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July 9, 2023 ▪ The Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Pray for interior peace with this soothing prayer

By Philip Kosloski



Place your worries, fears and pain at the feet of Jesus.

Life in this “vale of tears” can often be difficult and very stressful. We deeply desire peace within our hearts, but until heaven, the fullest peace will always elude us.

Jesus says to us today, “Come to me, all who labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest” (Matthew 11:28). God is always the best person to approach with our worries, asking him to bring peace into our hearts that endures.

Below is a fitting anonymous prayer that places everything before God, asking him for help with the daily struggles in life, and to grant joy, grace and peace.

Prayer for Peace of Mind and Heart Eternal, Holy God, I come to you burdened with worries, fears, doubts, and troubles. Calm and quiet me with peace of mind. Empty me of the anxiety that disturbs me, of the concerns that weary my spirit, and weigh heavy on my heart. Loosen my grip on the disappointments and grievances I hold on to so tightly. Release me from the pain of past hurts, of present anger and tension, of future fears. Sometimes it's too much for me, Lord, too many demands and problems, too much sadness, suffering, and stress. Renew me spiritually and emotionally. Give me new strength, hope, and confidence. Prepare me to meet the constant struggles of daily life with a deeper faith and trust in You. Let your love set me free, for peace, or joy, for grace, for life, for others, forever. Amen.

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Weekday Masses

Monday - Saturday 8:00 AM

Weekend Masses

Saturday Vigil at 4:00 PM

Sunday

8:00 AM, 9:30 AM & 11:30 AM

Follow the Sunday Mass on our
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Confessions will be held
Saturdays 2:45-3:45

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Prayer for Protection from Hurricanes

*God, Our Father, Creator and Lord of the universe,
you have set the earth on its foundation
and all the elements of nature obey your command.
We humbly beseech you to keep us safe from all dangers
and calm the storm that threatens us.
May we be secure in your loving protection
and serve you always with grateful hearts.
We ask this through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,
who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit,
one God, forever and ever.
Amen.*

Hurricane Season Safety Tips



Be Prepared

In the storms of life, we turn to God and pray that we will be spared from harm. We are also called to take the necessary precautions to protect the precious gift of life and to minimize damage to property.

Take Shelter

If you are elderly or have special needs, please contact your county's Emergency Management Office to pre-register prior to any storm if you will need to evacuate.

Use Good Judgment

Use good judgment when deciding if conditions are safe to travel to Mass. In the event that roadways are not clear and weather conditions are unsafe to travel, the faithful are reminded that the obligation to participate in the Sunday Mass does not apply when there is grave difficulty in fulfilling this obligation (Code of Canon Law, Canon 1248 §2).

Stay Informed

If a storm threatens our area, please check local news stations for weather updates. Also, check with your parish and school about about closures and cancellations. Also, check the diocesan website, www.dosp.org.

Local Resources

Florida Department of Emergency Management:
www.floridadisaster.org

Citrus County Emergency Management:
www.sheriffcitrus.org/divisions/bureau_of_support_operations/emergency_operations.php

Hernando County Emergency Management:
www.hernandocounty.us/departments/departments-a-e/emergency-management

Hillsborough County Emergency Management:
www.hillsboroughcounty.org/residents/public-safety/emergency-management

Pasco County Emergency Management:
www.pascocountyfl.net/365/Emergency-Management

Pinellas County Emergency Management:
www.pinellascounty.org/emergency/



July 9, 2023

Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Zec 9:9-10 | Rom 8:9, 11-13 | Mt 11:25-30

Written by
THE
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DISCIPLE

GROW AS A DISCIPLE | PRAY, STUDY, ENGAGE, SERVE

What does a restful day look like to you? Maybe it's a lazy day poolside with a good book and a cold drink, or perhaps a dark room, cozy blanket, and a good movie. Lazy days like these are hard to come by; truly restful days in our busy world are even fewer and farther between. Although "taking a break" every once in a while from the cares of the world is certainly good for everyone, in today's Gospel Jesus is referring to true rest that only he can provide. Jesus asks us to take up his yoke and learn from him "and [we] will find rest for ourselves." Our burdens will be lighter because he shares them with us. Jesus says: "I am meek and humble of heart." Imagine the strength to be found in that meekness, that humility! We will know true rest when we surrender ourselves to Jesus and live in the freedom only he can provide.

GO EVANGELIZE

PRAYER, INVITATION, WITNESS, ACCOMPANIMENT

In order to find rest in the Lord, we must remember that "[we] are in the spirit, if only the Spirit of God dwells in [us]," as Saint Paul writes to the Romans. Therefore, Jesus is inviting us into union with him, as well as with the Father and the Holy Spirit. How do we yoke ourselves to Christ? By living out our baptismal promises, celebrating the sacraments, and through our lives of faith, we allow Jesus to work through us and lead the way. Let us make an effort this week to hand over our worries and anxieties to Jesus. And let us never forget that the Holy Spirit dwells within us.

