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## Good News!

July 31, 2016  
**EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (C)**  
Ecdl 1:2; 2:21–23 / Col 3:1–5, 9–11 / Lk 12:13–21

I love to buy storage materials. My heart longs for the matching bins and boxes that claim to organize all the stuff in my house. If I just get the right-sized box, I think, I will be able to keep everything I have and make room for more. If Jesus were telling this parable today, perhaps the rich man wouldn’t (just) be building bigger barns; he may be installing a better organization system.

The problem with a consumer society is that it tempts us to buy and collect far more than we need. We sometimes think we must have the latest phone, appliances, or fashions even as our existing toys and clothes vie for space in our closets and drawers. We rush to “recycle” in order to take advantage of sales and hardly pause to wonder, “Do I really need this?” We rarely, if ever, reflect on the truism, “You can’t have everything—what would you do with it?”

If we give in to the temptation to acquire more things, to build bigger barns, we may find ourselves held captive by material goods—counting them, managing and maintaining them, or protecting and paying them off. Perhaps our time and energy would be better spent making sure that others have enough to eat and a place to sleep—in other words, being the image of the generous and loving God who “bestow[s] on the world all that is good” (Eucharistic Prayer III and IV). Today let us let go, clear away the clutter, and embrace the simplicity and freedom of loving in truth and fullness.

Mary Katharine Deeley  
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**Monday**  
AUGUST 1  
St. Alphonsus Liguori,  
Bishop and  
Doctor of the Church  
Jer 28:1–17  
Mt 14:13–21

**Tuesday**  
AUGUST 2  
Weekday  
Jer 30:1–2, 12–15, 18–22  
Mt 14:22–36 or  
15:1–2, 10–14

**Wednesday**  
AUGUST 3  
Weekday  
Jer 31:1–7  
Mt 15:21–28

**Thursday**  
AUGUST 4  
St. John Vianney,  
Priest  
Jer 31:31–34  
Mt 16:13–23

**Friday**  
AUGUST 5  
Weekday  
Na 2:1, 3; 3:1–3, 6–7  
Mt 16:24–28

**Saturday**  
AUGUST 6  
Transfiguration  
of the Lord  
Dn 7:9–10, 13–14  
2 Pt 1:16–19  
Lk 9:28b–36

**Sunday**  
AUGUST 7  
Nineteenth Sunday  
in Ordinary Time  
Wis 18:6–9  
Heb 11:1–2, 8–19 or  
11:1–2, 8–12  
Lk 12:32–48 or  
12:35–40

My wife and I belonged to an evangelical fellowship and sent our children to their Christian day school. Our tuition discount required that we tithe, but we never did. When we returned to the Catholic Church and I confessed this sin, I was told to make restitution. I don’t remember the tuition rates or our income at the time. I want to do this penance but not be legalistic about it.

**The Seventh Commandment**—You shall not steal—“requires respect for the universal destination of goods and respect for the right to private property” (Exodus 20:15; CCC 2401). The virtue of justice empowers us “to preserve our neighbor’s rights and render him what is his due,” including “the restitution of stolen goods to their owner...in proportion to their responsibility and to their share of what was stolen” (CCC 2407, 2412).

I’m glad you are restoring any injustice you were responsible for. Catholic moral teaching requires that we be as exact as possible in making restitution but also recognizes that determining an exact amount is sometimes impossible. In these cases, we should simply make the best estimate we can, return that amount, and be at peace. Your willingness and desire to be generous are praiseworthy. Like Zacchaeus, the tax collector who made restitution upon encountering Jesus, I’m sure the Lord will be pleased with your effort (Luke 19:1–10).

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## July 31, 2016 – Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time



### REGULAR MASS TIMES:

Saturday 6:00 p.m., Sunday 7:30 a.m., Sunday 9:00 a.m.

**Confessions:** Saturday 4:30 – 5:15 p.m., or by Appointment

**Daily Masses:** Tue. – Fri. 7:30 a.m.

### Mass Intentions for the Week

Tues. – (SI) Gloria & Frank Wearden

Wed. – Ignac & Julia Fojtik (†) Randy & Kathy Davis

Thurs. – (SI) Sandhop & Budd Families

Fri. – Wm. Pratka (♫) Dorothy Pratka

Sat. – Joe Darilek (†) Ludene Darilek

Sun. 7:30 a.m. James John (†) Randy & Kathy Davis

Sun. 9:00 a.m. – Jimmy & Angie Easley (♥) (55 years)

**Mass Intentions** – Call or come by the office if you have special dates for loved ones or special occasions that you would like to have as a Mass intention. Many Mass Intention dates are still available for 2016 and 2017 dates are being booked.

