July 26, 2020 17th SUNDAY IN ORDIARY TIME

Mass Readings: 1 Kings 3:5, 7-12 (109A); Rom. 8:28-30; Matt. 11:25; Resp. Psalm: "Lord, I love your commands."

Events for this week

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament: Mondays 9:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. in the Marian Chapel. **Please RSVP first.**

Sun. 10:00 am Mass—17th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Mon. 8:00 am Mass

Tue. 8:00 am Mass

6:00 pm Parish Council Meeting.

Wed. 8:00 am Mass

Thur. 8:00 am Mass

Sat. 4:00—4:30 pm Confessions

5:30 pm Vigil Mass

Sun. 10:00 am Mass—18th Sunday in Ordinary Time

PLEASE CALL OR EMAIL THE PARISH OFFICE TO MAKE YOUR MASS RESERVATIONS

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK AND THOSE

THAT NEED OUR PRAYERS: Bird Dobbins, Merrill & Kathy Gorham, Virginia Wimer, Astitas Aliaga, Dave Fischer, Bob Hazlett, Ken Gannon, Penny Lane Forrest, Jody Schlieski Hanson, Phil Hansen, Lorini Morehead, Bryan Lund, Karen Seagal, Andy Younggren, Dante & Mary Fiorillo, Carmen Lopez Sotelo, Jose Rivera Lopez, Bob Wadlinger, Virginia Weiss, Ki E. Russell, Tony Faro, Jeremy & Keller Younggren, Sheri Entrikin and Walt Beery.

To update this list, call or email the office.

Welcome

We extend a special welcome to those that are passing through, those that have made this their home and those still searching for their parish family. We are glad you are here celebrating God's word and presence with us in today's Eucharistic celebration.

Building Repair Fund

When donating to the Building Repair Fund, please write a separate check. Thank you.

Sunday Mass Dispensation

The general **dispensation from the Sunday Mass obligation will remain in place until further notice.** Once the dispensation has been lifted we will let all parishioners know by email, phone call or mail.

Reconciliations—Confessions

Reconciliations are still being offered on **Saturday 4:00 pm—4:30 pm or by appointment.**

If you would like to schedule and appointment, please call or email our Parish Office.

Prayer Request Line

Please contact Kathy McGee 541-663-1255 or Theresa Beery 541-963-2372.

Baptism

Preparation is required for parents. Please call the office for further information.

Marriage

Preparation and instruction classes at least 6 months before the wedding. Contact Fr. Saji at the parish office.

Communion to the Sick

If you know of anyone who is homebound and would like to receive the Eucharist, please contact the parish office at 541-963-7341.

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www.olvcatholic.org

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First Holy Communion

Congratulations **Jose Juan & Juan Jesus Reyes Cristobal** on receiving your First Holy Communion!

May God in all His goodness bless this special day with true happiness, and may you always keep the memory of your First Holy Communion in your hearts.

2020 Confirmations!

The students who received the Sacrament of Confirmation last Wednesday are: Alexandria Aguilera, Augustine Aguilera, Carson DeClue, JorgeLuis De Anda, Ruby Gregg, Ridge Kehr, Tavian Kehr, Adam Kopf, Azucena Miramontes, Jasmin Miramontes, Adriana Reyes, Kaitlynn Reynolds, Jack Smart, Juan Tores Martinez, Florecita Villagomez, Ramiro Villagomez and Hannah Zamora.

CONFIRMATION PRAYER

Spirit of God, grant me: The gift of wisdom
To see the world through your eyes,
The gift of counsel To make difficult decisions,
The gifts of knowledge and understanding To use my mind to
know you and to love you,

The gift of fortitude To have the courage to live in the faith Despite the difficulties and disappointments,

The gift of piety To be able to express my special love And commitment to you,

And the right kind of awesome fear That makes me pause to wonder and revere God's Love. Amen.

Pope Francis Reflections

-At the foot of every cross-

"At the foot of every cross, the Mother of Jesus is always there. With her mantle, she wipes away our tears. With her outstretched hand, she helps us to rise up and she accompanies us along the path of hope." — Pope Francis

Reflection:

How is the Blessed Mother part of your personal faith life, if at all? Who do you know that has a deep devotion to Mary, the Mother of Jesus? How has he or she found hope through this devotion? What difficulties, or crosses, are you carrying right now? Accept Mary's outstretched hand and ask her to pray for

YOU. This content comes to you from Our Sunday Visitor.

