



Our Lady of Grace Parish

"Gathering in Faith ~ Striving in Hope ~ Serving in Love"

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OFFICE HOURS: Monday-Thursday
8:00 AM to 4:00 PM

Friday
8:00 AM to 2:00 PM

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Mass Schedule

Saturday Vigil
4:00 PM

Sunday Masses
8:00 AM & 10:30 AM

12:30 PM Spanish Mass

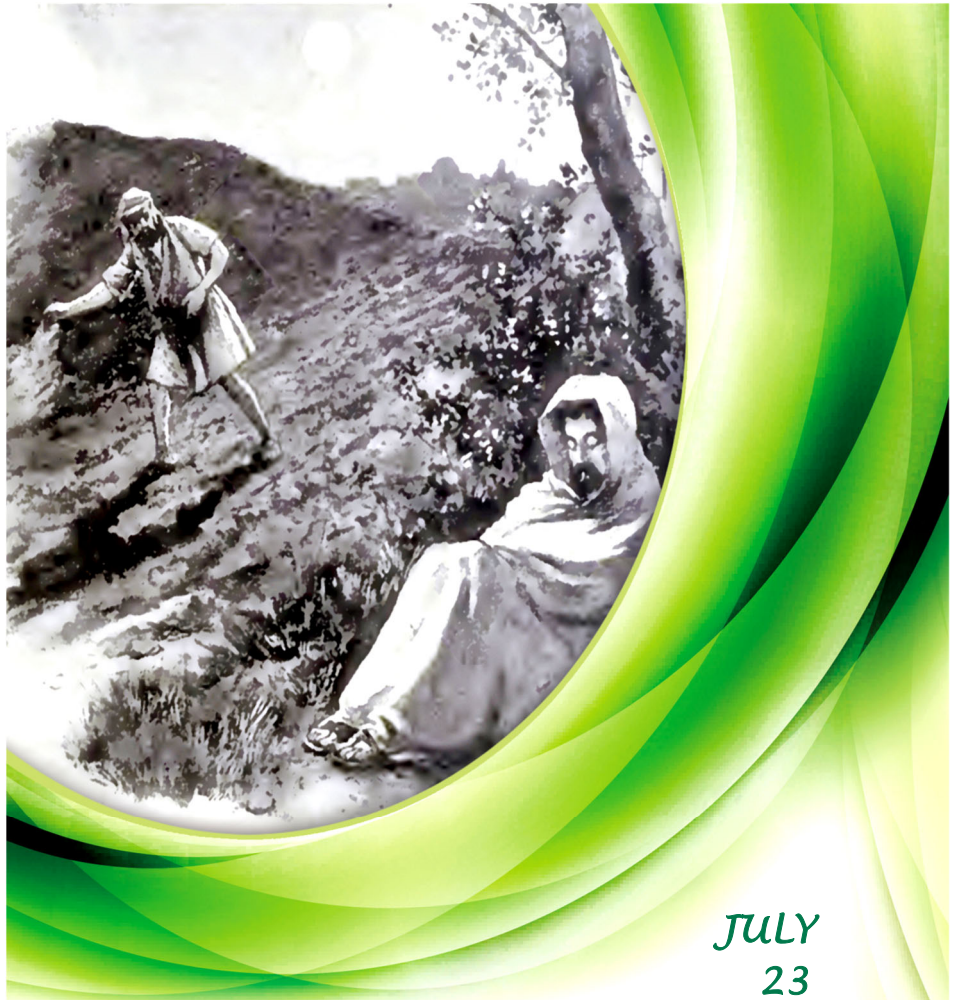
Weekday Masses
9:00 AM Monday to Friday

Eucharistic Adoration

First Fridays
9:30 AM-12:00 PM

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturdays
2:30 to 3:15 PM



JULY
23
2023

16th Sunday in Ordinary Time

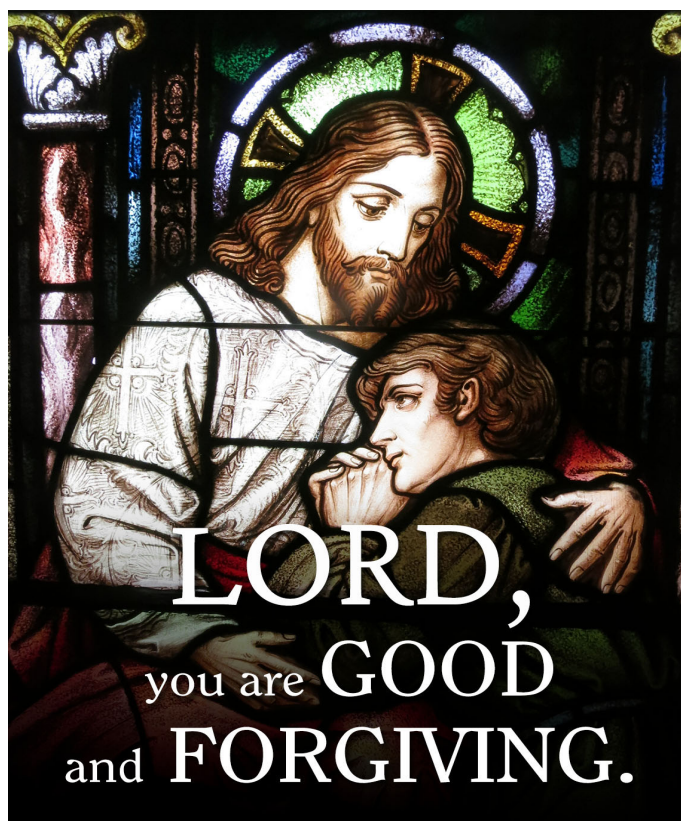
*"If you pull up the weeds you might uproot the wheat along with them."
Matthew 13:29*

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Scripture Readings For the Week of July 23, 2023

Sunday	16th Sunday in Ordinary Time Wis 12-13, 16-19; Ps 86:5-6, 9-10, 15-16; Rom 8:26-27; Mt 13:24-43 or Mt 13:24-30
Monday	Memorial of Sharbel Makhluf, Priest Ex 14:5-18; Ex 15:1bc-2, 3-4, 5-6; Mt 12:38-42
Tuesday	Feast of St. James, Apostle 2 Cor 4:7-15; Ps 126:1bc-2ab, 2cd-3, 4-5, 6; Mt 20:20-28
