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EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

August 4, 2019

Teach us to number our days aright,
that we may gain wisdom of heart.

— Psalm 90:12

USING OUR TIME WISELY

A jar of honey lasts practically forever. The oldest jar of honey ever discovered was over five thousand years old. Honey is quite different from market-fresh produce, then; because most fruits and vegetables last only a few days, we treat them carefully. At this time of summer, we rush to find recipes for cherries and cucumbers so we won't waste a single one. We wouldn't feel that same urgency about honey.

In our own way, we are as delightful and fragile as ripe produce. Today's readings urge us not to spoil, but to make good use of our limited time on earth. Ecclesiastes reminds us that because God provides for us now and always, we can manage our daily affairs without anxiety. Saint Paul encourages the Colossians to keep thoughts of heaven in everything they do, and Jesus himself asks us to treasure not earthly wealth, but God alone.

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TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

Apart from the period from Thanksgiving through Christmas, the summer is a favored time for family reunions. We trace family trees and recall our origins. Worship has a family tree as well, and the way we celebrate today has been influenced by various styles and customs through the centuries. We are Western Christians of the Latin Rite. By far, we are the most numerous Western Christians, but there are other ritual families as well. The Archdiocese of Milan in Italy follows the Ambrosian Rite, Toledo in Spain preserves the Mozarabic Rite and the Arab language, and Lyons in France is home to the Gallican Rite. Other liturgical families, such as the Celtic in Ireland and the Sarum in England, faded away after the Reformation. Until recent times, members of some ancient religious orders such as Carmelites and Trappists followed a pattern of Mass that varied slightly from the plan observed in Latin Rite parishes.

Isn't the Catholic Church the same everywhere? Not at all. It never has been! The existence of so many liturgical families in the West reminds us that unity, not uniformity, is what the Church seeks to achieve among her children. We are united in faith, but wonderfully diverse in rituals, ceremonies, languages, customs, and spirituality.

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THE EFFECTS OF PRAYER

Whoever prays much by night, that person's face is fair by day.

—Islamic saying

TODAY'S READINGS FOR YEAR C

First Reading — Vanity of vanities! All things are vanity! (Ecclesiastes 1:2; 2:21-23).

Psalm — If today you hear his voice, harden not your hearts (Psalm 90).

Second Reading — You too will appear with Christ your life in glory (Colossians 3:1-5, 9-11).

Gospel — For though one may be rich, one's life does not consist of possessions (Luke 12:13-21).

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REMEMBER IN PRAYER

Parishioners

Grant Adams, Joyce Franckowiak, Gigi Lui, Marietta Smith

Relatives

Michel Amrhein, Thomas Blankenship, Christopher Butler, Christine Hart and the twin boys Benjamin and Theodore, Andrew Morlan, Yu Youn Suk

Friends

Emma Cupples, Fr Robert Ponticello

NO ONE'S ENEMY

May I be no one's enemy, and may I be the friend of that which is eternal and abides.

—St. Eusebius of Vercelli

Register Today!

PRE

There are registration forms in the Narthex for PRE students. They are due today. Take a minute and fill one out for your students. Classes will start August 11th, after Mass.

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time
Monday: Dedication of the Basilica of St. Mary Major
Tuesday: The Transfiguration of the Lord
Wednesday: St. Sixtus II and Companions; St. Cajetan
Thursday: St. Dominic
Friday: St. Teresa Benedicta of the Cross
Saturday: St. Lawrence

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Nm 11:4b-15; Ps 81:12-17; Mt 14:13-21
Tuesday: Dn 7:9-10, 13-14; Ps 97:1-2, 5-6, 9; 2 Pt 1:16-19; Lk 9:28b-36
Wednesday: Nm 13:1-2, 25 — 14:1, 26-29a, 34-35; Ps 106:6-7ab, 13-14, 21-23; Mt 15:21-28
Thursday: Nm 20:1-13; Ps 95:1-2, 6-9; Mt 16:13-23
Friday: Dt 4:32-40; Ps 77:12-16, 21; Mt 16:24-28
Saturday: 2 Cor 9:6-10; Ps 112:1-2, 5-9; Jn 12:24-26
Sunday: Wis 18:6-9; Ps 33:1, 12, 18-22; Heb 11:1-2, 8-19 [1-2, 8-12]; Lk 12:32-48 [35-40]

Mass Schedule



Monday: 11:30 am
Wednesday: 11:30 am
Thursday: 9:00 am
Friday: 11:30 am
Sunday Vigil: 4:30 pm
Sunday: 9:00 am

Mass Intentions

August 3rd: Parishioners of St Andrew and St Regina
August 4th: Peace and Guidance for Emily Ernst Royal by Kathleen Kirkpatrick
August 7th: Harold Segerson + by Khuyen Segerson
August 10th: Parishioners of St Andrew and St Regina
August 11th: Tom Delbridge + by Maurice Wills

Liturgical Ministers

August 11, 2019
Lectors — Kay Bartel
Gift Bearers — Mr & Mrs Jerry Kirkpatrick
Eucharistic Ministers — Mary Alyce Fiechtl
Servers — Alonzo Rodriguez, Jose Rodriguez
Sacristans — Mary Alyce Fiechtl
Altar Linens — Laurie Green, Mary Theresa Foster
Ushers—Men of the Parish

Thank You

Joey Wall for spraying for wasps that were building nests in the lights receptacles in front of the doors to church.

WEEKLY OFFERING

July 28th
Budget \$2100
Actual \$995
Short \$1105

Have you checked out St Andrew's Facebook page:

Saint Andrew the Apostle Catholic Church

Web Site:

saintandrewcatholicchurch.org