

17th Sunday of Ordinary Time



**Our Lord wants to remind us today of the great value of
little things in our Christian life.**

**From a human viewpoint, the resources at hand
were absolutely insufficient:**

a little boy's 5 barley loaves and 2 fish

**But God has the power to turn them
into something exceedingly abundant!**

**And it all started with just that:
something little!**

-Catholics striving for Holiness-

ST. ROSALIE CATHOLIC CHURCH

July 25, 2021

The Pastor Jots It Down

Dear Parishioners and Friends of St. Rosalie and St. John Bosco Churches and School,

“For we know, brothers and sisters, beloved by God, that He has chosen you.” 1 Thessalonians 1:4

Yes, dear parishioners, families and friends of our parishes and school, God has chosen us. Your connection wasn't by chance, but by God's deliberate choice. He loves each and every one of us with an everlasting love; and, He chose us. He chose us to go forth and bear fruit. Fruit that will last.

Today, it would be good for us to ponder how we are bearing fruit that will last? How involved are we in seeking to deepen our relationship with God?

How often do we frequent the sacraments of Reconciliation (Confession) and Holy Communion? How often do we pray? Is it only once a week to go to Mass to get our ticket to Heaven punched, or to grow in love for Jesus, and to get closer to Him? What spiritual exercises do we practice during the week? Do we have times for personal prayer, for spousal prayer, for family prayer?

When guests come into our homes, would they be able to tell that we are Catholic Christians? Do we have any religious images in our home? Crucifix, Images of the Sacred Heart, of Divine Mercy, of the Blessed Virgin, of the Saints? Many Catholics have an image of the Last Supper in their dining room or kitchen, and holy water fonts at the entrance to the bedroom.

Does each family member have a personal Bible that is read and pondered?

Do we say grace before and after meals, whether at home or in a restaurant?

Do we practice acts of charity? Do we show love, care and concern for those in need? Do we practice the Corporal and Spiritual Works of Mercy?

How do we seek to build up the Church? Am I able to speak about my faith with others? Do I try to explain the truths of our faith to others who left the church because of mistaken notions about the church and its beliefs?

So many questions, so many ways of bearing fruit. These questions can be both an affirmation of what we are already doing, or ways that God is calling us to stretch, to bear more fruit – to deepen our relationship with Him, and to help others realize their great calling to bear fruit as well.

You might say that you're ill equipped for the task at hand.

Think back to today's Gospel.

Jesus was teaching the crowds, some 5,000+, who gathered around him. His heart went out to them. He knew that they were hungry. He told Philip to go out and buy food for the crowd. Philip protested – it would cost 200 days' wages to feed so many people. Then Andrew tells Jesus – there's a boy here with five barley loaves and two fishes. Jesus tells the crowds to sit. The loaves and fishes were distributed. Each had as much as they wanted to eat and at the end, there were 12 wicker baskets full of what remained.

You could say the apostles were ill equipped to feed the crowd. By themselves they were. The resources they had were most inadequate for the task at hand. Teaming up with Jesus, the little and the meager were greatly multiplied.

It's the same way in our daily lives. Jesus takes our little efforts that we offer Him. He blesses them, and they bear fruit.

May the Holy Spirit bless each and every one of us with the power, strength and courage to deepen our relationship with God, day by day; and witness the faith in the words, deeds and actions of our daily lives.

We have been chosen by God. Let us live up to our calling by bearing fruit – fruit that will last.

God loves you!