Wednesday	Memorial of Sts. Joachim & Anne, Parents of the Blessed Virgin Mary Ex 16:1-5, 9-15; Ps 78:18-19, 23-24, 25-26, 27-28; Mt 13:1-9;
Thursday	Ex 19:1-2, 9-11, 16-20b; Dan 3:52, 53, 54, 55, 56; Mt 13:10-17
Friday	Ex 20:1-17; Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 11; Mt 13:18-23
Saturday	Memorial of Sts. Martha, Mary and Lazarus Ex 24:3-8; Ps 50:1b-2, 5-6, 14-15; Jn 11:19-27 or Lk 10:38-42
Sunday	17th Sunday in Ordinary Time 1 Kgs 3:5, 7-12; Ps 119:57, 72, 76-77, 127-128, 129-130; Rom 8:28-30; Mt 13:44-52 or Mt 13:44-46

PRAYER

“Father let the gift of your life continue to grow in us from death and make us always eager to serve you in faith, hope, and love.” Amen.

A MIGHTY GOD

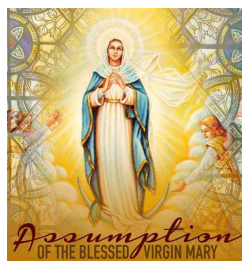
The first reading says that God’s might is the basis for divine justice. We might take this to mean that God uses mighty power to punish sinners, in the legal sense of justice. But God is too powerful to be injured by our sins. God can afford to wait for us to repent. That is the point of the parable of the wheat and the weeds.

