

ASCENSION OF OUR LORD CATHOLIC CHURCH

-- ALL FOR THE GLORY OF GOD --

JULY 11, 2021
FIFTEENTH SUNDAY
IN ORDINARY TIME

MASS SCHEDULE

MASS TIMES

DAILY MASS

CONFESSIONS

One half hour before each Mass daily and Sundays.

PERPETUAL ADORATION CHAPEL - Open 24 hours daily.

OUR CLERGY

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LIVE THE LITURGY - INSPIRATION FOR THE WEEK

God calls us to bring His Word to all corners of the earth. What does that mean for you and me? We are just simple and humble folks trying to find our way through the Gospel and our world. After all, we are not professional preachers but gentle servants. Jesus summons us to take his message on the road and bring it from the pew to the pavement. We cannot keep the joy of the Gospel to ourselves but must bring it into every aspect of our lives: our families, our schools, our work, our corporations, our politics, our social circles, and our philosophies. We cannot just accept the wisdom of the world as true and conduct our lives as if the Good News is a separate matter. They are one. Jesus never asked his friends to go and construct buildings where people could come to hear the truth. He asked them to go to their homes and meet them one on one, face to face. When the rubber meets the road and the message is challenging, rejection is quite possible. That's the litmus test for whether we're really doing what we have been asked. ©LPi

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CANTOR

The Church is in need of a cantor for the 4:00pm Saturday Mass and the 8:30am and 10:30am Sunday Masses. If interested in either Saturday or Sunday or both, please contact the Parish Office. Cantors will work with our existing accompanist and will be paid \$50 per Mass.

MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, July 12

8:30 am Zulma Williams

Tuesday, July 13 • St. Henry

8:30 am Eugene & Daniel Buckley

Wednesday, July 14 • St. Kateri Tekakwitha

6:00 pm Special Intention

Thursday, July 15 • St. Bonaventure

8:30 am Vivian Fisher

Friday, July 16 • Our Lady of Mount Carmel

8:30 am Jack & Georgette Scofield

Saturday, July 17

4:00 pm Tony Valure, Clarence & Myrtle Torres, Melancon & Fisher

Families, E.J. & Edna Guidry, Conrad & Betty Hymel, Daniel Travis, Irving & Norma Vial, Bryan Hymel, All Souls, August "Gus" Rantz, III, Glen Keating, Crayon & Lato Families, Nilton Larousse, John & Olga Porteous, Healing of America & return to God, Gary Boudreaux, Rubena &

IN MEMORY of ME

Joseph Borden, Special Intentions

Sunday, July 18 • 16th Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:30 am Frank & Merlene St. Pierre, John Snyder, Sr., Gwen Booth,

All Souls, Shirley Soleto, Diana P. Cureaux, Amador Miguel

Amor, Tony & Dolores Dottolo, Souls in Purgatory

10:30 am Kim Cox

3:00 pm (en espanol) Our Parishioners

7:00 pm Joseph John Abbate

VIGIL LIGHT FOR THE MONTH OF JULY

In memory of Norman & Verna Millet, Rosalind M. Hutson, Deborah Acosta, and Jessica Fournet

CHAPEL CANDLES BURN THIS WEEK FOR

Special Intention & Prayers for Ernestine Stewart



SPECIAL COLLECTION - JULY 18

Next week, our parish will take up the annual National Black and Indian Mission Collection which has a direct impact in our own archdiocese as we benefit locally from grants funded by the collection. Your generosity to this collection reflects the depths of your faith and your willingness to help our brothers and sisters in need; it is an opportunity to evangelize and further the missionary cause of bringing the Gospel to our African American and Native American family.

AROUND OUR CHURCH & OUR COMMUNITY



ACTS Men's Retreat August 12-15, 2021 Lumen Christi Retreat Center

Men of Ascension of Our Lord are invited to join in an extraordinary weekend! It will be an opportunity for spiritual renewal and the making of many friends!