F. Mail

*“It's not enough to love,
people have to feel
that they are loved.”*

-Don Bosco

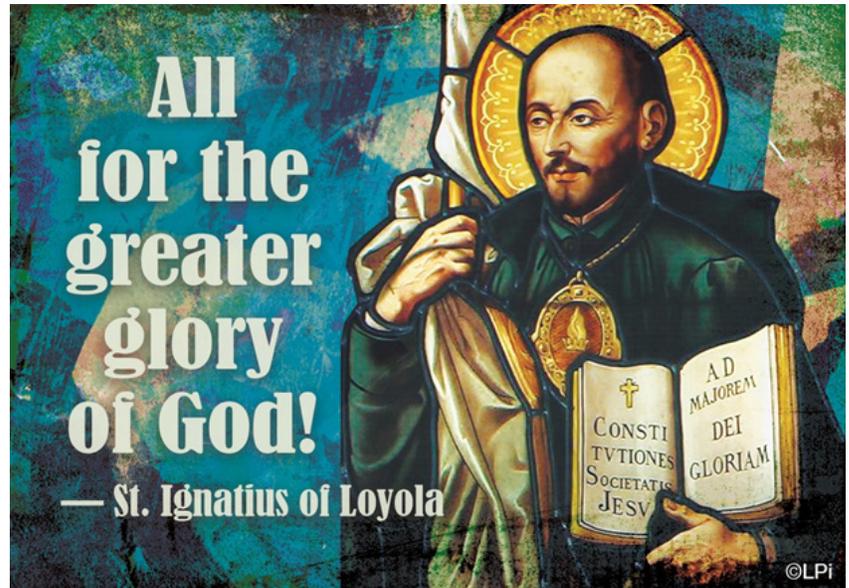
Saint Ignatius of Loyola

1491-1556

Feast Day, July 31st

Suscipe Prayer of St. Ignatius of Loyola

*Take, Lord, and receive
all my liberty, my memory,
my understanding, and my entire will,
All I have and call my own.
You have given all to me.
To you, Lord, I return it.
Everything is yours;
do with it what you will.
Give me only your love and
your grace, that is enough for me.*



IGNATIUS' JOURNEY

Ignatius' visit to Montserrat was part of an intense and difficult period for him: he was recovering from a battle injury to his leg, and he was struggling to leave behind his privileged and prestigious past as a noble man.

At Montserrat, Ignatius began to live his faith, spending all night in prayer before the statue of the Virgin. He put on simple clothes and gave his expensive clothing to a beggar.

After Ignatius' visit to Montserrat, he stopped at Manresa, a small town nearby. He planned to spend a few nights writing down his thoughts, but he stayed for 11 months and left profoundly changed. The fruit of Ignatius' reflections at Manresa became one of the greatest works of Christian spirituality, the Spiritual Exercises.

About Ignatius' Life (1491-1556)

Saint Ignatius went on a pilgrimage to the shrine of Our Lady of Montserrat in Spain. He left his sword on the altar and exchanged his rich clothes for a beggar's garment. He lived in the nearby town of Manresa, doing penance. In Manresa, Ignatius experienced the spiritual growth that led him to write the Spiritual Exercises. However, Ignatius decided he needed more schooling, so, in his 30s, he began

attending school and studying Latin. Eventually, he went to study in Paris, where he became the leader of a group of seven (including Francis Xavier) who took vows in 1534, an event that marked the beginning of the Society of Jesus.

Holiness of Saint Ignatius of Loyola and fellow Jesuits

Saint Ignatius of Loyola and many of his followers through the centuries have won recognition by the Church for their holiness. Many Jesuits are canonized saints; still more are among those whom the Church calls Blessed. Among the Jesuit saints are Ignatius of Loyola, Francis Borgia, Francis Xavier, and Peter Claver of Spain; Aloysius Gonzaga and Robert Bellarmine of Italy; Issac Jogues, Rene Goupil, and John de Brébeuf of France; Edmund Campion of England; Paul Miki of Japan; Roque Gonzalez of Paraguay; and Peter Canisius of Germany.

<https://www.loyolapress.com/catholic-resources/prayer/traditional-catholic-prayers/saints-prayers/suscipe-prayer-saint-ignatius-of-loyola/>

Photo from: <http://saintfrancischurch.org/2020/07/st-ignatius-of-loyola/>

Video on Ignatius: <https://www.wordonfire.org/ignatius/>

Holiness: *Three Tried and True Steps*

Pray Daily

According to St. Josemaria Escriva, “You don’t know how to pray? Put yourself in the presence of God, and as soon as you have said, ‘Lord, I don’t know how to pray!’ you can be sure you have already begun.” Praying is plainly described as talking with God. Relationship involves dialogue: speaking and listening. Prayer involves a two-way conversation.

If you are unsure what to say to God, maybe begin your prayer simply in silence – waiting for God start. Some people feel more comfortable petitioning God for help. That is also a great way to start prayer. Just be sure to allow time and be open to God’s reply as well.

Learn from Scriptures and Sainly Writings

Another easy step to increase holiness is to open a Bible or read a spiritual work by a saint. The key to this step is not the length of time, but instead the frequency and consistency by which you acquaint yourself with spiritual writings. Schedules are busy with work and family obligations taking up a large chunk of the day.



Begin with small and reasonable goals with how much time to spend on spiritual reading. Maybe your daily routine allows for an hour, maybe it only allows for a few

minutes. Start will just reading for 5 minutes a day. You will be surprised how much your week will improve with insight from those holy men and women!

Small Sacrifices

The third thing to incorporate into a daily routine is sacrifice. True love involves giving yourself for the other. It involves sacrifice and reduction of selfish tendencies. Authentic change and orienting your life towards holiness will not happen overnight. In fact, it will take time and likely a lot of time. Be prepared to grow in holiness for the rest of your life!

