

TWENTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



Queenship of
Mary
Tuesday
Aug. 22, 2017

Our Lady of Fatima
*Pleaded that we pray the Holy Rosary
before Sunday Mass and
privately from 9:00 am to 6:00 pm daily.*

August 20, 2017

A GOOD PRAYER

*A good prayer, though often used, is still fresh and fair
in the eyes and ears of heaven.*

—Thomas Fuller

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Our Lady of Fatima Mass Schedule
Sunday: 10:30 AM - Holy Days: 6:00PM
Rosary: 10:05 AM - Rosary: 5:40 PM

Our Lady of Fatima Parish Administrator
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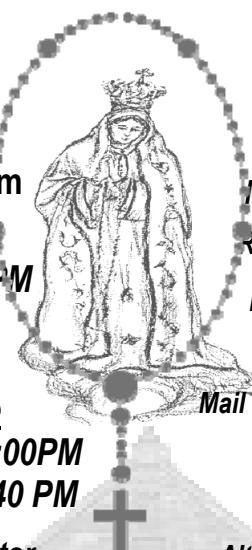
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Sunday: 5:00 PM (Vigil) Holy Days: 5:30 PM (Vigil) Weekdays: 6:45 AM

8:00 AM	8:00 AM	8:00 AM
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10:00 AM	12:00 Noon	12:00 Noon
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12:00 Noon	5:30 PM	Saturday : 8:00 AM
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AUGUST 20, 2017

CALLED TO ACT IN GOD'S NAME

“Let all the nations praise you!” (Psalm 67:4) today’s psalm response exclaims. In the psalms and other Hebrew scriptures, this kind of invocation is actually an invitation to God to act, to intervene in human lives in a manner that will cause everyone—not just the Chosen People—to give praise. Stated a bit more strongly, it is something of a “put up or shut up” challenge to God, the sort of strong statement the psalmists of Israel, trusting in their intimate and loving relationship with God, were not afraid to make.

The Gospel has its own exclamation, announcing the appearance of the Canaanite woman with “Behold!” (Matthew 15:22) “Behold!” is a scriptural flag that tells us that God is about to act or announce something through an individual or a situation. In the case of Jesus, God was going to act through this woman, whom nobody among Jesus’ followers would have believed to be an agent of the divine will. Like the psalmists, we might passively inform or perhaps even actively challenge God to do something so that everyone will come to belief, but God will always turn the tables on us. It becomes our calling, our duty (as it was for Jesus) to behold the situations and persons of our daily lives so that God can act through us, so the Kingdom can be announced through our living.

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TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

Once the way was cleared for additional Eucharistic Prayers, those who were appointed to compose them had to look deep within the tradition for sources. One of the prescriptions for new prayers was that they be “unencumbered by useless repetition.” From the start, therefore, the writers knew that the old Roman Canon, which had the priest bowing and crossing himself many times in a long, complex prayer, was not a model of simplicity.

Aside from the prayers treasured by Eastern Christians, there is an obvious model from ancient Rome. For about a hundred years now, the historical text “Apostolic Tradition” has shed some light for us on the shadowy shape of worship in the early church. In it, its author, Hippolytus, took care to record the actual texts of worship used at the time. He himself has a shadow side, since he was so ardently conservative in his tastes that he broke ties with the Bishop of Rome and became first in the line of history’s anti-popes. At the eleventh hour, however, he reconciled with his enemies and actually died a martyr. In fact, he was shipped off to the Sardinian mines as a slave with the true pope as his companion in chains. Because his tussle with the pope was over theological innovations and not liturgical texts, we are sure that his account of the style of Eucharistic Prayer in the third century is accurate. It forms the core of today’s Eucharistic Prayer II.

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THE POWER OF PRAYER

Much prayer, much power!
Little prayer, little power!
No prayer, no power!