PRAISE Share your worries and anxieties with Christ through prayer. Offer a prayer of thanksgiving and praise using today's psalm:

The Lord is faithful in all his words

and holy in all his works.

The Lord lifts up all who are falling

and raises up all who are bowed down.

I will praise your name for ever, my king and my God.



Are You Hoping to Receive One of the Seven Sacraments With Us?

Matrimony

Congratulations on your engagement! Every Diocese in Florida requires at least six months preparation before marriage. Please call our Pastor, Fr. Wayne Genereux, at the Parish Office for an appointment before setting a date.

Baptism

We are honored that you would like to choose Blessed Trinity Catholic Church for the baptism of your child! We ask that you please call our Pastor, Fr. Wayne Genereux, at the Parish Office for information regarding the pre-baptism class before scheduling a baptism.

Office Hours

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“Life in the Spirit” Prayer Group

Monday evenings at 7:00 pm
in Courtyard Hall.

All are welcome!

For more information please call
727-867-3663.

Mass Intentions

Saturday, July 8, Weekday in Ordinary Time

8:00 a.m. Aivars Jerumanis (Dec)

Saturday, July 8, Vigil for Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

4:00 p.m. James Lawler & Pat Sullivan (Dec)

Sunday, July 9, Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 a.m. Phil Roach (Dec)

9:30 a.m. Mass for Parishioners

11:30 a.m. John Gaffney (Dec)

Monday, July 10, Weekday in Ordinary Time

8:00 a.m. Carole Huff (Dec)

Tuesday, July 11, Memorial of Saint Benedict, Abbot

8:00 a.m. Donald Fontana (Dec)

Wednesday, July 12, Weekday in Ordinary Time

8:00 a.m. Mass for Vocations

Thursday, July 13, Memorial of Saint Henry

8:00 a.m. Jordan Carruth (Dec)

Friday, July 14, Memorial of Saint Kateri Tekakwitha, Virgin

8:00 a.m. Carole Huff (Dec)

Saturday, July 15, Memorial of Saint Bonaventure, Bishop and Doctor of the Church

8:00 a.m. Chris Roberts (Liv)

Saturday, July 15, Vigil for Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

4:00 p.m. Carole Huff (Dec)

Sunday, July 16, Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 a.m. Ann Kearney (Dec)

9:30 a.m. Mass for Parishioners

11:30 a.m. Marlene Romani (Dec)



Journeying Through Grief

“Grief is not a sign of weakness. It is a tribute to the loved one who died, and a healthy response to our heart ache.”

If you would like to be part of a Grief-Support “group” or you would prefer “one on one” support, please call Rachel between 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. at the parish office, 727-867-3663

Prayer for Priests & Future Priests

Eternal Father, We lift up to you these and all the priests of the world. Sanctify them, heal and guide them. Mold them into the likeness and holiness of your Son Jesus, the Eternal High Priest. May their lives be pleasing to you. In Jesus name, we pray. Amen.

07/09 • Rev. Wayne Genereux

07/10 • Benjamin Harris, Seminarian

07/11 • Rev. Thomas Madden

07/12 • For Vocations to Priesthood & Religious Life

07/13 • Rev. Nelson Restrepo

07/14 • Rev. Robert G. Romaine

07/15 • Rev. Michael Cormier

These are the names of the active priests and seminarians in our Diocese. Remember our Bishop has designated Wednesdays as Diocesan Day of Prayer for Vocations. Please continue to pray that more young people will hear and answer God's call to the Priesthood and Religious Life.

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Stewardship Prayer

O Divine Giver of all gifts, grant us the daily graces we need to follow closely in the footsteps of Jesus in the way we live out our lives and make use of our gifts.

Daily, may we renew with You our small part of the world by allowing Your will to be accomplished in and through us.

Help us to trust in Your love for us and to grow in our fidelity and relationship with You.

We thank You for the trust You place in us as stewards of our personal gifts. May the Holy Spirit guide us in placing our time, talent and treasure at the service of each other so that together we may faithfully witness the Christian message and thus become Your holy people.

