

PARISH CALENDAR

Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

July 7, 2019

Lord, your hand is full of justice!

Saturday, July 6	..... 5:00 p.m.	Mass, Aloha Sunday
Sunday, July 7	..... 7:00 a.m.	Mass, Aloha Sunday
	..... 9:00 a.m.	Mass, Aloha Sunday
	..... 10:30 a.m.	“Transformation in the St. John’s Bible”
	..... 5:00 p.m.	Mass, Aloha Sunday
Monday, July 8	..... 7:45 a.m.	Morning Prayer
	..... 8:00 a.m.	Mass
	..... 9:00-11:00 a.m.	Food Pantry Open
Tuesday, July 9	..... 7:45 a.m.	Morning Prayer
	..... 8:00 a.m.	Mass
	..... 7:00 p.m.	Leadership Meeting - Church
Wednesday, July 10	..... 7:45 a.m.	Morning Prayer
	..... 8:00 a.m.	Mass
	..... 9:00-11:00 a.m.	Food Pantry Open
Thursday, July 11	..... 8:00 a.m.	Mass
	..... 7:30 p.m.	Prayer Meeting - Church
Friday, July 12	..... 8:00 a.m.	Mass
	..... 9:00-11:00 a.m.	Food Pantry Open
Saturday, July 13	..... 4:00-4:45 p.m.	Confession
	..... 5:00 p.m.	Mass

NEXT SUNDAY READINGS:

Dt:30:10-14: Moses’ instruction to fully live God’s commandments

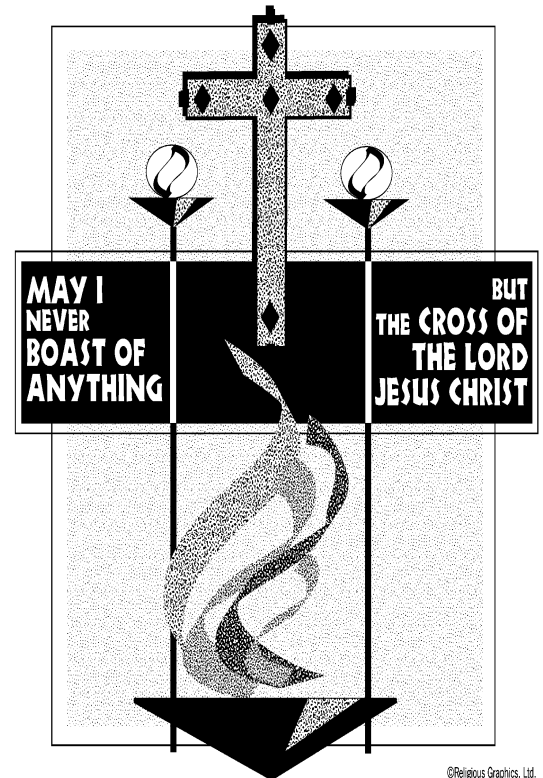
Col:15-20: A hymn extolling faith rooted in Christ

Luke:10 :25-37: The greatest commandment of all is compassionate love of neighbor

Here’s another line of thought for our consideration, the last line of the first reading: “The LORD’s power shall be known to his servants.” That’s us. The Lord’s power is expressed, not in destruction, but in nourishment and warm comfort. We are the fortunate receivers of this kind of power. The line is the summary of a snippet in which Isaiah gives us an image of the city of Jerusalem as a nursing, comforting mother. Just knowing this lifts up the heart, makes the body grow. This is how the Lord’s power is made manifest to Israel and to us. In today’s Gospel, Jesus sends seventy-two disciples out two by two. Where they will first go, he will follow. This is the opposite of what we usually think of when we think of disciples. The teacher normally goes first and the disciples follow. This is the order of missionary work—to continue the work the master has set out for them. But not in today’s reading. Today, the disciples prepare the way for the master, who will come later.

Their own preparation is brief and to the point. They will go as sheep among wolves. That in itself seems to be a heart-stopper. Given this caution, the disciples might be expected to ask what defense they have. None, apparently. They are not to visit the unsuspecting population with messages and warnings. They are not to go well armed with thought-out arguments or skills of oratory and debate. They are to move about the countryside empty-handed and barefoot. They are to carry no supplies. They are to go as people expecting to be received. They are to knock on a door, any door. They are to wish the householder peace, shalom, God’s healing salvation. They are to share in the hospitality offered them—no more, no less. This, Jesus seems to imply, is the setting in which miracles can happen. The house of peace and generosity of spirit is precisely the place of God’s saving presence. It hasn’t to do with fine foods, aged wine, or a well-lit and warm room. It has to do with generosity of spirit and vulnerability.

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Sing joyfully to God, all the earth
Sing praise to his name!

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

FOOD PANTRY NEEDS: The Food Pantry needs you help! Our supplies are low, we are in need of the following non-perishable canned goods items, **Corn Beef, Spam, Vienna Sausages, Pork & Beans, any type of canned vegetables, soups, rice or pasta.** If you are able to assist with any of the above items, please bring it to Mass with you and place in our basket! Mahalo, for helping us feed the needy in our community!

