15th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

All Souls Catholic Church, Sanford, FL 32771
July 16, 2017 ~ 15th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Clergy of the Parish
Fr. Gilbert Medina, Pastor
Fr. Ed McCarthy, Retired
Fr. Kenneth Metz, Retired
Fr. Andrzej Jurkiewicz, Latin Mass Celebrant
Fr. Mark Christopher, Retired
Rev. Mr. Marty Mueller, Deacon

Church † School † Cemetery
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Parish Office
301 W. 8th Street, 32771
Hours: M-F,
8 am to 4:30 pm
(Please note summer hours)

Church Location
3280 W. 1st St. (SR #46), Sanford 32771
Saturday 5:00 pm
Vigil Mass
Sunday 9:30 am, 11am,
12:30 pm (Spanish)
Confession: Saturday,
3:35 to 4:45 pm

Historic Chapel Location
800 S. Oak Ave., Sanford 32771
Daily Mass 8:30 am, Monday—Saturday
Sunday 8:00 am, 2:00 pm (Latin)

The parish office will close at 12:00 noon each Friday through August 4th.

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Matthew 13:23
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"But some seed fell on rich soil, and produced fruit, a hundred or sixty or thirtyfold." In the parable of the sower that Jesus tells in today’s Gospel, the ideal is to be “the seed sown on rich soil” that yields an abundant harvest. As Jesus explains, this means we should strive to be “the one who hears the word and understands it.”

So how do we place ourselves in this category? How do we assure that we will hear God’s voice (i.e., the word) and actually understand what he’s saying to us? The answer comes in the parable itself. Jesus explains what we need to avoid in order to make sure our seed bears fruit.

First, we must beware of "the evil one" who comes and steals away the seed of God’s word. Faithfully praying the Lord's Prayer, with its request to "deliver us from evil," is a good starting point here. Placing ourselves under God's protection every day is like taking up a shield against the forces that would seek to derail us.

Secondly, we must be committed enough to God's word that "tribulation or persecution" do not uproot us or make our faith wither and die. Here, too, sincerely praying the petition in the Lord's Prayer—"Thy will be done"—can prepare us to accept whatever comes our way without waffling or wavering.

Finally, we must be careful that “worldly anxiety and the lure of riches” do not "choke" us. Again, we turn to the Lord's Prayer and find an antidote built in: "Give us this day our daily bread." We pray not for a new car or a winning lottery ticket, but for our basic needs.

So let us embrace the prayer Jesus gave us, indeed the words he himself gave us to say, as we seek to truly hear and understand God's word. 

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The Sacraments

The Sacrament of Reconciliation: Confessions are heard each week on Saturday at the Church (SR #46) from 3:45pm to 4:45pm Learn more about this beautiful sacrament by visiting our website: www.allsoulssanford.org/reconciliation

The Sacrament of Baptism: Call the parish office to learn the necessary requirements and make an appointment with Father Kenneth Metz to have your child baptized. Ask us about the requirements for Godparents.

The Sacrament of Marriage: Getting married? Congratulations! The process of being married in the Catholic Church could take between 6 months to a year to complete. Please contact Ann Cammarata at the Parish Office as soon as possible after your engagement if you would like to be married at All Souls Catholic Church.

Anointing of the Sick: Please call the parish office. The Rite of Anointing tells us there is no need to wait until a person is at the point of death to receive the Sacrament. Did you know that the Sacrament may be repeated if the person becomes sick again? A person should be anointed before surgery when a dangerous illness is the reason for the intervention.

Eucharistic Ministry to the Sick and Homebound: If you are unable to attend Mass, please call the parish office so we may assist you in having a visit from one of our ministers or one of our priests.

Catholic Funeral and Burial: Please call the parish office or have the funeral home director contact us to arrange the Funeral Mass and for more information about burial at All Souls Catholic Cemetery.

Our Online Homilies: If you missed Mass over the weekend you may view the homily by visiting: www.allsoulssanford.org

Recognize God in the Ordinary...

Over the years I have wasted a lot: a lot of money, a lot of time, and a lot of talent. Sometimes I didn't realize I was wasting these things but, after reflection, I realized I could have done more and accomplished much greater things. Of course, I think that is part of our imperfect humanity. It truly is easier for us to waste our gifts than grow them into something more.

The parable of the sower speaks about the word of God that gets planted in our hearts. If the soil of our heart is rich, than the word will grow and change us. If that soil is rocky or full of weeds, the word will lie there without any impact, bearing no fruit.

