

August 28, 2016

Twenty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time

Reading 1: Sirach 3:17-18, 20, 28-29

Psalm: 68:4-5, 6-7, 10-11

Reading 2: Hebrews 12:18-19, 22-24a

Gospel: Luke 14:1, 7-14



FROM THE DESK OF FR. LUDVIK

Welcome to Saint Aloysius and Our Lady of Lourdes!

Mother Teresa was once asked, "How do you measure the success of your work?" She thought about the question and gave her interviewer a puzzled look, and said, "I don't remember that the Lord ever spoke of success. He spoke only of faithfulness in love. This is the only success that really counts." I think Mother Teresa would point to this story in Luke's Gospel today to justify that response. Jesus instructs us in today's Gospel not to do things that bring us the honor of men. Instead, we are to do things for which God will honor us.

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.

Mary Andrews, Barbara Anderson
Prayer request must be made through Cindy Guillot 253-862-9100.

FOR EARTHQUAKE VICTIMS AROUND THE WORLD, LORD HEAR OUR PRAYER

6.8 magnitude near Chauk, Magway, Myanmar
6.2 magnitude near Accumoli, Latium, Italy
6.0 magnitude near Maumere, Indonesia
How to help the earthquake victims: Catholic Charities USA, Catholic Relief Services, Catholic Near East Welfare Association, American Red Cross, Pontifical Council Cor Unum

YEAR OF MERCY PILGRIMAGE TO ST. JAMES CATHEDRAL HOLY DOORS OF MERCY

On Sunday, October 9th, you are invited to join a pilgrimage to St. James Cathedral. We will walk through the Doors of Mercy at 3:00pm and have a short tour of the Cathedral. Then all are invited to join the Cathedral Parish community for Vespers (Evening Prayer) with Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament at 4:00pm. Please contact Patty Rumpza in the office if you are interested 360-829-6515 or email office@saint-alloysius-catholic-church.org. A carpool will be planned for those who want to share a ride.

OBTAINING THE JUBILEE INDULGENCE DURING THE YEAR OF MERCY

There are four conditions to obtain the Jubilee indulgence:

- Celebrate the sacrament of Reconciliation
- Participate in Mass and receive Holy Communion
- Walk through the Holy Doors of Mercy in Rome, in your local Cathedral, or another officially designated pilgrimage site
- Pray for the intentions of the Holy Father

The four conditions do not need to be completed all on the same day; in fact, they can be completed over several days (as much as 20 days).

YEAR OF MERCY St. James Cathedral

Saturday, October 1, 2016 | MISSION of MERCY
With Missionary of Mercy Fr. Joseph Corpora, C.S.C.
St. James Cathedral, Seattle Jubilee for Vocations
9:30 am Confessions; 11:00 am Presentation by Fr. Corpora
11:30 am Rosary for Vocations, led by Bishop Eusebio Elizondo

Rev. Joseph Corpora, C.S.C., director of university-school partnerships for the University of Notre Dame's Alliance for Catholic Education (ACE), has received a mandate from Pope Francis to be a Missionary of Mercy. The Missionaries are some 800 priests worldwide selected by the pope to be special confessors and "living signs" of God's forgiveness during the Holy Year of Mercy.



YEAR OF MERCY WEEKLY REFLECTION

"Awareness of the marvels that the Lord has wrought for our salvation disposes our minds and hearts to an attitude of thanksgiving to God for all that he has given us, for all that he has accomplished for the good of his people and for the whole of humanity. This marks the beginning of our conversion: it is the grateful response to the stupendous mystery of God's love. When we see the love that God has for us, we feel the desire to draw close to him: this is conversion." — Pope Francis

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. If you are new to our parish and requested envelopes, check with the office to see if your registration is recorded.



