

Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

JULY 18, 2021



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THE APOSTLES REPORTED ALL THEY HAD
DONE AND TAUGHT. JESUS SAID TO THEM,

**“Come away by yourselves to a
deserted place and rest a while.”**

MARK 6:30, 31

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SIXTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME ~ THE DAYS ARE COMING ~ Separation, isolation, and hostility are terrible things. We are, sadly, too familiar with all of them in our modern life, whether we look at world events or events in our own neighborhoods and families. All three readings today refer to these same sad human conditions. The prophet Jeremiah describes world conditions as if the people of his time were sheep who had been scattered by poor leadership and corrupt shepherds. But "the days are coming," he assures us (Jeremiah 23:5), when a new shepherd, a just king, will come. We meet that king in the second reading and the Gospel. Paul reminds us in the Letter to the Ephesians that all divisions can now cease in Christ Jesus, who has brought us together through His blood. In Mark's Gospel we see Jesus Himself, looking with pity on those searching for Him as if they were sheep without a shepherd.

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ALL MASSES ARE NOW INDOORS - IN THE CHURCH

MASS SCHEDULE FOR THE WEEKEND

SATURDAY VIGIL MASS @ 5PM

SUNDAY MASSES: 7AM, 9AM, 11 AM, & 5 PM.

DAILY MASS SCHEDULE - IN THE CHURCH

MONDAY, WEDNESDAY & FRIDAY: 6:30 AM & 8 AM

TUESDAY, THURSDAY & SATURDAY: 8 AM

SUNDAY, JULY 18TH, 2021
SIXTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

CONTINUE TO CHECK THE ST. ANASTASIA WEBSITE AND FACEBOOK PAGE TO STAY TUNED WITH UPDATES!

PRAYER INTENTIONS

FOR YEARS, WE HAVE TRADITIONALLY LISTED THE PRAYER INTENTIONS IN THE BULLETIN. KEEPING WITH THAT TRADITION, WE NOW LIST THOSE INTENTIONS AND PLACE THEM ON THE ALTAR DURING MASS. (THIS IS A TEMPORARY CHANGE. - THANK YOU FOR YOUR UNDERSTANDING)

SUNDAY, JULY 18TH

- 7 AM - ALAN BIBEAU ✚
- 9 AM - MARIA CATHCART ★
- 11 AM - ST. ANASTASIA PARISHIONERS
- 5 PM - FR. UCHE ★

MONDAY, JULY 19TH

- 6:30 AM - THAD LEE ✚
- 8 AM - FR. LESZEK SEMIK ★

TUESDAY, JULY 20TH

- 8 AM - CHRIS WYATT ✚

WEDNESDAY, JULY 21ST

- 6:30 AM - SR. CAROL PELOQUIN ✚
- 8 AM - MARY ELIZABETH MALLEN ★

THURSDAY, JULY 22ND

- 8 AM - LYNN KIERNAN ✚

FRIDAY, JULY 23RD

- 6:30 AM - SPECIAL INTENTIONS
- 8 AM - JAIME BALLESTEROS ✚

SATURDAY, JULY 24TH

- 8 AM - PHIL ISLAS ✚
- 5 PM - MILKA SIROTICH ✚

Birthday ★ Support ♦ Anniversary ♥ Memorial ✚

WHEN ATTENDING MASS:

"Masks are not required for fully vaccinated individuals outdoors or indoors for Mass services. Masks are required for unvaccinated individuals outdoors when social distancing is not possible, and at all times indoors. There will be a designated area for social distancing of at least three feet between family units that prefer social distancing while indoors."

THE CHURCH IS NOW OPEN FOR SERVICES - PLEASE CHECK THE WEBSITE FOR UPDATES

The safety of our parishioners continues to be our top priority at all times.

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Here's why July is dedicated to the

Precious Blood of Jesus Christ

When the Pope was in exile,

he turned to the Blood of Christ for strength.

One particular devotion in the Catholic Church connected to the Passion of Jesus Christ is the honoring of his Precious Blood. It is a **recognition of Jesus' sacrifice and how he spilled his blood for the salvation of humanity.** Furthermore, this blood is made present through the gift of the Eucharist and is something we can consume at Mass, along with the body of Christ, under the appearance of bread and wine.

Over time, the Church developed various feasts of the Precious Blood, **but, it wasn't until the 19th century, when a universal feast was established.**

During the First Italian War for Independence in 1849, Pope Pius IX went into exile to Gaeta. He went there with Don Giovanni Merlini, third superior general of the Fathers of the Most Precious Blood. While the war was still raging, Merlini suggested to Pope Pius IX that **he create a universal feast to the Precious Blood to beg God's heavenly aid to end the war and bring peace to Rome.** Pius IX subsequently made a statement on June 30, 1849 that he intended to create a feast in honor of the Precious Blood. The war soon ended and he returned to Rome shortly thereafter.

