### SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME | JULY 28, 2024



# TRINIDAD AREA CATHOLIC COMMUNITY

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#### **MASS TIMES**

Saturday (Anticipatory): 4:00 PM Sunday: 7:00 AM, 9:00 AM, 11:00 AM Monday-Friday: 8:00 AM (Rosary at 7:30 AM) Wednesday: 5:30 PM (at Office Chapel)

*First Saturday:* 9:00 AM (Nov-Apr at church, May-Oct at Ave Maria Shrine) Rosary at 8:30 AM

#### **CONFESSION TIMES**

**Saturday:** 2:30 PM - 3:30 PM

#### MISSION CHURCHES

San Isidro Church (Vigil, CO)

1st & 3rd Saturday: 4:00 PM

Confession 30 minutes before Mass

St. Ignatius Church (Segundo, CO) **2nd & 4th Saturday:** 4:00 PM Confession 30 minutes before Mass

Check Bulletin for 5th Saturday Mass location.

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#### SACRAMENTAL INFORMATION

<u>BAPTISM OF INFANTS</u>: Please call Ingrid Zamora to begin preparation for the Baptism of Children 6 years and under.

**HOLY MATRIMONY**: Engaged couples should contact the Parish Office at least 6 months prior to the intended wedding date.

ANOINTING OF THE SICK: Please call the Parish Office during regular business hours. For after hours emergencies, contact the priest's cell phone numbers (found to the left)

**BECOMING CATHOLIC:** Please call the Parish Office to learn more about becoming a fully initiated member of the Roman Catholic Church. Classes run September-May.

<u>HOMEBOUND MINISTRY</u>: If you are ill or homebound and would like to receive the Eucharist, please contact the Parish Office.

**ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT:** Every Wednesday at the Office Chapel from 8:30 am-5:15 pm.

#### THIS WEEK'S HAPPENINGS

Mon., July 29: Stations of the Cross for the Holy Souls in

Purgatory following morning Mass

Youth Group at St. Joseph Hall (6-8pm)

Wed., July 31: Adoration at the Office Chapel

(8:30am-5:15pm)

**Fri., Aug. 2:** First Friday Devotion begins at 7 am with

Adoration (Mass at 8 am)

**Sat., Aug. 3:** First Saturday Mass at Ave Maria Shrine

(Rosary at 8:30 am, Mass at 9am)
Confession from 2:30-3:30 pm
Rosary prayed in the church (3:15pm)



Mass Intentions					
Sat	7/27	4 PM	Josephine Hadad, Danny Marques, Mike Hall, Joan Crittenden, Ethan Begano, Healing of Sophie Leone (Anv. Ollie Bellegante, John Trujillo)		
Sat	7/27	4 PM	St. Ignatius Seth Abeyta, Sam Sisneros, Leo Sinor, Joe Costa, For the Sick & Suffering in Our Community		
Sun	7/28	7 AM	Yolande Senes, Carlos Sandoval, Lucy Coszalter, Rose Aragon, John Graber, David & Linda Walker, Juanita Meehan, For the Suffering Souls in Purgatory, Deceased of the luppa Family & Kant Family		
Sun	7/28	9 AM	Isabelle Gutierrez, John Mike Hall, Aldo Bazanele, Theresa Regusa, John Paul, Ethan Begano, Special Intention for Arnold Gonzalez, Healing for Sophie Leone		
Sun	7/28	11 AM	Rose Peretto, Matthew Bondoc, Mike Hall, Joe, Rose & Anthony Veltri, Marcia Jean Austin, Paulette Wehrsdorfer, Joan Crittenden, Special Intention for Stephen Honeywell, Healing of John Herrera & of Margie Madrid		
Mon	7/29	8 AM	Carmelita Barela, Special Intention for David R. Montoya, Healing of Buddie Curro		
Tue	7/30	8 AM	Henri & Lionel Senes, Ethan Begano		
Wed	7/31	8 AM	For the Souls in Purgatory (Anv. Elaine Campbell)		
Wed	7/31	5:30 PM	Chapel For the Intentions of Our Parishioners		
Thu	8/1	8 AM	Valentino & Josephine Martini		
Fri	8/2	8 AM	For Holy Souls Closest to Heaven, Special Intention for Jim & Joelle Sissons, Living & Deceased Members of the Senes, Sissons, Oury, Maquar, Monange, Minet & Hickey Families, For the Souls of Little Children		
Sat	8/3	9 AM	First Saturday at Ave Maria Shrine Ethan Begano		
Sat	8/3	4 PM	Antoinette Coszalter, Josephine Hadad, Jeff Hughey, Wieslaw Rakoczy, John Mike Hall, Joe Boniquista, Mike & Petra Tapia Family, Pete & Priscilla Gonzales Family, Healing of Sophie Leone		
Sat	8/3	4 PM	San Isidro Seth Abeyta, Tamara Lelutin, Sam Sisneros, Sally Greer, Healing of Kathy Topping		
Sun	8/4	7 AM	Carlos Sandoval, Cecilia A. Anthony, Enos Ward, Steve Hoyle, Aaron Butler, Aldo Bazanele, Abandoned Souls in Purgatory		
Sun	8/4	9 AM	Isabelle Gutierrez, Ethan Begano (Anv. Ruben A. Gonzales)		
Sun	8/4	11 AM	Matthew Bondoc, In Thanksgiving to Our Lord Jesus & All the Saints for a Special Intention Granted, Special Intention for Stephen Honeywell, Healing of Buddie Curro		