We are used to expecting swift justice. We like TV shows in which the bad guy is caught and convicted in an hour. The idea of God giving sinners until the end of time to repent is almost un-American—at least, until we realize that we are sinners, too. Yet God is still willing to wait for all of us to repent. That is the wonder of God’s love, that God’s Son came to die for sinners, even before we sinned.

Of course, that means that we also share forgiveness with others. But the more often we go to confession, the more we are reminded of God’s love and forgiveness. Those reminders can help us to be more willing to show mercy ourselves. Let us ask God for the courage to seek forgiveness and the strength to forgive. Tom Schmidt

The Spirit comes to the aid of our weakness

Romans 8:26



FEAST OF THE ASSUMPTION
of the Blessed Virgin Mary
Tuesday, August 15, 2023
(Holy Day of Obligation)
MASS SCHEDULE
Aug. 14th, Mon.-4:00pm-Vigil
Aug. 15th, Tues.-9:00am



Join us in praying the rosary at 8:00 AM before the Mass starts, Monday-Friday.

MASSES FOR THE WEEK**MONDAY, July 24**

9:00 AM ♥ THANKSGIVING
By Myrna Sokol

TUESDAY, July 25

9:00 AM † JOSEPH CARTIN
By Walter & Lois Engelken

WEDNESDAY, July 26

9:00 AM † GAILE FELLI
By Ralph & Della DeSantis

THURSDAY, July 27

9:00 AM † STEVE COLON
By wife, Rosemarie

FRIDAY, July 28

9:00 AM † FLORENTINO ABANTE
By Luz Lagasca

SATURDAY, July 29

4:00 PM † MR. & MRS. ANDRES GABRIEL
By family

SUNDAY, July 30

8:00 AM PEOPLE OF THE PARISH
10:30 AM ♥ THANKSGIVING
By Remy & family
12:30 PM † ANSELMO COLON
By Ministers of Hospitality-Hispanic
Community

Pray for our sick...

Vince Wojteczko, Mary Gruss, Alma Eberle, Shirley Pell, Ken Goss, Andrea Gumaskas, Joanie Hayward, Alberto Sitchon, James Smith, Ileen Jervis, Anna Palmer, John Rodgers, Diego Bertagna, Gene Brizuela, Mary Iosso, Michael Alberts, Bonnie Johnson, Angelita Uy, Aline Castonguay, Enoc Moreno, Jr., Ed Matos, Remy Natividad, Mary Petersen, Johnny Rodriguez, Patricia Wescott, Odie Malave, Jaimie Farmer, Diane Citron, Richard Cangelosi, Bill Ward, Robert Bland, Al LeBlanc, Joan Brewis.

**JULY 2023****SANCTUARY LAMP**

In Memory of
DANIEL OUELLETTE
By wife, Suzanne Ouellette

ALTAR CANDLES

In Memory of
FERNANDINA PAAT
By May & Grace Costales

BREAD & WINE

SPECIAL HEALING
P.J. & JOHNNY RODRIGUEZ
By friend, Bob Hackett

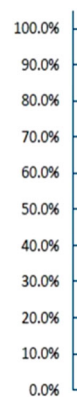


Discipleship *through* Stewardship and Sacrificial Giving

Good stewards in a parish are like the yeast in today's Gospel. Their selfless gifts of time and talent help the parish grow and thrive, and their example inspires others to become good stewards too.

July 16, 2023

Offertory	\$15,512.76
Online Giving	\$ 917.00



DIocese of ST. PETERSBURG
CATHOLIC
MINISTRY
Appeal

As of 7/17/2023
Goal: \$70,914
Pledged Amt: \$57,305
Pct. Achieved: 80.8%
No. of Families: 834
No. of Pledges: 248



We have available dates for Masses beginning Sept. 21 thru the end of this year. Please call the Parish office 352-746-2144 to offer your intention in honor or in memory of someone special (living or deceased).

Thank you very much.

**Remember Our Deceased**

We remember our brothers and sisters who have died recently. Eternal rest grant unto them O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them.

