Church Hours:

Monday through Friday hours:

7:30 a.m. - 9:00 a.m. and 11:30 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

Saturday hours:

7:30 a.m. - 9:00 a.m. and 2:45 p.m. - 5:30 p.m.

Sunday hours:

7:30 a.m. - 1:30 p.m. and 7:00 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.

Celebration of the Eucharist:

Monday through Friday: 8:00 a.m. and 12:10 p.m. Saturday: 8:00 a.m.; Vigil Mass at 4:00 p.m. Sunday: 8:00 am, 10:00 a.m. (Family Mass), 12:00 pm (Adult Choir)

7:30 pm (Contemporary Choir)

Sacrament of Baptism:

Baptisms are celebrated on the First and Third Sunday of the month at 1:15 p.m. Baptism class is required for all new parents. We ask parents to contact the Parish Office to make the necessary arrangements.

Sacrament of Reconciliation:

Confessions are heard in the church on Saturdays from 3:00 - 3:45 p.m. and during the week at the Parish House or by appointment with a priest

Sacrament of Marriage:

We ask couples planning to get married to contact the Parish Office at least one year prior to their wedding date to begin their marriage preparation.

Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick:

Parishioners, especially those who are entering the hospital, who wish to receive the Anointing of the Sick are asked to contact the Parish Office.

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament:

Saturday from 3:00 - 3:45 p.m.

Novenas:

Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal: Monday after the 8:00 am and 12:10 pm Masses. Our Lady of Perpetual Help: Wednesday after the 12:10 p.m. Mass

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> October 16, 2016 **Twenty-ninth Sunday** in Ordinary Time

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Announced Mass Intentions

Saturday, October 15, 2016

4:00 pm (vigil) Gregorio Guerra

Sunday, October 16, 2016

8:00 am Joan C. Woods 10:00 am Robert G. McCuin 12:00 pm Ralph Paul Buscarello 7:30 pm Our Parishioners

Monday, October 17, 2016 St. Ignatius of Antioch Bishop & Martyr

8:00 am Martin O'Dea

12:10 pm Herb & Doris Holzberger

Tuesday, October 18, 2016

St. Luke, Evangelist

8:00 am Mary Quinn Brody

12:10 pm Intentions of Dr. Rosemary Desloge

Wednesday, October 19, 2016 St. Isaac Jogues, Priest & Martyr

8:00 am Joseph Walsh 12:10 pm Robert Madden

Thursday, October 20, 2016

St. Paul of the Cross

8:00 am Culligan & Orschler families

12:10 pm Jackie Maddock

Friday, October 21, 2016

8:00 am Paul Conway

12:10 pm P. Cullen, W. Cosgrove, D. Cooney

Saturday, October 22, 2016 St. John Paul II, Pope 8:00 am Intentions of

Joseph & Amanda Ramos



May the Souls of the Faithful Departed
Through the Mercy of God,
Rest in peace. Amen.



All Souls' Day Novena envelopes

are available at the back of the church.

Please return them before All Souls' Day, Nov 2.

Our intentions will remain on the altar at all novena Masses.

MASS ATTENDANCE October 8 - 9

4:00 PM 8:00 AM 10:00 AM 12:00 PM 7:30 PM 202 122 226 --- 145

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A wonderful way to remember our loved ones who have passed on and to pray for special intentions, while giving back to God

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Altar Bread & Wine (\$50 / week)
Sanctuary Lamp (\$20 / week)

Please make these arrangements at the rectory.

Our Sanctuary Lamp

from October 16 - 22 will burn for the healing of Lorenza Deomampo





The Bread and Wine

from October 16 - 22 will be offered for the intentions of Mary Sheehy McElroy



Mass Book for 2017

Reservations for 2017 announced Masses are now being accepted.

Mass reservation forms are available in the narthex of the church. Forms are also available on the parish website.

Guidelines for submitting requests are provided on the reservation form.

The Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick

This Sacrament is administered to bring spiritual and even physical strength during an illness, especially near the time of death. Sacraments are outward signs established by Jesus Christ to confer inward grace. The Anointing is a rite performed to bestow God's grace on the recipient through the power of the Holy Spirit.