—Anonymous

TWENTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
AUGUST 20, 2017
10:30 AM

OUR LADY OF FATIMA MASS INTENTIONS

Readings: Is 56:1,6-7; Rom 11:13-15,29-32; Mt 15:21-28
*Today's Intention = *Mim (Pufka) Billman

August 27th, Twenty-First Sunday in OT

Readings: 121: Is 22:19-23, Rom 11:33-36, Mt 16:13-20
*Carol Riley, Robin Phelan

CATHEDRAL MASS INTENTIONS

August 21, Monday: Saint Pius X, Pope

Readings: Jgs 2:11-19; Mt 19:16-22
6:45 AM Ben Jenkins (Francis & Christina Dambeck)
8:00 AM Barbara Barrett (Larry & Barb Savino)
12:00 PM Rita Katoski (Robert & Donna Hall)

August 22, Tuesday: The Queenship of the BVM

Readings: Jgs 6:11-24; Mt 19:23-30
6:45 AM Bill Crouse (Frank & Dawn Steinbugl)
8:00 AM Margaret McConnell, Anniversary (Family)
***12:00PM Patrick McNulty (Ellen Ann & Ray Kelly)**

August 23, Wednesday: Saint Rose of Lima, Virgin

Readings: Jgs 9: 6-15; Mt 20:1-16
6:45 AM Sally Heck (Eddie & Lois Simanski)
***8:00 AM Teresa G. Mincin, Anniversary (Anna Miller)**
12:00 PM Nancy Geis, Anniversary (Family)

August 24, Thursday: Saint Bartholomew, Apostle

Readings: Rv 21: 9-14; Jn 1:45-51
***6:45 AM BeBe Milliron (Kevin & Jane Byrne)**
8:00 AM John Bauer (Dennis & Connie Navarro)
12:00 PM Madeline Vogel, Birthday Blessings (Family)

August 25, Friday: St. Louis, St. Joseph Calasanz

Readings: Ru 1:1,3-6,14-16,22; Mt 22:34-40
6:45 AM Msgr. Thomas Madden (Estate)
***8:00 AM Joan Hirt (Barb & Steve Gerhart)**
12:00 PM Julia Febbo (Pete Russo & Erica)

August 26, Saturday: Weekday

Readings: Ru 2:1-3,8-11;4:13-17; Mt 23: 1-12
8:00 AM Rose Ann Himmelman (Sam & Judy Kokolis)
12:00 PM Pat Geis (Alice & Butch Winkler)

Vigil: Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time

Readings: Is 22: 19-23; Rom 11:33-36; Mt 16:13-20
5:00 PM Edgar L. Johnston, Birth (Amelia & Family)

Remember Our Sick and Dying in your prayers.

*Jesus, Son of the Living Father,
Have Mercy on Me, A Sinner*

*Our Lady of Fatima asks us to:
"Pray the Rosary daily for Peace."*

AUGUST 20, 2017 Scripture Reflection

Two Gospel narratives reveal that Jesus' ministry extended even to Gentiles. One is today's story of the Canaanite woman and the other is the healing of the centurion's slave. The woman in today's story is a pagan. She came from the nation that had produced a number of Israel's enemies and whose deity, Baal, had nearly replaced the Lord's role as national God. Because of her nationality, her narrative departs from the story of the centurion. This is not a pious, high-status foreigner asking for a one-time favor. This is a needy and potentially hostile outsider whose desperate faith inspires her to claim a place, however lowly, in the inheritance of Israel.

The wider implication of the dialogue, then, is that Gentile membership in the community of faith was not a restricted favor to a few elite individuals. It was the common inheritance of all people. Although it took the early church a long time to sort out the details, Matthew establishes that anyone with a tenacious faith in the grace offered through Jesus had a place among the followers of Christ. Even though these questions of inclusion have been long settled for Christians, the woman's perseverance is still ours to emulate. A key Christian inheritance from Israelite faith is that persistent prayer for an impossible goal yields surprising grace. Remaining steadfast in prayer, even in the face of impossibility, reveals a true person of faith.

