Church Hours:

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Sunday hours:

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7:30 pm (Adult Choir)

Sacrament of Baptism:

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Announced Mass Intentions

Saturday, August 13, 2016

4:00 pm (vigil) Intentions of Agnes & Hugh Dynes

Sunday, August 14, 2016

8:00 am James D. Brody 10:00 am Louis Manfredi 12:00 pm Eric O'Dell Roman

7:30 pm **Annie Bang**



Monday, August 15, 2016 Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary (NOT A HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION THIS YEAR)

In honor of the Blessed Virgin Mary 8:00 am

12:10 pm Ray E. Stout Jr.

Tuesday, August 16, 2016 St. Stephen of Hungary

8:00 am Msgr Thomas J. McCormack

Walter Lissmann 12:10 pm

Wednesday, August 17, 2016

Thanksgiving for Linda Sabino 8:00 am

Frank Power III 12:10 pm

Thursday, August 18, 2016

Marie & Gerry Connelly 8:00 am

12:10 pm Mary T. Walsh

Friday, August 19, 2016 St. John Eudes, Priest

8:00 am Bessie Anderson 12:10 pm **Edward Rafferty**

Saturday, August 20, 2016 St. Bernard

Abbot & Doctor of the Church

8:00 am Arthur J. Morr



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UNDERSTANDING TODAY'S READINGS

(In order to understand God's love, we need to understand and ponder what He says)

Jeremiah 38:4-6, 8-10

"...these men have been at fault in all they have done to the prophet Jeremiah..."

Today's reading tells the story of Jeremiah as he was thrown into a dry cistern (water reservoir) by some pretty angry people. Why was everyone so mad at him?

In his earlier chapters, Jeremiah took on the job of warning his people that God's commandments would be ignored at the peril of Jerusalem. After Jerusalem fell to the armies of Babylon, the people decided it was the fault of Jeremiah, not their own, that they had been conquered. Nobody likes a know-it-all, especially one who gets it right.



Friends of Jeremiah interceded for him, convincing the king that killing one of God's prophets would reflect poorly on him. Rioting among the people, already suffering famine, was something he could ill afford.

In the end, wisdom prevailed and the king allowed Jeremiah to be drawn out of the cistern – a resurrection of a sort for one whose life resembled the life of Jesus. Both preached moral change and religious renewal. Both laced their preaching with the threat of God's wrath. They both suffered for their message in spite of their innocence.

Hebrews12:1-4

"...let us rid ourselves of every...sin...keeping our eyes fixed on Jesus..."

Today's reading is a reminder that Christian life is inspired - above all else - by Jesus in his death and resurrection. The new faith of Christianity was born of the suffering that Jesus endured on the cross. The glory of his triumph could not have come without his suffering.

The Book of Hebrews was written many years after the resurrection. Christians were beginning to waver in their faith as successive generations became further estranged from the eyewitness experiences of their forefathers. How much further are we removed from them today? Modern Christians must rely on reminders from the early Christians that, while we do not suffer the persecution that Jesus did, we have other crosses to bear. We sometimes lose heart and grow weary in our struggle to remain true to our faith.

The author urges reflection on Christ's suffering when we our resolve fails us in our struggle against sin. If we keep our eyes "fixed on Jesus," we can persevere in our faith.

Today's Psalm: 40

Lord, come to my aid!

Luke 12:49-53

"I have come to set the earth on fire ... "

In these few verses, Jesus preached readiness and trust, focus and priority. He was foretelling the dawn of the Kingdom of heaven.

Christ's prophesy stood in stark contrast to the popular notion of the heavenly Kingdom. It was thought that God's reign would be a time of deep, abiding peace. Now Christ shook his followers' expectations with his warning that God's peace could only reign when all creation received its due - even if obtaining that due was preceded by fiery and violent times. Peace was not to be simply an absence of violence. It was to be attained after great turmoil and suffering.

Christ knew that his shocking revelation would turn many away from him. His believers would turn against each other as they wrestled with this new vision of suffering to attain the Kingdom of God. The concept of family turmoil must have upset the faithful who read what Jesus said in Luke's gospel. When parents stood against their children, or children defied their elders, family loyalty would be sorely tested. Society would devolve into shameful bickering and feuds. Such division could only be the work of Satan. This was not the reward they had come to expect.

Jesus prophesied the chaos to come, the violence and disorder, the fiery judgement, warning us that nothing will stop the power of God. The Kingdom of heaven will come and Jesus proved his love for us with his cautionary words so that we will be ready when he returns.





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