SHOW YOUR SUPPORT FOR THE SEMINARY

EDUCATION FUND: Seminarians need your help, as we need more priests. We are blessed with seven seminarians, and more to follow their ranks! The annual budget per seminarian is \$45,000.00. Support the Seminarian Education Fund (S.E.F.) On the 20th and 21st of July. Many men have answered this call, and you can answer it as well, through your prayers and generous support of them as they continue to discern and follow God's will in their lives. Please **SHOW YOUR SUPPORT** next week by making a gift. Every gift helps, no matter what the amount!

PETER'S PENCE COLLECTION: Thank you for your generous support in last week's Peter's Pence Collection! Our contribution, combined with those from our brothers and sisters around the world, will help Pope Francis provide essential relief to people in need. If you missed the collection, it is not too late to give! Visit www.usccb.org/nationalcollections, and click on the "How to Give" link.

PRO-LIFE: "Abortion kills twice. It kills the body of the baby and it kills the conscience of the mother. Abortion is profoundly anti-women. Three quarters of its victims are women: Half the babies and all the mothers."
~ *Saint Teresa of Calcutta* ~

WORD OF LIFE: "Father and maker of all, you adorn all creation with splendor and beauty, and fashion human lives in your image and likeness. Awaken in every heart reverence for the work of your hands, and renew among your people a readiness to nurture and sustain your precious gift of life." *"Catholic Household Blessings & Prayers "A Prayer for Life"*

WEEKLY READINGS

Jul 7 Sun: 14TH Sunday in Ordinary Time

Is:66:10-14c; Ps:66; Gal:6:14-18; Lk:10:1-12, 17-20

Jul 8 Mon: Ordinary Weekday

Gen:28:10-22a; Ps:91:1-2, 3-4, 14-15ab; Mt:9:18-26

Jul 9 Tue: Ordinary Weekday

Gen:32:23-33; Ps:17:1b, 2-3, 6-7ab, 8b & 15; Mt:9:32-38

Jul 10 Wed: Ordinary Weekday

Gen:41:55-57; 42:5-7a, 17-24a; Ps:33: 2-3, 10-11, 18-19; Mt:10:1-7

Jul 11 Thur: Saint Benedict, Abbot

Gen:44:18-21, 23b-29; 45:1-5; Ps:105:16-17, 18-19, 20-21; Mt:10:7-15

Jul 12 Fri: Ordinary Weekday

Gen:46:1-7, 28-30; Ps:37:3-4, 18-19, 27-28, 39-40; Mt:10:16-23

Jul 13 Sat: Ordinary Weekday

Gen:49:29-32; 50:15-26a; Ps:105:1-2, 3-4, 6-7; Mt:10:24-33

NOTE ON STEWARDSHIP

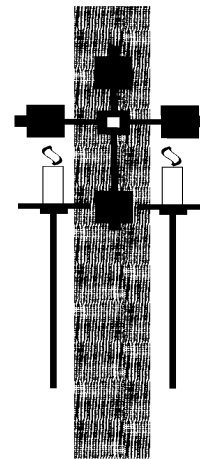
In today's Gospel, we hear Jesus inviting his disciples to be evangelizers. "The harvest is abundant," Jesus says. But those who are willing to invite others to a deeper relationship with the Lord are few. Good stewards who are willing to witness their Catholic faith to others know they are "like lambs among wolves." They are encouraged to be gentle, patient and loving, knowing they may face rejection and even fierce opposition. Jesus invites us to be better stewards of our faith, to give positive, courageous, joyful witness to others who have turned away from their relationship with him. Is there someone we should be reaching out to this week? **International Catholic Stewardship Council**

Reflection

It is always this way. With this attitude, we Christians can expect the good times to roll. When the door of our heart swings open, salvation begins. We are healed, darkness is cast out, malice crashes headlong to the earth, poisons are counteracted. This is God's salvation right at the door. This is God's power, manifest in comfort and nourishment. This is what being created anew feels and acts and looks like. The closing lines of Paul's letter to the Galatians are an impassioned plea. He opens his heart and bares his soul—for their sake. He has no shield or sword here. He is vulnerable. The word comes from the Latin word meaning "to wound." Paul is willing to be wounded. Indeed, he has been. He has his own unnamed weakness and scars to prove it. This doesn't matter, and it doesn't stand in the way of his ministry. What matters is all he has left, which is the crucified Christ, who is his healing. Period. Copyright © 2003, World Library Publications. All rights reserved.

A Good Time

Small-town newspapers used to wrap up their reports of a gathering or event with "A good time was had by all." Or as the Cajuns of South Louisiana would say, "We passed a good time." These sentiments conjure up a people who were participants in something good—good food, good company, good times in general. . Copyright © 2003, World Library Publications. All rights reserved.



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