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Catholic Church

Mass Intentions

Aug 2nd: Parishioners of St Andrew and St Regina

Aug 7th: Harold Segerson + by Khuyen Segerson

Aug 9th: Parishioners of St Andrew and St Regina

Liturgical Ministers

August 9, 2020
Lectors —
Gift Bearers —
Eucharistic Ministers —
Sacristans— Mary Alyce Fiechtl
Altar Linens — Laurie Green, Mary Theresa
Foster
Ushers—Men of the Parish

Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time August 2, 2020

All you who are thirsty, come to the water!

— Isaiah 55:1a

OUR DEEPEST NEEDS

The word of God serves up a tremendous feast for us today. Isaiah beckons all who hunger and thirst to come to the Lord for satisfaction. The psalmist cries out, "The hand of the Lord feeds us; he answers all our needs" (Psalm 145:16). Saint Paul tells us that nothing can separate us from the love of God. Finally, in the Gospel, we hear the story of the miraculous feeding of over five thousand people from a mere five loaves and two fish. Most of us have our material needs met on a day-to-day basis. These scriptures, nevertheless, have much to say to the contemporary believer. We must ask ourselves, "Where are my deepest hungers? Where are my thirsts?" After material needs are satisfied and, in some cases, oversatisfied, many people still experience a deep longing for spiritual balance and well-being. As the loaves and fish are multiplied in today's Gospel, perhaps our prayer can be a longing for the satisfaction of the deepest needs that only God can fill.

TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

Over the last several weeks, the history of confirmation has been set out as a rite following baptism and preceding First Communion. Eucharist was a sacrament of spiritual maturity, attuned to the legal age of majority, which was considered to be fourteen years or so. Medieval bishops were often generous, if not especially pious, in seeing to it that children were confirmed before adulthood.

A pattern more familiar to us surfaced in the Diocese of Toulon in France in 1748, where it was decreed that "children are to be confirmed only after receiving First Communion." This was an amazing shift in practice that undermined centuries of theology and tradition by which confirmation was seen as a bridge between font and table. The innovation swept through France and across Europe, despite constant complaints from Rome. French-trained bishops like Cheverus of Boston and Carroll of Baltimore, founders of the American church, established the practice here. The order of the sacraments was thus disrupted in France and in the United States, and remained an eccentric exception to the rule until big developments in 1910.

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WEEKLY OFFERING

July 26th
Budget \$2100
Actual \$1710
Bldg. 0
Short \$390

TODAY'S READINGS FOR YEAR A

First Reading — All you who thirst, come to the water! You without money, come to the feast! (Isaiah 55:1-3).

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

Second Reading — Nothing can separate us from the love of God in Christ (Romans 8:35, 37-39). Gospel — All ate until satisfied; they collected twelve baskets of what was left over (Matthew 14:13-21).

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REMEMBER IN PRAYER Parishioners

Grant Adams, Joe Bobak, Ken Frankowiak, Joyce Franckowiak, Ethel Huffman,

MaryAnn Maness

Relatives

Kelli Blankenship, Thomas Blankenship, Marie Cravens, Austin Ernst, Emily Ernst, Jackie Donnett, Andrew Grower, Christine Hart and the twin boys Benjamin and Theodore, Nicholas Kirkpatrick, Jenny Moore, Andrew Morlan, Yu Youn Suk

Moore, Andrew Morlan, Yu Youn Suk Friends
Emma Cupples, Fr Robert Ponticello

PRAYER AND HUMILITY

Arm yourself with prayer rather than a sword; wear humility rather than fine clothes.

Please step up and help work with our youth!

Co-Ordinator of Student Activities

This volunteer position would work with our DRE, Lois Freeland. Some of the activities from previous years were: Breakfast with Santa, the Christmas Pageant, Movie and Pizza Night, End of Year Swim Party, and other fund raisers or activities.

Please let the office or Lois Freeland know if you are interested in this position.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Jer 28:1-17; Ps 119:29, 43, 79, 80, 95,

102: Mt 14:22-36

Tuesday: Jer 30:1-2, 12-15, 18-22; Ps 102:16-21,

29, 22-23; Mt 14:22-36 or Mt 15:1-2, 10-14 Jer 31:1-7; Jer 31:10-12ab, 13; Mt 15:21-28

Thursday: Dn 7:9-10, 13-14; Ps 97:1-2, 5-6, 9;

2 Pt 1:16-19; Mt 17:1-9

Friday: Na 2:1, 3; 3:1-3, 6-7; Dt 32:35cd-36ab,

39abcd, 41; Mt 16:24-28

Saturday: Hb 1:12 — 2:4; Ps 9:8-13; Mt 17:14-20

1 Kgs 19:9a, 11-13a; Ps 85:9-14;

Rom 9:1-5; Mt 14:22-33

Mass Schedule



Wednesday:

Sunday:

Monday: 11:30 am
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Thursday: 9:00 am
First Friday: Adoration from 9:00 to
11:30 with Mass at 11:30 am

Vigil on Saturday: 4:30 pm Sunday: 9:00 am

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PRE Registration

This is the last Sunday to register your students for PRE classes.

PRE

Classes will start on August 9th at 10:00

First Penance

Friday, August 14th, at 6:00 pm

First Communion

Sunday, August 16th at the 9:00 am Mass at St Andrew

Confirmation

Sunday, August 16th at 11:00 am at St Regina

We are in need of a PreK/K teacher and also a teacher for Communion 2 classes. Please contact Lois Freeland at 770-714-7167 if you can donate an hour of your time each week during the school year.