

Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time
Sunday, July 20, 2014



Sunday, July 20, Sixteenth Sunday in
Ordinary Time

- 5:00 + Fr. Edward Fagan, OAR
8:30 + Fr. Edward Fagan, OAR
10:00 (Sp) +Living and Deceased Members
of the Flores Family
11:30 + Muriel Moore
1:00 (Sp) + Rodriguez and Ruiz Families

Monday, July 21, Weekday

- 9:00 Intention of Mildred Kolessar
12:15 + Fr. Edward Fagan, OAR, Brother
Peter Stewart, FSC and Brother
Joseph Murphy, FSC

Tuesday, July 22, St. Mary Magdalene

- 9:00 + John Guarracino, Fusco Family
and Rosa Zingone
12:15 +Madeline Kiernan and Hugh
Masterson
7:00 (Sp.) +Miguel de Jesus, Maria
Dolores & Minerva Antonia
Vasquez-Liriano

Wednesday, July 23, Weekday

- 9:00 + Juan and Emilia Feliciano
12:15 Mass of Thanksgiving

Thursday, July 24, Weekday

- 9:00 + Souls in Purgatory
12:15 + Fernando Garcia, Jr.

Friday, July, 25, St. James

- 9:00 + Fr. Edward Fagan, OAR, Brother
Peter Stewart, FSC and Brother
Joseph Murphy, FSC

- 12:15 + Muriel Moore
7:00 + Ana Ligia Antonia Polanco Cruz

Saturday, July 26, Saints Joachim & Anne

- 12:15 + Ralph Sanchez
5:00 + John, Jean & Bobby Tramontozzi

Sunday, July 27, Seventeenth Sunday in

Ordinary Time

- 8:30 Parishioners of St. John
10:00 + Ana Maria Mendez & Isabel
Gutierrez
11:30 + Juan & Teresa Melendez &
Maya Cazar
1:00 + Jose Germoso

**WE ARE GRATEFUL FOR THIS WEEK'S
DONATIONS**

The Altar Candles burning in the Lower Church for
the week of July 20-26 for:

INTENTION OF FR. JOHN OLDFIELD, OAR

The Sanctuary Lamp burning in the Lower Church
for the week of July 20-26 in memory of:

FR. EDWARD J. FAGAN, OAR

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK.....

Christina Zingone, Fr. Peter J. McCrann, SMM, ,
Maria Rivera Malucci, Lindsey Guzman, William
Cunningham, Alice Ann O'Donohue Mason,
Noreen Liddane, Jose Garcia, Timothy Mahoney.
*We ask that you please notify the rectory when
to remove a name from the list.*



*We ask your prayers for all loved ones serving our
country in the Military:*

Michael Mastrangelo, U.S. Army
SFC Kenneth Medina
USAF Armando Irizarry
Capt. Dennis Andrew Fitzgerald
PFC Marc Kuboy, U.S. Army
CPL Brian E. Brosnan, USMC
Sgt. Miguel Angel Cruz
S. Sgt. Marco Rodriguez, USMC
Andrew Konstantinidis, National Guard
PFC Steven Canela, USMC

Please advise the rectory if you wish a name to be
removed from this list or to be added.

Weekend Masses Church Parking

Just a reminder: The parking lot next to St. John's
Regional Catholic School is open for parking for those
who attend the Saturday Vigil 5:00 pm Mass and the
Sunday Masses. While it is a block north of the church
and a short walk, the school parking lot accommodates
those who drive to weekend Masses.

The Department of Traffic sign posted outside St.
John's Church means what it states, NO PARKING
ANYTIME. This includes parish weekday and weekend
Masses!

The church is a public building that requires access for
first responders and fire personnel in the event of an
emergency. The number of illegally parked and double
parked cars outside our Church especially on Sundays
has been noted and law enforcement will take action.

Forewarned is forearmed.

MEMORIALIZE A LOVED ONE.....

You may memorialize a loved one by donating the cost of Wine and Hosts (\$30.00 per week), Altar Candles (\$10.00 per week) or the Sanctuary Lamp (\$10.00 per week) for a week or month. Please contact the rectory, Monday through Friday, 9:00 a.m. to 12 noon and 1:00 to 4:00 p.m.

Puede recordar a un ser querido donando, por una semana o por un mes, el costo del vino y las hostias (\$30.00), las velas (\$10.00) o las lámparas para el santuario (\$10.00). Por favor llamar a la rectoría de lunes a viernes 9:00 a.m. – 12 a 1:00 a 4:00 p.m.

Did You Know?

Saints Joachim and Anne are revered in the history of the Church yet there is no mention of them in the Bible. Not even their names are recorded. However, they are beloved and remembered as part of a long tradition.

According to ancient tradition like Abraham and Sarah and Zechariah and Elizabeth, Anne and her husband Joachim were married for many decades and were childless. They were prayerful and righteous persons in the eyes of others. In answer to their prayers, an angel appeared to them and told them that they would soon receive the gift of a child who “shall be spoken of in all the world.” They had a little girl and named her Mary.