The goals of the retreat are to allow an opportunity for each person to focus on their faith and its application during their daily lives, to build purpose in their prayer life, to increase their presence at the liturgy, and to cultivate friendship among members of the church community.

The retreat begins Thursday evening, August 12th with check in at 5:30pm at the old AOL Library Building and ends Sunday, August 15th, with Return Mass at 10:30am followed by a potluck in Don Bosco Hall for retreatants and family members. Round trip transportation to and from the retreat center will be provided for all retreatants.

Retreat spots will be on a first come, first served basis, with a \$100 deposit required to hold your place. More information and registration forms are available on the parish website. Please return your registration form, the COVID release form, and your \$100 refundable deposit to the parish office. Make checks payable to AOL Church. Forms and deposits are due **AUGUST 1, 2021**.

ADORATION • COMMUNITY • THEOLOGY • SERVICE



SILVER CRUSADERS

Everyone 55 years and older is invited to join the Silver Crusaders. This ministry meets on the third Wednesday of each month in the PPH at 1:00pm. Our next meeting is July 21st. Please join us old and new members at our upcoming meeting.



PARISH SCHOOL OF RELIGION REGISTRATION INFORMATION

Registration for 2021-2022 Parish School of Religion (Grades K-12) is ongoing. Online registration can be found at www.aolparish.org/psr. Payment can be made at the parish office. If you have any questions, please email Religious Coordinator Andree Gurdian at andreemgurdian@gmail.com or call the parish office.



WHY DO WE DO THAT? - CATHOLIC LIFE EXPLAINED

Question: What kind of religious practices should we begin, once we marry, to help us practice our faith each day?

Answer: Your spiritual life as a couple is important. The sacrament of Marriage is a gift and a grace, but living it well isn't always easy! It requires intentionality and perseverance. Growing your spiritual life as a couple also requires a plan. Life can be incredibly busy. There's never "enough time" for everything we want to do. But we can

live by our priorities. If we don't prioritize prayer, we'll find it slowly disappear from our lives.

If you're not already praying individually, that's a good place to start. If your schedules are similar, take some quiet time at the same time to help hold each other accountable. Praying together is also important! You could start by looking at the religious practices of your family and of families around you that you respect. Talk with your spouse about the ones who make the deepest impression on you or were most meaningful when you were young. Think about what you want your future children to experience. Making faith a commitment now will mean it is an engrained habit when you grow your family. Ultimately, these faith practices should help us grow in our love for God and for one another. ©LPi

FIFTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

PARISH CALENDAR

Monday, July 12

Tuesday, July 13

11:00 am Rosary for Peace - Church

Wednesday, July 14

Thursday, July 15

7:00 pm Spanish Bible Study - PPH

Friday, July 16

Parish Office Closes at noon

9:00 am Coffee & Christ (after 8:30 am Mass) - PPH

Saturday, July 17 • Team 3 Sunday, July 18 • Team 3

8:30 am Altar Society Monthly Mass - Church







SHARING THE GOSPEL

Jesus sent his disciples out in pairs. He gave them control over evil spirits. Through Baptism you have control over evil spirits. Jesus is your partner. When you are thinking about taking a toy that is not yours, you can say, "No." When you want to hit someone, you can say, "No." When you would like to break the rules at school, you can say, "No. I choose to walk with Jesus."

PRAYER

Lord, give me strength to say, "Yes. I'll obey your commandments."

MISSION FOR THE WEEK

Ask God to bless your family so that they will be able to obey God's commandments.

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PERPETUAL **ADORATION** CHAPEL

Adorers Needed:

Sundays: 1pm, 2pm, 4pm Mondays: 1am, 2am Fridays: 12am, 10am, 3pm

Saturdays: 12am

Come back and pray!

"Ask Him to remind you that in order to really know someone, you must spend time with them....God is no different."

Jane Trufant Harvey - "Ask Him"



SACRAMENTS

BAPTISMS: Baptismal seminars are held on the first Tuesday of each month in the Parish Office at 7:00pm. Please call the Parish Office to pre-register.