BETTY KULIK

**Please remember...**

Our Lady of Grace in your Will
Will terminology for leaving gifts to the Church:

Gregory L Parkes, as Bishop of the Diocese of St. Peterburg, a corporate sole, for the benefit of Our Lady of Grace Church, Beverly Hills, FL."



The Vineyard of Faith

Today's Gospel message is one that I struggle with quite often. I find myself saying, "I got here first" or "I've been waiting longer". Sometimes I ask myself, "I've worked harder and longer. Why am I not reaping the same benefits or rewards and someone else who has not worked as hard or as long as I have?" Then I hear this parable and am immensely humbled. How many people serve God in a greater capacity than I do? A ton! Great saints like John Paul II, Gemma Galgani, Jose Luis Sánchez, and Martin of Porres dedicated their lives to Christ and His Church. Comparatively, I do very little. But rather than resigning myself to the fact that I may never "measure up" to their faith, I look to the saints as inspiration for my own life and I ask for their intercession. And what about those who have not yet come to the faith? Would we reject them just because they are coming to the faith later than we are? Absolutely not! We welcome them with open arms because we are grateful that they have come to know the same love of God that we know.

Today's Gospel serves as a humbling reminder that God is generous and merciful. He desires us to be united with Him in His Heavenly Kingdom whether we come to His vineyard at 5 years old or 95. It is not an effort of ours or merit we can earn that grants us God's love. Rather, He loves without condition and makes His love equally available to all.

When we come to God's vineyard, He envelops us in His love, which we hear about in today's Responsorial Psalm. Every time I hear Psalm 23, I think of myself in preschool. I don't have many memories of preschool; in fact, I don't even remember my teacher's name or the names of any of my classmates. What I do remember, however, is being taught Psalm 23. "The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want." For a long time, I wondered why that Psalm and why at such a young age? Looking back now, I think I understand. Our teacher wanted us all to be confident of God's everlasting love for us. If we know that love at a young age we can grow up knowing Him and loving Him, and even bring more laborers to His beautiful vineyard.

May we always remember the love of God and may we continue working as laborers in his vineyard.

16th
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Matthew 13:29

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Cynthia Kaan

Why should I register at my parish?

If you have been attending the same parish for a time and don't see yourself moving or attending elsewhere, you should absolutely register at your parish. Here's why:

- 1. Connectedness.** Once you register, you feel more at home in church. You become part of your church family in a tangible way. It gives you a sense of belonging and allows your priest to get to know you as well.
- 2. Accountability.** We are all responsible for helping the greater Church grow in strength and numbers. As a registered parishioner, it adds weight to that role. As an "official" member of the parish who is open to the voice of the Holy Spirit, you will feel led to contribute to the needs of the church.
- 3. Commitment.** Becoming a member of your parish is a promise to be active in your faith.
- 4. Access to parish information.** This gives your parish the ability to reach out to you and let you know about events, prayer and study opportunities and ways you can give back.

Bottom line – register at your parish. Declare your commitment to your faith proudly and officially join your church family!

Cynthia has a master's degree in education, higher education marketing experience, is a freelance writer, and loves to use the written word to expand the kingdom of God.



I am the living bread that came down from heaven; whoever eats this bread will live forever; and the bread that I will give is my flesh for the life of the world.



Our Lady of Grace Parish has been very blessed with the generosity of our parishioners. We want to thank individuals, families, and groups in the future by mentioning their generosity to our parish in one section of our bulletin...

"Generosity from the Heart"

*A generous person will prosper;
whoever refreshes others will be refreshed.*

Proverbs 11:25



Generosity from the Heart

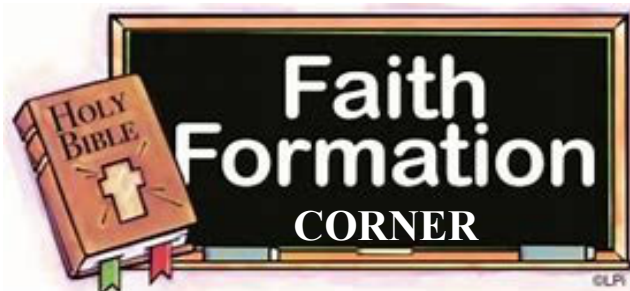
THANK YOU

TO THE HISPANIC COMMUNITY
for the donation made to
Our Lady of Grace Church.
God bless your generous heart.



