

July 3, 2022

Fourteenth Sunday In Ordinary Time

Offertory: June 19, 2022 OLV \$479.00, COS \$309.00, OLG \$140.00 Total \$928.00

Offertory: June 26, 2022 OLV \$377.00, COS \$281.00, OLG \$155.00 Total \$813.00



## MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

July 3, 2022 RIP William Scaplen & Thomas Scacciaferro by Linda Scacciaferro—OLV  
July 3, 2022 Special Intention for Nancy Daigler by Dan Daigler—COS

### READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Hos 2:16, 17b-18, 21-22; Ps 145:2-9; Mt 9:18-26  
Tuesday: Hos 8:4-7, 11-13; Ps 115:3-10; Mt 9:32-38  
Wednesday: Hos 10:1-3, 7-8, 12; Ps 105:2-7; Mt 10:1-7  
Thursday: Hos 11:1-4, 8c-9; Ps 80:2ac, 3b, 15-16; Mt 10:7-15  
Friday: Hos 14:2-10; Ps 51:3-4, 8-9, 12-14, 17; Mt 10:16-23  
Saturday: Is 6:1-8; Ps 93:1-2, 5; Mt 10:24-33  
Sunday: Dt 30:10-14; Ps 69:14, 17, 30-31, 33-34, 36-37; Col 1:15-20; Lk 10:25-37



The bishop's annual appeal supports vocations to ensure we have enough priests and deacons to support our parishioners. In May, Deacon Gregory Caldwell and Deacon Brandon Schneider were ordained to the priesthood. In addition, seven deacons celebrated the Rite of Acolyte in February. One of the largest groups of deacons to celebrate the Rite of Acolyte.

To learn more or make a gift online visit: [bishopsappealvt.org](http://bishopsappealvt.org).

**Totus Tuus** - Join us for a week of faith and fun as St. Michael Parish in Brattleboro hosts a high school camp from **7:00-9:00pm Sunday, July 10th through Thursday, July 14th** and a grade school camp (1st - 8th grade) from **9:00am-3:00pm Monday July 11th through Friday, July 15th**, which includes songs, games, snacks, Mass, confession, and a water fight to close out the week. Both programs are led by high-energy college-age young adults who help campers grow in their love of God and the Church. The cost for the day camp is \$60 per student and the high school evening camp is \$25 per family with a total family maximum of \$150. T-shirts are included with the tuition cost, so register now to enter your child(ren)'s sizes. A registration form is attached for your convenience or can be found under the Religious Education tab on the St. Michael Parish website at [stmichaelvt.com](http://stmichaelvt.com). Completed forms and payments can be mailed to the St. Michael Rectory or brought the first day of camp. Hope you can join us!!

*Please pray for Fr. Agnel as he travels to be with his family in India*



**Adoration First Friday Each Month at Our Lady of the Valley 3-4 P.M.**

**Coffee Hour First Sunday of the Month.**  
**Please feel free to bring something to share.**



**Online Giving** Please refer to our website, <https://ourladyofmercy.vermontcatholic.org/> for information regarding online giving, so that you may continue to support our church during this difficult time. Now online giving is easier than ever. Give online through our parish website or from the app. To get the online Giving app, go to OLGApp.com. Register the app with our organization ID# 1345

## SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time  
Monday: Independence Day  
Tuesday: St. Anthony Zaccaria;  
St. Elizabeth of Portugal  
Wednesday: St. Maria Goretti  
Saturday: St. Augustine Zhao Rong  
and Companions;  
Blessed Virgin Mary

## SAINT OF THE WEEK

### St. Elizabeth of Portugal

Saint Elizabeth of Portugal did not have an easy time in spite of the fact that she was royalty. She spent her life seeking peace between herself and her unfaithful husband, and between many of her relatives. Elizabeth saw some progress in this endeavor before retiring to a Poor Clare monastery where she died.

## Do Something Beautiful For God The Essential Teachings of Mother Teresa

If you listen with your heart, you will hear and you will understand...Until you know deep inside that Jesus thirsts for you, you cannot begin to know who He wants to be for you. Or who He wants you to be for Him. July 4

We are contemplatives in the heart of the world...Whatever we are, whatever we do, it is not what we do, but how much love we put into it. How much love! July 5

On my first trip along the streets of Calcutta, a priest came up to me. He asked me to give a contribution to a collection for the Catholic press. I had left with five rupees, and I had already given four of them to the poor. I hesitated, then gave the priest the one that remained. That afternoon, the same priest came to see me and brought an envelope. He told me that a man had given him the envelope because he had heard about my projects and wanted to help me. There were fifty rupees in that envelope. I had the feeling, at that moment, that God had begun to bless the work and would never abandon me. July 8

## WISDOM

Wisdom has been defined as knowing the difference between pulling your weight and throwing it around.

—Anonymous



*Mary, Queen of Peace, please preserve the world from the madness of war.*

*Reunite families torn apart.*

*Comfort frightened children.*

*Console the sick and elderly who suffer alone.*

*Shield the men and women defending their homes.*

*Change the hearts of leaders to seek peaceful solutions.*

*Bring harmony to our broken world.*

*We ask all this through your help and intercession, Most Blessed Mother, as you lead and direct us each day into greater love for and obedience to your Son, Jesus Christ.*

*Amen.* Prayer taken from Bishop Christopher Coyne statement regarding invasion of Ukraine

## Wisdom of Fulton Sheen

God will love you, of course, even though you do not love Him, but remember, if you give Him only half your heart, He can make you only 50% happy. July 3

The essence of prayer is not the effort to make God give us something. Prayer, then, is not just informing God of our needs, for God already knows them. Rather, the purpose of prayer is to give God the opportunity to bestow the gifts He will give us when we are ready to accept them. July 8

The person who thinks only of himself says only prayers of petition; the one who thinks of his neighbor says prayers of intercession; whoever thinks only of loving and serving God says prayers of abandonment to God's will, and this is the prayer of the saints. July 9

## PRAYER OF THE WEEK

### Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

O God, who in the abasement of your Son have raised up a fallen world,  
fill your faithful with holy joy,  
for on those you have rescued from slavery to sin  
you bestow eternal gladness.  
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,  
who lives and reigns with you  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
God, for ever and ever. Amen