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Weekend Magazine

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August 20, 2023 ▪ The Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Pope mourns victims of Hawaii fire

By Kathleen N. Hattrup

"He expresses his solidarity with all those suffering from this tragedy, especially those whose loved ones have died or are missing"



Pope Francis assured his prayers for the situation in Hawaii through a papal note sent to his representative in the United States.

His Holiness Pope Francis was deeply saddened to learn of the loss of life and the destruction caused by the wildfires on the Hawai-

ian Island of Maui, and he expresses his solidarity with all those suffering from this tragedy, especially those whose loved ones have died or are missing. His Holiness also offers the assurance of prayers for the dead, injured and displaced, as well as for the first responders and emergency personnel. As a sign of his spiritual closeness, the Holy Father willingly invokes upon all the people of Maui, Almighty God's blessings of strength and peace.

The death toll is already over 90 in what has now become the deadliest wildfire in the United States since the early 1900s.

What began as scattered brush fires on the state's biggest islands spread quickly. By Saturday evening, at least 93 people had been confirmed dead.

The Holy Father also mentioned the tragedy after praying the midday Angelus on August 13:

I would also like to assure my prayers for the victims of the fires that devastated the island of Maui, Hawaii.

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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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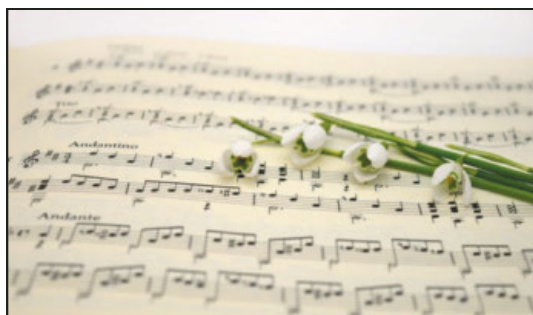
Dinner and a Show!

Watch for more details SOON!

Scripture Class

Blessed Trinity Scripture Classes will resume on September 12th from 10:00 am - 11:30 am. We will begin with a new study from Q Place "celebrate", yes to life in Christ.

Class will be held in the Courtyard Hall and the books will be \$12.00 for 12 sessions. For further information and to confirm attendance, please call Barbara Townsend (727) 867-3605



Music Program

The Music Program has started up once again.

Rehearsals for the Adult Choir will be on Wednesday evenings at 6:00 p.m. followed by the Handbell Choir at 7:30 p.m.

The Contemporary Ensemble will have rehearsals on Sunday mornings at 11:00 a.m.

If you are interested in joining the choir for the first time or returning, all are welcome. I look forward to seeing everyone.

~ Wayne Dieterich, Director of Music



August 20, 2023

Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Is 56:1, 6-7 | Rom 11:13-15, 29-32 | Mt 15:21-28

Written by
THE
FAITHFUL
DISCIPLE

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

The abundance of God's love for us is what stood out for me in our readings today. If we consider the concept of abundance outside the Scriptures, it can be tricky. When we have it, does it imply we have too much when others have too little? If we are speaking of material things, then perhaps. But God's infinite and merciful love for us resound in each of our readings today, and this is cause for joy. In Isaiah, the Lord announces that he will accept offerings from anyone who holds to his covenant, Jewish or not. Saint Paul stresses that God's mercy is for *all*, and Jesus, after some back-and-forth with the Canaanite woman, heals the woman's daughter because of her great faith. God never tires of desiring healing and wholeness for *all* his children, which is a great gift. Let this gift of grace from God be a catalyst for us to reach out in love to others so that we also can come to God's "holy mountain and [be made] joyful in [his] house of prayer."

GO EVANGELIZE

PRAYER, INVITATION, WITNESS, ACCOMPANIMENT

How can we reach out in love to others as we called to do? Perhaps we can start with our parish. Is there a ministry we have read about in the bulletin that needs volunteers? Or a coordinator? Perhaps it is time to ask God how we can be his instrument in the world. We can start small. I will never forget when my friend volunteered to run our Vacation Bible School one summer. Of course, she turned to her friends to help her with this daunting task! What she desperately needed was someone to go from classroom to classroom and lead the children in song. Talk about out of my comfort zone! But she gave me the music books and song suggestions, and pretty soon, "This Little Light of Mine" was reverberating through the halls of the school. I learned then and there that kids don't notice the quality of your voice if you are joyful and enthusiastic. They love to sing! Take a chance and get out there. You won't regret it.