Because of the long-term commitment, I say let’s start small with manageable tiny sacrifices. It may simply involve refraining from a sarcastic comment when your spouse, friend, or neighbor annoy you. St. Josemaria Escriva, “Don’t say, ‘That person bothers me.’ Think: ‘That person sanctifies me.’” That would be a small, but still sacrificial moment. Once you have the daily routine of sacrifice for your loved ones day pat then you may focus on larger sacrifices.



Starting, or perhaps restarting, your spiritual journey need not be impossible. Developing a daily habit of prayer, frequent spiritual reading, and looking for the good of the other [and the Ultimate Other] through small sacrifices will help your increase your virtue and transform your life.

“So be holy just as your heavenly Father is holy.” –Matthew 5:48

<https://thesimplecatholic.blog/2019/02/10/3-easy-steps-to-grow-in-holiness/>

Over 100 Benefits of Eucharistic Adoration

1. Every Holy Hour we make so pleases the Heart of Jesus that it is recorded in Heaven and retold for all eternity! (St. Teresa of Calcutta)
2. The spiritual lives of our families are strengthened through our Holy Hour. (St. Pope John Paul II)
3. A Holy Hour of prayer before the Blessed Sacrament is so important to Jesus that a multitude of souls go to Heaven who otherwise would have gone to hell. (Jesus revelation to Blessed Dina Belanger)
4. All the angels of heaven gaze in ecstasy at the image left on your soul after each holy hour you make in the presence of Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament. (Excerpt from "Letters To A Brother Priest")
5. The only time our Lord asked the Apostles for anything was the night He went into agony. Not for activity did He plead but for an Hour of companionship. (Venerable Archbishop Fulton Sheen)
6. Perpetual Adoration extends its influence far beyond the individual adorers, touching their homes and families and reaching out to the parish community and beyond. (Pope Paul VI)
7. Each time you approach the Blessed Sacrament, Remember that Jesus has been waiting for you for twenty centuries for this personal visit from you. (St. Josemaria Escriva)
8. A Holy Hour of Eucharistic Adoration is a sharing in the work of Redemption. (Venerable Archbishop Fulton Sheen)
9. The grace of adoration of Jesus in the Most Blessed Sacrament is given to everybody. (St. Peter Julian Eymard)
10. Our Lord hears our prayers anywhere, but He has revealed to His servants that those who visit Him in the Eucharist will obtain a more abundant measure of grace. (St. Alphonsus Liguori)
11. The future belongs to those who worship God in silence. (St. Pope John Paul II)
12. It is impossible in human terms to exaggerate the importance of being in adoration before the Eucharist as often and for as long as our duties and state of life allow. (Fr. John Hardon)

To be continued.

Announcements

SANCTUARY COMMITTEE

The Sanctuary Committee for the weekend of July 31 is Team 1, which consists of Kris DiMarco, Elaine Landry, Arleen Thibodeaux, Lillian Hepting, Lana Mayeaux.

LAMPS & WINE

Thank you for responding to the call for dedications for Lamps and Altar Wine. We are now completely filled for the remainder of the year.

UP-COMING ORDINATION

St. Rosalie and St. John Bosco Parishes are working feverishly on preparations for Br. Craig Spence's Ordination on Saturday, July 31st at St. John Bosco Church by Archbishop Gregory Aymond.

REGISTRATION FOR

RELIGION CLASSES & CONFIRMATION

Registration for PREP (CCD) grades 1 thru 8 and Westbank High School of Religion, grades 9 thru 11 will be held on the weekend of August 21st and 22nd in the Chapel before and after all Masses.

If you are entering your junior year in High School and would like to make your Confirmation this coming year, then you should also register at this time.

All registrants should bring a copy of their Birth Certificate, Baptism Certificate and First Communion Certificate (if you are in high school). Please bring copies, not originals, as there is no way to make copies in the Chapel.

In Our Parish

SANCTUARY LAMP

will burn in memory of
Yves 'Vessie' Bourgeois, Sr.

