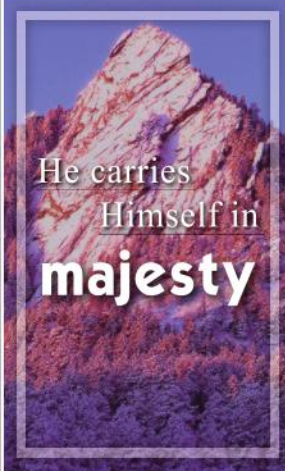
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