#### RESTORATION FUND BALANCE

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NEXT WEEK'S MINISTRY SCHEDULE				
Saturday August 3 4 pm	Proclaimer: Dennis Scott Server: Sariyah Gutierrez Euch. Ministers: Lynn S. (H), Anne P., Tom P. Hosp. Ministers: Paul M., Carl S., Volunteers			
Sunday August 4 7 am	Proclaimer: Louis Rino Server: Jim Sissons Euch. Ministers: Joelle S. (H), Carol G., Joan M. Hosp. Ministers: Joelle S., Alfred S., Pete D.			
Sunday August 4 9 am	Proclaimer: Josephine Lucero Server: Chris S./Lauryn & Katelyn V. Euch. Ministers: Kathleen G. (H), Karen G., Deb H. Hosp. Ministers: Frank S., Nick S., Mike D., Sam M.			
Sunday August 4 11 am	Proclaimer: Jeb Crummer Server: Nora & Daniel Garcia Euch. Ministers: June T. (H), Steve E., Espy B. Hosp. Ministers: George T., James L., Buddie C., Sal. O.			

New liturgical minister schedules may be picked up in the sacristy or can be found on the parish website.

#### Parish Events/News

#### RAFFLE TICKETS

Our annual Bingo/Raffle Fundraiser is coming up on Saturday, October 5. Raffle tickets are now available to be picked up at all entrances of the church. The cost is \$1/ ticket or \$10 for a book of 11 tickets. You can return the filled-out ticket stubs along with the money in the collection basket or drop off at the office. More details will be coming soon about this event. Any questions, please contact the office.

#### ST. VINCENT DE PAUL FOOD DRIVE

Next weekend, <u>August 3rd & 4th</u> will be our monthly food collection for the St. Vincent de Paul Food Pantry. Please drop off non-expired, non-perishable food items in the back of the church. Monetary donations can be placed in the collection. Thank you for your continued support!

#### **BEWARE OF SCAM**

It has come to our attention that someone posing as a priest who formerly worked at Holy Trinity has been calling parishioners asking for money. **THIS IS A SCAM**. The priests or staff of Holy Trinity will never call parishioners to demand money. If you receive a suspicious call like this, just hang up and notify the office. Thank you.

#### **CATHOLIC FOUNDATION COLLECTION**

The Catholic Foundation is *The Giving Arm of the Diocese*, and the collection on <u>August 3rd & 4th</u>, will benefit its annual grants program. This program generously provides financial assistance to parishes, missions, and other Catholic organizations throughout the diocese, and just like last year, 100% of the funds received from this collection will stay within our diocese. *Contribution envelopes are included in the packet of envelopes or a blank envelope may be used and labeled "Catholic Foundation."* 



# 17TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - YEAR B

**JULY 28, 2024** 

THEME: OUR BEST EFFORTS, NO MATTER HOW LITTLE, COUNT SO MUCH FOR GOD

Ref. 1st=2Kg.4:42-44. 2nd=Eph.4:1-6. 3rd=Jn.6:1-15.

Normally, our Sunday gospels for Yr. B comes from the gospel of St. Mark. But from today – the 17<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Yr. B to the 21<sup>st</sup> Sunday, we shall break off from Mark to read from Jn. 6. You will observe that the miraculous feeding of the 5,000, which is the episode in Mark's gospel, following last Sunday's gospel, is what we heard today from John's gospel (6:1-15). This is for a reason. The Church prefers to go with John at this moment to explore chpt. 6 of John's gospel to its climax - Christ's presentation of His Body & Blood – the Eucharist, as the real & necessary food we need for our salvation. I pray we all follow this Eucharistic teaching to the end.

