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#### MASSES

Daily: Mon - Fri : 8:00 AM

Saturday 4:30 PM

Sunday 10 AM

PENANCE Saturdays 2:30-3:30 PM



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#### Mission Statement:

"Our Lady of Lourdes Parish, disciples of Jesus Christ in Worcester, MA, reaches out with love into the neighborhoods to welcome, serve, support, and engage the community in Jesus.

In creating a welcoming relationship with Eucharistic and prayerful celebrations, we gather to make a difference by coming closer to God and one another."

July 7, 2024

14th Sunday in Ordinary Time



*"As the Lord spoke to me, the spirit entered me and set me on my feet, and I heard the one who was speaking say to me, 'Son of man, I am sending you...'"*

(Ezekiel 2:2-3)

God has a plan for each of us. He calls us to do something for Him. But, He doesn't leave us on our own to figure it out. He gives us the resources we need to do His work. Are you listening for God's call? When you hear it, do you get on your feet and do the work He asks of you? Do not be afraid. God doesn't call the equipped, he equips the called. Answer His call.

**Daily Rosary**-Praying of the Rosary will continue after the 8am daily mass in the church on Monday through Friday and at 9:15am before the 10am Sunday Mass. If you would still like to participate via Zoom, please let us know.

#### Mass Intentions & Calendar

Sat, Jul 6

4:30 pm Rita Coonan & Jeanne Yuknavich remembrances  
req by the family

Sun, Jul 7 **14th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

10:00 am Joseph & Loretta Lemelin remembrance req by  
Alan

Mon, Jul 8

8:00 am Paul King req by Judy and Joe Verdini

Tue, Jul 9

8:00 am

Wed, Jul 10

8:00 am

Thu, Jul 11

8:00 am

Fri, Jul 12

8:00 am

Sat, Jul 13

4:30 pm Mary Mattero-Marengo, James Mattero Sr, James  
Mattero Jr., Eugene Marengo req by the family  
Ann Parent remembrance req by daughter and son-in-  
-law

Sun, Jul 14 **15th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

10:00 am Patrick Cumming req by Judy & Joe Verdini and  
Tony D'Angelo

#### SCRIPTURE READINGS

**7 SUN** Ez 2:2-5/Ps 123:1-2, 2, 3-4 (2cd)/2 Cor 12:7-10/  
Mk 6:1-6a

**8 MON** Hos 2:16, 17c-18, 21-22/Ps 145:2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9/  
Mt 9:18-26

**9 TUE** Hos 8:4-7, 11-13/Ps 115:3-4, 5-6, 7ab-8, 9-10/  
Mt 9:32-38

**10 WED** Hos 10:1-3, 7-8, 12/Ps 105:2-3, 4-5, 6-7/Mt 10:1-7

**11 THU** Hos 11:1-4, 8e-9/Ps 80:2ac and 3b, 15-16/Mt 10:7-15

**12 FRI** Hos 14:2-10/Ps 51:3-4, 8-9, 12-13, 14 and 17/  
Mt 10:16-23

**13 SAT** Is 6:1-8/Ps 93:1ab, 1cd-2, 5/Mt 10:24-33

## STEWARDSHIP OF TIME & TALENT

### CT Parish Raffle

All tickets and money are due to the rectory no later than Monday, July 8 by 3:00pm. If you still want to purchase, there are tickets on the table of the church entrance..they are \$25 per ticket.



### 75th Anniversary Booklets

If you would like to purchase a 75th Anniversary Booklet of Our Lady of Lourdes, the cost is \$10. The \$10 includes the booklet and a follow-up of the celebration mass and dinner. The Recap Booklet is now available, so if you bought a booklet, we have a recap booklet for you. If you still would like to buy a booklet, they will be sold after mass or can be purchased at the rectory Monday, Tuesday and Fridays.

### Calendar Raffle

As mentioned in the newsletter, we are planning to have another calendar raffle for sometime in the Fall. For this calendar raffle we are looking for donations of \$25 or \$50 gift cards to grocery stores, restaurants, stores, etc. We are also accepting monetary donations which would reduce what OLOL would have to pay out for cash prizes. If you need a letter from the church to show that you are representing the church and are looking for donations, we can supply that to you.

We are moving it to the Fall to give more time to acquire donations and to give 2 months to sell tickets. If you need a letter to show that you represent the church, I have them at the rectory.