THE SEASON OF CREATION

September 1 was proclaimed as a day of prayer for creation (World Day of Prayer for Creation, or Creation Day) by Pope Francis for the Roman Catholic Church in 2015. And it has happened that in recent years many Christian churches have started celebrating the "Season of Creation" (also known as Creation Time) between that date and October 4, which is the Feast of St. Francis of Assisi (author of the Canticle of the Creatures in the 13th century)

The Season of Creation, running yearly between September 1 and October 4, is that time of the year when 2.2 billion Christians are invited to pray and care for creation. With increased awareness of the need for a more integral ecology, Pope Francis has led the Church toward a more active participation in caring for the environment. There is always the need to pray also for favorable weather conditions, both in the regular planting and harvesting of crops and during emergencies (drought, fires, floods, storms, earthquakes)

CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK

Monday – Aug 29 —Passion of St. John the Baptist Rosary	3:00pm
Adult Faith Formation Study of the Catechism	7:00pm
Tuesday - Aug 30 Mass +Walter and Mae Peterson by BettyAnne Peterson	8:30am
Wednesday - Aug 31 Mass	8:30am
Thursday - Sept 1 — World Day of Prayer for Creation Mass	8:30am 7:00pm
Friday - Sept 2 — First Friday Mass—Parishioner Special intention Adoration	8:30am 9a-7:55p
Saturday – Sept 3 — St. Gregory the Great, Pope and Doctor of the Church Confession	3:30pm
Mass	5:00pm
Sunday - Sept 4 — Canonization to Sainthood – Mother Teresa of Calcutta Mass at OLOL	8:30am
Mass for parishioners/intentions	10:30am



For those who "adored" the Lord, what did it mean? Words do mean something. At Christmas we sing, "Oh come let us adore him." During lent we pray during the Stations of the Cross, "We adore Thee O Christ and we praise Thee . . ." At Easter we sing, "Joyful, Joyful, we adore Thee." We often find ourselves saying to the Lord "we adore Thee." What does it really mean to "adore" the Lord? No one who met Jesus just had a "ho-hum" response. If we truly have experienced Christ in our life, adoration is the only acceptable response. Come adore the true presence of our Lord this Friday!

ADULT STUDY OF THE CATECHISM

This course is 15 weeks, however you do not need to attend all classes, to enrich or review your catechism. You are invited to explore the 3rd section of the Catechism of the Catholic Church. This section is on the Beatitudes 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. Come and join us on Monday evenings (7:00 to 8:30) the next class is August 29th. If you miss a meeting, the subject is repeated in Sumner at St. Andrew's Parish the following Thursday 10:00 to 11:30 in Building E, Room 6. Our facilitator is Evan Twombly from St. Andrew. Questions? Contact him at 253-863-6755. No experience or books necessary, however if you have a Catechism, please bring it. Next week's study will be CCC 1749-1802, Morals-Acts, Emotions, Conscience. See you there!

PLEASE TAKE A COPY OF THE BULLETIN HOME

IMPORTANT DATES

SEPT 10th - Chicken Potpie dinner - Cemetery Fund raiser
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
OCT 9TH - Pilgrimage to Holy Doors at St. James Cathedral

THANK YOU!!

Thank you to all who participated this quarter in the Knights of Columbus food drive. Please plan ahead to Thanksgiving when we will collect donations for Thanksgiving food baskets.



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS CHARITY RAFFLE 2017

Sponsored by Rainier Council #9637
 The Knights of Columbus will hold their 2nd Annual Raffle at the St. Patrick's Day Dinner on March 12th, 2017. Funds raised will support the Knights local projects. Ticket price \$25 each. Only 200 tickets will be sold!!

Cash Prizes:

50th number drawn receives \$50.00
 100th number drawn receives \$100.00
 150th number drawn receives \$150.00
 196th number drawn receives \$500.00

Drawing will be held from 1-4pm, winners need not be present to win! These make great Christmas presents and support worthwhile causes.

St. Patrick's Day Dinner
 St. Aloysius Church Hall

211 W. Mason Ave., Buckley, WA 98321

For ticket purchases contact ticket chairman Jim Plowden at 360-802-3702 or George Mikulich (360) 897-8615.

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.

