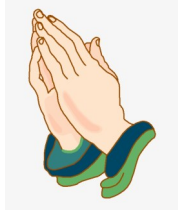


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**Saturday/Sunday**  
**July 26/27, 2025**  
**17th Sunday**  
**in Ordinary Time**



### **Mass Intentions**

**Saturday, July 26 , 2025 at 4:00 pm**

**Linda (Carper) Wilson, RIP**

**Sunday July 27, 2025 at 10:00 am**

**Rev and Mrs. James E. Fawcett, RIP**

### **Weekly Services Schedule July 28 to August 03, 2025**

- ◆ **Monday/Tuesday, July 28/29, 2025:**  
**Adoration 7:30/Communion Service 8:00 am**
- ◆ **Wednesday /Thursday/Friday (July 30, 31, Aug. 01)**  
**Adoration 7:30 am /Morning Mass 8:00 am**
- ◆ **Sat, August 02: 4:00 pm Vigil: Loretta Davis (RIP)**  
**Deacon Emile and Anona Adams (RIP),**  
**Sun. August 03: 10:00 am Mass (Peter Forte, Health)**  
**Coffee & Donuts following Sunday Mass (Parish Hall)**  
**This Weekend's Sponsor:**  
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### **17th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**Sun, July 27, 2025**

***The readings for the 17th Sunday in Ordinary Time, 2025***

***Genesis 18:20-32, Psalm 138, and Colossians 2:12-14,***

***Themes of prayer, trust, and God's mercy.***

#### **First Reading Genesis 18: 20-32**

God's selection of Abraham was not arbitrary but had a purpose. He says, "For I have chosen him, so that he will direct his children and his household after him to keep the way of the Lord by doing what is right and just, so that the Lord will bring about for Abraham what he has promised him." Here, we witness God's selection of Abraham as a vessel through which His divine plan will unfold. It reminds us of God's sovereign choice in salvation, a theme echoed in Romans 9:10-13, where God chose Jacob over Esau before they were born, not based on their deeds but on His purpose.

#### **Second Reading Colossians 02: 12-14**

These verses affirm that salvation is by grace through faith in the Finished Work of Jesus Christ on the Cross. Paul describes the state of every person before salvation as spiritually dead, incapable of achieving righteousness on their own. See Ephesians 2:1: "And you hath he quickened, who were dead in trespasses and sins:" Before faith in the Gospel of Jesus Christ, men are under condemnation.

#### **Gospel Reading Luke 11:1-13**

In Luke chapter 11, we find Jesus in a secluded spot, away from the crowds that constantly sought His attention. His disciples, who had been following Him closely and witnessing His miracles and teachings, were gathered around Him. The scene is serene, with the gentle rustling of leaves and the distant sound of birds creating a peaceful atmosphere.

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## The 17th Sunday in Ordinary Time—July 27, 2024

In Sunday's Gospel passage Jesus shows us the importance of prayer and, the proper attitude when we pray this verse. Jesus emphasizes the significance of communication with God, by instructing his disciples on how to pray. He reminds us prayer is not simply asking for things. It is also about acknowledging and honoring God, seeking His will, and aligning our hearts with His. Jesus' encouragement to be persistent in our prayer reminds us we should not give up easily or lose hope when we do not receive immediate responses to our prayers. Furthermore, we demonstrate our faith and trust in God's timing and sovereignty by persisting in prayer. This also allows us to cultivate a deeper relationship with God and to grow in our understanding of His will for our lives. As we reflect on this verse, let us consider how we approach prayer in our own lives. Are we consistent in seeking God through prayer? Do we approach prayer with humility and reverence, acknowledging God's greatness and sovereignty? And, are we willing to persist in prayer, trusting God hears us and will answer according to His perfect plan? Let us challenge ourselves to deepen our prayer life and cultivate a closer connection with our heavenly Father. In the Gospel of Luke, we find Jesus imparting wisdom to His disciples on the topic of prayer. This passage holds significant importance as, it not only provides a model for prayer, but also underscores the virtues of persistence and faith in God's provision. Breaking down the verses, we first encounter the Lord's Prayer in verses 1-4. Here, Jesus teaches His followers to address God as "Father," emphasizing His holiness and sovereignty. The prayer includes requests for daily sustenance, forgiveness, and directing us away from temptation. These elements highlight the essential aspects of acknowledging God's role in our lives and seeking His continuous presence and provision.



### **Join us for Bible Study**

**1st and 3rd Thursday**  
**1:00 pm & 7:00 pm**  
**Via ZOOM**

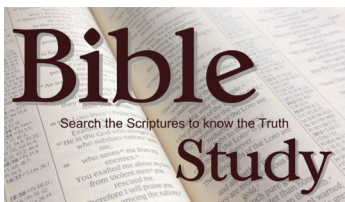
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**7:00 pm Study**  
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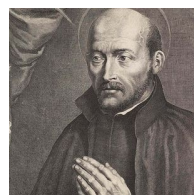
### **Extraordinary Ministers of Communion**

As the growth of priestly vocations has decreased over the past decade, the role of the Extraordinary Minister of Communion has grown exponentially.

