

August 21, 2016

Twenty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time

Reading 1: Isaiah 66:18-21

Psalm: 117:1, 2

Reading 2: Hebrews 12:5-7, 11-13

Gospel: Luke 13:22-30



FROM THE DESK OF FR. LUDVIK

Welcome to Saint Aloysius and Our Lady of Lourdes!

We welcome you into our parish community this weekend. We sincerely hope you feel at home and among friends! If you are a visitor just for today, God's blessings to you on your continued journey and thank you for coming to our church. If you are seeking a new church home, we welcome you into our parish family.

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.



Jim Devlet

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

DAILY QUOTE

"If we do not share what we have been given, then the gift was never truly received. Every gift given is meant to be passed along."

—Carrie Gress, DynamicCatholic.com



MEDITATIONS ON MERCY – USCCB

"Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven. Blessed are they who mourn, for they will be comforted. Blessed are the meek, for they will inherit the land. Blessed are they who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they will be satisfied. Blessed are the merciful, for they will be shown mercy. Blessed are the clean of heart, for they will see God. Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called children of God. Blessed are they who are persecuted for the sake of righteousness, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven. Blessed are you when they insult you and persecute you and utter every kind of evil against you [falsely] because of me. Rejoice and be glad, for your reward will be great in heaven." (Mt 5:3-12a)

In these ten verses, the word "blessed" is used nine times. That's a lot of blessings! This passage is commonly referred to as the Beatitudes and begins Matthew's account of the Sermon on the Mount. So what does beatitude mean, and what does it mean to be blessed?

According to the USCCA (United States Catholic Catechism for Adults), "Beatitude refers to a state of deep happiness or joy" (p 308). "The Beatitudes teach us the final end to which God calls us: the Kingdom, the vision of God, participation in the divine nature, eternal life, filiation, rest in God" (Catechism of the Catholic Church, no. 1726). This passage from Matthew helps us see how our actions are directed toward our eternal goal of sharing in the Kingdom of God. Like the corporal and spiritual works of mercy, the Beatitudes help us form our moral lives and illustrate that the foundation of these actions is the love of God. They also give us hope—hope in the love and mercy of God that is present on earth and that we will experience in the fullness of heaven. Even though it may be challenging to live out these values, it is important to remember that we find solace in God and will be blessed for our efforts on behalf of the Kingdom of God.

WHY REGISTER IN THE PARISH?

Being part of a parish is an important way to both claim your identity as a Catholic Christian and also to become part of our official parish record, which allows us to serve you (and your family) most effectively. It is necessary, unless unusual circumstances exist, for you to be registered in the parish before Baptisms and Marriages can be celebrated; before participation in Religious Education Programs; and before we can offer you a "Sponsor Certificate" for you to be able to stand as a sponsor for Baptism or Confirmation in another parish. Registration is a simple process, contact the office or pick up a form at the entrance to church and return.

**YEAR OF MERCY
WEEKLY REFLECTION**

"So what do we see, when we look to the Cross where Jesus was nailed? We contemplate the sign of the infinite love of God for each of us and the source of our salvation. That Cross is the source of the mercy of God that embraces the whole world."

— Pope Francis

**AUGUST: THE MONTH OF THE IMMACULATE
HEART OF MARY**



In 1830, the nation of France had been torn asunder by the Revolution. A young woman who'd joined the Daughters of Charity, Catherine Laboure, prayed fervently for her beautiful country. France had once been a Catholic nation, but the Revolution had destroyed not only churches, but faith for so many. Despite the fact that Catherine was a novice (a sister who has not yet taken permanent vows), Christ had plans for her.

Mary appeared to St. Catherine Laboure standing on a globe, rays of light streaming from her fingers, enframed in an oval frame inscribed with the words, "O Mary, conceived without sin, pray for us who have recourse to thee." The whole vision turned showing the back of the oval inscribed with the letter "M" entwined with a Cross, and the hearts of Jesus and Mary, the former surrounded with thorns, the latter pierced with a sword. Twelve stars circled this oval frame. Mary told her to strike a medal in this form, a medal now known as the "Miraculous

Medal", and that all who wore it properly after having it blessed would receive graces. The wearing of the Miraculous Medal has become one of the most common devotions to the Immaculate Heart. If you would like a Miraculous Medal please contact Patty Rumpza - Legion of Mary, local presidium president. Please use the office contact information on the front of the bulletin.

CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK

Monday – Aug 22 — The Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary Rosary Adult Faith Formation Study of the Catechism	3:00pm 7:00pm
Tuesday - Aug 23 — St. Rose of Lima Mass + Marie Gray	8:30am
Wednesday - Aug 24 — St. Bartholomew, Apostle Mass	8:30am
Thursday - Aug 25 Mass + Ellen Linder, + Martin and Martha Grab By Greg & Barbara Vesey	8:30am
Friday - Aug 26 — Our Lady of Czestochowa Mass	8:30am
Saturday – Aug 27 — St. Monica Confession Mass	3:30pm 5:00pm
Sunday - Aug 28 Mass at OLOL Mass for parishioners/intentions	8:30am 10:30am

IMPORTANT DATES

SEPT 11th Our Lady of Lourdes Altar Society BUNCO!
SEPT 11th Knights of Columbus Blue Mass –10:30am
OCT 1st— Knights of Columbus spaghetti dinner 5:45pm

THANK YOU!!

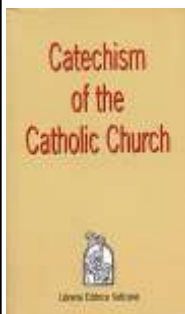
The Knights of Columbus would like to thank everyone who attended the breakfast honoring the “Domestic Church”, the Christian family. We thank you for your generous donations. The Knights of Columbus look forward to seeing you at other parish gatherings. For more information about the Knights of Columbus contact Grand Knight Joe Schamer (253) 298-1720.

SAINT QUOTE

"To become holy, to become saints, we must of course try as hard as we can to do God's will as it comes to us in a general way that is valid for everyone: through Scripture, the Commandments, and so on. It is also indispensable, as has just been said, to go further: to aspire to know not only what God demands of everyone in general, but also what he wants more specifically of us individually."

—Fr. Jacques Philippe,
In the School of the Holy Spirit, p. 19

ADULT STUDY OF THE CATECHISM



You are invited to explore the 3rd section of the Catechism of the Catholic Church. This section is on the Beatitudes (see page 1) and the Commandments: How to live a life in Christ. We all sin, but when is it mortal or venial ... or not a sin at all? This study will help you see where you can grow in holiness, by putting off St. Paul's old man, and putting on Christ. Come and join us Monday evenings

(7:00 to 8:30) starting this Monday, August 22nd. If you miss a meeting, the subject is repeated in Summer at St Andrew's Parish the following Thursday 10:00 to 11:30 in Building E, Room 6. Questions, call Evan Twombly at 253-863-6755. No experience necessary but if you have a Catechism, please bring it.

REGISTER NOW FOR K TO 6TH GRADE RELIGIOUS ED FALL 2016 CLASSES!

We are now taking registration forms for Kindergarten to 6th grade Religious Education fall 2016 classes. You can pick up your form in the entrance to church or the office. For more information contact Shelby Salinas at (253) 888-2770. Classes will start Monday, September 26th from 4:30p-5:30p. The fees are \$30.00 per child, \$45.00 for two children or \$60.00 for three or more children. Please make checks payable to St. Aloysius. **Note:** Children 7 years old or in the second grade are eligible for First Holy Communion, however in order to fully understand the Sacrament they should start faith formation in K- 1st grade.

Important: In order to begin class, candidates for First Communion must provide a Baptismal Certificate.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS QUARTERLY FOOD BANK COLLECTION



This quarter's collection will run from this weekend August 20th through next weekend August 28th. Please bring non-perishable items to church and place in the basket by the front doors or by the entrance in the hall, the big blue box .

Thank you. Please check expirations!

FOOD BANK POSSIBLES Check List:

Cereal	Canned Fruit
Flour/sugar/spices	Peanut Butter
Soup/Chili/stew	Jam
Rice/dry beans	Canned Tuna/Salmon
Canned Vegetables	Toilet Paper

SEND BIRTHDAY WISHES

Former parishioner, Marge Waldemarson is turning 90!! Her daughter Jane is surprising her mom with a birthday book of well wishes from friends and asks that we either send an email birthday message greeting to jkuh51@gmail.com or send a card to: Jane Kuh, 1008 Orin Rice Rd., Colville, Washington 99114. She needs this as soon as possible (Sept. 4th) so that she can get the book made for her mother Marge. Jane thanks us for helping make this special day for her mom.