Pork & Beans, Soup,
Peanut Butter, Canned Meat

DROP OFF DAYS
August 8th & 15th A.M. ONLY



Adult Faith Formation



Lectio Eucharist will **resume** this Wednesday morning at 11:00 in the double classroom of the educational wing in the Parish Life Center. All are welcome to join us and deepen your understanding of the Eucharist.



Our presentation of The **Chosen Season 3** is **discontinued** due to very low attendance. Watch for announcements for Season 4 late this year.



OCIA Rite of Acceptance

We joyfully announce that the Rite of Acceptance will be celebrated at the 10:30 Mass on Sunday, July 30th. Please help us to welcome the Candidates into the Order of the Catechumenate. They have been present in our community and have expressed their desire to journey with us and learn more about our faith.

Baptisms: Registered parishioners should contact the office to make arrangements. If possible, this should be done at least three months before the birth of your baby. Baptisms will be celebrated three times a year.

Marriages: Registered parishioners should contact the office at least one year in advance of making marriage arrangements.

OCIA: This process is open to anyone interested in becoming a member of the Catholic Faith. Please contact the office.

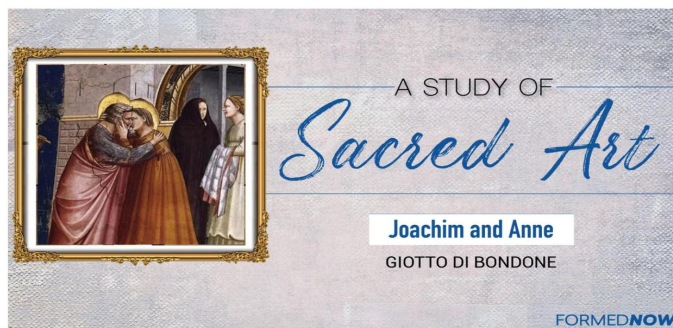
Sacrament of the Sick: Please contact the office if you need a priest to come to your home to anoint you, or to be anointed at a weekday Mass.

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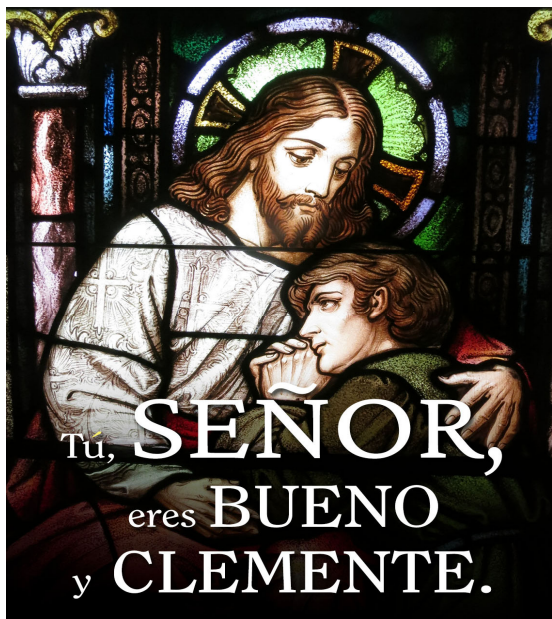
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"Padre, haz que el don de tu vida siga creciendo en nosotros desde la muerte y haz que estemos siempre deseosos de servirte en la fe, la esperanza y el amor". Amén.



