

July 16, 2017

Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Reading 1: Is 55:10-11

Psalm: 65:10, 11, 12-13, 14

Reading 2: Rom 8:9, 18-23

Gospel: Matthew 13:1-23

PRAYER FOR THE SICK

At the celebration of the

Eucharist this week and in your own prayers, please remember those for whom we have been asked to pray:



Willie Dell, Lindsey McIlwain

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

POPE FRANCIS' JULY INTENTION:

Lapsed Christians.

That our brothers and sisters who have strayed from the faith, through our prayer and witness to the Gospel, may rediscover the merciful closeness of the Lord and the beauty of the Christian life.

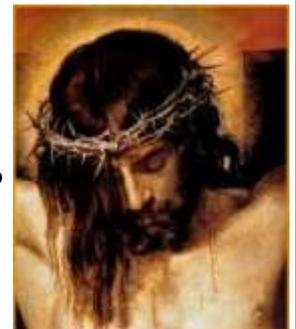
MEDITATION OF THE DAY

"Many men keep the commandments in the way sick men take medicine: more from fear of dying in damnation than for joy of living according to our Savior's will. Just as some persons dislike taking medicine, no matter how pleasant it is, simply because it is called medicine, so there are some souls who hold in horror things commanded simply because they are commanded . . . On the contrary, a loving heart loves the commandments. The more difficult they are, the sweeter and more agreeable it finds them, since this more perfectly pleases the Beloved and gives Him greater honor."

— St. Francis de Sales

MONTH OF THE PRECIOUS BLOOD OF JESUS

The month of July traditionally honors the Most Precious Blood of Jesus. It is the blood of Christ, the Lamb of God, which cleanses us from sin, therefore the Church developed a devotion to Jesus' physical blood and its mystical power, just as it did for his Sacred Heart from which his blood poured out on the Cross. The Precious Blood of Jesus courses through the Church spiritually, giving eternal life to the Body of Christ through the SACRAMENTS.



WE WELCOME OUR NEW PAROCHIAL VICAR

Father Clarence Jones



Dear New Parish Family,

What an entrance! I wish to thank everyone involved with my care and rehabilitation. Thank you for your prayers, words of support and generously cooking meals. I am blessed to say NO surgery is needed at this time. I will ask for continued prayers during my recovery.

~ Fr. Clarence Jones

I have served in the Archdiocese of Seattle from 1995. My Ministerial experiences include Parish, Hospital, Prison, Environment & Art & Music in Catholic Worship, Liturgy, Sacraments and RCIA.

TODAYS READINGS

First Reading - The Word of the Lord shall achieve its purpose.

Responsorial Psalm - A prayer of praise to God for his abundance.

Second Reading - Together with all of creation, we await God's redemption.

BACKGROUND ON THE GOSPEL READING

Matthew 13:1-23 (shorter form: Matthew 13:1-9)

Jesus teaches that the kingdom of heaven is like seed that has been sown on good soil.

Today's Gospel marks the beginning of the third long discourse given by Jesus in the Gospel of Matthew. Over the next few weeks, the Gospel readings will consist of the entire 13th Chapter of Matthew's Gospel, a lengthy teaching discourse. Throughout this discourse, Jesus will offer several parables to illustrate for his listeners what he means by the kingdom of heaven. He begins with the parable of the sower, which appears rather straightforward—of course seeds grow best in good soil. Seeds that miss the soil, are sown on rocky ground, or are sown among other plants will not grow. The surprise in the parable is the enormous yield of the seed that is sown on good soil.

Jesus then explains his use of parables. Jesus seems to suggest that he uses parables to teach because the meanings of parables are not self-evident. The hearer must engage in some degree of reflection in order to comprehend the message of a parable. In this way, the medium—the parable—models the point of the parable of the sower. Those who are willing to engage themselves in the effort to understand will be rewarded by the discovery of the message and will bear fruit.