### Backpack and School Supply Drive

We are once again participating in the Backpack/School Supply Drive to benefit Catholic Charities of Worcester.

There are flyers on the table of what supplies are needed. All donations are due by Sunday, August 4th.



## STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE

### WEEKLY OFFERING

Due to the Independence Day Holiday, the bulletin had to be submitted by Friday, June 28th. Therefore the offertory for the weekend of 6/29-6/30 will be posted in next weekends bulletin.

*Thank you for your continued, generous support.  
We appreciate your support of the church.*

## REST IN PEACE

*We, the parish community of Our Lady of Lourdes,  
extend our deepest sympathy  
to the family and friends of  
**Bishop Daniel P. Reilly**  
who died on June 18, 2024  
He was the fourth Bishop of Worcester.  
Please keep his family and friends in your prayers.*

## GOSPEL MEDITATION - ENCOURAGE DEEPER UNDERSTANDING OF SCRIPTURE

Recently I watched a bunch of YouTube videos on how to optimize willpower in the face of weakness. The message was: do not accept your weakness. Crush it. Dominate it. In one video, however, at the end of a rant by a willpower coach, the muscular stoic admitted, “You’ll never actually get what you want, no matter how hard you try.” Amazingly, he admitted that willpower alone is not sufficient for us weak-willed humans.

What does God want us to do with our weaknesses, if crushing them with willpower won’t work? For example, what should I do with my tendency to arrogance and self-isolation? Or my procrastination? Or my intellectual and physical limitations? Or my selfishness?

The counter-intuitive answer is clear in this week’s words from St Paul, “**I will rather boast most gladly of my weaknesses in order that the power of Christ may dwell in me** (2 Cor. 12:9).” Boast of our weaknesses? Paul isn’t promoting weak-mindedness or laziness. Rather, he perceives that Jesus loves us not despite our weaknesses but because of them. Boasting of our weakness means claiming human will is not all we have. It means turning to God whenever we feel weak, which—let’s face it—is almost all the time. When we do, we learn to love our weaknesses, because it’s there that we meet the strength of Christ. This week, I challenge us to find ways to boast not in willpower but in weakness.

*~Father John Muir ©LPi*

## PROTECTING OUR YOUTH AND CHILDREN

If you or someone you know has been sexually abused by a priest, religious or lay person working for the Church, and you want to share feelings of hurt or betrayal, call Judith Audette, Victim Services Coordinator, Office of Healing and Prevention, 508-929-4363  
508-726-2880 - direct, confidential line

# FOURTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

# CYCLE B

## GATHERING HYMN

## *Praise My Soul The King Of Heaven*

LAUDA ANIMA

1. Praise, my soul, the King of heav - en; To his  
2. Praise him for his grace and fa - vor To his  
3. Fa - ther - like he tends and spares us; Well our  
4. An - gels, help us to a - dore him; You be -

1. feet thy trib - ute bring; Ran-somed, healed, re - stored, for -  
2. chil - dren in dis - tress; Praise him still the same as  
3. fee - ble frame he knows; In his hands he gen - tly  
4. hold him face to face; Sun and moon, bow down be -

1. giv - en, Ev - er - more his prais - es sing: Al - le - lu - ia!  
2. ev - er, Slow to chide and swift to bless: Al - le - lu - ia!  
3. bears us, Res - cues us from all our foes. Al - le - lu - ia!  
4. fore him, In his ho - ly dwell - ing place. Al - le - lu - ia!

1. Al - le - lu - ia! Praise the ev - er - last - ing King.  
2. Al - le - lu - ia! Glo - rious in his faith - ful - ness.  
3. Al - le - lu - ia! Wide - ly yet his mer - cy flows.  
4. Al - le - lu - ia! Praise with us the God of grace.

## GLORIA

Glory to God in the highest,  
and on earth peace to people of good will.

We praise you,  
we bless you,  
we adore you,  
we glorify you,  
we give you thanks for your great glory,  
Lord, God, Heavenly King,  
O God, almighty Father.

Lord, Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son,  
Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,  
You take away the sins of the world,  
have mercy on us:

You take away the sins of the world,  
receive our prayer,  
You are seated at the right hand of the  
Father, have mercy on us.

For you alone are the Holy One;  
You alone are the Lord.  
You alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ,  
With the Holy Spirit,  
In the glory of God, the Father.

