

16TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

REST

He said to them, "Come away by yourselves to a deserted place and rest a while." So they went off in the boat by themselves to a deserted place. - Mk 6:31b-32



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Parish Vision Statement:

We, as Christ's disciples, are the hands, minds & voices which lovingly glorify God by serving Each other as a Christian family.

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Food Pantry Hours: Thursday 9:45am—2:30pm,
Saturday 10am—1pm

Prayer Shawls Ministry call the rectory

Bingo: Every Friday 6:30-10pm lower church hall

SCHEDULE OF MASSES

Lord's Day:

Saturday 4:00 PM, Sunday 10:00 AM

Weekday:

Monday-Tuesday, Wednesday & Friday 9:00 AM

(No Mass on Thursday)

Blessed Sacrament Adoration/First Friday:

9:30 AM - 5:30PM

Confessions:

Every Saturday 3-3:30 PM

WEEK OF July 21 & 22, 2018

SCHEDULE OF MASSES AND LITURGIES

Sat. July 21 – Vigil: Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

4:00 PM - Peter Belsito (26th Ann.) - Rosemary Belsito

Sun. July 22 - Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

10:00 AM – Ruth & John Kucharski – Family

11:00 AM *Recitation of the Rosary*

Sat. July 28 - Vigil: Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

4:00 PM -

Sun. July 29~ Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

10:00 AM

11:00 AM *Recitation of the Rosary*

16th Sunday in Ordinary Time

"Now what?" It's a difficult thing to hear, isn't it? The train comes late, a child unexpectedly cries, and the latest public policy debate flares up in the news. Life throws us curveballs, and we have no choice but to adapt. Jesus and the Apostles find themselves in that exact situation in today's Gospel.

The Apostles have returned from their two-by-two missionary journey. As Jesus hears all of their stories, he knows they need time to recover and refresh. "Come away by yourselves to a deserted place and rest a while." Their wilderness retreat is short-lived, however, as eager crowds discover their location. Jesus is well aware of the needs of his disciples. Still, as he looks out at the crowd, "His heart was moved with pity for them, for they were like sheep without a shepherd." The rest break is over.

"He began to teach them many things."

For those of us who have experienced a taste of much-needed relaxation only to have it taken away abruptly, perhaps we surmise what the Apostles might have been feeling in that moment. But Jesus isn't being inconsiderate of the Apostles needs. He offers them -- and us -- a lived lesson. St. John Paul II wrote, "The whole of Christ's life was a continual teaching: his silences, his miracles, his gestures, his prayer, his love for people, his special affection for the little and the poor, his acceptance of the total sacrifice on the Cross for the redemption of the world" (On Catechesis in Our Time, 9). In Jesus' choice to teach, we see all of these things: sacrificial love, concern for the marginalized, and priority of people's needs over personal preference. These aren't abstract ideals. They're lived realities as we strive to live and love like Jesus. When a new obstacle confronts you in your life, how do you respond?



(As of Monday)

Saint Vincent Hospital at Worcester Medical Center:
Not Updated.

We will not be calling UMass Memorial as they don't have a system to give us the information we need. If you or a loved one is in one of those hospitals please let us know so we can be sure to visit them and pray for them.

Please continue to pray for all of our service men & women who serve to protect us.



(Please arrive at least 15 minutes before Mass)

Saturday, July 28

Lector: Kathy Hannon

Commentator: Deb Durnin

Minister of Holy Communion: Catherine Darensborough & Eileen Lohnes

Sunday, July 29

Lector: Cathy Flynn

Commentator: Michael Buffone

Altar Servers: Jacob Lorusso

Ministers of Holy Communion: Richard Flynn, Rose Kempton, Elaine Halpin, Patricia Reardon, Patti Taylor, Prisca Yawlui

July 26 is the feast of Joachim and Anna. Who are they and what do we know about them?

Joachim and Anna are the parents of Mary, the mother of Jesus, yet there is absolutely no biblical reference to them whatsoever.

So where do we get their names, and what is their story? Their names are found in an apocryphal (hidden) gospel known as "The Infancy Gospel of James." Apocryphal, or hidden gospels, consist of accounts of Jesus' life that were ultimately not accepted as inspired works, and thus were not included in the Bible. However, they sometimes captured the Christian imagination, spilling into the devotional dimension of the community.