The special grace of the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick

- unites the sick person to the passion of Christ
- brings strength, peace, and courage to endure in a Christian manner the sufferings of illness or old age
- bestows the forgiveness of sins if the sick person was not able to obtain it through the sacrament of penance
- can provide restoration of health if it is conducive to the salvation of his soul
- prepares the faithful for passing over to eternal life

We do not have to be at the point of death to receive this sacrament.

The *Catechism* says that the anointing of the sick is not a sacrament only for those who are at the point of death. As soon as anyone of the faithful begins to be in danger of death from sickness or old age, it is certainly a fitting time for a Catholic to receive this sacrament.

Any parishioner in need of anointing is invited to call the rectory to make arrangements.

http://www.catholic.com/tracts/anointing-of-the-sick



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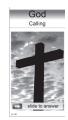
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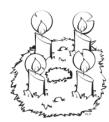


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(If God is on the line, He'll get a message to you during the Mass.)

2017 LECTOR WORKBOOKS

2017 Workbook for Lectors will be available in the sacristy beginning this weekend Lectors are invited to come to the sacristy to receive & sign for their copy of the workbook.



ADVENT IS COMING!

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"For I was...naked and you clothed me... Whatever you did for one of these least brothers of mine, you did for me" - Matt 25:36

UNDERSTANDING TODAY'S READINGS

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

Exodus 17:8-13

"I will be standing on top of the hill with the staff of God in my hand."

Israel's victory in the battle against the Amelekites was a small event in the history of God's chosen people. Why do we learn about it at all?

The important lesson in this reading is Moses' perseverance in prayer. When Moses raised his arms in prayer, God answered his prayers by supporting Joshua's army. When he faltered in his prayers, God turned away from Israelites and they began to lose. With the support of Aaron and Hur, Moses' resolve to pray for his people remained firm.

Two morals are passed on to us in this reading: continue to pray even when we are weary and discouraged; and rely on others to support us in prayer when we are tempted to abandon our conversation with God.



2 Timothy 3:14-4:2

"...be persistent whether it is convenient or inconvenient..."

Timothy has been Paul's student for the past six Sundays. He must have seen a lot of potential in his protégé, who was raised as a Christian from childhood.

Paul could remember when he, himself, was not only *not* a Christian, but a *persecutor* of Christians. The memory of his violent conversion served to keep him focused on his duty to preach God's word and Christ's salvation.

Perhaps he worried that Christians like Timothy, who were two generations removed from Christ's resurrection, would lose focus on their faith and tradition. Paul urged Timothy to "remain faithful to what you have learned and believed" and to be true to the sacred Scriptures, which would provide "wisdom for salvation through faith in Christ."

Paul used a lot of verbs in his letter to Timothy: "I charge you...proclaim...be persistent...convince... reprimand...encourage." He wanted his student to be passionate when preaching God's Word, to remain faithful and to teach with patience and clear direction for the followers of Christ in the new generation. Timothy would find all he needed in sacred Scripture to fulfill his duty as a Christian.

Today's Psalm: 121

Our help is from the Lord who made heaven and earth.

Luke 17:11-19

"...pray always without becoming weary."

The parable of the persistent widow is an allegory for "storming the gates of heaven". When Jesus lived, widows were poor beggars, often homeless, who were



weakened by the elements, attacked by thieves, and ignored by a disdainful public. Even if the widow was entitled to relief through her legal suit, there was no guarantee that she would receive a fair judgement. Through sheer persistence, she obtained justice. Storming the judge with her demands, she was heard and was rewarded.

In many respects, the widow represented Christianity. In the gospel of Luke, Jesus aligned himself with the poor, the outcast, those with disease. The image of the widow included all three. Christians were shunned by Jews as heretics and hated by the pagan populace as disloyal to the Roman Empire. They truly stood alone as outcasts. The image of the widow fit Christianity well.

Aside from the similarity of life circumstances, there is a decided difference between the widow and the Christian. The widow sought her justice from a temporal power, while Christians appeal to God, the true source of power, to satisfy their needs. Neither the judge, nor the Jewish elders, nor the Roman leaders possessed the power to answer the prayers of the Christians.

Jesus promises that God will "secure the rights of his chosen ones who call out to him day and night." We must have faith that the answer will come. Jesus asks if he will "find faith on earth" when he returns. If we have the strength to persist in prayer, he will find people of faith when he comes for us.

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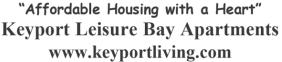
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