Our prayer must be equally resolute, remaining open to God's surprising grace. When we receive no answer, we must persevere. When others tell us to stop, we must persevere. As long as we need God's grace and help, even when we cannot imagine how it will come, we must persevere. The resolute faith of one woman delivered a child from evil. The bold, persistent prayer of a church can transform a world.

- Who are the foreigners in our midst and what small step can you take this week to make them feel welcome?
- Which of your prayers demand perseverance?

**ORDER
OF
CELEBRATING
MATRIMONY**

Liturgical Reflection...

The acclamation of praise accompanying the reception of the Consent is followed by the Blessing and Giving of Rings. The priest or deacon blesses the rings (three options), sprinkling them with baptismal water, and gives them to the bride and bridegroom. The husband then places his wife's ring on her finger, praying the designated prayer. Likewise, the wife places her husband's ring on the ring finger while saying the prayer. These prayers should be audible to all in the assembly gathered for the Sacrament of Matrimony.

Order of Celebrating Matrimony, Numbers 66, 67A, 100-101, 131-132, and 194-195.

2017, Diocese of Altoona-Johnstown, Liturgy Office, 925 South Logan Boulevard, Hollidaysburg, Pennsylvania 16648.

20th Sunday in Ordinary Time (August 20)

Saint Paul reminds us that "the gifts and the call of God are irrevocable." How will you use these gifts God entrusted you to carry out your personal vocation? Let the depth of faith God has given you continue to "walk the stewardship walk."

August 20 Mt. 15:21-28

The mother in today's gospel persisted, even when she was ignored and insulted. She would do whatever was necessary to bring relief to her child. Parenting is more than bringing life into the world; it is also about sacrificing daily for your children.

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- Caring for the Poor & Strengthening Families
- Catholic Charities, Family Life, Fulton County Catholic Mission & Missions Office - Mandeville Diocese in Jamaica
- Nurturing Our Youth
- Campus Ministry, Educating Youth, Sacramental Preparation, Youth Ministry
- Forming Clergy & Laity
- Adult Enrichment, Christian Initiation (RCIA), Evangelization, Lay Ecclesial Ministry, Priests' Vocations,

AUGUST 2017 Contributions

Aug.13, 2017	Env Used	63 /150
Weekly		1296.00
Cmas Club		15.00
Votives		90.00
Children's		5.00
Shrine		5.00
Music		5.00
Heat & Fuel		15.00
Assumption		33.30
Total Dep		1464.30

***Our Lady of Fatima,
Pray for us.***



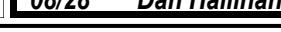
08/23 Linda & Brent Ronan



08/25 Patty Pufka



08/26 Paul Masic



08/28 Dan Hallinan

"Catholic Ministries Drive" continued...

- Ongoing Formation of Priests & Deacons
- Only 1.5% of the total target goal will be budgeted for campaign expenses.
- The Fund no longer supports core administrative offices of the diocese.
- Each parish is asked to achieve a "target" amount. Contributions exceeding the parish's target will be refunded to the parish free from assessment.
- Contributions to the 2017 Catholic Ministries Drive will be allocated during the fiscal year beginning on July 1, 2017 and ending on June 30, 2018.
- The Catholic Ministries Drive committee will provide oversight of fund allocations to the above ministries, ensuring that contributions fulfill the mission of the bishop to proclaim the Gospel message of Jesus Christ.



QUEENSHIP OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

Imprimi potest:
+ Michael Epus Galviensis, 4 June, 1966

August 22 is the Feast of The Immaculate Heart of Mary, Traditional Calendar and the Queenship of Mary, the New Calendar. October 11 is the Feast of the Divine Maternity, both Calendars and the Queenship of Mary, Traditional Calendar.

