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SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

"To what shall we compare the kingdom of God? It is like a mustard seed ... once it is sown, it springs up and becomes the largest of plants." - Mk 4:30a, 31a, 32

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A favorite motto of St. Teresa of Calcutta was, "do small things with great love." This is how it works in the kingdom of God. God can do tremendous things with the smallest gesture, especially when it is done in love. We can clearly see that our world is suffering greatly. People are struggling to find peace, navigate through conflicts, earn a sustainable living, find security and enough food to eat, and work through political tensions and conflicts. In the light of the magnitude of the difficulties that exist around us and even within us, we can find ourselves floundering to discover practical, effective solutions. How can something so large be helped by someone as small and seemingly insignificant as me? While whole systems and structures may be out of the league of our personal influence, are we really that helpless in the midst of all of the turmoil, sadness, and suffering?

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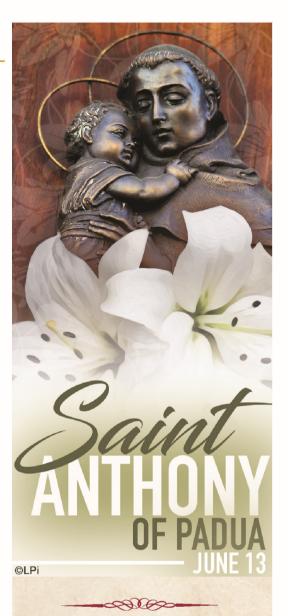
WEEKLY PRAYER

READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF JUNE 13, 2021

SUN 6/13	Ez 17:22-24/Ps 92:2-3, 13-14, 15-16 [cf. 2a]/2 Cor 5:6-10/Mk 4:26-34
MON 6/14	2 Cor 6:1-10/Ps 98:1, 2b, 3ab, 3cd-4 [2a]/Mt 5:38-42
TUES 6/15	2 Cor 8:1-9/Ps 146:2, 5-6ab, 6c-7, 8-9a [1b]/Mt 5:43-48
WED 6/16	2 Cor 9:6-11/Ps 112:1bc-2, 3-4, 9 [1b]/Mt 6:1-6, 16-18
THR 6/17	2 Cor 11:1-11/Ps 111:1b-2, 3-4, 7-8 [7a]/Mt 6:7-15
FRI 6/18	2 Cor 11:18, 21-30/Ps 34:2-3, 4-5, 6-7 [cf. 18b]/Mt 6:19-23
SAT 6/19	2 Cor 12:1-10/Ps 34:8-9, 10-11, 12-13 [9a]/Mt 6:24-34
SUN 6/20	Jb 38:1, 8-11/ Ps 107:23-24, 25-26, 28-29, 30-31 [1b]/2 Cor 5:14- 17/Mk 4:35-41

OBSERVANCES FOR THE WEEK OF JUNE 13, 2021

Sunday:	11th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Monday:	Flag Day
Saturday:	St. Romuald, Abbot; BVM
Next Sunday:	12th Sunday in Ordinary Time; World Refugee Day; Father's Day



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Inspiration for the week

Jesus compares the Kingdom of God to a mustard seed, the tiniest of seeds. When planted, the tiny mustard seed grows into a tremendous tree with large branches. So too in each of our lives small things can have profound effects. God can use one of our more insignificant gestures to radically change another person's life. It may be the kindness of a smile, our willingness to accommodate someone, listening to someone's story, helping someone who is hurting, standing up for someone who is right or complimenting someone on something they did. We all have God given gifts and talents. What are some of yours? Our task is to use our talents creatively, consistently, lovingly, and generously. Because we are always guided by the Holy Spirit, things that may be insignificant or unnoticed to us can profoundly change the life of someone else. While we may think we are small and insignificant, God can make us large and magnificent. All we have to do is open ourselves to being used. We trust that God will take care of the rest.

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SACRAMENTAL CELEBRATIONS

Weekday Masses Monday - Friday 8 a.m. | Convent Chapel



Saturday (Vigil) 4:00 p.m. Sunday (Gospel Mass) 10:00 a.m. Livestreaming available on our website, Facebook and YouTube

Baptisms: 4th Sunday of the month except during Lenten Season

Weddings: Contact the rectory six months prior to desired wedding date

Confessions: One-half hour before Sunday Mass

Please remember in your prayers: The intentions of the Holy Father and for:

Our Parish Family Sick and Shut In: Patricia Adam, Leonard Anderson, Evangeline Thompson Antoine, Marie Alexander, Diane Austin, Nathaniel Banks, Nancy Barabino, Hazel Barnes, Barbara Blanchard, Lorraine Burke, Barbara Butler, Virginia Butler, Herman Cade, Augustine Cain, Jessie Caston, Sr., Jessie Caston, III, Joyce Coleman, Lamar Davis, Souleymane Diop, Elaine Ewell, Leo Francisco, Cameron Fritz, Beverly R. Gilmore, Gilda Griffin, Wanda Haydel, Tammi Lynn Howard, Olga Jackson, Hubert Jarrow, Jr., Ruth Jerome, Anna Jones, Evelyn Johnson, Fern Kern, Ruth Kennedy, Shanna Lucien, Felicia Meyers, Arizona Moore, Germaine Nash, Thomas Phillips, Audrey Pierce, Janice Picou, Bernice Pinkney, Albert Poree, Gertrude Powell, Mildred V. Prudeaux, Joyce Randolph, Nakeisha Rhea, Scott Rivera, Kim Roby, Matilda Romero, Janice Sawyer, Lula Mae Schexnayder, Carrie M. Shedd, Scott Schryver, Jane Silva, Angela Simon, Enjoli Sims, Kaila Sims, Kira Sims, Geraldine Small, Alma M. Smith, Bill Starr, Marquerite Stepter, Glenda Stewart, Annie Stoot, Eugene Stoot, Diane Sims Tillman, George Tillman, Mildred Tillman, Perry Tillman, III, Sherman Todd, Betty Williams, Jace Williams, Nedra Wicker and Mandi Young

FOOD FOR THOUGHT

What resources and talents do I have that I can use to build the kingdom of God like a seed that grows to a frutiful plant?



Saturday, June 12, 2021

For: The People of the Parish In Memory of: Elodie Gabriel, Darrell Gabriel and Bruce Gabriel

Sunday, June 13, 2021

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For: The People of the Parish In Memory of: Percy Cardriche, Joyce Anthony and Harlean



Prayer Line 508.924.5792 Noon Prayer Monday, Wednesday, Friday

Bible Study Thursdays | 6:00 p.m. Rosary First Monday of Month | 6:00 p.m.



- MINISTRY LEADERS: Please contact Fr. Chuck at the Rectory this week to discuss reactivation.
- **MINISTRIES**: Our Parish is seeking parishioners to serve in various parish ministries. If you are interested in serving, our Parish Ministry Roundup will be held July 24-25. Please consider serving, parish life depends on you!
- **GRADUATES:** Graduation Mass to honor 2021 Graduates will be held Sunday, July 11, 2021 at the 10 a.m. Mass.
- MASS OF THANKSGIVING will be celebrated by Fr. Ajani Gibson in gratitude for his recent ordination to the priesthood on Sunday, June 27th at the 10 a.m. Mass.

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