This parable can be applied to living a stewardship way of life as well. As sowers, we have been given the seeds of our time, talent, and treasure. We have a choice of where to plant these gifts. As good everyday stewards, we are called to plant them wisely and prudently. Oftentimes it is not enough to simply give away what we have. We need to discern the best places to sow these gifts so the maximum harvest can grow. This takes prayer, reflection, and study. Without a solid discernment process, we can find ourselves sowing seeds endlessly without much to show for it. But joyful is the person who has used one's gifts wisely, for the bounty of the harvest is great.

--Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS
Dear Sisters in Christ,

Peace be with you!

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**Reflection:** The family is the domestic Church. Parents should by word and example be the first preachers of the Faith to their children. They should encourage their children in the vocation proper to each, carefully fostering vocations to the religious state. Vatican II: The Church, no 11

**Prayer:** Heavenly Father, help me to take seriously my role in the domestic Church. Let me work to ensure that Christian love and harmony will always reign in my family.

Lead with your heart...

Eleanor Tolley, President
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Make All Souls your parish home!

Often people attend Mass at All Souls for several years, but never register. Registering here is a declaration of your desire to be part of a Catholic community and to make a commitment to the life of All Souls Church. Being a registered parishioner makes the process much easier when it is time for infant baptism, school or religious education registration, weddings, when asked to be a baptismal or confirmation sponsor, and even funerals. A registered parishioner receives all parish mailings, too.

Church law advises that territories or boundaries no longer limit parish registration. All Souls accepts anyone who wants to share in the life of the parish regardless of where they live. In order to register, you need to complete a registration card. These may be found in the narthex of the church or chapel, the parish office during the week or online at our parish website: www.allsoulssanford.org. Why not sign up today?

**We Love New Members**

Please complete and return the white registration card found in the Narthex of the Church or register online at the parish website allsoulsanfords.com to ensure your official registration at All Souls Catholic Church!

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Stewardship of Treasure

Due to staff vacations, offertory amounts were not available at publication deadline. They will be reported at a later date. Thank you for your understanding.

Did you forgot your envelopes? Register for online giving today! Lost or forgotten envelopes? Do you prefer to set up automatic donations? It’s easy to give online with our secure site: WeShare

Visit: allsoulsanfords.weshareonline.org

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Quo Vadis Days for Young Catholic Men

Quo Vadis Days, July 30 – Aug. 1

Quo Vadis Days is a camp experience for young Catholic men, aged 13 – 18, to learn more about the priesthood, to deepen their faith, and to better discern God’s call in their lives. Come and speak with priests, seminarians and other young men that are discerning their calling. Activities will include prayer, sports, talks and discussions. Sunday, July 30 at 3 p.m. – Tuesday, Aug. 1 at 2 p.m., San Pedro Spiritual Center, 2400 Dike Road, Winter Park, FL. Register/RSVP: https://quovadisdays2017.eventbrite.com. Email completed forms or send inquiries to: ddinh@orlandodiocese.org or call 407.246.4875. Limited to 40 young men.

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Our Council of Catholic Women

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The Knights of Columbus

If you've got what it takes to go round after round, then you'll enjoy BINGO in our topnotch BINGO Hall. We offer three game packages plus extras, a snack bar and full meals, intermissions, and a guaranteed payout. Located at 2509 Myrtle Ave, Sanford, 407.324.3699. State law requires that all persons playing BINGO must be at least 18 years of age.

Meetings 1st (Social) and 3rd (Business) Tuesdays at 7pm, 2504 5 Oak Ave, Sanford. kofc5357.org
Faith Formation News

Teachers needed for Faith Formation Classes

We are in need of substitute teachers for the 2017-2018 school year. Would you prayerfully consider serving in this area of Faith Formation?

REMEMBER: What is freely given to you should be freely given away. This is an opportunity for you to share your faith. It is a call given to each Baptized Catholic. Will you respond? Will you say yes? The Church needs you! Please call the office: 407.322.3795 or email, Jenny Mansingh, Director of Faith Formation at jmansingh@allsoulsanford.org

Attention Parents: Investment Opportunity

In a time when technology is at its peak; Facebook, snapchat, twitter—you name it, our personal one on one encounter with others is at its lowest, so too is our tolerance, our patience, and even our love. Instead of investing our time in people, to teach them to do something, or to mentor them, or to support them, we allow social media to do that for us. Perhaps, years down the road we will see its level of effectiveness. For now, I know for a fact the level of effectiveness that comes from investing in people. I know this because there were many who mentored me, and many whom I have mentored. Here I am still involved in the church and actively living my faith. So too are those with whom I was privileged to journey with.