For centuries the Eastern Churches have remembered Saints Joachim and Anne on September 9th, the day after the Birth of Mary. In the revised Roman Catholic calendar, this feast of the maternal grandparents of Jesus, Saints Joachim and Anne, is celebrated on July 26th and is commonly referred to as “*Grandparents’ Day.*”

PASTORAL NOTES

From The Office of The Cardinal

June 27, 2014

Solemnity of the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus

Dear Father Kerrigan,

Congratulations to you and St. John Parish on exceeding your *2014 Cardinal’s Appeal Stewardship* goal. I am pleased to share that we are, once again, on track to reach our \$20 million goal. This would not be possible without your leadership and effort.

Please know how deeply grateful I am to you and your parish community. As a family of faith, we have a responsibility to keep the wider Church strong and vibrant. You have helped ensure that our archdiocese can continue to teach, serve, heal, and sanctify. Keep up the good work!

With renewed gratitude and prayerful best wishes, I remain

Fraternally in Christ,

- Timothy Cardinal Dolan

Timothy Michael Cardinal Dolan

Archbishop of New York

Some Recent Papal Thoughts About Work, Family, and The Importance of Sundays

During his one day pastoral visit to the Molise region of southern Italy, Pope Francis opined at his July 5th address “*The World of Work*” given at the University of Campobasso:

“Do you waste time with your children? Do you play with them? We are losing this knowledge, this wisdom of how to play with our children. The economic situation compels us to lose this. Please waste time with your children! Sunday is the family day, to spend time together.

... This is a “critical” point, a point that allows us to discern, to assess the quality of the human economic system in which we find ourselves. And within this context is the issue of working on Sundays, which affects not only believers but everyone as an ethical choice.

The question is: to what do we want to give priority? The work-free Sunday, with the exception of necessary services, is to say that the priority is not economic but human, to gratuity, to non-commercial relations but family, friends, for believers to be in relation with God and with the community.

Perhaps it is time to ask whether to work on Sundays is a true freedom?”

HIS WORD TODAY
by Rev. William J. Reilly

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“Jesus proposed to the crowd another parable: ‘The reign of God may be likened to a man who sowed good seed in his field. While everyone was asleep, his enemy came and sowed weeds through the wheat, and then made off. Let them grow together until the harvest; then at harvest time I will order the harvesters, ‘First collect the weeds and bundle them up to burn, then gather the wheat into my barn.’” ... “The Spirit helps us in our weakness, for we do not know how to pray as we ought.”

The parables of the Kingdom are the story of today’s church. As we strive to live lives as true disciples, because the seed has been sown in us through the gift of baptism and the Word of God implanted in our hearts. The weeds enter and can become almost overpowering. How important to see how easily we can be choked, weakened and overwhelmed because of society’s ways.

As many of us tend our garden, strengthening plants, watching the tomatoes grow and the flowers bloom, we know it takes water, sun and TLC to produce the harvest. It doesn’t happen on its own. The same is true of our spiritual lives. We need to work in the heat of the day to protect and assure growth in our lives. The sprays and weed killers do not produce the fruit, but protect the harvest. Prayer, grace and vigilance are the resources at hand, supplied by the Spirit, to make sure we take care of our spiritual lives.

The days of summer might offer us a little time to read, reflect, pray and work for the building of the Kingdom of God in our parish, our community and our homes.

Our Summer Seminarian Ricardo Garcia

Mr. Ricardo Garcia who has assisted our parish for the past couple of months will be returning to complete his theological studies at St. Joseph’s Seminary. We extend our gratitude for his presence and pastoral assistance along with our prayers as he continues his preparation on the journey toward the priesthood.

SU PALABRA HOY
por el Reverendo William J. Reilly

Decimosexto Domingo en Tiempo Ordinario
20 de julio de 2014

“Y les propuso otra parábola: ‘El Reino de los Cielos se parece a un hombre que sembró buena semilla en su campo; pero mientras todos dormían vino su enemigo, sembró cizaña en medio del trigo y se fue. Dejen que crezcan juntos hasta la cosecha, y entonces diré a los cosechadores: Arranquen primero la cizaña y átenla en manojos para quemarla, y luego recojan el trigo en mi granero’” ... “Igualmente, el mismo Espíritu viene en ayuda de nuestra debilidad porque no sabemos orar como es debido.”

Las parábolas del reino son la historia de la iglesia de hoy. Nos esforzamos en vivir nuestras vidas como verdaderos discípulos, ya que la semilla se ha sembrado en nosotros a través del don del bautismo y la Palabra de Dios se ha implantado en nuestros corazones. La cizaña entra y puede llegar a ser agobiante. Es importante notar la facilidad con que se nos ahoga, debilita y abruma dada la forma en que nuestra sociedad funciona.

Muchos de nosotros cuidamos nuestros vergeles, dando soporte a nuestras plantas, viendo crecer a nuestros tomates y flores y nos damos cuenta de que se necesita agua, sol y mucho cuidado amoroso. No sucede por sí mismo. Lo mismo pasa con nuestras vidas espirituales. Necesitamos trabajar bajo el calor del día para proteger y asegurar el crecimiento de nuestras vidas. Los roceadores y venenos de mala hierba no producen el fruto, pero protegen la cosecha. La oración, la gracia y la vigilancia son recursos que tenemos a la mano, que suplen al espíritu para asegurar que cuidamos de nuestras vidas espirituales.

Los días del verano pueden ofrecernos un poco de tiempo para leer, reflexionar, orar y trabajar para la construcción del Reino de Dios en nuestra parroquia, nuestra comunidad y nuestros hogares.
