

**FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK:**

“Come to me, all you that are weary and are carrying heavy burdens, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me; for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light.” Matthew 11:28-30

Jesus extends his healing invitation to all of us. He wants us to share the complexities and complications of our daily lives with him. He wants us to accept his guidance and encouragement which will give us rest. There are those times when the weariness and burdens can be overwhelming. Jesus' invitation to come to him is an invitation of love. Love is the silver lining that can be palpable during trying times. Love makes the yoke easier and the burden lighter.

Jesus is our role model to be humble in heart. The good news is that Jesus will always extend his invitation to help us find rest for our souls. Jesus doesn't promise us that our lives will be easy. What he does promise is that our burdens will be lighter when we go to him.

I would like to thank the Council of Catholic Women (CCW) and the Men's Association for coordinating the meet and greet last week. Your efforts are very appreciated. It was a pleasure to meet so many of you and I look forward to getting to know you better in the months ahead.

As we reflect on the Fourth of July, we are inspired by the men and women who shaped our principles. And we are indebted to those serving our nation; our soldiers and our leaders. Let us pray for peace and guidance and the intercession of our patron, Mary Immaculate. Have a safe and happy Fourth!

Yours in Christ,  
Fr. Sojan Punakkattu



## In Our Parish



**Monday July 7**  
9am-12:30pm Vacation Bible School-Hall  
7pm KOC Business meeting-Hall

**Tuesday July 8**  
9am-12:30pm Vacation Bible School-Hall

**Wednesday July 9**  
9am-12:30pm Vacation Bible School-Hall

**Thursday July 10**  
9am-12:30pm Vacation Bible School-Hall

**Friday July 11**  
9am-12:30pm Vacation Bible School-Hall

**Saturday July 12**  
3:30pm Reconciliation  
4:30pm Mass

**Sunday July 13**  
8:30am Mass  
11:00am Mass

### **Mass Intentions**

#### Monday, July 7

**8:30am** †**Marie Boros**  
Req. by Sunshine Club

#### Tuesday, July 8

**8:30am** †**Barbara Lugaro**  
Req. by Husband, Nick

#### Wednesday, July 9

**8:30am** †**Frank Nelson**  
Req. by Sally Nelson

#### Thursday, July 10

NO MASS

#### Friday, July 11

**8:30am** †**Dorothy Spencer**  
Req. by Irene and Bob Thomas

#### Saturday, July 12

**4:30pm** †**Patti Cheaney Coleman**  
Req. by Mom and Dad

#### Sunday, July 13

**8:30am** **For the People**

**11:00am** †**Garofalo Family**  
Req. by Rose and Ann

### **IN MEMORIAM**

**Renee Zichetella  
Dana Brown  
Rev. Peter Kasooli Bwayo  
Todd Hopson**

**Please pray for those who have passed away and  
for their loved ones to be comforted. Thank you.**

### **ANNIVERSARY OF DEATH**

**Frank Nelson 7/10/2010**

**Eternal rest grant to them O Lord and let perpet-  
ual light shine upon them. May they rest in peace.  
Amen**

Offering for the weekend of  
June 29, 2014

Offertory..... \$ 2,615.00  
St. JPII School..... \$18.00\*  
Peter's Pence..... \$1,345.00

\* Please note that our monthly obligation to St.  
John Paul II School is \$2,346.69.

## PRAYER LIST

Charles Gloetzer  
Debbie DePasqua  
Darlene Sims  
Bill Duss  
Art Trebon  
Thomas Brennan  
Mary Manning  
Edie Tortoriello  
Debbie Vitti  
Jack Denbow  
Mabel Schneider  
Lee Reading  
Jerry Grudowski  
Sandy Grudowski

Thank you for your generous support of our Holy Father's work in the Peter's Pence Collection. Our contributions will be combined with those from our brothers and sisters around the world to help the Holy Father provide essential relief to people in need. Your generosity is an act of solidarity with the universal Church, answering the call to become a witness of charity. May God bless you.

If you would like to have flowers at the altar for a special occasion or in memory of a loved one, please contact the parish office. Donation for the flowers is \$35.