With this in mind, I would like to invite you to make an investment in our young people. Make an investment to spend one and a half hour each week to teach them the faith, to teach them how to be a better Catholic, to equip them with tools so that they can make better moral choices, to teach them by showing them that when we speak of the “DIGNITY OF THE HUMAN PERSON” we mean business, because even you, as you age still have purpose and you are still making a difference. (Don’t Tell Me, Show Me J)

Classes meet on Tuesday or Wednesday nights from 6:30 pm to 7:45 pm at the Historic Chapel. If you cannot commit to a weekly meeting, perhaps you would consider serving as a substitute teacher. Please call me at 407.322.3795, email me: jmansingh@allsoulsanford.org OR even better, come in and let us have a one on one chat about the possibility of you serving in our faith formation program here at All Souls Catholic School.

Jenny Mansingh, Director of Faith Formation.

Questions for this week...

Matthew 13:1-23 or 1-9: In today’s Gospel, Jesus tells the crowd the parable of the sower and the seed and later explains the parable to his disciples. Which “seed” do you most closely identify with?

Isaiah 55:10-11: The prophet Isaiah speaks to the efficacy of God’s word and will. What does this tell us about divine nature?

Romans 8:18: Paul writes to the Roman Christians of a new world and order (at the return of Christ) in which personal suffering—and even the suffering of all creation—will cease and redemption will be achieved. What do you think a redeemed humanity and creation would look like?

Be A Mentor—Change a Life!

Catholic Charities of Central Florida Refugee Youth Services Program is seeking adults to serve as mentors for refugee children. Many of the children we serve have suffered traumatic violence, loss of family and friends, war, and life in a refugee camp. They need your help.

Mentor Requirements: Must be at least 18 years old, participate in mentor training and safe environment training, background check and commit to volunteer at least three hours per week.

Sign-up to make a difference today! Contact Jacob: Jacob.miller@cflcc.org, 410.218.4041.

Saint of the Week

Mary Magdalene was a figure in the Bible’s New Testament who was one of Jesus’ most loyal followers and is said to have been the first to witness his resurrection. While the Western Christian Church portrayed her as a repentant sinner for centuries, newer research has disputed this interpretation, and the discovery of the Gnostic Gospels, including the Gospel of Mary, describes Mary as a reflective, wise spiritualist favored by Jesus. Her feast day is July 22nd.
**Week Day Readings**

**Readings for the Week of July 16, 2017**

**Sunday:** Is 55:10-11; Rom 8:18-23; Mt 13:1-23 or 13:1-9
**Monday:** Ex 1:8-14, 22; Mt 10:34--11:1
**Tuesday:** Ex 2:1-15a; Mt 11:20-24
**Wednesday:** Ex 3:1-6, 9-12; Mt 11:25-27
**Thursday:** Ex 3:13-20; Mt 11:28-30
**Friday:** Ex 11:10--12:14; Mt 12:1-8
**Saturday:** Sg 3:1-4b; Jn 20:1-2, 11-18
**Next Sunday:** Wis 12:13, 16-19; Rom 8:26-27

**Observances for the Week of July 16, 2017**

**Sunday:** 15th Sunday in Ordinary Time
**Tuesday:** St. Camillus de Lellis, Priest
**Thursday:** St. Apollinaris, Bishop and Martyr
**Friday:** St. Lawrence of Brindisi, Priest and Doctor of the Church
**Saturday:** St. Mary Magdalene
**Sunday:** 15th Sunday in Ordinary Time

“I am not my own; I have given myself to Jesus. He must be my only love.”

- St. Kateri Tekakwitha

**Catholic Traditions Explained**

**Question:** July 22 is the feast of Mary Magdalene. Who was she and is it true that she was a prostitute who followed Jesus around in his ministry?

**Answer:** Recent biblical scholarship has been trying for a long time to correct Mary Magdalene’s misconstrued reputation as a prostitute. Biblical information reveals her as one of the most important disciples of Jesus, following and financially supporting him during his ministry. She is also a faithful witness both to the Crucifixion and the first to see the risen Jesus. Her reputation as a prostitute arose from the misunderstandings of certain texts in Luke. Luke 8:2 reports Mary as being a follower of Jesus “from whom seven demons had gone out.” This passage follows Luke’s story of the sinful woman, a prostitute, who bathed Jesus’ feet with her tears and dried them with her hair. Since that woman is not named, there came to be an association of that woman with Mary Magdalene, “from whom seven demons had gone out.” Thus Mary became known as a prostitute. The readings and prayers for her feast day make no mention of her reputation as a sinner. Rather, they emphasize and highlight her role as the first witness to the risen Lord, and the mention of her reputation as a prostitute. Biblical information reveals her as one of the most important disciples of Jesus, following and financially supporting him during his ministry. She is also a faithful witness both to the Crucifixion and the first to see the risen Jesus. Let us continue to be Mary Magdalene to the world.