Amen

Diocesan

Eucharistic Encounter

Most Reverend Bishop Gregory Parkes

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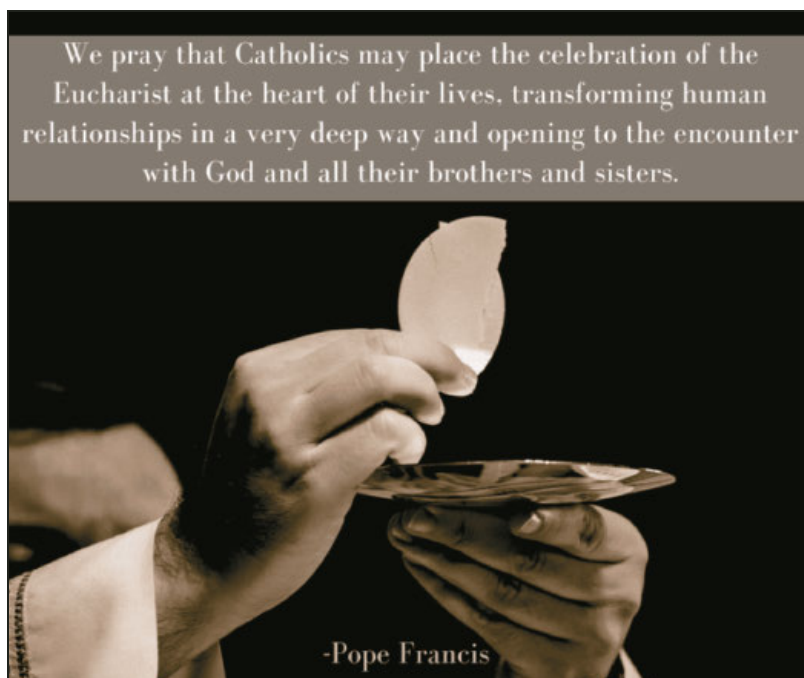
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RECOGNIZE GOD IN YOUR ORDINARY MOMENTS

Faith Like a Child

If you Google Search recommendations on how to raise generous children, almost every list of ideas begins with — or at least contains — the directive for adults to be good models of generosity themselves. Our children learn from our actions much more than from our words. Of course, when I think back over the years while my children were growing up, I think I may have learned as much from them as they learned from me. There is a time between early childhood and middle school where a child seems to be freer to give and share than at any other time in life. It is around the age of First Communion when the cries of “mine” turn to laughter and smiles, and the urge to be a part of something bigger than oneself leads to sharing. Before you know it, the child hits the pre-teen years, and once again, he or she becomes the center of the universe.

I believe that the previous paragraph is all true, however, the stages described seem to repeat themselves throughout adulthood. Don't you agree? Sometimes we fall into seeing ourselves as the center of the universe, or we become consumed by our state in life or with what we have acquired. Also, we at times are generous and loving people. It is sin that draws us back into ourselves and away from any meaningful life of stewardship and generosity. In order to be freed for love, we need role models to help us see what really matters. We need to reflect on the example of many of our brothers and sisters in Christ. And, yes, we need to look to children who may be at the point in their lives where sharing is fun, and love is something in abundance.

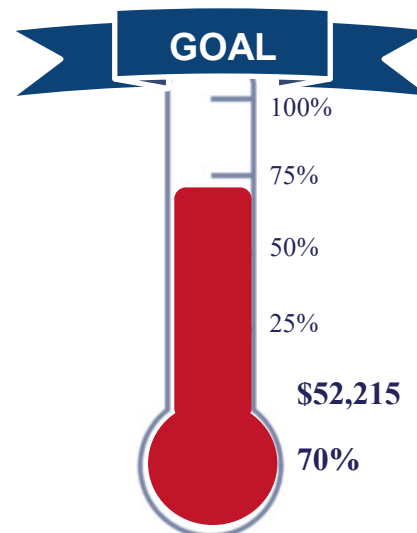
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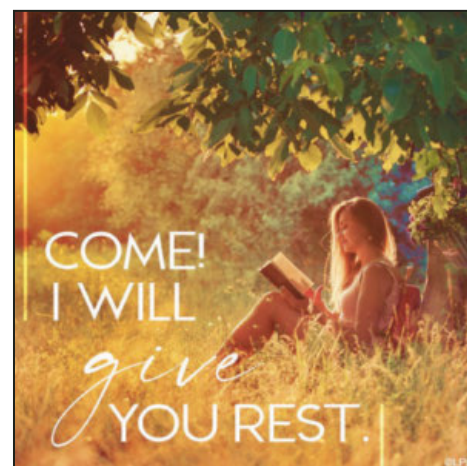


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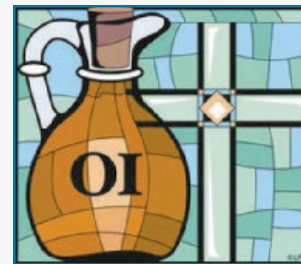
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To request the Anointing of the Sick for yourself or a loved one, please contact the parish office, 727-867-3663.

If you or a close family member would like to be added or removed from our prayer list, please contact the parish office at 727-867-3663.



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