



Our Parish COMMUNITY

July 11, 2021

Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time (B)

Am 7:12–15

Eph 1:3–14 or 1:3–10

Mk 6:7–13



So they went off and
preached repentance.
They drove out many
demons, and they
anointed with oil many
who were sick and
cured them.
MARK 6:12–13

You Can Do It

Today's readings are about unpretentious people who accomplished remarkable deeds. Amos, a shepherd from the southern kingdom of Judah who also cultivated sycamore figs, challenged the people at a northern shrine in Israel. He did not come from an illustrious family, nor was he particularly important. Yet he is the one called by God to summon the northern Israelites to repentance.

The disciples of Jesus pursued family businesses like fishing or were employed by the Romans like Matthew. They didn't come from socially prominent families, nor were they known as community leaders. But look at what they did: they cast out demons and cured the sick. Where did these people get their training? More importantly, where did they obtain their power? We find the answer to such questions in the second reading: "In him we were also chosen" (Ephesians 1:11).

The Ephesians letter assures us that God "has blessed us in Christ with every spiritual blessing in the heavens" (1:3). We don't have to worry about performing miracles; all we have to do is open ourselves to the graciousness of God. God will do the rest. Through us, God will cast out the demons of prejudice and bias that plague our world, of selfishness and spitefulness so prominent in our political rivalries, of greed and dishonesty in many of our social interactions. Through us, God will heal our country, our world, and our Church of hatred, violence, and oppression. With Amos and the Twelve we too hear: "You can do it."

Sr. Dianne Bergant, CSA

FOR *Reflection*

- ★ *In what ways do you make the world better?*
- ★ *Do you realize that you have the power of God to transform the world?*

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Please call Fr. Donnelly to make appointments for:
Baptism, Anointing of Sick, Confession, parish registration,
Communion to homebound, marriage preparations
(9 months in advance), jail visits, and house blessings and
information about the Church.

Please call or have someone call Fr. Donnelly if you or a loved
one is in the hospital or is incarcerated.

Office Hours: Currently closed to the public

MASS SUNDAY: 9:00 a.m.: Public Welcome!

Live Streamed via website: Fr. Donnelly's FB Page

WELCOME ~ CELEBRATE

NO MID-WEEK MASS

Mass Intention & Candle Remembrance Today

MARY ELLEN MOLLAY

Requested by Constance Dobson

07/18 – Ann Bonner – Req. by James and Marie Harrison

07/25 – Connie E. Dobson – Req. by Dianne J. Johnson

Introduction to the Celebration

The Holy Spirit guides us wherever our lives may
lead us. We gather here to ask for God's help as we
try to live as Christ's disciples.

Stewardship

Praising God for all that has been done for us, is part
of a life of Stewardship.

Catholic Charities ~ Hope in A Box

Need of the Month: July 2021

Toilet Paper – Travel Size Toiletries



WITHOUT PRAYER, WE ARE NOTHING



Please hold these brothers and sisters in prayer for healing:

Camille Turner, Bob and Linda Davison, Barbara Logan,
Bill W., Barbara Staton, Jennie, Robert and Aurelia
LaValley, Patricia Gardner, Lorene Ferguson, Eula
Collier, Irene Tomlinson, Tamara Crupi, Sherri Woodard,
Dorothy Swift, Nina Poole, Tracy French, Scott Baker,
Sue Kelly, Jason Rogers, Judy Ridley, Michelle Cwiklinski,
Lia Jensen- Abbatt, Roberta Rouse, Mary Yaklin, Amber
Donajkowski, Kathleen Lyon, Dr Joan Martin, Joe
Rowlery, Mama Sol, Rose Murphy, Lynn Steelman,
Sr Joanne Fedewa, Virginia Rochelle, Douglas Bland,
Nancy White, Carolyn Shannon, Kristen Smith, Jim
Ryan, Michael Raymond Garland, Stevie Hoffman, Evan
Little, Lamar Hill, Wanda Nichols, Fr Patrick Isichai,
Nancy May, Joan Renard, John Prince, Robert DuLong,
Mike, Darlene Verdun, Carl Weiskittel, Ray Jenrow,
Debra Tinsley, Minerva Witt, Tom Blondin, Peter Arquin,
David Eccles, Joe Forlenza, Mary Ann Wheeler, Judy
Garrison, Ollie Brown, Hilda Mitchell, Eric Dellenbech,
Mark Frases, Robert Hartfield, Loretta Washburn,
Luther Evans, Debroah Metcalfe, Erika Badour, Monika
Gauthier Crystal Mayfield, Ryan O' Connor, Bob Arnold,
Robert Carrizales, Michael Haas, Sam Weller, Sherry
Rhinegans, Rev Billy Jones, Msgr Dick Groschek, Nilah
Ellis Cromie, Anita Myles, Miton Tucker, Ceclia Lujan,
Toby Jackson and Ruth Schmitter.

LOVE

Heavenly Father,

We love you with our whole being.

Our being is in your being.

Our spirit is rooted in your spirit.

Fill us with love.

**Let us be bound with others in
Love, as we go our diverse ways.**

**Let us be united in this one
Spirit, which makes you present
In the world, and makes you
Witness to the ultimate reality,
Love. We pray that love overcomes.**

That love is victorious. Amen.