Amen

# LITURGY OF THE WORD

## FIRST READING

## PROPHET EZEKIEL 2:2-5

As the LORD spoke to me, the spirit entered into me and set me on my feet, and I heard the one who was speaking say to me: Son of man, I am sending you to the Israelites, rebels who have rebelled against me; they and their ancestors have revolted against me to this very day. Hard of face and obstinate of heart are they to whom I am sending you. But you shall say to them: Thus says the LORD GOD! And whether they heed or resist—for they are a rebellious house—they shall know that a prophet has been among them.

## RESPONSORIAL PSALM

## PSALM 123



## SECOND READING

## SECOND LETTER TO THE CORINTHIANS 12:7-10

Brothers and sisters: That I, Paul, might not become too elated, because of the abundance of the revelations, a thorn in the flesh was given to me, an angel of Satan, to beat me, to keep me from being too elated. Three times I begged the Lord about this, that it might leave me, but he said to me, “My grace is sufficient for you, for power is made perfect in weakness.” I will rather boast most gladly of my weaknesses, in order that the power of Christ may dwell with me. Therefore, I am content with weaknesses, insults, hardships, persecutions, and constraints, for the sake of Christ; for when I am weak, then I am strong.

## GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



*Mass of Renewal  
Curtis Stephan*

## GOSPEL

## MARK 6:1-6

Jesus departed from there and came to his native place, accompanied by his disciples. When the sabbath came he began to teach in the synagogue, and many who heard him were astonished. They said, “Where did this man get all this? What kind of wisdom has been given him? What mighty deeds are wrought by his hands! Is he not the carpenter, the son of Mary, and the brother of James and Joses and Judas and Simon? And are not his sisters here with us?” And they took offense at him. Jesus said to them, “A prophet is not without honor except in his native place and among his own kin and in his own house.” So he was not able to perform any mighty deed there, apart from curing a few sick people by laying his hands on them. He was amazed at their lack of faith.

## **HOMILY**

### **NICENE CREED**

**I** believe in one God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible.

**I** believe in one Lord Jesus Christ, the Only Begotten Son of God, born of the Father before all ages. God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father; through him all things were made.

For us men and for our salvation he came down from heaven, and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin Mary, and became man.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate, he suffered death and was buried, and rose again on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures.

He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead and his kingdom will have no end.

**I** believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is adored and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets.

**I** believe in one, holy, catholic, and apostolic Church. I confess one baptism for the forgiveness of sins and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

### **GENERAL INTERCESSIONS**

**The Response is:**

***“Lord hear us.”***

**Lord Jesus Christ, who by your gift of your Body and Blood, are really present in our lives, hear the prayers of the Church of Worcester. Give us the faith of your Church, confident in your presence in our Masses, our tabernacles and our lives. Give us the faith to offer our lives to you, joined with the perfect sacrifice, which you offered on the altar of the Cross. Good and loving Shepherd, teach us how to lead your children home, that we might long together to glorify your name at the Supper of the Lord. For you are Lord forever and ever. Amen.**