PRAY *Lord, Jesus Christ, give me the wisdom to view my hands as extensions of yours. Give me eyes to see all people as you see them. Help me to use my voice to praise you and bring the truth of your goodness to everyone I encounter. Give me the strength to have unwavering faith. Amen.*



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

Monday—Friday 9-12 and 1-4
Closed for Lunch Noon to 1 pm

Mass Intentions

Saturday, August 19, Weekday in Ordinary Time

8:00 a.m. Charles Pagliuca (Dec)

Saturday, August 19, Vigil for The Twentieth Sunday in OT

4:00 p.m. Nick Calandra (Dec)

Sunday, August 20, The Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 a.m. Robert Clippard (Dec)

9:30 a.m. Mass for Parishioners

11:30 a.m. Gerald Hayman (Dec)

Monday, August 21, Memorial of Saint Pius X, Pope

8:00 a.m. Marion Gillis (Dec)

Tuesday, August 22, Memorial of the Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary

8:00 a.m. Gertrude B Murray (Dec)

Wednesday, August 23, Memorial of Saint Rose of Lima, Virgin

8:00 a.m. Mass for Vocations

Thursday, August 24, Feast of Saint Bartholomew, Apostle

8:00 a.m. Joan Dahlquist (Dec)

Friday, August 25, Memorial of Saint Louis of France and Saint Joseph Calasanz, Priest

8:00 a.m. Joseph Marchese & Thomas Giardini (Dec)

Saturday, August 26, Weekday in Ordinary Time

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

Saturday, August 26, Vigil for The Twenty-First Sunday in OT

4:00 p.m. Antonello DiMillo (Dec)

Sunday, August 27, The Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 a.m. Soledad Aquino (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.

08/20 • For All Seminarians
08/21 • Rev. Michael Lydon
08/22 • Rev. Craig Morley
08/23 • For Vocations to Priesthood & Religious Life
08/24 • Rev. Tamil Jeyara
08/25 • Rev. Randall J. Meissen, IC
08/26 • Rev. Timothy Sherwood

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.

Vocations

Are you called to serve the family of the Lord and share the Father's love as a priest, deacon, sister or brother?

Call Father Chuck Dornquist 727-345-3452 or write: scd@dosp.org

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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.

EVERYDAY STEWARDSHIP - RECOGNIZE GOD IN YOUR ORDINARY MOMENTS

The Jubilee Year of Mercy is now in the history books and looking back I wonder if I have been changed at all by the observance. Certainly the focus on mercy wasn't all about God's mercy toward me? Yes, I focused on my sin and the need for God's forgiveness and grace, but hopefully that changed how I live my life and how I offer mercy to others.

The mercy we receive from God is not something we are to keep bottled up or hidden from others. Jesus taught us to treat others the way we would like to be treated and to love everyone, even our enemies. When Jesus healed the Canaanite woman I wonder what she did next. I would hope she in turn offered mercy and healing to others. Of course, I know she was imperfect just like me so I am sure in no time she was back to needing the mercy of Jesus. Her demon was gone, but there is always a new evil around every corner.

However, the fact that we are a broken people always in need of mercy does not lessen the command for us to offer mercy. Mercy is a gift like so many others that God lavishes on us with great generosity. We are called to cultivate this and share it with others as well. If we cannot do that then what was the real effect of God's mercy in our lives? If we do not allow God to change us into more generous stewards ready to offer mercy and love to all, then perhaps we are fooling ourselves that we are true disciples of Jesus at all.

Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS

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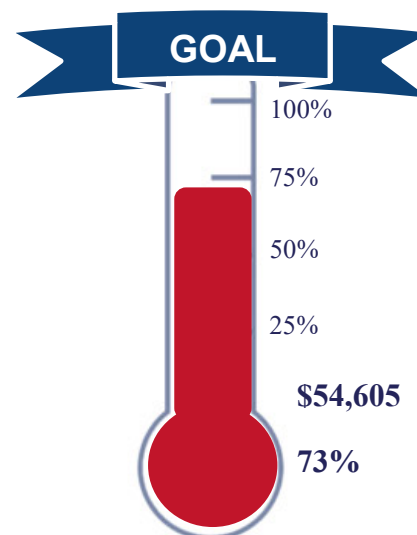
St. Anthony's Prayer for Peace of Mind

O holy Saint Anthony, your deep faith in Jesus Christ comforted your heart, especially during times of trial and distress. Help me grow in faith, so I may experience peace of mind and heart in my present needs (Here mention). Free me from undue anxiety, needless worry, and burdensome fears. Grant me sure confidence, unfailing trust in God's loving mercy and daily serenity. ~ Amen



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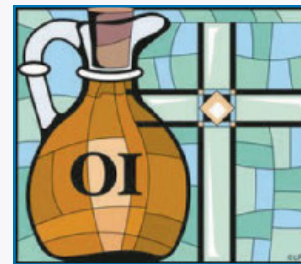
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To request the Anointing of the Sick for yourself or a loved one, please contact the parish office, 727-867-3663.

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