WEDDINGS: Couples must contact the priest at least six months prior to the preferred date of the wedding.

ANOINTING OF THE SICK: Please call the Parish Office or 985-630-2837 (evenings).

HOLY COMMUNION TO THE **HOMEBOUND**: To be added to the list, please call the Parish Office.

FUNERALS: Family must make arrangements with the priest prior to making final arrangements with the funeral home.

ASCENSION OF OUR LORD CATHOLIC CHURCH



Please Welcome OUR NEW PASTOR

Induction Mass for Fr. Cyril Buyeera

Sunday, July 25th 10:30 am Ascension of Our Lord Church

Reception in Piovan Parish Hall following Mass.





REFLECT - QUESTIONS OF THE WEEK

First Reading

The priest Amaziah was threatened by the visions of the Lord received by Amos that warned of Israel's destruction. Amos' defense is that he was chosen by God to prophesy. When has your faith been a threat to others?

Second Reading

Paul speaks of the abundance of blessings we receive from God as believers in Jesus Christ. Paul asserts these blessings make us "holy and without blemish" before God. To whom in your life should you share this message of hope and redemption?

Gospel Reading

During his public ministry, Jesus commissioned the Twelve Apostles to evangelize by preaching repentance and healing the sick and demon possessed. What do you see as effective tools for evangelization today? ©LPi



Jesus summoned the Twelve and began to send them out two by two and gave them authority over unclean spirits. Mk 6:7

RESPONDING TO THE CALL

EVERYDAY STEWARDSHIP Recognize God In Your Ordinary Moments

What We Carry from Town to Town

In my experience, there are two kinds of people: the folks who kick off their shoes the second they walk through the door, and the ones who don't.

People can feel strongly about this on both sides. The main thrust of the Shoes-Off Brigade seems to be this: we track a lot of weird stuff on the soles of our feet. Little reminders of all the places we've been — whether it's a private home or a public bathroom — cling to our shoes long after we leave.

This same theory applies to our spiritual lives. As human beings and as disciples, we visit a lot of figurative towns and pick up a lot of figurative dust. Sinfulness. Shame. Defeat. Anger. Fear. Doubt. No matter how hard we try to keep free of it, these things have a way of attaching themselves to us, sometimes without us even noticing. We need to take a good look at what unhelpful and unconstructive baggage from our past we're tracking into our present and future encounters.

What is the "town" God is asking you to visit today in His name? Is it a tough conversation with a friend, a brief witness to a stranger in the checkout line, a call to be present to



someone in your family? Before you go, remember, shake off the dust. Don't let past disappointment constrain you. Don't allow yesterday's failures burdens to keep you from the joy of today's witness, whatever form it might take

-Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Am 7:12-15/Ps 85:9-10, 11-12, 13-14 [8]/Eph 1:3-14 Sunday:

or 1:3-10/Mk 6:7-13

Monday: Ex 1:8-14, 22/Ps 124:1b-3, 4-6, 7-8 [8a]/Mt 10:34—

11:1

Tuesday: Ex 2:1-15a/Ps 69:3, 14, 30-31, 33-34 [cf. 33]/Mt

11:20-24

Wednesday: Ex 3:1-6, 9-12/Ps 103:1b-2, 3-4, 6-7 [8a]/Mt 11:25-27 Thursday: Ex 3:13-20/Ps 105:1 and 5, 8-9, 24-25, 26-27 [8a]/Mt

11:28-30 Ex 11:10—12:14/Ps 116:12-13, 15 and 16bc, 17-18

[13]/Mt 12:1-8

Ex 12:37-42/Ps 136:1 and 23-24, 10-12, 13-15/Mt Saturday:

Next Sunday: Jer 23:1-6/Ps 23:1-3, 3-4, 5, 6 [1]/Eph 2:13-18/Mk

6:30-34

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Friday:



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