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## LITURGY SCHEDULE

### WEEKEND MASSES:

SATURDAY VIGIL 5:30 P.M.; SUNDAY 8, 9:30,  
AND 11 A.M. (MUSIC WITH SCHOLA CANTORUM)

### WEEKDAY MASSES:

M - F: 8 A.M.; SAT 9 A.M.

FIRST FRIDAY: 8 A.M. FOLLOWED BY A HOLY HOUR

HOLY DAYS: PLEASE SEE BULLETIN

NATIONAL HOLIDAYS: 9 A.M. (NO 8 A.M.)

RECONCILIATION: SATURDAY 4-5 P.M.

BAPTISM: PLEASE CALL RECTORY

MARRIAGE: PLEASE CALL RECTORY SIX MONTHS IN ADVANCE

# 17th Sunday in Ordinary Time

## The Power of Humble Prayer

The First Reading, like the Gospel, is on the power of prayer, *humble* prayer. The backdrop of this reading is the destruction of Sodom and Gomorrah. Both towns displayed a gross lack of hospitality to God and his two angels, in last week's reading. Abraham is visited by God in this story, and they go for a walk together. While doing so, Abraham tries to convince God not to destroy the city. Abraham, always respectful, gets God to agree that if He can find even 10 righteous people, He will spare the city. (*10 is the number needed to form a prayer assembly*). Unfortunately, not even 10 were found, however, God saved Lot and his family by having them flee the doomed city, thus He showed His love and mercy.

• The Responsorial is about God's faithful response to our prayer and need. The world often discounts the poor and the lowly because they are powerless, but God does not look at us with human eyes; He reaches out to those most in need of Him and fills them with His blessings and answers even the prayers of the poor. • The Second Reading is filled with symbolism: 1) *baptismal*: using Baptism to describe the process of dying to our old way of life, giving up a life of sin and self-indulgence, to live a new life with true meaning because it is filled with true love, Christ's love. 2) *being bound and set free*: Sin has been bound

## Faith First

(*nailed to the cross*) that we might be free, i.e. have the freedom to choose love and life. • In the Gospel we find the disciples asking Jesus to teach

them how to pray as soon as He finishes praying. Jesus prayed constantly to discern the Father's will and for the courage to fulfill it. Besides giving them the *Our Father* prayer, Jesus gives further examples of prayer; implying a relationship with God, who, *better than a loving earthly father*, knows how to give good gifts (*especially spiritual, i.e., the Holy Spirit*) to all who ask. So, when we need something, we should not be afraid to humbly ask, for our truly loving Father will respond to our needs.



### Putting Faith into Action: Reflection Questions for the Week

*Lord, on the day I called for help, you answered me. (Psalm 138)*

- What can be difficult about praying from the heart?
- What have I learned personally from persisting in prayer?
- Do I need to change up my prayer routine?

## Elements of the Liturgy: The Entrance Chant

The entrance song, in which the entire assembly is expected to participate, accompanies the entrance procession. Its purpose is to open the liturgy and create an atmosphere of celebration. It is intended to put the assembly in the proper frame of mind for listening to the Word of God and to help them to become aware of themselves as a worshipping community. It also typically

introduces them to the mystery of the season or feast, and again, serves to accompany the procession. In the event that the song is omitted, the entrance antiphon from the Roman Missal is recited in its place.

## In Our Prayers

### Daily Mass Intentions July 24 -- July 31

<b>Sun</b>	8:00am	Don & Anita Cerqui (+)
	9:30am	For the People of the Parish
	11:00am	Jack Sergio Viera (+)
<b>Mon</b>	8:00am	Rose A. Guerra (+)
<b>Tue</b>	8:00am	Joanne & Joseph Muscatelli (+)
<b>Wed</b>	8:00am	Int...Edwina Oliveira
<b>Thu</b>	8:00am	Special Intention
<b>Fri</b>	8:00am	Antun Arkulin & Family (+)
<b>Sat</b>	9:00am	Jose, Anna & Lucy Oliveira (+)
	5:30pm	Bev Bland (+)
<b>Sun</b>	8:00am	Hope Harrington (+)
	9:30am	For the People of the Parish
	11:00am	Sharon Ann McCormick (+)

## In Memoriam

**Carolyn Reid • June 28, 2022**

Eternal rest grant unto her, O Lord.  
And let perpetual light shine upon her.