July 26, 17th Sunday in Ordinary Time:

"The kingdom of heaven is like a treasure buried in a field, which a person finds and hides again, and out of joy goes and sells all that he has and buys that field. Again, the kingdom of heaven is like a merchant searching for fine pearls. When he finds a pearl of great price, he goes and sells all that he has and buys it" (Matt 13:44-46).

Collect Prayer

O God, protector of those who hope in you, without whom nothing has firm foundation, nothing is holy, bestow in abundance your mercy upon us and grant that, with you as our ruler and guide, we may use the good things that pass in such way as to hold fast even now to those that ever endure. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

Eighth Sunday after Pentecost

There was a certain rich man who had a steward,...reported...as squandering his counting of thy stewardship,...thou canst be steward no longer" (Gospel)



As children we have access to our Father's "possessions" (Gospel). "By virtue" of our Baptism, "we (all) cry, . . . Father! unto our God (Epistle).

In the business of salvation the Father has appointed us as "stewards" over human goods and Divine graces, to use, not to abuse them. The Introit recalls that even though we now receive "mercy," yet one day we must stand before "Justice."

The meaning of this Gospel story is: "Act prudently," you children of God; use material treasures so as to make eternal friends; exercise your talents in the spiritual and corporal works of mercy. Those whom you help to save, will help save you.

Excerpted from My Sunday Missal, Confraternity of the Precious Blood

FORMED PICK OF THE WEEK



Extraordinary Stories for Children

The film features eleven different stories that introduce children to Blessed Solanus Casey's spirituality and ministry. Each segment features a child who tells a fascinating and true story about Blessed Solanus

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Sunday, July 26, 2020

Saturday, July 25: 5:30 pm

Reader: Lindsey Martin-Bowen

Sunday, July 26: 10:00 am

Reader: Jim Jones

Readers please meet in the Sacristy 15 min. before Mass.

Sunday, August 02, 2020

Saturday, August 01: 5:30 pm

Reader: Amanda Villagomez

Sunday, August 02: 10:00 am

Reader: Caroline Ward

Readers please meet in the Sacristy 15 min. before Mass.

Today is the feast of Sts. Joachim and Ann

Sts. Joachim and Ann, It was in the home of Joachim and Ann where the Virgin Mary received her training to be the Mother of God. Thus, devotion to Ann and Joachim is an extension of the affection Christians have always professed toward our Blessed Mother. We, too, owe a debt of gratitude to our parents for their help in our Christian formation. Who does not know about the great shrine of Ste. Anne de Beaupre in Canada, where miracles abound, where cured cripples leave their crutches, and where people come from thousands of miles to pray to the grandmother of Jesus? At one time, July 26 was the feast of St. Anne only, but with the new calendar the two feasts of the parents of the Blessed Virgin Mary have been joined and are celebrated today. Our information about Mary's parents comes from an apocry-phal Christian writing, the Protoevangelium Jacobi (or Gospel of James), written about the year 170. According to this story, Joachim was a prominent and respected man who had no children, and he and his wife, Anne, looked upon this as a punishment from God. In answer to their prayers, Mary was born and was dedicated to God at a very early age. From this early Christian writing have come several of the feast days of Mary, particularly the Immaculate Conception, the Nativity of Mary, and her Assumption into Heaven. Very early also came feast days in honor of SS. Joachim and Anne, and in the Middle Ages numerous churches, chapels, and confraternities were dedicated to St. Anne. The couple early became models of Christian marriage, and their meeting at the Golden Gate in Jerusalem has been a favorite subject of Christian artists. Anne is often shown in

paintings with Jesus and Mary and is considered a subject that attracts attention, since Anne is the grandmother of Jesus. Her two great shrines — that of Ste. Anne d'Auray in Britanny,

France, and that of Ste. Anne de Beaupre near Quebec in Canada — are very popular. We know little else about the lives of Mary's parents, but considering the person of Mary, they must have been two very remarkable people to have been given such a daughter and to have played so important a part in the work of the Redemption. There is a church of St. Anne in Jerusalem and it is believed to be built on the site of the home of SS.

Joachim and Anne, when they lived in Jerusalem.

Things to Do:

This feast falls right in the middle of summer season, so keep in mind the variety of wonderful summer fruits and make something special with them, particularly fruit pies or tarts to Celebrate the Joys of Family and Faith. As Joachim and Ann are the grandparents of Jesus, today has traditionally been a day to honor one's grandparents. Make some time in your busy day to call, send a card or visit your grandparents maybe share some delicious fruit pies or tarts with them.