

July 25, 2021 • Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time



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JESUS TOOK THE LOAVES, GAVE THANKS,
AND DISTRIBUTED THEM TO THOSE WHO WERE RECLINING,
AND ALSO AS MUCH OF THE FISH AS THEY WANTED.

JOHN 6:11

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SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME ~ ONE LORD, ONE FAITH ~ Do you suppose the authors of the four Gospels were aware of today's first reading from the second Book of Kings? Of course they were. The prophet Elisha fed a hundred men with twenty barley loaves in order to prove God's power. This same miracle, now multiplied by more people fed by fewer loaves, is attributed to Jesus in all four Gospels. In today's passage from John we even have the detail that the loaves were barley, reminding every pious Jew of that miracle that Elisha worked. Yet Jesus went into hiding when they wanted to make him king. It is the passage from Paul's Letter to the Ephesians that gives us the reason for this. The power of Jesus comes from God. It is not meant merely to feed us, or to provide one group with a king. There is one Lord, one faith, one God and Father of all who works through Jesus Christ and through us all.

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Heed Our Lady's Call! The Five First Saturdays Devotion -

Our Loving Mother has requested the devotion of the Five First Saturdays in reparation for the blasphemies and offenses to her Immaculate Heart.

To assist those here at St. Anastasia wishing to complete this devotion, the Parish offers the following on 1st Saturdays:

- * 8:00 - Holy Mass; * 8:30 to 9:30 am - Adoration;
- * 3:30 to 4:45 pm - Confession; * 5:00 pm - Holy Mass.

The Church is open throughout the day for meditation and silent Rosary. Adoration is also a good opportunity to complete those components.

If you are interested in a family-friendly meditation and Courtyard Rosary for kids (4 pm) before the Saturday 5 pm Vigil Mass, contact Kimberly Chavira at kimberlychavira@mac.com.

For questions about this devotion contact kimberlychavira@mac.com.

For a complete description of the devotion see: <https://firstsaturdaydevotion.com>
 Please refer to the flyer inserted in this week's bulletin and to our Website for more information. Brochures are also available.

SUNDAY, JULY 25TH, 2021

SEVENTEENTH 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 25TH

7 AM - ALAN BIBEAU
 9 AM - ST. ANASTASIA PARISHIONERS
 11 AM - BILL BARRY
 5 PM - THELMA KOZIEL

MONDAY, JULY 26TH

6:30 AM - GLORIA ZEE
 8 AM - JESUS' MERCY AND MOTHER MARY'S INTERCESSION
TUESDAY, JULY 27TH
 8 AM - PHIL ISLAS
WEDNESDAY, JULY 28TH
 6:30 AM - GUADALUPE THOMPSON
 8 AM - ANN MCGUIRK

THURSDAY, JULY 29TH

8 AM - RUBY DONEY
FRIDAY, JULY 30TH
 6:30 AM - GLORIA ZEE
 8 AM - CLEM DAVIDSON
SATURDAY, JULY 31ST
 8 AM - ALAN BIBEAU
 5 PM - BETTE JANE FERRA

Birthday ★ Support ♦ Anniversary ♥ Memorial

◀ YOUR ATTENTION PLEASE - WHEN ATTENDING MASS ▶

As of July 18, masks are required to attend Mass indoors, regardless of vaccination status. Social distancing requirements are not in place, but there will be a designated area for social distancing for those who prefer to remain socially distant.

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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Please call for more information @ 310.670.2243, or email: parish@st-anastasia.org. ♦ Hours: 9 am to 3:30 pm ♦ M - F

Congratulations to our new
Associate Pastor

Fr. Innocent Nzewuji

Fr. Innocent was born in Emekuku, Owerri, Nigeria on December 28, 1975. After his minor seminary formation and spiritual year, he proceeded to Seat of Wisdom Seminary, Owerri in 1996, where he earned Bachelor of Philosophy (2000), and Bachelor of Divinity (2005). His diaconate and priestly ordinations happened on February 25 and August 5, 2006 respectively.

Fr. Nzewuji has served in his home diocese, The Roman Catholic Archdiocese of Owerri, Nigeria as Associate Pastor in 5 parishes, and as Pastor in 2 parishes, the Archdiocesan Chaplain of Block Rosary Crusade Council of Nigeria (2012-2018), before relocating to the U.S. in the Fall of 2018, for his graduate studies, being in residence at St.

A's. He recently obtained his Master's Degree in Pastoral Theology at Loyola Marymount University, Los Angeles. He has been appointed the Associate Pastor here, as of July 1, 2021.



The Archdiocesan Collection Mission Co-op, this year, brings sisters from the Daughters of Mary and Joseph, who are currently serving in Uganda. Their mission involves, among other things, education, and care for lepers and a large number of orphans.

They will be here next weekend, July 31/August 1st, to share their labor of love. Let's welcome Sr. Pascazia and Sr. Mona to St. Anastasia. May God bless them abundantly as they continue to spread Jesus' love around the world.

REMINDERS:

The Parish Office is now OPEN!

HOURS: 9 AM to 3:30 PM ~ M - F

Phone: 310.670.2243

Email: parish@st-anastasia.org

CONFESIONS on Saturday, from 3:30 to 4:45 PM

Wednesdays, 5:15 to 5:45 PM

IN THE CHURCH

Holy Water is available in the Parish Office.
It is always a good idea to call before @ 310-670-2243.



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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.