NEW FISCAL YEAR REPORTS FOR 08-14-16

<u>St. Aloysius</u>	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Budgeted</u>	<u>Variance</u>
Weekly Revenue	\$2,293.00	\$2,963.00	-\$670.00
Fiscal YTD	\$21,529.50	\$20,741.00	\$788.50
<u>Our Lady of Lourdes</u>			
Weekly Revenue	\$905.00	\$790.00	\$115.00
Fiscal YTD	\$5,197.30	\$5,530.00	-\$ 332.70

A LIFELINE FOR MARRIAGES

Retrouvaille (pronounced retro-vī) can help couples in trouble rediscover each other and take new, positive steps to save their marriages. No matter the source of conflict in your marriage, Retrouvaille can help you. For confidential information about, or to register for our upcoming program beginning **Sept 23-25**, call **360-671-6479** or visit our website at HelpOurMarriage.com

PRINCIPLES FOR CATHOLICS ON ISSUES WHEN VOTING FOR CANDIDATES

These principles place the human person at the center of political policy making, and stress both the need to build up the whole human family as well as the need to shift power and resources from “big government” to “local life and local love.”

A summary of the bishop’s teachings gives more detailed instruction on how to exercise prudence in making positive moral choices, how to deal with complicated dilemmas and avoid common pitfalls in voter choice.

The bishops lay out ten areas of public policy to which Catholics should pay close attention. They are:

1. The requirement to protect human life from conception to natural death
2. The defense of the historic understanding of marriage and family life
3. A fair approach to immigration that defends borders while protecting and helping the poor
4. The need to fight against poverty
5. The need to provide adequate opportunities and education for all
6. The protection of religious freedom
7. Provision of adequate health care for all
8. The avoidance of all forms of racism and prejudice
9. The moral limitation of the use of military force
10. The need to cooperate internationally for justice, peace and environmental prosperity



QUEENSHIP OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY AUGUST 22nd

Queen of Heaven (Latin Regina Caeli) is one of many Queen Titles used of the Virgin Mary. The title derived in part from the ancient Catholic teaching that Mary, at the end of her earthly life, was bodily and spiritually assumed into heaven, and that she is there honored as Queen. Pius XII explained on the theological reasons for her title of Queen in a radio message to Fatima of May 13, 1946.



“He, the Son of God, reflects on His heavenly Mother the glory, the majesty and the dominion of His kingship, for, having been associated to the King of Martyrs in the ... work of human Redemption as Mother and cooperator, she remains forever associated to Him, with a practically unlimited power, in the distribution of the graces which flow from the Redemption. Jesus is King throughout all eternity by nature and by right of conquest: through Him, with Him, and subordinate to Him, Mary is Queen by grace, by divine relationship, by right of conquest, and by singular choice [of the Father].”

According to Catholic doctrine, Mary was assumed into heaven and is with Jesus Christ, her divine Son and is represented in the Book of Revelation (chapter 11:19–12:6) as the woman clothed with the sun who gives birth to Christ. In his 1954 encyclical *Ad caeli reginam* (“To the Queen of Heaven”), Pius XII points out that Mary deserves the title because she is Mother of God, because she is closely associated as the New Eve with Jesus’ redemptive work, because of her preeminent perfection and because of her intercessory power. *Ad caeli reginam* states that the main principle on which the royal dignity of Mary rests is her Divine Motherhood. ...So with complete justice St. John Damascene could write: “When she became Mother of the Creator, she truly became Queen of every creature.”

SAINT QUOTE ON PRAYER

“Never give up prayer, and should you find dryness and difficulty, persevere in it for this very reason. God often desires to see what love your soul has, and love is not tried by ease and satisfaction.”

— St. John of the Cross

QUICK HUMOR

An elderly woman died last month. Having never married, she requested no male pallbearers. In her handwritten instructions for her memorial service, she wrote, “They wouldn’t take me out while I was alive, I don’t want them to take me out when I’m dead.”