We need a count of children attending, please turn in registration ASAP – Sept 3-4. There will be an open house for RE parents, children and teachers on Monday, September 19th, at 4:30p. Please add to your calendar. Thank you, Shelby

NEW FISCAL YEAR REPORTS FOR 08-21-16

<u>St. Aloysius</u>	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Budgeted</u>	<u>Variance</u>
Weekly Revenue	\$3,025.00	\$2,963.00	\$62.00
Fiscal YTD	\$24,554.50	\$23,704.00	\$850.50
<u>Our Lady of Lourdes</u>			
Weekly Revenue	\$985.00	\$790.00	\$195.00
Fiscal YTD	\$6,182.30	\$6,320.00	-\$137.70

**YOU CAN HELP ST. ALOYSIUS
EARN DONATIONS
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FRED MEYER REWARDS CARD!**

Fred Meyer is donating \$2.5 million per year to non-profits in Alaska, Idaho, Oregon and Washington, based on where their customers tell them to give.

Here's how the program works:

Sign up for the Community Rewards program by linking your Fred Meyer Rewards Card to St. Aloysius at www.fredmeyer.com/communityrewards. You can search for us by our name or by our non-profit number 86824.

Then, every time you shop and use your Rewards Card, you are helping St. Aloysius Parish (this includes Our Lady of Lourdes) earn a donation!

You still earn your Rewards Points, Fuel Points, and Rebates, just as you do today!

If you do not have a Rewards Card, they are available at the Customer Service desk of any Fred Meyer store. For more information, please visit www.fredmeyer.com/communityrewards

DOING GOD'S WILL

"As the Lord spoke to me, the spirit entered me and set me on my feet, and I heard the one who was speaking say to me, 'Son of man, I am sending you...'" (EZEKIEL 2:2-3)

God asks each of us to do some special work for Him. He gives us the resources we need to do His work. However, do we listen to God when He calls? Do we get up on our feet and give our talent to do the work He asks of us? Remember, God doesn't call the equipped, he equips the called.

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. 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 class.

SAINT QUOTE

"The works of God are not accomplished when we wish them, but whenever it pleases Him." — St. Vincent de Paul

HUMOR FOR THE DAY

The parents began to put together the special Birthday gift they had bought for their son. They had ordered a kit for a tree house and received the plans for it. However, the materials they received were for a sailboat. They wrote the company to complain. The company's reply: "While we regret the inconvenience this mistake must have caused you, it is nothing compared to that of the man who is out on a lake somewhere trying to sail your tree house."

**— SEPTEMBER SALES —
PLATEAU OUTREACH MINISTRIES**

More Pennies from Heaven
1806 Cole St, Enumclaw, WA 98022

Sept 1st First Thursday Sale 50% Off Store-wide (exceptions)
Sept 2-3 Shoes, Sandals, Purses 50% Off
Sept 6-10 Men's Clothing 50% Off
Sept 13-17 Summer Clothing & Sandals 75% Off
Sept 20-24 Women & Juniors' 50% Off
Sept 27-30 Summer Clothes 75% Off



**YOUTH SOCCER CHALLENGE
COMPETITION**

Knights of Columbus, Rainier Council # 9627 in Buckley will sponsor a 2016 "Youth Soccer Challenge Competition" in September. All boys and girls ages 9-14 are invited to participate in the local level of competition for this year's KofC Soccer Challenge. The local competitions will take place in mid-September in the Buckley area. The KofC "Soccer Challenge" is sponsored annually, with winners progressing through local, district and state competitions. International champions are announced by the KofC headquarters in New Haven, Connecticut, based on scores from the state level competitions. All boys and girls 9-14 years old are eligible to participate and will compete in their respective age divisions. All contestants on the local level are recognized for their participation in the event. Contestants are required to furnish proof of age and written parental consent. Additional information will be available in the upcoming weeks in the bulletin. Contestants do not need to be members of St. Aloysius or Our Lady of Lourdes parishes.

CELEBRATING YOUTH

Lord, thank you for the promise of youth. Grant young people the strength and perseverance to achieve their goals in life and become good stewards of the world you've given us. May they grow in wisdom and compassion through your example. We ask this in your name. Amen.

**RELIGIOUS EDUCATION TEACHERS
OR ASSISTANTS NEEDED**



**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. Teacher meeting Monday Sept. 12th. Please contact Shelby Salinas 253-888-2770.