Lecturas de las Escrituras
Para la Semana del 23 de Julio de 2023

Domingo	Décimo Sexto Domingo del Tiempo Ordinario Sab 12, 13. 16-19; Sal 85, 5-6. 9-10. 15-16a; Rom 8, 26-27; Mt 13, 24-43 o Mt 13, 24-30
Lunes	Memoria de San Chárbel Makhlūf, Presbítero Ex 14, 5-18; Ex 15, 1-2. 3-4. 5-6; Mt 12, 38-42
Martes	Fiesta de Santiago, Apóstol 2 Cor 4, 7-15; Sal 125, 1-2ab. 2cd-3. 4-5. 6; Mt 20, 20-28
Miércoles	Memoria de San Joaquín y Santa Ana, Padres de la Santísima Virgen María Ex 16, 1-5. 9-15; Sal 77, 18-19. 22-23. 25-26. 27. 28; Mt 13, 1-9
Jueves	Ex 19, 1-2. 9-11. 16-20; Dan 3, 52. 53. 54. 55. 56; Mt 13, 10-17
Viernes	Ex 20, 1-17; Sal 18, 8. 9. 10. 11; Mt 13, 18-23
Sábado	Memoria de Santas Marta, María y Lázaro Ex 24, 3-8; Sal 49, 1-2. 5-6. 14-15; Jn 11, 19-27 o Lc 10, 38-42
Domingo	Décimo Séptimo Domingo del Tiempo Ordinario 1 Rey 3, 5. 7-12; Sal 118, 57 y 72. 76-77. 127-128. 129-130; Rom 8, 28-30; Mt 13, 44-52 o Mt 13, 44-46

La Viña de la Fe

Batallo con el mensaje del Evangelio de hoy con bastante frecuencia. Me encuentro diciendo: "Yo llegué primero" o "He estado esperando más tiempo". A veces me pregunto: "He trabajado más duro y durante más tiempo. ¿Por qué no estoy cosechando los mismos beneficios que otra persona que no ha trabajado tanto tiempo como yo? Luego escucho esta parábola y me siento inmensamente humillada. ¿Cuántas personas sirven a Dios mucho más que yo? ¡Bastantes! Los grandes santos como Juan Pablo II, Gemma Galgani, José Luis Sánchez y Martín de Porres dedicaron su vida a Cristo y su Iglesia. Si me comparo con ellos, hago muy poco.

Pero en lugar de resignarme al hecho de que tal vez nunca esté a la altura de su fe, miro a los santos como inspiración para mi propia vida y pido su intercesión. ¿Y los que aún no tienen fe? ¿Los rechazaríamos sólo porque están llegando a la fe más tarde que nosotros? ¡Absolutamente no! Los recibimos con los brazos abiertos porque estamos agradecidos de que hayan llegado a conocer el mismo amor de Dios que nosotros conocemos.

El Evangelio de hoy sirve como un humilde recordatorio de que Dios es generoso y misericordioso. Desea que estemos unidos a Él en Su Reino Celestial ya sea que vengamos a Su viña a los 5 años o a los 95. No es un esfuerzo nuestro o un mérito que podamos ganar lo que nos otorga el amor de Dios. Más bien, ama sin condiciones y Su amor está igualmente disponible para todos.

Cuando llegamos a la viña de Dios, nos envuelve en Su amor, del cual escuchamos en el Salmo 23. Cada vez que lo escucho, pienso en el preescolar. No tengo muchos recuerdos del preescolar; de hecho, ni siquiera recuerdo el nombre de mi maestra o los nombres de ninguno de mis compañeros de clase. Lo que sí recuerdo es que me enseñaron el Salmo 23. "El Señor es mi pastor; nada me falta." Durante mucho tiempo me pregunté ¿por qué ese Salmo y por qué a una edad tan temprana? Mirando hacia atrás ahora, creo que entiendo. Nuestro maestro quería que todos tuviéramos confianza en el amor eterno de Dios por nosotros. Si conocemos ese amor a una edad temprana podemos crecer conociéndolo y amándolo, e incluso traer más trabajadores a Su hermosa viña.

Que siempre recordemos el amor de Dios y que sigamos trabajando como obreros en su viña.