On the 11th OF October 1954, Pope Pius XII established the Feast of the Queenship of Mary to be celebrated throughout the world, and commanded that on that day each year, the world should renew its consecration to her. In the future the Feast came to be celebrated on 22nd of August.

"The purpose of the Feast is that all may recognize more clearly and venerate more devoutly the merciful and motherly sovereignty of her who bore God in her womb" (Ven. Pius XII, Ad. Coeli Reginam).

On the day of her Assumption, Mary our Mother was solemnly crowned by Christ and received by the whole court of Heaven as Queen.

What Christ has done in Heaven and the Church has done on our behalf we should now do individually, that is, we should recognize Mary's Queenship, enthroned in our homes, consecrate ourselves to her and, by this means, establish in our lives the reign of Mary Immaculate Queen of the Universe.

How to Enthronize Mary Immaculate Queen in Your Home and Consecrate Your Family to Her

A statue or picture may be blessed; If convenient, ask a priest to perform the ceremony, otherwise the head of the family can do it. Prepare her altar with flowers and candles, giving her an honored place in your home where all will see her and often pray to her.

Recite together kneeling:

Act of Contrition; 3 Hail Marys; 3 Glorias; 3 times the invocation:

Mary Immaculate Queen: Triumph and Reign.

followed by the

ACT OF CONSECRATION

O Mary Immaculate Queen, glorious Queen of the Universe, most powerful Virgin, merciful Mother of a merciful God and refuge of sinners, we consecrate ourselves to thy Royal and Immaculate Heart.

It is through thee that Jesus Christ our King has come into the world to save it. It is also through thee that He is to reign over the world.

In order to obtain this great benefit for ourselves and all mankind, we come to thy feet to consecrate to thee our persons, our lives, all that we are, all that we have, all that we love. Keep us, enlighten us, dispose of us, reign over us.

May all hearts and all homes willingly proclaim thee as their Immaculate Queen.

PRAYER

O Mary Immaculate Queen, look down upon this distressed and suffering world. Thou knowest our misery and our weakness. O Thou who art our Mother, saving us in the hour of peril, have compassion on us in these days of great and heavy trial.

Jesus has confided to thee the treasure of His Grace, and through Thee He wills to grant us pardon and mercy. In these hours of anguish, therefore, thy children come to Thee as their hope.

We recognize thy Queenship and ardently desire thy triumph. We need a Mother and a Mother's Heart. Thou art for us the luminous dawn which dissipates our darkness and points out the way to life. In thy clemency obtain for us the courage and the confidence of which we have such need.

Most Holy and Adorable Trinity, Thou Who didst crown with glory in Heaven the Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of the Savior, grant that all her children on earth may acknowledge her as their Sovereign Queen, that all hearts, homes, and nations may recognize her rights as Mother and as Queen. Amen.

MARY IMMACULATE QUEEN
Triumph and Reign!

MAY 13, 2017

100TH
ANNIVERSARY
OF
OUR
LADY
OF
FATIMA'S
FIRST
APPARITION

COVA DA IRIA, PORTUGAL



JUNE 29, 2017

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OUR LADY URGES US TO PRAY AND OFFER SACRIFICES
BEFORE IT IS TOO LATE!

OUR LADY OF FATIMA PARISH

is commemorating the

*Centennial of the Apparitions of Our Lady of Fatima
by scheduling*

*Eucharistic Adoration and Benediction
for two (2) hours
on the following dates of the original Apparitions:*

Saturday, August 19th,
Wednesday, September 13th, and
Friday, October 13th.

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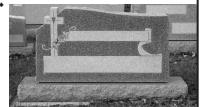
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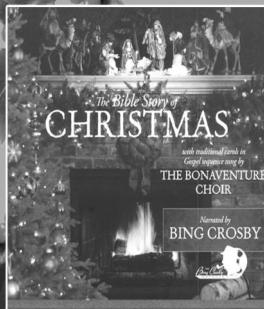
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