

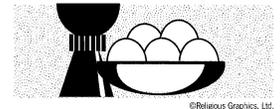
PARISH CALENDAR

Sixteenth Sunday
in Ordinary Time

July 22, 2018

Sing to our God, a new song

Saturday, July 21	..... 5:00 p.m.	Mass
Sunday, July 22	..... 7:00 a.m.	Mass
	..... 9:00 a.m.	Mass
	..... 5:00 p.m.	Mass
Monday, July 23	..... 7:45 a.m.	Morning Prayer
	..... 8:00 a.m.	Mass
	..... 9:00-11:00 a.m.	Food Pantry Open
Tuesday, July 24	..... 7:45 a.m.	Morning Prayer
	..... 8:00 a.m.	Mass
Wednesday, July 25	..... 7:45 a.m.	Morning Prayer
	..... 8:00 a.m.	Mass
	..... 9:00-11:00 a.m.	Food Pantry Open
Thursday, July 26	..... 7:45 a.m.	Morning Prayer
	..... 8:00 a.m.	Communion Service
	..... 5:30 p.m.	Feeding Menu: Spaghetti
Friday, July 27	..... 7:45 a.m.	Morning Prayer
	..... 8:00 a.m.	Communion Service
	..... 9:00-11:00 a.m.	Food Pantry Open
Saturday, July 28	..... 4:00-4:45 p.m.	Confession
	..... 5:00 p.m.	Mass



NEXT SUNDAY READINGS:

2 Kgs:4:42-44: Trust that the Lord will provide
Eph:4: 1-6: We must live in a manner worthy of our call
Jn:6:1-15: We will be fed by the bread of life

Living Catholic in the 808 **My Fourth and Walnut Moment Part 1**

“When (Jesus) disembarked and saw the vast crowd, his heart was moved with pity for them, for they were like sheep without a shepherd; and he began to teach them many things.” Mark 6:34

After one very powerful silent retreat a few years back. I had a layover and was in line at McDonalds. The woman in front of me started yelling at the youth waiting on her. Though she did not pay for double fries and he was giving her more for free, she just kept yelling. (I think she wanted her money back for her entire order.)

Standing there, mute and helpless, my whole being ached. Like Jesus, I was moved with pity for the youth, unable to calm the woman no matter what he did. But my heart also ached for the woman – she must have been so very broken, so unhappy, deep down, to get so upset about a mission order of fries.

Like Thomas Merton’s ‘Fourth and Walnut’ moment, I “was suddenly overwhelmed with the realization that I loved all those people, that they were mine and I theirs, that we could not be alien to one another even though we were total strangers. It was like waking from a dream of separateness, of spurious self-isolation in a special world” **Conjectures of a Guilty Bystander .**

Continued next week.

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is our
CHRIST
 PEACE

The LORD is my shepherd
 there is nothing
 I shall want.
 In green pastures
 he gives me rest.
 Beside peaceful waters
 he leads me
 He refreshes my soul.

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

R. C. I. A - Do you or someone you know want to become a Catholic? Do you or someone you know want to complete the Catholic Sacraments of Initiation (baptism, communion, confirmation)? Do you want to do your part fulfilling the Church's evangelization goals? The Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults (or RCIA for short) is the process the Catholic Church uses to achieve these goals for those who desire to participate and become candidates. Here's a few details of the program:

- 1) St. Rita's RCIA program will begin **Sept 9, 2018**.
- 2) RCIA candidates will meet roughly every other Sunday night at 7:00 pm in the St. Francis Trailer or church.
- 3) RCIA sessions will last for 1.5 hours. These sessions will be based on adult learning principles, with candidate participation a must. However, there will be no formal text or homework.
- 4) RCIA candidates will participate in some or all of the following ceremonies leading up to the Easter Vigil mass: a. Rite of Acceptance (beginning of Advent) b. Rite of Election (beginning of Lent) c. RCIA Scrutinies (during Lent) If you or someone you know is interested, please call our RCIA Director (Don Gerry, 489-9529)"

