

**August 7, 2016**

**Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**Reading 1: Wisdom 18:6-9**

**Psalm: 33:1, 12, 18-19, 20-22**

**Reading 2: Hebrews 11:1-2, 8-19**

**Gospel: Luke 12:32-48**



**FROM THE DESK OF FR. LUDVIK**

**Welcome to Saint Aloysius and Our Lady of Lourdes!**

Good Catholics on vacation always make time for Sunday Mass. For locations of churches and mass times in your vacation spot, visit [www.masstimes.org](http://www.masstimes.org) or call 1-410-676-6000. It doesn't take much advance planning to include worship as part of one's time away from home. If you are visiting our church this weekend - Welcome! Please introduce yourself, we always like to know where our visitors have traveled from to spend time with our Lord. God never takes a vacation from you, make an effort to worship every Sunday, even when you are away from home. Please remember your offertory gift while on vacation, we still pay bills during the summer.

Thank you, Fr. John J. Ludvik, Pastor

**PRAYER REQUESTS**

During this Jubilee Year of Mercy, please remember all those who have asked for prayer. A Spiritual Work of Mercy.



**Archbishop Peter Sartain's continued recovery**

*Prayer request must be made through Cindy Guillot 253-862-9100.*

**YEAR OF MERCY REFLECTION**



"Let us allow God to surprise us. He never tires of casting open the doors of his heart and of repeating that he loves us." - Pope Francis

**RICH IN WHAT MATTERS TO GOD: literally, "rich for God."**

Jesus said to his disciples: "Do not be afraid any longer, little flock, for your Father is pleased to give you the kingdom. Sell your belongings and give alms. Provide money bags for yourselves that do not wear out, an inexhaustible treasure in heaven that no thief can reach nor moth destroy. For where your treasure is, there also will your heart be. LK 12: 32-34

**ARE YOU CALLED TO BE A CATECHIST?**

We would like to share a quote with you from Blessed Teresa of Calcutta. "To show great love for God and our neighbor we need not do great things. It is how much we put in the doing, that makes our offering something beautiful for God." Keeping that in mind, we need some help. We are looking for help in our RE Classes and in youth ministry on Mondays. We need people who love our faith and want to pass that on to the future of our church. Please consider giving the gift of your knowledge, time and faith to our youth. Please contact the Parish Office.

**THE ASSUMPTION OF MARY SUNDAY AUGUST 14TH**

This feast commemorates the death of the Blessed Virgin Mary and her assumption, body and soul, into Heaven. The Solemnity of the Assumption of Mary is celebrated every year on August 15th, however this year it is moved to Sunday. It is the most important Marian feast, and it is also a Holy Day of Obligation, but if it falls on a Saturday or on a Monday, it is not obligatory by the church to attend mass. This was amended in the church calendar by US bishops in 1991.



All the feast days of Mary mark the great mysteries of her life and her part in the work of redemption. The central mystery of her life and person is her divine motherhood, celebrated both at Christmas and a week later (Jan. 1) on the feast of the Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God. The Immaculate Conception (Dec. 8) marks the preparation for that motherhood, so that she had the fullness of grace from the first moment of her existence, completely untouched by sin. The Assumption completes God's work in her since it was not fitting that the flesh that had given life to God himself should ever undergo corruption. The Assumption is God's crowning of His work as Mary ends her earthly life and enters eternity. The feast days of the Church are not just the commemoration of historical events; they look to the present and to the future and give us an insight into our own relationship with God. The Assumption looks to eternity and gives us hope that we, too, will follow Our Lady when our life is ended. The prayer for the feast reads:

*"All-powerful and ever-living God: You raised the sinless Virgin Mary, mother of your Son, body and soul, to the glory of heaven. May we see heaven as our final goal and come to share her glory."*

**PRAY FOR PEACE**

Remembering those affected by recent violence around the world.



Spirit of Life,

May we see the value of life.

Spirit of Hope,

May we renew our hope in You.

Spirit of Peace, May we find peace in your Love, and love each other enough to bring your peace to our world. Amen.

**THE YEAR OF MERCY**

What is the Year of Mercy? Jesus Christ is the face of the Father's mercy. With these words, Pope Francis announced a Holy Year of Mercy beginning on December 8th, 2015 - the feast of the Immaculate Conception - and ending on the feast Christ the King on November 20, 2016. Mercy lies at the very heart of the Christian message. Pope Francis envisions a year in which we will become more merciful in our lives and share God's mercy with others. In this Year of Mercy, we are called to bring consolation to the poor, liberty to those bound by new forms of slavery in our society, spiritual sight to those who have lost touch with God, and human dignity to those most in need. How are you doing? Pray Always!

# CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK

<b>Monday – Aug 8</b> – St. Dominic, Priest Rosary	<b>3:00pm</b>
<b>Tuesday - Aug 9</b> Mass	<b>8:30am</b>
Knights of Columbus	<b>7:00pm</b>
Our Lady of Lourdes Altar Society	<b>7:00pm</b>
<b>Wednesday - Aug 10</b> Mass + Bob White by Dolores Fresonke	<b>8:30am</b>
<b>Thursday - Aug 11</b> Mass + Araceli Aragon by Monica Podulk	<b>8:30am</b>
<b>Friday - Aug 12</b> Mass	<b>8:30am</b>
<b>Saturday – Aug 13</b> 4th degree Knights of Columbus	<b>9:00am</b>
Confession	<b>3:30pm</b>
Mass	<b>5:00pm</b>
<b>Sunday - Aug 14</b> Mass at OLOL	<b>8:30am</b>
Mass for parishioners/intentions	<b>10:30am</b>
Knights of Columbus breakfast	<b>10:00am</b>

## CELEBRATE AND SUPPORT FAMILIES DURING THE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS FAMILY WEEK



The Knights of Columbus' Family Week, held this year Aug. 8th – 14th, is a special opportunity for our Order to recognize families for what they are: "Domestic Churches" that give life to the parish and community. Knights celebrate families as the backbone of our community, sharing the joy and love that is at the center of Christian family life.

The family's role: "A culture of witness is sustained within the Church through marriage and the family...It is within the Sacrament of Matrimony that the husband and wife evangelize, become evangelized, and share their witness of the faith to their children and to society."

The family, called the "Domestic Church" is often the first place where one experiences and is formed in the faith. The new evangelization depends in large part on this Domestic Church. The Domestic Church is a sanctuary from the hardships of the secular world, a place where, protected and guided by their parents, children grow in maturity and grace. Parents, by their "word and example", pass on their faith and provide an environment for truth and virtue to grow.

The renewal of the Church in America will not be possible without the active presence of the laity. Therefore, the family is largely responsible for the future of our Church.

In this week, dedicated to our Families, the Knights of Columbus ask all parishioners to pray for the strengthening of our Families. Let's all welcome God back into our homes and through prayer and increased devotion our families will become the "Domestic Churches" they are meant to be. VIVAT JESUS For more information on the Knights of Columbus contact Grand Knight Joe Schamer (253) 298-1720.

PLEASE TAKE A COPY OF THE BULLETIN HOME FOR FUTURE REFERENCE AND READING!

## IMPORTANT DATES

**AUG 14th** Knights of Columbus breakfast 10:00am  
**AUG 17th** Monthly Parish Potluck invite your friends NOON  
**SEPT 11th** Our Lady of Lourdes Altar Society BUNCO!  
**OCT 1st** — Knights of Columbus spaghetti dinner 5:45pm



## KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS CELEBRATE THE FAMILY BREAKFAST

Aug 14th – 10am-noon  
 Come and enjoy pancakes, eggs, OJ & Coffee, in the Parish Hall. Donations for future Knights of Columbus projects will be appreciated.

## THANK YOU FROM THE YOUTH GROUP

Thank you for your generous donations at the breakfast last Sunday. \$1,436 was raised to help send 13 of our youth and two chaperones to the Ignite Your Torch retreat this year. Please pray for their spiritual growth this weekend.



## SEEING EYE DOGS

There's a guy with a Doberman Pinscher and a guy with a Chihuahua. The guy with the Doberman Pinscher says to the guy with a Chihuahua, "Let's go over to that restaurant and get something to eat."

The guy with the Chihuahua says, 'We can't go in there. We've got dogs with us.'

The guy with the Doberman Pinscher says, 'Just follow my lead.'

They walk over to the restaurant, the guy with the Doberman Pinscher puts on a pair of dark glasses, and he starts to walk in.

A guy at the door says, "Sorry, mac, no pets allowed."

The guy with the Doberman Pinscher says, 'You don't understand. This is my blind dog.'

The guy at the door says, 'A Doberman Pinscher?' He says, 'Yes, they're using them now, they're very good.'

The guy at the door says, 'Come on in.'

The guy with the Chihuahua figures, 'Why not,' so he puts on a pair of dark glasses and starts to walk in.

The guy at the door says, 'Sorry, pal, no pets allowed.'

The guy with the Chihuahua says, 'You don't understand. This is my blind dog.'

The guy at the door says, 'A Chihuahua?'

The guy with the Chihuahua says, 'You mean they gave me a Chihuahua?'



## NEW FISCAL YEAR REPORTS FOR 07-31-16

<u>St. Aloysius</u>	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Budgeted</u>	<u>Variance</u>
Weekly Revenue	\$3,609.00	\$2,963.00	\$646.00
Fiscal YTD	\$15,324.50	\$14,815.00	\$509.50
<b><u>Our Lady of Lourdes</u></b>			
Weekly Revenue	\$701.00	\$790.00	<b>-\$89.00</b>
Fiscal YTD	\$3,720.00	\$3,950.00	<b>-\$123.00</b>



### MOTHER TERESA'S - A SAINT

From growing up in a single parent home, after the sudden death of her father when she was 8 years old, to being known as one of the most beloved figures in the history of the Church, the humble, emphatic, humanitarian Mother Teresa will be declared a saint on September 4, 2016, only 19 years after her death.