BLESSED MOTHER'S LAMP

will burn in memory of
Walter & Doris Treadaway

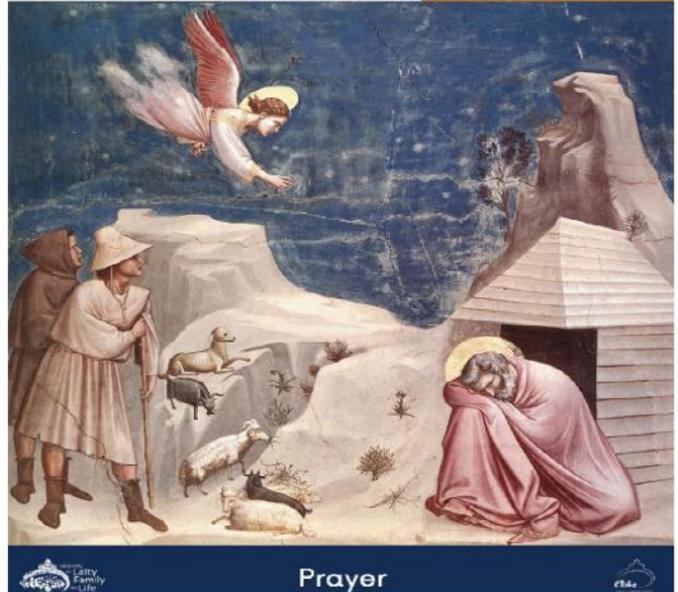
ALTAR WINE

is given in memory of
Malvina Benoit

**I AM WITH YOU
ALWAYS**

**WORLD DAY
FOR
GRANDPARENTS
AND THE
ELDERLY**

#IAMWITHYOUALWAYS



PRAYER FOR THE FIRST WORLD DAY FOR GRANDPARENTS AND THE ELDERLY

I thank You, Lord, for the comfort of Your presence: even in times of loneliness, You are my hope and my confidence, You have been my rock and my fortress since my youth!

I thank You for having given me a family and for having blessed me with a long life. I thank You for moments of joy and difficulty, for the dreams that have already come true in my life and for those that are still ahead of me.

I thank You for this time of renewed fruitfulness to which You call me.

Increase, O Lord, my faith, make me a channel of your peace, teach me to embrace those who suffer more than me, to never stop dreaming and to tell of your wonders to new generations.

Protect and guide Pope Francis and the Church, that the light of the Gospel might reach the ends of the earth.

Send Your Spirit, O Lord, to renew the world, that the storm of the pandemic might be calmed, the poor consoled and wars ended. Sustain me in weakness and help me to live life to the full in each moment that You give me, in the certainty that you are with me every day, even until the end of the age. Amen.

Mass Intentions



SATURDAY, JULY 24

8:00a.m. All Parishioners Living & Deceased
4:00p.m. Charles & Carmen Austin
Elaine Parks
Wayne Oubre
Vincent Baldassaro, Jr.
Malcolm 'Buck' Cortez
Raymond LeBlanc
Dwight Guidry
Alexis & Beverly Vicari
Hilton Lirette
Donald Comeaux
Raymond Champagne
Rodney Isemann

SUNDAY, JULY 25

7:30a.m. Fr. John DiFiore, SDB
10:30a.m. Yves 'Vessie' Bourgeois, Sr.
Gary Pratt
Carlos Savona
Walter & Doris Treadaway
T-Van Falgout
Martha Martinez
Sandy & Garin Hernandez
Kevin Fitzhenry
Byron S. LeJeune
Sidney & Agnes Rotolo
Suzette Richoux Daniell
Nelson Cantrelle, Jr.
Richard Bruce

MONDAY, JULY 26

7:00a.m. Jules Cousin, Sr.

TUESDAY, JULY 27

7:00a.m. O.J. Daigle

WEDNESDAY, JULY 28

7:00a.m. All Souls in Purgatory

THURSDAY, JULY 29

7:00a.m. Yves 'Vessie' Bourgeois

FRIDAY, JULY 30

7:00a.m. O.J. Daigle
All Souls in Purgatory

SATURDAY, JULY 31

8:00a.m. All Parishioners Living & Deceased
4:00p.m. Charles & Carmen Austin
Wayne Oubre
Vincent Baldassaro, Jr.
Odette Philip
Geraldine Landry
Estanislao & Maria Ana Gongora
Juan B. & Marcela Rodriguez
Loreta D'Amico
Alexis & Beverly Vicari
Hilton Lirette
Donald Comeaux
Raymond Champagne
Rodney Isemann

MASS FOR HEALING:

Brady & Grayson Hernandez, Julie Kirkland,
OJ Orgeron, Jackie Morvant Bush
Rosalie Oubre, Gerald Hedrick

SPECIAL MASS: For conversion of sinners.

POPE FRANCIS' JULY PRAYER INTENTION



Social Friendship

We pray that, in social, economic and political situations of conflict, we may be courageous and passionate architects of dialogue and friendship.



RCIA

**Do you want to learn more about the
Catholic Faith?**

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and receive the sacrament of Confirmation?

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or to register for the 2021-2022 RCIA Program.

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