**Safe Environment Program for those ministering vulnerable adults** will be held at Our Lady of Grace Parish Life Center on Saturday, July 26, 2014 from 9:00 am to noon. This program is required for Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion to the Sick and Homebound and Pastoral Care Providers who have access to vulnerable adults. Please contact Michelle at Our Lady of Grace @ 352-476-2144 to register.

The flowers on the altar this weekend are requested by Marge and Ron Susman in Thanksgiving for Michael Halle's return to good health.

## LIGHTHOUSE CD OF THE WEEK

### KEEP HOLY THE SABBATH

Dr. Timothy Gray is the president of the Augustine Institute and is a well-known Scripture scholar and Catholic speaker. With fascinating detail and examples, Dr. Gray here discusses the profound importance for individuals, and for modern society of properly observing Sunday as the Lord's Day by exploring God's gift of the Sabbath in the Old Testament. He aims to help us reclaim our Sunday from the hustle and bustle of our busy lives. CD's are available in the back of the church for a \$3 donation. Check can be made payable to St. Elizabeth.

Our Lady of Grace Knights of Columbus Council 6168 Summer Blood Drive is Saturday, July 19, 2014 from 8 AM to 1 PM at Our Lady of Grace Parish Life Center, 6 Roosevelt Blvd., Beverly Hills. The summer is a critical time for collecting blood, as many donors are unavailable. This drive will feature a deluxe complimentary breakfast of Belgium waffles, sausage and eggs, and other tokens of recognition for all donors. For additional information, call Life South at 352-527-3061.

## CATHOLIC MEDICAL ASSOCIATION CONFERENCE

The 83rd Annual Educational Conference of the Catholic Medical Association will take place September 25-27 in Orlando, FL. The conference is titled "Courage in Medicine: Defending the Faith in the New Evangelization." Additional conference details and registration can be found at: <http://cathmed.org/events/annual-educational-conference/>

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★ JUNE 21 to JULY 4 ★  
**FORTNIGHT FOR FREEDOM** **FREEDOM TO SERVE**  
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### Readings for the Week of July 6, 2014

- Sunday**     **Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
Zec 9:9-10; Ps 145; Rom 8:9, 11-13;  
Mt 11:25-30
- Monday**    Hos 2:16, 17b-18, 21-22; Ps 145; Mt  
9:18-26
- Tuesday**   Hos 8:4-7, 11-13; Ps 115; Mt 9:32-38
- Wednesday**   **Saint Augustine Zhao Rong,  
Priest, and Companions, Martyrs**  
Hos 10:1-3, 7-8, 12; Ps 105; Mt 10:1-  
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- Thursday**   Hos 11:1-4, 8c-9; Ps 80; Mt 10:7-15
- Friday**     **Saint Benedict, Abbot**  
Hos 14:2-10; Ps 51; Mt 10:16-23
- Saturday**   Is 6:1-8; Ps 93; Mt 10:24-33
- Sunday**     **Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
Is 55:10-11; Ps 65; Rom 8:18-23; Mt  
13:1-23 or 13:1-9

### THANK YOU!

On behalf of the organizations of our parish, I would like to thank all those who contributed the wonderful sweets for the Meet-n-Greet last week-end. There was great participation in this event and the spirit of the St. Elizabeth Ann Seton family came through. Also, special thanks to those who set up and cleaned up after each mass; your service was greatly appreciated.

Marie Korsiak  
CCW Secretary

### Prayer for the Protection of Religious Liberty

#### O God our Creator,

from your provident hand we have received our right to life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness.

You have called us as your people and given us

the right and the duty to worship you, the only true God,

and your Son, Jesus Christ.

Through the power and working of your Holy Spirit,

you call us to live out our faith in the midst of the world,

bringing the light and the saving truth of the Gospel

to every corner of society.

We ask you to bless us

in our vigilance for the gift of religious liberty.

Give us the strength of mind and heart

to readily defend our freedoms when they are threatened;

give us courage in making our voices heard

on behalf of the rights of your Church

and the freedom of conscience of all people of faith.

Grant, we pray, O heavenly Father,

a clear and united voice to all your sons and daughters

gathered in your Church

in this decisive hour in the history of our nation,

so that, with every trial withstood

and every danger overcome—

for the sake of our children, our grandchildren,

and all who come after us—

this great land will always be "one nation, under God,

indivisible, with liberty and justice for all."

We ask this through Christ our Lord.

Amen.