On August 10 he made it official and proclaimed that the 1st Sunday in July will be dedicated to the Precious Blood of Jesus Christ. Later, Pope Pius X assigned July 1 as the fixed date of this celebration. After Vatican II the feast was removed from the calendar, but a votive Mass in honor of the Precious Blood was established and can be celebrated in the month of July (as well as most other months of the year). For these reasons the entire month of July is traditionally dedicated to the Precious Blood, and Catholics are encouraged to meditate on the profound sacrifice of Jesus and the pouring out of His blood for humanity.



REMINDERS:

The Parish Office is now OPEN!
HOURS: 9 AM to 3:30 PM ~ M - F
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CONFESSIONS on Saturday, from 3:30 to 4:45 PM
IN THE CHURCH

Holy Water is available in the Parish Office.
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Saint Anastasia was born in 281 A.D. and became a perfect symbol of peace, humanity, and solidarity. Her Feast Day is December 25th. She is a symbol of dialogue and collaboration. In her spirit, and in the spirit of love, we welcome all to the Catholic Community of St. Anastasia Catholic Church.

LOOK

NEWS FROM YOUR DRE (PCL)

Sacrament Preparation Class Updates:

- ◆ First Holy Communion Registration & RCIA
July 25th, August 8th, 22nd, and 29th.

Visit me in the Courtyard for more information or to register via email:

Nivita Aldrete-Brito

Email: Nivita007@st-anastasia.org or inquiring text to: 310-614-7520

Faith @ Home ~ Is back and available on our Website, and also it is inserted in our weekly bulletin. Faith @ Home helps you and your household grow in faith as you spend time throughout the week reflecting on God's Word. Based on the Sunday readings from the Revised Common Lectionary, the devotions invite you to engage in the discipleship practice of Reading, Reflecting, and Responding to scripture in the context of community.

The National Needs Combined Collection ~ Black and Indian Missions, Catholic University, Catholic Communications Campaign (CCC), and Catholic Home Missions Appeal (CHMA) ~ takes place THIS Weekend, July 17/18th.

Its mission is to support the Church's works of social justice, evangelization, catechesis, and national and local institutional development -- domestically and around the world --through the generosity of parishioners to annual national appeals.



We encourage all to read and reflect on the Biblical passages that will be proclaimed at Masses next week!

First Reading — Elisha feeds a hundred people with twenty barley loaves (2 Kings 4:42-44).

Psalm — The hand of the Lord feeds us; he answers all our needs (Psalm 145).

Second Reading — Paul urges the Ephesians to live in a manner worthy of the call they received (Ephesians 4:1-6).

Gospel — Jesus feeds a large crowd with five barley loaves and two fish (John 6:1-15).

CELEBRATING OUR FAITH

~ Next Week ~ 17th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Saturday, July 24th, and Sunday, July 25th, 2021

MASSES:

Sat: 5 pm
Sun: 7 am
Sun: 9 am
Sun: 11 am
Sun: 5 pm

CELEBRANTS:

Fr. Semik
Fr. Semik
Msgr. Cox
Fr. Innocent
Fr. Semik

Did You Know?

The impact of social distancing on children

The negative effects of the pandemic on children are just beginning to be seen, as children head back to schools and daycares, some for the first time in well over a year. Children may be struggling socially, academically, and developmentally, due to a year of social distancing and predominantly online interaction. Work with your children to discuss how they are feeling — check in often for any signs that they might be overwhelmed or struggling. For more information, read the article, "[The impact of social distancing on young children.](#)"

FACTS OF LIFE

'We're going to make it together': Rape survivor felt 'relief' after choosing life

Shauna Prewitt was raped her senior year of college and became pregnant as a result. Rather than choosing abortion after rape, she chose life, and told her story in a documentary called "Except in Cases of Rape." Prewitt said she sought help from counselors on campus. They encouraged her to abort, telling her that having her child would be too traumatic for her to endure.

But Prewitt didn't want an abortion. She felt a sense of camaraderie with her preborn baby. When Prewitt made her up mind not to have an abortion, she was filled with relief and joy. **Prewitt didn't see her preborn daughter as her enemy.** Instead, she felt like her baby was a partner in her healing, a child she had to fight for. She describes how having her daughter helped her cope.

"I think that the biggest problem I've had in recovering from my rape is that for so long, I wanted to go back and be the person I was before the rape. And what my daughter taught me is that there is value to who I have become after my rape. And the value is being a mother to her, and learning to love in an absolute, unconditional way. To start seeing the beauty and innocence in life again. She's taught me all of that."

Prewitt believes that too many people, including both politicians and counselors, automatically assume that no woman would want to choose life for her baby conceived in rape. And the facts prove that this stereotype is wrong.

