

Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

July 24, 2016

You were buried with him in baptism,
in which you were also raised with him
through faith in the power of God,
who raised him from the dead.

— *Colossians 2:12*



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**Saturday Vigil Mass at 5:00 P.M.
Reconciliation Service at 4:30 P.M.**

**Sunday Mass at 9:00 A.M.
Reconciliation at 8:30 A.M.**

Daily Masses

Monday thru Friday, Mass at 12 Noon

**Adoration - every 1st Friday of the month
from 11 a.m. to 12 noon.**

**Anointing Mass - every 3rd Friday of the
month at 12 noon.**

CCD Classes, Sunday at 10:00 a.m.

CYO, Wednesday at 6:00 P.M.

OFFICE HOURS

Tuesday -Thursday: 9:00 A.M. - 2:00 P.M.

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Program for the Year of Mercy

During the Jubilee Year of Mercy, Pope Francis reminds us that the Church as a whole is called to mercy. He said, "I am convinced that the whole Church will find in this Jubilee the joy needed to rediscover and make fruitful the mercy of God, with which all of us are called to give consolation to every man and woman of our time."

The 10 Acts of Mercy are 1) Feed the hungry; 2) Care for the sick and the elderly; 3) Help the homeless; 4) Welcome the stranger; 5) Visit the prisoner; 6) Accompany the dying; 7) Comfort the suffering; 8) Invite others to discern; 9) Offer forgiveness; and 10) Pray for each other.

The Liturgy Committee of our Parish proposes the following for the Year of Mercy:

- 1: Special insistence on the Sacrament of Reconciliation
- 2: Special pilgrimage to churches where the Holy Doors of Mercy are open.
- 3: Prayer of Mercy to be said after receiving the Holy Communion in every Mass.
- 4: A Special drive to bring back the fallen Catholics of our Church.
- 5: Identify the needy of our parishioners and provide them material and spiritual help.

Therefore we are called by Pope Francis to be active participants by doing works of mercy for those in need. We have several members of our parish who need our prayers and help as they are currently going through difficult times.

Special offerings envelopes for parishioners in need are provided in the pews. This week we had a second collection for the needy. If you want to specify whom you would like to help you may do so, otherwise the funds will be used as the needs arise. Please be generous, not only with your gifts of charity, but with your prayers as well.

Also if you are aware of any parishioners that need our help and prayer, please notify Father Basani or the office.

Collections July 16th & 17th, 2016

Regular Collection	\$2573.00
Parishioner Needs	\$112.00
Children's Collection	\$7.00

Lay Ministers

Servers for Mass July 30th & 31st

Lector: Bryan Hughes

**Altar Servers: Frances Caskey, Ana Sanchez,
Communion: Sue Thigpen, Lynn Kyle,
Cynthia Lyon**

Ushers: Faye Michel, Joey Michel,

Gift Bearers: Joe & Mary Frances Waldrep

Lector: Barbara Elliott

Altar Servers: Corgan Elliott, Kitty Elliott

**Communion: Kathy Knighten,
Zandy Bernegger**

Ushers: Mark Bernegger, Paul Caskey

Gift Bearers: The Terry Swetz Family

Mass Intentions:

Jamie & Laura Long.....July 25....12 Noon
Tom Borgioli.....July 2612.... Noon
Sister Marie Basani.....July 27.....12.... Noon
Victims and Families of the Dallas Shooting
July 28.....8:00 a.m.
By: Debra Brock

Mother Teresa's Advice about What We Can Do to Help the Poor and Those in Need.

"By doing work with them, I always insist on people doing the work with us, and for us, and for the people. I never speak to them of money or ask for things from them. I just ask them to come and love the people, to give their hands to serve them and their hearts to love them. And when they come in touch with them, then their first impulse is to do something for them. And next time they come, they've already involved."

Don't Forget the Poor

JULY BIRTHDAY'S & ANNIVERSARIES

Madison Collier	1	Clark Cliett	20
Debbie Cunningham	1	Anna Raley	22
Lillian Cothren	2	Favian Lemus	23
Ana Sanchez	4	Kay Beggerly	24
Judson Bristow	7	Aidan Henson	25
Molly Mitchener	8	Susan Lummus	25
John Robert Wilbourne	8	Christena Moreno	25
Drake Flowers	10	Becky Dimino	27
Carson Collier	19	Jose Lemus	31

ANNIVERSARIES

James & Sue Thigpen July 3
Vance & Stephanie Bristow July 13
Major & Omega Larkin July 23

Coming Events

July 28th through 30th, Father Basani will be out of town. Father Robert Dore from Annunciation will be our celebrant for Saturday mass. Father Basani will be back for Sunday Mass. Mass on Thursday, July 28th will be at 8:00 a.m. and no Mass on Friday, the 29th.

The Liturgical Committee will meet on August 3rd at 6 p.m.

Reflections for this Week: Keep Praying

St. Monica, whose feast we celebrate in August, is often known as "the persistent mother." She watched her oldest son, Augustine, turn his back on his Christian faith.

Monica was exasperated. For years she gave up talking directly to her son on the advice of a local bishop, who told her that it was better to talk to God about Augustine then to Augustine about God. The mother never gave up praying for her son. Eventually Augustine gave up his wild ways, was baptized, and later ordained and named bishop of Hippo. St. Augustine went on to become one of the Church's greatest scholars. Today's readings address the importance of persistent prayer. Abraham, in spite of trepidation that he is bothering the Lord, continues to ask about the fate of Sodom and Gomorrah. Jesus, in Luke's Gospel, tells his disciples to "ask and you will receive; seek and you will find; knock and the door will be opened to you" (Luke 11:9). This is our charge: keep praying. Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co.