To bring home the point, Jesus interprets the parable of the sower to his disciples. The different types of soil in which the seeds are sown are metaphors for the disposition with which each individual hears the teaching about the kingdom of heaven. Some will be easily swayed away from the kingdom of heaven. Some will receive it for a time but will lose it when faced with difficulties. Some will hear the word but will then permit other cares to choke it out. Yet some will receive it well, and the seed will produce abundant fruit.

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CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK

Monday – Jul 17

Rosary 3:30pm

Tuesday - Jul 18

Mass 8:30am

Wednesday - Jul 19

No Mass _____

Parish potluck lunch –Everyone Welcome! 12:00pm

Thursday - Jul 20

No Mass _____

Friday - Jul 21

Mass 8:30am

Saturday – Jul 22– St. Mary Magdalene

Confessions 3:30pm

Mass - Donald & Marlene May by T. Cover 5:00pm

Sunday - Jul 23

Mass - Park Cover Jr. by T. Cover 8:30am

Mass for parishioners/intentions 10:30am

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS FOOD FOR FAMILIES

The Knights of Columbus will be having their food drive July 22-30th. Please bring your nonperishable items to the hall or basket in the entrance to church. Let's beat our last drive of 316lbs of food! Thank you for your generosity.

BULLETIN AD DISCOUNT COUPON

Grocery Outlet Enumclaw is owned and operated by St. Aloysius parishioners Terry and Mandy Pruss. Their advertisement on the back of our bulletin is a coupon for \$3.00 off. We ask our parishioners to support our bulletin advertisers. This would also be a helpful way to support our Knights of Columbus food drive this month, and your contribution to the parish picnic. Thank you.

PARISH POTLUCK LUNCH

This Wednesday at 12:00pm bring your favorite summer dish to the parish hall. Everyone is welcome to enjoy a delish meal and fellowship. Someone is most certainly bringing fried chicken! We have room for about 100 parishioners, so come early to be the first in line.



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS BREAKFAST

TODAY! Sunday July 16th



The Knights will be serving a delicious breakfast after both Sunday Masses. Come enjoy the food and fellowship. A free will offering is suggested and graciously accepted.

ANNIVERSARY SALE

Vercillo's Catholic Book and Gift is having its 23rd Anniversary SALE from Monday July 17 to Saturday July 22. All in store items are 20% off retail price. Store hours are from 10:00 am to 5:00 pm, 3680 So. Cedar St. in the Goodwill shopping plaza.

WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER

“... and you will find rest for yourselves. For my yoke is easy, and my burden light.” Find out how Love and communication can ease your burdens by participating in a Worldwide Marriage Encounter weekend. The next is Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend at the Sheraton Bellevue Hotel on August 11-13, 2017. Apply at www.wvme.org. More information at 206-772-2344

QUOTE OF THE DAY

“We, in and of ourselves, may be limited in what we can do to fulfill our purpose in life. But God isn't limited in His ability to accomplish His will in and through us, if we allow Him to lead us.”

—Fr. Maurice Emelu,

Our Journey to God: An African Priest Explores the Power of Faith from Abraham to You

THE KING AND I

A MUSICAL PERFORMANCE BY ASTRA

Come see our family musical "The King And I" with classic songs like "Shall We Dance" and "Getting To Know You." ASTRA (All Saints Theatrical Repertoire Association) is a ministry of All Saints Catholic Parish in Puyallup. There will be eleven performances from July 21 – August 5, five of which are dinner theatre. Buy your tickets at www.astramusical.com, or call ASTRA 253-579-6192.

~~ ENVELOPE USERS ~~

Our Lady of Lourdes bi-monthly envelopes will be changed in September to reflect St. Aloysius. There is nothing you need to do for this process. Thank you for your patience during this time of transition. We started the new fiscal year on July 1st, please write your check to St. Aloysius and continue to use your OLOL envelope. Thank you.

NOTE: All parishioners, if you are registered and would like offertory envelopes please contact Patty in the office.

BULLETIN COVER ART

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FISCAL YEAR REPORT FOR 07-09-17

St. Aloysius	Actual	Budgeted	Variance
Weekly Revenue	\$6,667.00	\$TBD	\$
Fiscal YTD	\$8,921.00	\$	\$

“Fatima is the home from which Mary chose to speak to us in modern times... We would be mistaken to think that Fatima’s prophetic mission is complete.”