Prewitt has no regrets about the decision she made. "My daughter is just the absolute, greatest gift for me," she said. "I have absolutely no doubt that my daughter was a gift from God to help me overcome and survive this experience. And she will forever know that she changed her mother's life for the better." www.liveaction.org



MINISTRY EQUIPS US TO DEEPEN OUR LOVE FOR GOD AND SHARE OUR FAITH...



Sharing God's Word - Ministries Returning!

THE ST. JOSEPH CENTER'S COLLECTION ~ The St. Joseph's Center Collection takes place after all Masses on the third Sunday of each month. The collection is back beginning this weekend, July 17/18th. This collection benefits those less fortunate in Venice and in the South Bay area. Your donations of cash/non-perishable food are greatly appreciated.

THE ST. ANASTASIA'S MINISTRIES GATHERING GUIDELINES MUST BE FOLLOWED (CHECK OUR WEBSITE FOR MORE INFORMATION)

DEVOTIONS ~ ADORATION OF THE HOLY SACRAMENT & DIVINE MERCY CHAPLET, WEDNESDAY, 5 PM TO 6 PM

CONFESSION : 5:15 PM TO 5:45 PM. (DURING DEVOTION)

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION ~ FIRST SATURDAY ADORATION AND EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT FROM 8:30 TO 9:30 AM.

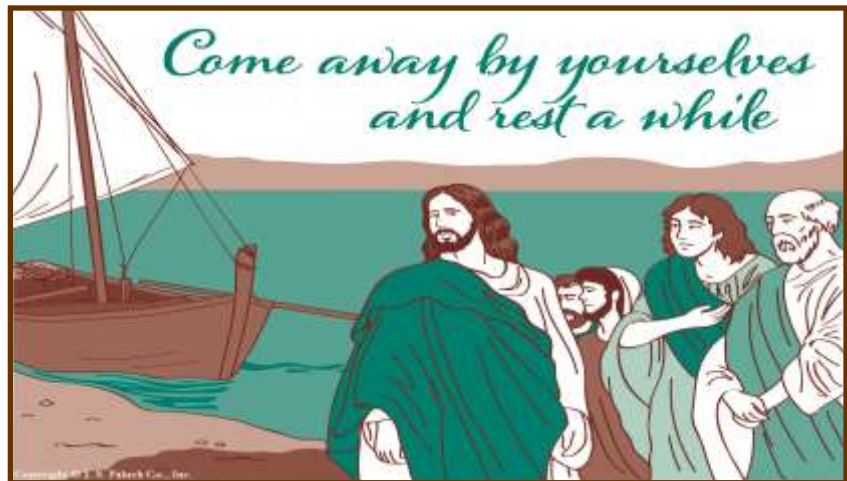


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Living Faith for Kids

"How shall I make a return to the Lord for all the good He has done for me?" - Psalm 116:12

Ben had spent more than two years as a cancer patient at a children's hospital. He had three operations and several radiation treatments. He knew his Mom and Dad and all the people at his parish and school prayed for his recovery. He told his Dad that he wanted to do something because so many people helped him. "Ben you are a good student," his Dad said. "Maybe you could tutor kids at the hospital so they do not get behind in their school work." So Ben spent three hours every Saturday in front of his Dad's laptop tutoring kids at the hospital, making friends, helping others and giving back for all God did for him.

Lord God, show me how to share my gifts!

The Monthly Wedding Anniversary Blessing is returning after all Masses next weekend, July 24/25th (last Sunday of each month). All those married during the month of July are welcome. All married couples are invited!



Who is ready to travel? Don't wait until 2030 to see the Passion Play - Join us in May 2022. Simply the Best: Oberammergau Passion Play plus Munich, Salzburg, Venice, Padua, Assisi and Rome. Hosted by Maritza Leon. Twelve days from May 18 to May 29, 2022 including a Papal audience. For more information contact Maritza Duran-Leon at 310-895-8898.

Pope Francis' Prayer Intention for JULY

Social Friendship ~ We pray that, in social, economic, and political situations of conflict, we may be courageous and passionate architects of dialogue and friendship.



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ANointing OF THE SICK: Sacrament for the Sick
 is celebrated upon request of the family. Call the
 Parish Office 310-670-2243.

BAPTISM: Parents and Godparents are required to
 participate in preparation program. Call the Parish
 Office 310-670-2243.

MARRIAGE: Engaged couples must contact the
 Office no later than 6 months before their proposed
 wedding date. Call the Parish Office 310-670-2243

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 310-670-2243.

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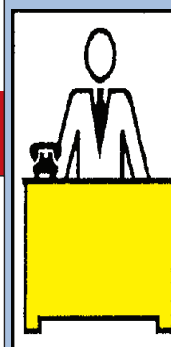
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