James' infancy gospel begins with the parents of Mary and their desire for a child. In their prayer and petitions to God, they are heard and given the blessings of a child, whom they named Mary.

While we have no idea who Mary's parents really were, the fact that we celebrate the feast of Joachim and Anna indicates that the bond of family love is important in the Christian life.

Long before Grandparents' Day was established, the church had a feast that honored the presumed grandparents of Jesus. While their names are part of non-inspired apocryphal legends, the fact of the Savior's human ancestry is not. Christ, the incarnate Word, dwelt among us in the flesh in a human family. In honoring the grandparents of Jesus we really proclaim our faith in the Incarnation--God becoming human!

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BINGO

July 27, 2018

Team # 4—Judy Keenan, Michael Burgraff, Donald Ducharme, Dan Fullen, Sonny Collins.

The Every –Week Crew and Early Shift Workers

Theresa Courtney, John Harrington, Lisa Hickory, Emma Lusignan, Patricia Wassel, Joan Lorusso, Pat Markiewicz, Ed Corrigan, Carole Nourse, Jeannine Corrigan, Debra Diaz, Donald Ducharme, Fran Peperato, Debbie Plant, Ed Wall, Julie Carrigan & Michael Burgraff

**Ladies Guild Kitchen Crew:
Beverly Farrar & Jeanne Lavallee**

****Vision statement is located on the cover of bulletin****

PROPER CHURCH ETIQUETTE...

- The weather is warmer now, but let's keep in mind that modest, appropriate clothing, concealing rather than revealing, shows our respect for God, His house, other people's sensitivities, and our bodies which are Temples of the Holy Spirit.
- Although gum and candy taste good and may freshen our breath, candy, gum, food, and drink have no place in church. Remember, you must fast for one hour before receiving Holy Communion.
- Please observe respectful silence (cell phones turned off, please). Set a good example, free from distraction, during worship.

Please Note....

There is a change in daily Mass. Mass will be celebrated Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday at 9am. (Weekend Mass times will stay the same)

Backpacks for Haiti

Dear Sacred Heart-St. Catherine parishioners,

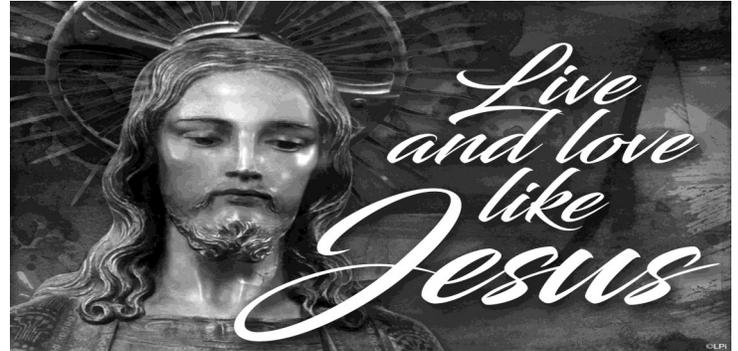
You have been wonderful about packing backpacks for students in Haiti served by the Worcester Diocesan Haitian Apostolate. We'd love to have your help again. If interested, stop in the church hall for however long you can on **July 28 and/or 29**. If you can help with preliminary work such as washing laundry or food containers, or donating, packing or transporting items, please contact me. Thanks so much. God bless you for blessing His little ones.

In Christ's love,

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Vacation Bible School

Join us for a Fun Filled Week of Vacation Bible School. We will be celebrating on August 13-17th, 9am-12noon, here in our parish hall. We welcome grades K-5, fee is \$10.00 per child (scholarships are available). Please fill out the registration form on the table near the elevator and return to the collection basket or the rectory. Any questions please call Lynn at 508-752-1608.



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Count your blessings, acknowledge God's gifts to you and express thanks to Him in praise.

OUR RESPONSE TO GOD'S PLAN FOR GIVING

Not Updated

Partners in Charity

Goal \$28,700

Raised \$26,125

Balance to Raise \$2,575

Summertime is a time of vacations. However, our parish expenses do not take a vacation. Please remember to continue to support your parish by turning in your envelopes for the time you are away.

Thank you!