## Please Pray for the Sick

Veronica Castillon, Justin Plumbhoff, Paulina Cerezo-Rangel, Joetta Connors, Delia & Santiago Chavez, Rosemary Kirrene, Tom Slakey, Diane Peters, Michael Kelly, Brian McKenna, Dick Grutzmacher, Margarita Enriquez, Robert McAleese, Diana Zuniga, Dale Wooldridge, Nancy McGarry, Gary Pepe, William Daniel Reed, Stephanie Merenda, Victoria Generoso, Jim Collins, Robert Arkebauer, Libby Basurto, Dena Foster-Cook, Josephine Haddock, G.R. Gurley, Darren Stewart, Marge Mugartegui, Angel Curiel, Phillip Worth, Sonia Damiano, Ava Grace Arnold, Karen Amnon, Mary Terese Henricksen, Pamela Saenz, Stan Boyd, David Hunn, Addison Parker, Brett Stover, Norma Clark, Robert Clark, Jr.

**You have received a Spirit of adoption,**

## Saint of the Week:

### Saint James the Greater, Apostle – July 25

St. James is one of the twelve apostles of Jesus and the brother of St. John the Evangelist. They were nicknamed "The Sons of Thunder". They were fishing with their father Zebedee when Jesus called them to follow him. St. James was one of the three apostles to witness the transfiguration of Jesus. • He is called St. James the Greater because he was older than James the son of Alphaeus, who was also an apostle. • He is the patron of laborers, veterinarians, equestrians, pharmacists, oyster fishers, woodcarvers, and Spain,

where he is known as Santiago. The famous *Camino de Santiago* ("Way of St. James") is an ancient pilgrimage route which ends at the traditional site of his burial in Santiago de Compostela.

## Prayer of the Week

God our Father, open our eyes to see your hand at work in the splendor of creation, in the beauty of human life. Touched by your hand our world is holy. Help us to cherish the gifts that surround us, to share your blessings with our brothers and sisters, and to experience the joy of life in your presence. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

## Meetings & Events

### Children's Faith Formation

The Catholic Faith Formation (CFF) Program is now accepting applications for the 2022-2023 Program which will begin in September. Registration packets are available in the vestibule. There will also be an information and registration table in the church vestibule on the weekends of July 30/31 and August 27/28 at all Masses.

A required parent orientation meeting is scheduled for Monday, August 29, 2022, from 6:30-8:00 pm at the parish hall. Parents will be provided with important dates and information for the year.

Religious education classes are for children in grades first through eighth attending a non-Catholic school. Preparation for First Holy Communion and Confirmation are also available for children.

Classes will begin on September 6, 2022, and meet on Tuesdays from 4:00 to 5:00 pm at the Sacred Heart Parish School, located at 928 39th Street.

If you have any questions please do not hesitate to contact Tila Madrigal, CFF Coordinator at (916) 947-2683 or email [tilamadriral@gmail.com](mailto:tilamadriral@gmail.com)

### Mass Times for Travelers

Going on vacation in the United States? You can easily find out the nearest parish to your destination and when Mass is offered so you don't miss your Sunday obligation. • Just consult <<https://masstimes.org/>> for information on Masses in the area where you are vacationing.

### Altar Society News

Thank you to the many members who made or bought cookies to be shared at Fr. Walton's farewell gathering. They were enjoyed by all.

### Looking for Rosary Makers

The ROMA rosary maker's ministry is returning after a very long break! We are looking for new members. If you know or are interested in learning how to make rosaries, the ROMA rosary maker's ministry is looking for you. The rosaries are donated to nursing homes, hospitals, and Sacred Heart parishioners. The Group meets on the first and third Thursday of the month from 10 to 12 p.m. • If you are interested please contact Tila Madrigal at 916-947-2683 or email <[tilamadriral@gmail.com](mailto:tilamadriral@gmail.com)>.

### Food Donation Weekend

The weekend of July 30/31, is our next food donation to support our Society of St Vincent DePaul. Our pantry is in need of mac & cheese boxes, peanut butter, jam/jelly, small boxes of crackers, cake and frosting mixes, brownie and cookie mixes, canned fruit, granola or energy bars, salad dressing, mayo, mustard, canned meat such as chicken, ham, and SPAM. Many families in the St Mary's and Sacred Heart Parishes rely on assistance from our food pantry. A bag filled with non-perishable, unexpired food may be left inside the altar rail.

Thank you for your ongoing generosity!



### Installation of our New Pastor

Fr. Mark Richards will be formally installed as Pastor of Sacred Heart of Jesus Parish by Bishop Jaime Soto at the

5:30pm Mass on Saturday, August 6, 2022. During the Mass, Fr. Richards will make his Profession of Faith and Oath of Fidelity, and will be presented with the keys of the church to represent his responsibilities, as pastor, for the temporal affairs of the parish; and the key to the tabernacle, representing his duties, as priest, of safeguarding the Eucharist and the spiritual well-being of the parishioners. All are welcome to attend and participate.





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