*"Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion"* are laypeople authorized to assist in the distribution of the Eucharist during Mass and to bring Communion to the sick and homebound. **Preparation and Training:**

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion receive spiritual, theological, and practical preparation so as to enable them to fulfill their role effectively. This includes understanding the significance of the Eucharist and the proper manner of distributing it. Preparation and training can be received by contacting the Parish Office to schedule this important training. **Reverence and Demeanor:** EMHCs are expected to show the utmost reverence for the Eucharist in their demeanor, attire, and handling of the consecrated elements. **Timing of Distribution:** They should not approach the altar until after the priest has received Communion, and they should receive Communion before distributing it to others. The ministry of "Extraordinary Ministers of Communion" is essential for ensuring the faithful have access to the Eucharist, especially in situations where the number of "ordained ministers" is insufficient. Their role reflects the Church's commitment to making the Sacrament available to all members of the community, fostering a deeper connection to the faith and the Church.

**If you are interested in being an "EM" please contact the Parish Office.**



### **St Ignatius of Loyola, Priest—July 31**

In February 1522 Ignatius bade farewell to his family and went to Montserrat, a place of pilgrimage in northeastern Spain. He spent three days in confessing the sins of his whole life, hung his sword and dagger near the statue of the Virgin Mary as symbols of his abandoned ambitions, and, clothed in sackcloth, spent the night of March 24 in prayer. The next day he went to Manresa, a town 48 km (30 miles) from Barcelona, to pass the decisive months of his career, from March 25, 1522, to mid-February 1523. He lived as a beggar, ate and drank sparingly, scourged himself, and for a time neither combed nor trimmed his hair and did not cut his nails. Daily he attended mass and spent seven hours in prayer, often in a cave outside Manresa.





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**The Spiritual Meaning of Summer**

Summer is more than just long days , sunshine and beach trips. It is a season teeming with symbolic and spiritual significance, offering a vibrant backdrop for personal growth, renewal and connection. While the warmth of the sun invigorates our physical world, the spiritual meaning of summer goes deeper, inviting us to reflect, embrace transformation, and align with the abundance of spiritual energy. Let’s make this practical! Here are some ways you can align with the energy of summer and deepen your spiritual connection: **1. Soak in the Sun (Responsibly!)** The sun is a source of energy, vitality, and positivity. Spend time outdoors to recharge and realign. Feel the warmth on your skin as a reminder of the universe’s abundant energy. **2. Practice Gratitude:** Summer’s abundance is a great time to reflect on that for which you are grateful. Whether it is the beauty of nature, meaningful relationships, or personal accomplishments, take time to acknowledge these gifts. **3. Connect With Water:** Spend time by rivers, lakes, or oceans. Water cleanses and heals, helping you release emotional blockages and renew your spirit. **4. Celebrate the Present Moment!** Host gatherings, join celebrations, or simply enjoy life’s little joys. Summer reminds you to live in the moment and celebrate life’s vibrancy. **5. Set Intentions for Growth:** Use summer’s fiery energy to take bold steps toward your goals. Write down your intentions and revisit them as the season progresses.



**Saints Martha, Mary, and Lazarus —July 29**

Martha, Mary, and their brother Lazarus were evidently close friends of Jesus. He came to their home simply as a welcomed guest, rather than as one celebrating the conversion of a sinner like Zacchaeus or one unceremoniously received by a suspicious Pharisee. The sisters felt free to call on Jesus at their brother’s death, even though a return to Judea at that time seemed to spell almost certain death. Martha’s great glory is her simple and strong statement of faith in Jesus after her brother’s death. “Jesus told her, ‘I am the resurrection and the life; whoever believes in me, even if he dies, will live, and everyone who lives and believes in me will never die. Do you believe this?’ She said to him, ‘Yes, Lord. I have come to believe that you are the Messiah, the Son of God, the one who is coming into the world’” (John 11:25-27). No doubt Martha was an active sort of person. On one occasion, she prepares the meal for Jesus and possibly his fellow guests and forthrightly states the obvious: All hands should pitch in to help with the dinner. The Lord recognizes that Martha is “worried about many things,” also noting that Mary, who has spent the preparation time at Jesus’ feet listening to his words “has chosen the better part.” John 12:1-8 describes Mary’s anointing of Jesus’ feet at Bethany, an act which he praised highly. Immediately after we are told that the chief priests plotted to kill Lazarus “because many of the Jews were turning away and believing in Jesus because of him.”