~ Pope Benedict XVI

FATIMA CENTENNIAL USA TOUR FOR PEACE

Our Archdiocese will be visited by the official pilgrim statue of Fatima! Hundreds of favors and graces, including cures, and countless conversions are associated with the image. “The United Nations International Pilgrim Statue of Fatima has been an Ambassador of Peace. This is especially true in our times of war and terrorism. However, we have also been focusing on the role of International Statue in serving as an “Ambassador of Vocations” inspiring prayer and need to encourage and support vocations within the Universal Church.” As a pilgrim statue, this ministry promotes Our Lady’s intercession through prayer. This representative pilgrim statue provides an inspiration to both our young and old equally to answer God’s call.



~International Pilgrim Virgin
Statue of Our Lady of Fatima ~

July 20, 2017 - **Thursday**
Christ the King Church
405 North 117th Street
Seattle, WA 98133

Schedule
8:40am – Mass
7pm – Depart

—**Friday and Saturday**
July 21, 2017 - July 22, 2017
Our Lady Star of the Sea
1513 6th Street

Bremerton, WA

Schedule:

8:30 a.m. – Procession
9:00 a.m. – Holy Mass followed by crowning
10:15 a.m. – Fatima talk, Rosary, Consecration, Scapular enrollment

Veneration of the Statue

11:30 a.m. – Talk for children
12:00 p.m. – Snack Break – Camerman Hall
1:00 p.m. – Hourly Rosaries begin|
Private Veneration
7:00 p.m. – Holy Hour & Benediction
Confessions
8:00 p.m. – All Night Veneration begins
Hourly Rosaries begin

Saturday, July 22, 2017

5:00 a.m. – Closing Ceremonies (Adeus Farewell)
6:00 a.m. – Departure

For more information, go to www.starofthesea.net

ARRIVE TACOMA —

July 22, 2017

St. Joseph Catholic Church
602 South 34th Street
Tacoma, WA

9AM – early afternoon

On Saturday, July 22, the Pilgrim Statue of Our Lady of Fatima will visit St. Joseph Parish. The statue will be here for the morning Mass, Holy Hour, and Rosaries throughout the morning. In the early afternoon, we will process down the street to Holy Rosary where the statue will stay throughout the evening. All Masses at Saint Joseph are offered in the Tridentine Rite, in accordance with the liturgical books of 1962. Blue booklet missals are available in the pews to help you follow along with the Latin Mass.

ARRIVE—Holy Rosary parish in Tacoma

July 22, 2017

Holy Rosary Church
424 So. 30th Street
Tacoma, WA

Schedule 3PM – late evening

July 23, 2017 - **SUNDAY**

St. Alphonsus Church/No. American Martyrs
5816 15th Avenue NW
Seattle, WA 98107

Schedule:

11:45a.m. Procession into church and crowning of statue
Mass (Extraordinary Form)
Outdoor Procession
Talk by Custodian

Private veneration begins at approximately 2pm with Rosaries and hymns as follows:

2:00p.m. Joyful Mysteries- Immaculate Mary
2:30p.m. Sorrowful Mysteries- Sabat Mater
3:00p.m. Glorious Mysteries- Hail Holy Queen
3:30p.m. Enrollment in the Brown Scapular and
Consecration to the Our Lady

3:45 - 4p.m. Benediction and farewell procession

Contact Patrick Kennedy 360-403-8668 at St. Alphonsus

PRAYER FOR THE U.S. TOUR

O Queen of the Rosary, Sweet Virgin of Fatima, who has deigned to appear in the land of Portugal, we beg you to watch over our dear homeland and assure its moral and spiritual revival. Bring back peace to all the nations of the world so that all, our own nation in particular, may be happy to call you their Queen and the Queen of Peace. Our Lady of the Rosary, pray for our country. Our Lady of Fatima, obtain for all humanity a lasting peace. Amen.

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