**Mass Intentions**

**Saturday, July 15**
8:30 am
†Joyce Dual
Church
by Leah, Joe & Karen Dual

**Sunday, July 16**
8:00 am
Rolando Hernandez
Church
by his family

**Monday, July 17**
8:00 am
†Susan Costantino
Church
by Lynne Cadarette

**Tuesday, July 18**
8:00 am
†Elizabeth Reilly
Church (Spanish)
by the Parishioners of All Souls

**Wednesday, July 19**
8:30 am
†Leo Salvail
Chapel
by Paul & Norma Salvail

**Thursday, July 20**
8:30 am
Cielo Carriozosa
Church
by the Benefiel Family

**Friday, July 21**
8:30 am
Robin Jean Love
Church
by Nancy Whitman

**Saturday, July 22**
8:30 am
†Bill “Porky” Hobeck
Church (Latin)
by the Coppa-Cross Family

**Sunday, July 23**
8:00 am
†John Maher
Church
by Robert & Paula Myers

**People of the Parish**
8:00 am
Church
by the Principe-Miro Families

**People of the Parish**
8:00 am
Church
by the All Souls Contemporary Choir

**People of the Parish**
8:00 am
Church (Latin)
by the Parishioners of All Souls

**People of the Parish**
8:00 am
Church (Latin)
by Carmin & Maureen Bravo

The Sanctuary Light in our Historic Chapel burns this week in loving memory of Jeanne dar Salvail, as requested by Paul and Norma Salvail. May she rest in eternal peace.

This month the Altar Wine is lovingly provided by Denyse Kramer. Bless you and thank you for your generosity to the parish.
Food Pantry Needs of the Week: Peanut butter and jelly. Thanks!

We Meet Monday: Join us at 7 pm on Monday, July 17 at the Knights of Columbus Hall (2504 S. Oak Ave.) in Sanford. Prayer, fellowship and more!

Vincentian Reflection: In today’s Gospel, we hear the story of the sower and we know that “some seed fell on rich soil, and produce fruit, a hundred or sixty or thirty fold.” This week by making a donation to St. Vincent de Paul, know that together they will produce fruit a hundred fold.

News from St. Vincent de Paul Orlando: St. Vincent de Paul Orlando relies on the generosity of individuals, businesses and community donation drives to fill the shelves of our three Central Florida Thrift Stores. Donated items are sold to members of the community or given away for free to people experiencing crisis. Items that cannot be sold in our Stores are recycled. FOR LARGE APPLIANCE AND FURNITURE PICK-UP, PLEASE CALL THE ST. VINCENT DE PAUL ORLANDO DONATION LINE: 888.986.4483.

Assistance Hotline call: 407.330.4400
SVPD for Pick up of donations: 1.888.986.4483
Thrift Store Location: 216 N. Hwy 17-92, Suite #150 – Big Lots Plaza, Longwood, 32750,
Hours: Mon. to Fri.: 10 am to 7 pm; Sat. 9 am to 6 pm
*Closed Sunday*

Grupos de Oración Spanish

Nuestro Grupo de Oración Jesús María y José cordialmente te invita a su reunión tradicional en La Capilla Histórica, en Oak Avenue cada lunes a las 7:15 pm, comenzando con el rezo del rosario, oraciones y la adoración del Santísimo Sacramento. Todos están invitados a asistir. Por favor únase a Padres y Madres Oración el sábado, 1 de julio a las 7:00 pm en la Capilla Histórica y permanezca después para la confraternidad en el Salón Social. Nuestro grupo se reúne el primer sábado de cada mes. Se proporciona cuidado de niños.

LET’S STAY CONNECTED!
Like and post to us on our Facebook Pages:
All Souls Catholic Community
All Souls Catholic Cemetery
All Souls Community Harvest Festival
Sign-up to receive parish emails or text messages through our Flocknote service. We regularly send updates about parish activities, events, and announcements. You can sign-up to receive our email and free* text alerts by texting Allsouls to: 84576 (*Standard messaging rates may apply from your cell phone provider)
Follow us on Twitter: @AllSoulsSanford

Watch: Parish Media Ministry for our priest’s Weekly Homily online at our parish website: https://www.allsoussanford.org

This week in the parish

CH - New Church on SR 46; CP - Historic Chapel on Oak Ave.;
SH - Social Hall; WH - White House (9th/Myrtle);
SL - Science Lab; CR - Parish Conference Room; Suite C - Parish Office Suite C, upstairs; TRC - Technical Research Center;
CGR - Church Gathering Room; R - Rectory, PRF - Parish Office Upstairs

July 17 
St. Vincent de Paul, 7:00 pm (K of C Hall)
Spanish Prayer Group, 7:15 pm (CP)

July 20
Holy League, 6:00 pm (CP)
Baptism Class—Spanish, 7:00 pm (CR)
Contemporary Choir, 7:00 pm (CH)

July 21
PARISH OFFICE CLOSED