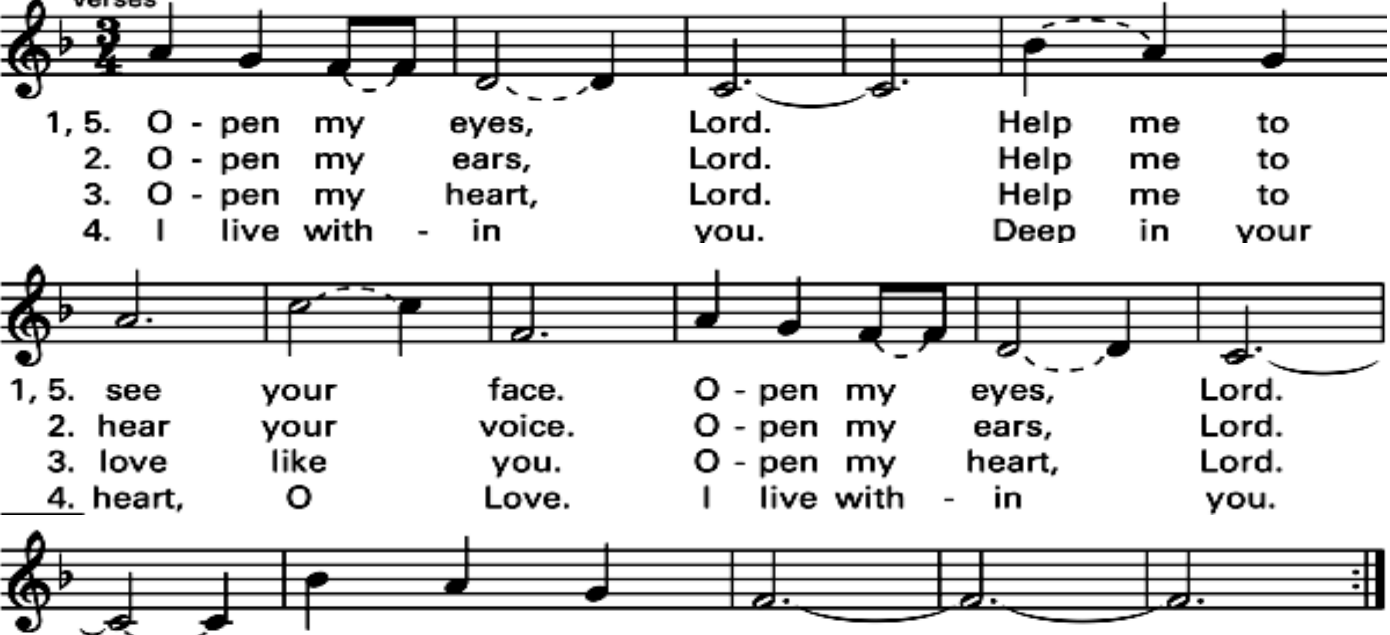
# LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

## PREPARATION OF THE GIFTS

## *Open My Eyes*

Jesse Manibusan

Verses



1, 5. O - pen my eyes, Lord. Help me to  
2. O - pen my ears, Lord. Help me to  
3. O - pen my heart, Lord. Help me to  
4. I live with - in you. Deep in your

1, 5. see your face. O - pen my eyes, Lord.  
2. hear your voice. O - pen my ears, Lord.  
3. love like you. O - pen my heart, Lord.  
4. heart, O Love. I live with - in you.

1, 5. Help me to see.  
2. Help me to hear.  
3. Help me to love.  
4. Rest now in me.

## HOLY, HOLY

## MASS OF RENEWAL

Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord, God of hosts.  
Heaven and earth are full of your glory.  
Hosanna in the highest.  
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.  
Hosanna in the highest.

## MEMORIAL ACCLAMATION

## MASS OF RENEWAL

When we eat this bread  
And drink this cup,  
We proclaim your death, O Lord  
Until you come again

## GREAT AMEN

## MASS OF RENEWAL

## OUR FATHER

## SIGN OF PEACE

## LAMB OF GOD

## MASS OF RENEWAL

## COMMUNION

## *You Are My Refuge*

Christopher Walker

**Refrain**

You are my ref - uge, my pro - tec - tor.  
 You are my ref - uge, my God, in whom I  
 trust, my God, in whom I trust.

**Verses**

1. You who live in the se - cret place  
 2. If you say, "My ref - uge is the Lord,"  
 3. All who love me, says the Lord, I will save

1. of the Most High will be safe in the shad - ow of  
 2. and you choose now to make God the place where you  
 3. and pro - tect them, pro - tect all who know my

1. God. You will say, "God is my ref - uge,  
 2. live, then no harm will o - ver - take you,  
 3. name. When they call, I will an - swer them,

**to Refrain**

1. the one in whom I trust."  
 2. no e - vil hurt your house.  
 3. and be with them in their trou - ble.

## RECESSIONAL

## *The Spirit Sends Us Forth*

AZMON

1. The Spir - it sends us forth to serve; We go in Je - sus' name  
 2. We go to com - fort those who mourn And set the bur - dened free;  
 3. We go to be the hands of Christ, To scat - ter joy like seed  
 4. Then let us go to serve in peace, The gos - pel to pro - claim.

1. To bring glad ti - dings to the poor, God's fa - vor to pro - claim.  
 2. Where hope is dim, to share a dream And help the blind to see.  
 3. And, all our days, to cher - ish life, To do the lov - ing deed.  
 4. God's Spir - it has em - pow - er'd us; We go in Je - sus' name.



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