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NEWS FROM YOUR DRE (PCL)

Sacrament Preparation Class Updates:

- ◆ First Holy Communion Registration & RCIA
TODAY, 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.



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

First Reading — The people of Israel receive bread from heaven in response to their grumbling (Exodus 16:2-4, 12-15).

Psalm — The Lord gave them bread from heaven (Psalm 78).

Second Reading — Put on the new self that has been created in God's way (Ephesians 4:17, 20-24).

Gospel — I am the bread of life; whoever comes to me will never hunger (John 6:24-35).

CELEBRATING OUR FAITH

~ Next Week ~ 18th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Saturday, July 31st, and Sunday, August 1st, 2021

MASSES:

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

CELEBRANTS:

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

Did You Know?

Understanding the need for “likes”

Children and teenagers are spending more and more time connecting with their friends on social media. Research shows that people are hardwired to find social interaction and communication rewarding, and on social media, rewards come in the form of “likes.” Although apps like Instagram have recently moved to change how “likes” are seen on photos and videos, the drive to post something “likeable” is still there, and many users may feel the need to test boundaries to drive them up. It’s important for parents to understand the enticing nature of these apps, and to talk to their children and teens about internet safety and social media use. For more information, visit <https://www.missingkids.org/content/ncmec/en/blog/2020/love-of-likes.html>.

FACTS OF LIFE

Caleb Prewitt, a 14-year-old from Jacksonville, Florida, never dreamed of being the youngest person with Down syndrome to run a mini-triathlon or of being invited to participate in the Special Olympics. Yet that is exactly what the inspiring teen has achieved thanks to the mentorship of his role model, Chris Nikic.

Last year, 21-year-old Nikic made history by becoming the first person with Down syndrome to ever cross the finish line of the Ironman. The athletic event is considered one of the most grueling in the world, consisting of a 2.4-mile swim, 112-mile bike ride, and 26.2-mile run.

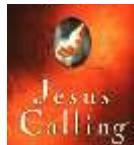
In a moving interview with CBS News, Caleb’s mother, Karen, shared how her son could barely ride a bike or swim before meeting Nikic. But with Nikic’s mentorship, it wasn’t long before Caleb’s love of video games was swapped for swimming, running, and biking.

“If there was a poster with Chris on it, it would be in Caleb’s room,” Karen said.

Caleb finished his first mini-triathlon last weekend and has also received an invitation to compete on Florida’s Special Olympics triathlon team — the same team Chris is on. Karen credits Nikic with showing her son that his dreams are possible. www.liveaction.org



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



Welcome Back!!!

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

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

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

MONTHLY WEDDING ANNIVERSARY BLESSING ~ AFTER ALL MASSES THE LAST SUNDAY OF EACH MONTH. ALL COUPLES MARRIED DURING THE MONTH OF JULY ARE WELCOME. ALL MARRIED COUPLES ARE INVITED!



The famous and very much missed by all "Coffee and Donuts" is also back in Diamond Courtyard hosted by Sr. Teresita, after the 9 and 11 am Sunday Masses.

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

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"Mary Magdalene went and announced to the disciples,
"I have seen the Lord." - John 20:18



Mary Magdalene was one of Jesus' closest friends. She followed Him through all of His travels and teachings. She courageously stood at the foot of His Cross beside His Mother as Jesus was dying. She even visited the tomb where Jesus's body had been laid, even though soldiers guarded it. John's gospel tells us that Mary Magdalene was the first to see Jesus risen from the dead. What an honor!! Mary Magdalene was the first to see Jesus risen from the dead. What an honor! Mary Magdalene told the apostles the amazing news that she had seen the Lord. For this reason, she is often called the Apostle to the Apostles. I'd call her a great friend.

Jesus, help me be a good friend, like Mary Magdalene.

St. Anastasia is forming a volunteer team to help support St. Robert's Center — Homeless Weekend Program. This Catholic Charities site offers a Saturday food for residents of Santa Monica, Venice, LAX Airport, West Los Angeles, Beverly Hills, and Culver City areas providing emergency food. The center operates from 7:30 to 11:30 a.m. making sandwiches to distribute in lunch bags, giving out groceries and donated clothes, and just being present with those who need a human connection. The center has a rotating schedule of six parishes who commit to having volunteers help, and St. Anastasia has been one of these parishes.

St. A's parishioners were more involved with volunteering at St. Roberts Center, however due to COVID the center has seen fewer and fewer folks from our Parish. The center has reserved the following Saturdays — **NEXT COMING UP 8/7, 10/30 & 12/11** just for St. Anastasia volunteers and we ask you to kindly consider volunteering at the Center one of these dates. Volunteers are often welcome to come on other days to fill in, if the center gets contacted ahead of time.

For more information, please contact Aleida Rodriguez at [310-670-2243](tel:310-670-2243), or by email at arodriguez@st-anastasia.org.

The first group of parishioners served on Saturday, June 26th, and the experience was amazing and rewarding. But, we would love to hear from you too! Check our website for information, and to see for yourself St. A's in action.

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
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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.

R.C.I.A.: (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults) -
Becoming Catholics - Call the Parish Office
310-670-2243

FUNERALS: Call the Parish Office: 310-670-2243.

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Ofelia Jimenez



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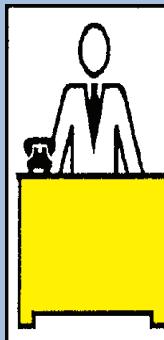
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