On September 10, 1946, on a train to Darjeeling, India, for her annual retreat, Mother Teresa experienced an epiphany of God's grace and great yearning — his "thirst" — for his children. This "Inspiration Day," as she later called it, was to be the beginning of many more revelations from God that would radically alter the course of her life. - Our Sunday Visitor

### THE GRACE OF THE 12 STEPS

*Every Step Has The Grace of the 12 Steps:  
Every Step Has a Promise*

Each one of the 12 Steps offers a promise that touches upon spiritual, emotional, and physical well-being. This retreat will explore the meaning of each promise and suggest some practical approaches to "working the steps". September 2-5 at the Palisades Retreat Center on beautiful Dash Point in Federal Way. Led by Dr Mary Cross and Fr Jim Harbaugh, S.J. Dr Cross has presented and given spiritual consultations with 12 Steps Retreats since 1994. Fr Jim Harbaugh has taught Addictions Counseling and has been a certified Chemical Dependency Counselor and has otherwise been active in working with additions, especially 12 Step Retreats, for 29 years. He is the author of two books, including a Twelve Step Approach to the Spiritual Exercises of St Ignatius. For more information and additional retreats visit: [www.palisadesretreatcenter.org](http://www.palisadesretreatcenter.org)

### SEEL Retreat

SEEL Invites you to Draw Nearer to God The Spiritual Exercises in Everyday Life (SEEL) is a 9 month retreat format of the Spiritual Exercises of St. Ignatius, with a retreat community at St. Leo's in Tacoma. The SEEL retreat goes from September through May and is a powerful, life-changing program of prayer and spiritual direction that can be done by busy people in the midst of their daily lives. SEEL is accepting applications now for the retreat starting in September of 2016. Learn more at our website: <http://www.seelpugetsound.org> or call 206-721-3518.

### RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CATECHIST

Top Reasons to Become a Catechist

1. You will grow in your own faith, learn the teachings of the Church, and deepen your relationship with Jesus.
2. Your Baptism calls you to share in Jesus' ministry.
3. Children, teens, and adults in today's world, more than ever, need to hear the Good News of Jesus.
4. Children, teens, and adults in today's world, more than ever, need to encounter good role models of faith.
5. You have much to share with those you'll teach, and you'll have opportunities to share faith with other catechists.
6. Today's catechetical textbooks/resources offer outstanding support.
7. You'll be challenged, you'll have fun, and you'll make new friends.
8. You'll be helping people deepen their relationship with Jesus. (You'll be evangelizing!)
9. You'll be handing on a 2000-year-old Tradition that changes lives.
10. It's our job: Jesus sent us to "go and teach all nations."

(Author: Joe Paprocki Source: Loyola Press)

If you are interested in being a catechist, please contact Shelby Salinas (253) 888-2770 or email the office: [office@saint-alloysius-catholic-church.org](mailto:office@saint-alloysius-catholic-church.org) Classes begin in September.

### RCIA

Becoming a Catholic Christian is first an opportunity to inquire into questions about the Catholic Faith. This is a time of introduction to the gospel of Jesus Christ and a time of reflection on one's own life in the light of the values of the reign of God. It is an unstructured time of no fixed duration for questions and an opportunity for the beginnings of Christian faith to form. We have several persons have asked about wanting to be Catholic or learning about the Catholic Faith. You may contact Fr. Ludvik regarding RCIA at Sacred Heart in Enumclaw or call their parish directly. If you live closer to St. Andrew's in Sumner, they also will have the RCIA process beginning.

### SPIRITUAL DIRECTION, RETREATS & MARRIAGE PREP

Hermitage Place, Franciscan 212-3127 62nd & Alaska St., Tacoma; The Priory, Benedictine 360-438-2595, Lacey, WA; Ignatian Spirituality Center, Jesuit 206-329-4821, Seattle, WA; Sr. Patricia Morisset, O.P., Dominican 253-722-7979, Tacoma; CCS Counseling Center, Tacoma (253) 502-2696

### CONSIDERING SEPARATION OR DIVORCE?

There is an alternative called Retrouvaille (pronounced retro-vi). It has helped tens of thousands of troubled marriages, bringing reconciliation and healing to seemingly hopeless situations. You are not alone. For confidential information about, or to register for our upcoming program beginning Sept 23-25, 2016 call 360-671-6479 or visit <http://www.HelpOurMarriage.com>.

### DOC'S REPORT

The doctor in a small North Carolina clinic asked the weather-beaten mountaineer how he was feeling. "Well ... it's like this," drawled the man. "I'm still a-kickin', but I ain't raisin' no dust."