2018 ANNUAL LIFE SYMPOSIUM - Na Mo`olelo Ola:

Living Stories: This symposium addresses the educational component of the USCCB Pastoral Plan for Pro-Life Activities and will address serious issues as we look through the lens of Holy Scripture, Church teaching, and personal (life stories) testimonies. This symposium is suggested for parents, grandparents, educators, clergy and religious, youth and young adults, ministry leaders, medical professionals, and adult laity because each of us are called to a continuing commitment to preserve the sanctity of life. The symposium will on **Friday, August 17th @ the Kroc Center in Kapolei / Time: 8:30 a.m - 4:00 p.m.** To register, go online to: <http://catholichawaii.org/diocesan-offices/respect-life/education/> or call the Respect Life Office at 203-6722. Registration deadline: July 31. Cost is \$25 (Lunch is included)

WORD OF LIFE: "Through [the] loving care [of my family and friends], they affirm what I also know—that my life is, always has been, and always will be, worth living." **Maggie's Story: Living like Dad,** www.usccb.org/maggies-story USCCB Secretariat Pro-Life Activities

WEEKLY READINGS

Jul 22 Sun: 16th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Jer:23:1-6; Ps:23; Eph: 2:13-18; Mk:6:30-34

Jul 23 Mon: Ordinary Weekday

Mi:6:1-4, 6-8; Ps:50:5-6, 8-9, 16bc-17, 21 & 23; Mt:12:38-42

Jul 24 Tue: Ordinary Weekday

Mi:7:14-15, 18-20; Ps 85:2-4, 5-6, 7-8; Mt:12:46-50

Jul 25 Wed: Saint James, Apostle

2 Cor:4: 7-15; Ps 126: 1bc-2ab, 2cd-3, 4-5, 6; Mt:20:20-28

Jul 26 Thu: Saint Joachim and Anne, parents of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Jer: 2:1-3, 7-8, 12-13; Ps:36: 6-7ab, 8-9, 10-11; Mt: 13:10-17

Jul 27 Fri: Ordinary Weekday

Jer:3:14-17; Ps 31: 10, 11-12abcd, 13; Mt:13:18-23

Jul 28 Sat: Ordinary Weekday

Jer:7:1-11; Ps:84:3, 4, 5-6a & 8a, 11; Mt 13:24-33



NOTE ON STEWARDSHIP

In today's second reading, St. Paul reminds us that Christ is creating a new world order: one that brings about relationships based on love, peace, reconciliation, hope and unity. As a Eucharistic community, we are stewards of Christ's new creation. How are we promoting peace and reconciliation in our own lives? How are we showing love for our neighbors? What are we doing to encourage unity and understanding among those with whom we gather around the Lord's Table each week (International Catholic Stewardship Council-e-bulletin)

Reflection

In this touching and gentle Gospel snippet, the momentum is palpable; you cannot stop any person whose time has come. You cannot stop a people who are vulnerable and hungry for a leader, either. This new shepherd of Israel does not disappoint. He addresses their spiritual hunger. He feeds their languishing, bewildered, disheartened spirits by teaching them "many things."

Jesus is not a guru who stands beyond or above these people. He is not the philosopher who knows more than they do. He does not toy with the crowd. His heart goes out to them, for he holds them dear. But we know that Jesus didn't just talk his talk. He spoke with authority; he spoke with passion and acted with compassion. As Paul reminds us in the second reading, Jesus once and for all and forever gathered a people from afar. In his active compassion a new people is created and nourished and protected. A new covenant—a relationship between shepherd and sheep—is forged and sealed.

Leadership

We want leaders to move us emotionally and then literally. We want to be inspired, and we want our inspiration to spur us to effective, vigorous action. We want leaders to help us do what we know we should do, but hesitate to do for one reason or another. Leaders draw on the better angels of our nature, as Abraham Lincoln once said, and draw us to our full and proud height as the good and decent people we so want to be.

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