A police recruit was asked during the exam, “What would you do if you had to arrest your own mother?” He said, “Call for backup.”

A Sunday School teacher asked her class why Joseph and Mary took Jesus with them to Jerusalem. A small child replied: “They couldn’t get a baby-sitter.”

ARE YOU CALLED TO BE A CATECHIST?

“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.”

— Blessed Teresa of Calcutta

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. Call the office to volunteer!

ARCHDIOCESE OF SEATTLE

Ethicspoint announcement The Archdiocese of Seattle has established a confidential telephone hotline and website for parish staff and parishioners to anonymously raise concerns about suspected unethical behavior by church personnel. You can find more information about this hotline on a poster located in the church or by going to seattlearchdiocese.ethicspoint.com. This program is run under contract by an independent third party with a long record of providing these services both in the secular world and for other dioceses. 1-844-815-8236



**SAINT MOTHER TERESA
"SAINT OF MERCY"**

Prayer to Saint Mother Teresa

You allowed the thirsting love of Jesus on the Cross to become a living flame within you, and so became the light of His love to all. Obtain from the Heart of Jesus (*your request*). Teach me to allow Jesus to pierce and possess my whole being so completely that my life, too, may radiate His light and love to others. Amen.

**Immaculate Heart of Mary, Cause of Our Joy
Saint Teresa of Calcutta, Pray for Me**

MOTHER TERESA

As we prepare for the Canonization of Mother Teresa on September 4th, here are a few more of her most famous quotes:

"You can find Calcutta all over the world if you have eyes to see."
Mother Teresa | 1986

"We are the best market; we are selling love."
Mother Teresa | 1986

"The fruit of love is service. The fruit of service is peace. And peace begins with a smile."
Gonzaga High School commencement address | June 1988

"[T]he less you have, the more free you are."
Interview with Mother Teresa:
A Pencil in the Hand of God | December 1989

"Poverty in the West is a different kind of poverty; it is not only a poverty of loneliness but also of spirituality."
A Simple Path | October 1995

"Be faithful in small things because it is in them that your strength lies."
Spiritual Gems from Mother Teresa | 2008

**OUR BAPTISMAL CALL AND DISCIPLESHIP
Catechesis is the act of handing
on the Word of God!**

By virtue of our baptism, we are called to proclaim, witness, and share our faith with others in our daily lives. As Disciples of Christ, we are helping to build the Kingdom of God through our words and deeds. We share the gifts we have received to serve the Church and the Common Good. We are part of the Church's missionary mandate to "Go therefore and make disciples of all the nations baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you" (MT 28:19-20). Help build up the Kingdom of God by being a Religious Education teacher or assistant this fall. Please contact Shelby Salinas 253-888-2770.



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.

**Three Wonderful Blessings: A Celebration of
Dominican History and Spirituality**

BLESSED SACRAMENT WELCOMES
FR. PAUL MURRAY, O.P.
AUGUST 21-23, 2016

Sunday, August 21, 5:45 PM
Mass followed by Dominican Spirituality: A Miracle of Grace
Monday, August 22, 7:00 PM
Dominican Spirituality: A Discovery of True Freedom
Tuesday, August 23, 7:00 PM
Dominican Spirituality: A Drink Called Happiness
(Followed by a cookies and drinks reception in the Parish Hall)
Blessed Sacrament Church. 5050 8th Ave NE. Seattle

As we celebrate the 800th Jubilee of the founding of the Dominican Order, we are delighted to welcome Fr. Paul Murray, O.P., to share how Dominican Spirituality can enrich every Christian life. Fr. Paul is an Irish Dominican, a professor at the Angelicum in Rome, and a celebrated speaker. He is also the author of several books, including *In the Grip of Light: The Dark and Bright Journey of Christian Contemplation*, and *The New Wine of Dominican Spirituality: A Drink Called Happiness*. If you have any questions, please contact the Parish Office at (206) 547-3020 or info@bspwa.org.

THOUGHT FOR TODAY

"Circumstances may appear to wreck our lives and God's plans, but God is not helpless among the ruins. Our broken lives are not lost or useless. God comes in and takes the calamity and uses it victoriously, working out his wonderful plan of love."
—Eric Liddell