(A Maryknoll Prayer)

A PRAYER FOR THOSE WHO SERVE

Father of all, Lord of creation, please guide and bless the missionaries, priests, sisters, brothers, doctors, nurses, teachers, caregivers – all who dedicate their lives to your service.

Bless their work throughout this world.

Pour out your Holy Spirit upon them, strengthen them in weakness, comfort them in trials. Be at their side in all their labor and joys.

Open the minds and hearts of all to the message in your Gospel preached and lived by your missionaries and witnessed by the joy of their lives.

Grant them a soaring spirit of love and health in body and mind that they may by their life and work discover the true message of peace, love and justice among those with whom they live. May their lives give witness to the brotherhood and sisterhood that will make your name known and loved by all through Christ our Lord. Amen

(From an old Maryknoll prayer booklet)

A promotional poster for the Michigan Catholic Women's Conference. The background is a vibrant blue with a close-up image of water splashing, creating a sense of movement and purity. At the top, the text 'MICHIGAN CATHOLIC WOMEN'S CONFERENCE' is written in a clean, white, sans-serif font. Below this, the word 'Outpouring' is written in a large, elegant, white cursive script. Underneath 'Outpouring', the phrase 'His Love - Our Hearts' is written in a smaller, white, cursive font. On the right side, the date 'OCT 16' is displayed in large, white, bold letters within a dark blue rectangular box. Below the date, the time '9AM-5PM' and the location 'LANSING CENTER' are written in white. In the bottom left corner, there is a QR code. At the bottom center, a dark blue banner with white text reads 'REGISTER NOW AT: WWW.MICHIGANCWC.ORG'.

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Mission Statement: Christ the King Parish Flint Roman Catholic Church is a faith community founded in the African American culture to answer God's "Call" to be a guiding light and disciples of our Lord Jesus Christ. Through our gifts and talents, we strive to evangelize and minister to our entire multi-ethnic community.

Dear Padre,

At my church, some people take the votive candles out of the holders and place them next to the statues and icons. Does this make God or the saint pay more attention to the petition? And isn't doing that a fire hazard?

Vigil lights, commonly known as votive candles, are usually lit when a person seeks some favor from the Lord or a saint's intercession. Lighting a candle is a way of extending one's prayer and showing solidarity with the person on whose behalf the prayer is offered.

In the lighting of candles we remember and truly live the words of our Lord,

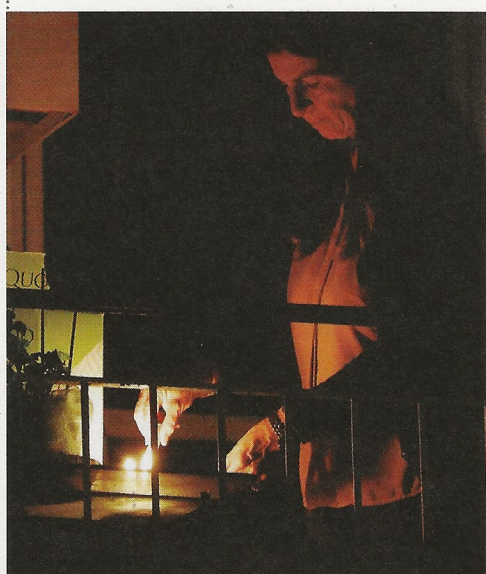
"I am the light of the world" (John 8:12). We burn candles to symbolize the rising of our prayers to heaven day and night. Prayers for the saints' intercession are also common because of their friendship with God in heaven. Saints are powerful intercessors.

God hears all prayers uttered in sincerity. Burning a candle as we pray doesn't make that prayer more important than prayers offered without a candle; neither does moving the candle to the front of the line.

If your church has made sure that the placing of the votive candles complies

with local fire regulations, you have no worries about setting a fire with vigil lights.

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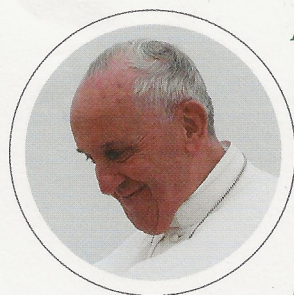


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A WORD FROM *Pope Francis*

Our lives are woven together and sustained by ordinary people—often forgotten people—who do not appear in newspaper and magazine headlines...doctors, nurses, supermarket employees, cleaners, caregivers, providers of transport, law and order forces, volunteers, priests, religious men and women and so very many others who have understood that no one reaches salvation by themselves.

EXTRAORDINARY MOMENT OF PRAYER, MARCH 27, 2020



Calendar

Monday

JULY 12

Weekday

Ex 1:8–14, 22

Mt 10:34–11:1

Tuesday

JULY 13

Weekday

Ex 2:1–15a

Mt 11:20–24

Wednesday

JULY 14

St. Kateri Tekakwitha,
Virgin

Ex 3:1–6, 9–12

Mt 11:25–27

Thursday

JULY 15

St. Bonaventure,
Bishop and Doctor of
the Church

Ex 3:13–20

Mt 11:28–30

Friday

JULY 16

Weekday

Ex 11:10–12:14

Mt 12:1–8

Saturday

JULY 17

Weekday

Ex 12:37–42

Mt 12:14–21

Sunday

JULY 18

Sixteenth Sunday in
Ordinary Time

Jer 23:1–6

Eph 2:13–18

Mk 6:30–34

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