**LITURGY SCHEDULE**

**17TH WEEK IN ORDINARY TIME**

**MON. JULY 28TH, 2025 TO**

**SUNDAY, AUGUST 3RD, 2025**

**THE 18TH SUNDAY**

**IN ORDINARY TIME**

**Monday, July 28, 2025**

7:30 am Adoration

8:00 Communion Service

Live-Streamed and in-Person

**Tuesday, July 29, 2025**

Sts Martha, Mary and Lazarus

7:30 am Adoration

8:00 Communion Service

Live-Streamed and In-Person

**Wednesday, July 30, 2025**

St Peter Chrysologus,

Bishop and Doctor of the Church

7:30 am Adoration

8:00 am Mass

Live-Streamed and In-Person

**Thursday, July 31, 2025**

St Ignatius of Loyola, Priest

7:30 am Adoration

8:00 am Mass

In-Person Only

**First Friday, August 01, 2025**

St. Alphonsus Liguori,

Bishop and Doctor of the Church

7:30 am Adoration

8:00 am Mass

In-Person

**Saturday August 02 2025**

St. Eusebius of Vercelli, Bishop

St Peter Julian Eymard, Priest

BVM

3:00 pm Confessions Heard

4:00 pm Mass


**Sunday, August 03, 2025**

18th Sunday in Ordinary Time

10:00 am Back to School Mass

Coffee & Donuts to follow

Sponsors Needed



St. Bernadette KPC Ladies Auxiliary, Court #162  
invite you to



with Our Annual School Supply Round-up  
July 13<sup>th</sup> to July 30<sup>th</sup>, 2025

All Parishioners who would like to participate this year, we are encouraging you to purchase school supplies and backpacks in preparation of our students returning to the classroom; There are several ways to participate this year:

**Option 1)** Shop at your local stores purchase school supplies & backpacks (at Target, Staples, Office Depot, Dollar Tree, 99 Cent Store, Rite Aid, Walgreens, etc.) and Bring items to the church rectory.

**or option 2)** If you prefer to Shop from Home, go to [www.amazon.com](http://www.amazon.com), Then type in Elementary School Supply Pack and have shipped directly to the church:

KPC Ladies Auxiliary Court #162  
c/o St. Bernadette Church Rectory  
3825 Don Felipe Dr.  
Los Angeles, CA 90008.

**or option 3)** You are welcome to Mail-in or Drop-off your donation by making the check Payable to: "St. Bernadette KPC Ladies Auxiliary, Court #162" and in the memo section please put "School Supplies".

Please submit your generous gift or donation on or before July 30<sup>th</sup>.

We will have the School Supply Blessing and Giveaway  
during 10 AM Mass on Sunday-August 3<sup>rd</sup>.

List of items needed are on the back of sheet.

## Marriage Jubilee!

July 26, 2025



The bishops of California have declared Saturday, July 26 as the **Jubilee of Marriage** during this powerful Jubilee of Hope. The vocation of marriage truly is a sign of hope! Each diocese will celebrate the Marriage Jubilee in a different way. Look on our website to learn more about events, prayer and service. Sign up at [cacatholic.org/marriage](http://cacatholic.org/marriage)

### How can families celebrate the Jubilee of Marriage?

#### 1. Pray together

Ask for the intercession of Sts. Anne and Joachim, and learn how to obtain a plenary indulgence for you and your spouse!

#### 2. Have a celebratory family dinner

Take out your wedding photos and talk about what marriage has done for your life, your family, and your faith

#### 3. Do a service project

Find something you can do as a couple or as a family to radiate your love to those most in need in your community. Visit [CACatholic.org/marriage](http://CACatholic.org/marriage) to participate in your diocese!



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## BACK-TO-SCHOOL SUNDAY



August 03 @ 10:00 AM Mass  
Keep them in your prayers  
throughout the school year  
Reception to follow in the Hall.

**Christian Service  
Needs your Help!**  
**Can you spare 1 or 2 Hours  
on Monday  
or Wednesday Morning  
Making sack lunches?**  
**If so? Please call the  
Parish Office at (323)293-4877**



### July 26-27 || Authority figures and boundary responsibilities

When an adult uses their authority to control or manipulate a situation, this puts children and vulnerable adults at risk for abuse. Manipulation can often occur through grooming behaviors, which can lead to boundary violations and ultimately abuse. It is always the responsibility of the adult to maintain appropriate, healthy boundaries with children in their care. For guidelines on how to interact with minors at our parishes, schools and ministries please visit <https://lacatholics.org/policies-and-procedures/>, and for more tips read the VIRTUS® article "Ministerial Boundaries, Power, and Authority" at [lacatholics.org/did-you-know/](http://lacatholics.org/did-you-know/). **Read the VIRTUS® article "Ministerial Boundaries, Power, and Authority" @ [Did You Know? | LA Catholics](http://DidYouKnow?|LACatholics)**