### Next Weekend's Ministry Schedule

#### ALTAR SERVERS

Sat. Cheyann & Dylan Parks

Sun. 7:30 Ashley Koehl, Sara Kolodziejczyk

Sun. 9:00 Jacob & Kaleb Repka, Volunteer

**CANTOR:** M. Hirschhauser

#### EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS

Sat. D. Richter

Sun. 7:30: D. Jones

Sun. 9:00: K. Franz, C. Strnadel, D. Nelson

#### LECTORS

Sat. J. Pfuhl

Sun. 7:30: Kolodziejczyk

Sun. A. Roessler

#### USHERS

Sat. Volunteers

Sun. 7:30: J. Koch, C. Horelka, D. Zacek, Volunteer

Sun. 9:00: Bailey Kolb, M. Kolb, S. Griffin, J. Weitz

### Mass Intention Symbols

† - In honor of deceased

♥ - Anniversary/Marriage

♫ - Birthday/Thanksgiving

SI - Special Intentions

**CCD Teacher/Aide Retreat after 9:00 a.m. Mass  
10:15 a.m. – 1:30 p.m. lunch will be provided.**

Please contact Stephanie for questions at:  
stjccd@tisd.net or call the office.

### CHURCH REPORT

July 24

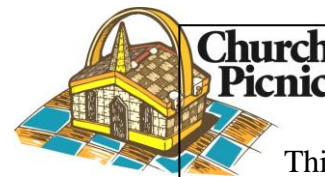
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### Church Picnic

#### St. Joseph Picnic Updates- Only 6 Weeks Away

We are in great need of Clean-up & Dishwashing Volunteers.

There are sign-up sheets in the Narthex.

This is a great opportunity for students needing community service hours.

If you would like to sponsor an item for the **Bucket Game** you may contact Karen Franz 573-9029 or the office. Prizes have been determined & monetary donations are needed. There is a sign-up sheet in the Narthex.

**Live & Silent Auctions** are accepting donations. Small items may be brought by the church office. **If you have large items call Stephen Griffin 361-550-9484**

You may also start bringing **Country Store** items to the office.

**Auction & Country Store donations may also be brought to Inez Community Center on Saturday morning, the day before the Picnic.**

Norma John

Erin Poncik

Milissa Zamora

Keith & Carol Madden

Leland Deckert

Amanda Repka

Zayda Cedillo

Eric & Erin Poncik

Hadley Deckert

Michael Zamora

Kent Gabrysch

Ricky & Melissa Roessler

D.G. Dixon

Clayton Schroller

Jason Repka

Willie T Rios Jr

Jeremy Kurtz

Sally Amador

Mary Ann Tucker

♫ Happy Birthday ♫ & Anniversary ♥

**CCD Updates** – 2016-2017 CCD Program is looking for **aides** to assist teachers in elementary grades. Please contact Stephanie at stjccd@tisd.net or call the office if you can help on Wednesday nights.

**Holy Family K of C Council #9088 14<sup>th</sup> Annual Readin', Ritin' & Reelin' Fishing Tournament**  
Aug. 5<sup>th</sup> & 6<sup>th</sup> Port O'Connor Community Center. Proceeds benefit Nazareth Academy School. For info. contact: Sister Ann Meletio 361-485-2044, Julie Fulgham 979-224-5516 or George Wenzel 361-649-7707

**Holy Family Catholic Church Women' ACT's Retreat** all women are welcome to attend September 8-11<sup>th</sup> for a spiritual renewal weekend. For more information, please pick up an application in the Narthex.

**July 31 – CCD Teacher/Aide Retreat – 10:15 a.m. – 1:30 p.m. lunch included**

**Aug 3 – Finance Meeting – 6:00 p.m. Meeting Room**

**Aug 3 – Christian Mother's Picnic Planning Meeting – 6:30 p.m.**

**Aug 5 – First Friday Adoration – All are Welcome! 8:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.**

**Aug 16 – Parish Council Meeting – 7:00 p.m. Meeting Room**



### Message of the Week:

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