The 1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> readings of today underscore the beauty of love & empathy. These have powers that can transform peoples' lives & situations. They are the major forces behind charity. Thus, Elisha & Jesus were moved to feed many people today out of the abundance of divine love in their hearts & the feelings of empathy for the conditions of others. These noble virtues do not depend on how much or how little we have but on how much we want to bring God's love into the lives of others & how well we see the image of God in them. This is why it is said that, 'charity does not flow from the HAND but from the HEART'. While Elisha brought what was given to him as a gift, which now belongs to him, to be shared among those in need, Jesus bothered Himself through Philip & Andrew to find what to give to the hungry crowd. Elisha or Jesus did not need to ask if they needed something to eat but knew what they needed through empathy. These are about doing what we can to help others. To express similar gestures of empathy & love, we need to see charity as a responsibility that should not be overlooked. God wants us to know that the well-being & good of others should be the desire of every one of us. But how many people have found happiness in life or found reasons to live on because of our intervention or help in their lives or situations? Always know that we secure & ensure God's blessings to us when we bless others from them. That is how we 'store treasures for ourselves in heaven'. Never close your eyes to an area of need in the lives or situations of others when you know you can help. You might be an answer to someone's prayer by reaching out to help.

A point worth emphasizing here is that we cannot end or solve all human problems around us. God only wants us to do what we can & what we should and leave the rest to Him. In doing this, we should bear in mind that we are not competing with anybody nor are we doing so to impress anyone. We should only do the best we can, great or small, when the opportunity presents itself. Hence, it is not about the numbers or quantity of what we give or do but about the sincerity & love driving them. God will always complement or complete our sincere efforts in ways best known to Him. This makes the call to charity, love & empathy invitations open to all – poor or rich, young or aged.

Let us now look closely at the hesitations of Elisha's servant & the disciples of Christ – Philip & Andrew. They were just being human; judging from human calculations & feelings. Most times, we act like them (because we are equally human). But we need to understand that our human doubts & hesitations only underscore the importance of FAITH – where we do our best & leave the rest to God with trust & confidence. Our faith opens the door for God in our lives. When we hand over our lives & situations to God after having done our best, the outcome will be a pleasant surprise. This turns sinners into saints, lifts the poor out of poverty, brings peace of mind & makes us meet success where we would have failed by human calculation. The excesses after the feeding of the crowd shows that when God steps in to complement our best efforts, He does so in ways that go beyond human expectation & calculation. These divine outcomes abhor laziness but show us what favors we gain from God when effort (hard work) & faith come together. More so, they call us to obedience to God's commands. One thing that made the miraculous feeding go smoothly was the obedience of the crowd to be seated as requested by Jesus. That is why St. Paul urges us to live in manners worthy of our Christian calling. He encourages us to acquire & express the virtues of humility, gentleness, patience & love in order to overcome the hurdles of doubt & hesitation that affect our faith in God or prevent us from showing empathy & love.

Dearest in Christ, God wants us to know that He loves & thinks about us (even when we do not know or care to know). Surely, the emphasis in today's gospel is not on material food, else Christ would have accepted the king they wanted to make Him after the feeding. It is on God's love & care for us. He wants us to learn from Him & to cooperate with Him in touching lives & changing people's situations for good. This is how we do our part & respond to our Christian calling. Remember, our God is a God of infinite possibilities who is ever ready to complete our best efforts to achieve miraculous outcomes. Let's keep trusting Him!

Remain blessed! Fr. Timothy

#### **AROUND THE DIOCESE**

#### **CANDIDACY MASS FOR ZACH SELIG**

With praise and thanksgiving, the Diocese of Pueblo



cordially invites you to attend the Candidacy Mass for Zach Selig on **Sunday, August 4, 2024 at 11:30 am** at the Cathedral of the Sacred Heart in Pueblo. This Mass is an opportunity for a seminarian to express publicly his intention to receive the sacrament of Holy Orders as a deacon and later as a priest. Please join for a reception in the

parish hall immediately following Mass. RSVP to catwood@dioceseofpueblo.org by August 1, 2024.

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#### **FORMED PICK OF THE WEEK**

#### **IGNATIUS OF LOYOLA**

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