**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**

**THE CHARISM OF MOTHER TERESA:
Love them anyway...**

With the birthday of Mother Teresa of Calcutta on August 27 and the anniversary of her death on September 5, this time of year is particularly fitting to reflect on the words of “The Paradoxical Commandments.” This year these words are especially fitting, as the beloved by this saint of the poor will be canonized by Pope Francis on Sunday, September 4th. When Mother Teresa first heard “The Paradoxical Commandments,” written by Dr. Kent M. Keith, she was moved to put them on the wall of one of her homes for children in Calcutta. They are powerful guidelines for finding personal meaning in the face of adversity and transcend all creeds and cultures. Dr. Keith’s “creed” very aptly describes Mother Teresa’s way of dealing personally with such a huge number of people throughout her lifetime.

People are often unreasonable, irrational, and self-centered.

Forgive them anyway.

If you are kind, people may accuse you of selfish, ulterior motives. Be kind anyway.

If you are successful, you will win some unfaithful friends and some genuine enemies. Succeed anyway.

If you are honest and sincere people may deceive you. Be honest and sincere anyway.

What you spend years creating, others could destroy overnight. Create anyway.

If you find serenity and happiness, some may be jealous. Be happy anyway.

The good you do today, will often be forgotten. Do good anyway.

Give the best you have, and it will never be enough. Give your best anyway.

In the final analysis, it is between you and God. It was never between you and them anyway.

SAINT MOTHER TERESA

Canonization to Sainthood September 4th

On May 24, 1937, Sister Mary Teresa made her final profession of vows. From that time on, she was called Mother Teresa. She was named principal of St. Mary’s School in 1944. On September 10, 1946 during a train ride from Calcutta to Darjeeling, Mother Teresa, received her inspiration to help the poor: Jesus revealed to her “Come, be my light.” He asked Mother Teresa to establish a religious order; the Missionaries of Charity, dedicated to the service of the poorest of the poor. Between 1948 and 1997, Mother Teresa’s Missionaries of Charity grew to nearly 4000 members and were established in 123 countries. They are very active to this day around the world. Mother Teresa died on September 5, 1997.

“Let us touch the dying, the poor, the lonely and the unwanted.” – Mother Teresa

**CATECHETICAL SUNDAY:
“PRAYER: THE FAITH PRAYED”**

Catechetical Sunday, which is celebrated annually on the third Sunday of September in parishes across the United States, falls this year on the weekend of September 18, 2016, the Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time. This year’s theme invites all the baptized--especially catechists and Catholic school teachers--to devote themselves to a deeper study and practice of prayer, for their own spiritual good and for the good of those they serve.

Part Four of the Catechism of the Catholic Church provides an excellent overview of prayer. Another very helpful resource can be found in chapters 35 and 36 of the United States Catholic Catechism for Adults (USCCA). The Catechisms often refer to what the saints have said about prayer. For example:

St. Thérèse of Lisieux, for whom “...*prayer is a surge of the heart; it is a simple look turned toward heaven, it is a cry of recognition and of love, embracing both trial and joy.*”

Or St. Francis de Sales, who says that “*every one of us needs half an hour of prayer each day except when we’re busy –then we need an hour.*”

Thoughtfully reading a few paragraphs on prayer each week from the Catechism of the Catholic Church or the U.S. Catholic Catechism for Adults can open our minds and hearts to a deeper relationship with God--Father, Son and Holy Spirit—present and at work in our lives. Daily prayer shines the light of the Gospel on everything we do, so that all our thoughts, words and actions can be informed and measured by love of God and neighbor.

Our Lord’s disciples frequently observed him interrupting his journeys in order to spend long hours alone in prayer to his heavenly Father. They were moved to ask him to teach them how to pray. May we be moved this year to do the same as an essential element of our discipleship. May we all draw closer to the Lord and to one another through a deeper and more faithful commitment to prayer, in private and with others, in communion with the sacramental life of the Church.

Archbishop Leonard P. Blair,
Chairman of Committee on Evangelization and Catechesis