

Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time – July 28, 2019

Asked and Answered

Readings: **Genesis 18:20–32**; **Psalm 138:1–3, 6–8**;
Colossians 2:12–14; **Luke 11:1–13**

Though we be “but dust and ashes,” we can presume to draw near and speak boldly to our Lord, as Abraham dares in this week’s First Reading.

But even Abraham—the friend of God (see **Isaiah 41:8**), our father in the faith (see **Romans 4:12**)—did not know the intimacy that we know as children of Abraham, heirs of the blessings promised to his descendants (see **Galatians 3:7, 29**).

The mystery of prayer, as Jesus reveals to His disciples in this week’s Gospel, is the living relationship of beloved sons and daughters with their heavenly Father. Our prayer is pure gift, made possible by the “good gift” of the Father—the Holy Spirit of His Son. It is the fruit of the New Covenant by which we are made children of God in Christ Jesus (see **Galatians 4:6–7**; **Romans 8:15–16**).

Through the Spirit given to us in Baptism, we can cry to Him as our Father—knowing that when we call, He will answer.

Jesus teaches His disciples to persist in their prayer, as Abraham persisted in begging God’s mercy for the innocent of Sodom and Gomorrah.

For the sake of the one just Man, Jesus, God spared the city of man from destruction (see **Jeremiah 5:1**; **Isaiah 53**), “obliterating the bond against us,” as Paul says in this week’s Epistle.

On the Cross, Jesus bore the guilt of us all, canceled the debt we owed to God, the death we deserved to die for our transgressions. We pray as ones who have been spared, visited in our affliction, saved from our enemies.

We pray always a prayer of thanksgiving, which is the literal meaning of Eucharist. We have realized the promise of this week’s Psalm: We worship in His holy temple, in the presence of angels, hallowing His name.

In confidence we ask, knowing that we will receive, that He will bring to completion what He has done for us—raising us from the dead, bringing us to everlasting life along with Him.

Fr. Blake Evans, Pastor.

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Mass Intentions

July 27 – August 3, 2019

Sat. 7/27	8:00 am	Holy Souls
	5:30 pm	Nola & Miller Families
Sun. 7/28	8:00am	People of the Parish
	10:00am	Mr. & Mrs. Aaron Wilkinson
	1:00pm	Laura Juarez (birthday)
Mon. 7/29	12:00	+Flora E. Davis
Tue. 7/30	12:00	+Msgr. Maurice V. O’Connell
Wed. 7/31	12:00	+Fr. Donald C. Howard
Thu. 8/1	12:00	No mass
Fri. 8/2	12:00	Perera Family
Sat. 8/2	8:00 am	Holy Souls
	5:30 pm	People of the Parish

Please pray for the sick and home-bound of our Parish:

Almighty and Eternal God, You are the everlasting health of those who believe in You. Hear us for Your sick servant (N...) for whom we implore the aid of Your tender mercy, that being restored to bodily health, he (she) may give thanks to You in Your Church. Through Christ our Lord.



to Zariah Alexandra Kennedy, Betty Kennedy’s granddaughter, on her baptism which will take place on Sunday, July 28 at 10 am Mass.

Question of the week: What have I prayed for persistently in the past? Am I receptive when I am asked for something persistently?

Report

7/21/19

Attendance:	352 souls
Offerings & Tithes:	\$5,360
Spanish Mass:	\$395
Utility fund:	\$308
Maintenance fund:	\$10



July is the month of the Precious Blood of Jesus

Monday we will have ONE Bible Study on the theme of the Precious Blood. Bring a Bible and your Catechism if you have one. We will also pray the Litany of the Previous Blood of Jesus

July 29 - Music Room 5:45pm

A Prayer for Grandparents

Dear God,
please bless our grandparents.

Thank you for the life they gave my parents
and for the life they give to me.
For the ways they helped me
and made me strong, I give thanks.

For the ways they love me no matter what,
I rejoice.

For the ways they have paved the road
that leads me here, I am grateful.

Blessing of Grandparents: To Honor St. Anne and St. Joachim, the parents of Our Lady the Blessed Virgin, the Priests will bless all grandparents at the end of mass this weekend using a prayer written by Pope Emeritus Benedict the 16th.



The Social Outreach Committee will be collecting school supplies (notebooks, backpacks, pencils, paper, folders etc.) for children in the Parish beginning the weekend of Sunday July 20th until Sunday August 25th, 2019 and distributing them on Sunday August 25th in the Church Lounge after the 10:00 am mass until 1:00 pm. Those in need of school supplies should fill out one of the supply request forms -located on the table in the church vestibule as you enter the church- and drop the bottom part in the collection basket at Mass before August 25th 2019. **You keep the top part of the form.** You do not need to put your name on the form.

Litany of the Most Precious Blood

Lord, have mercy on us.
Christ, have mercy on us.
Lord, have mercy on us; Christ, hear us.
Christ, graciously hear us.
God, the Father of heaven,
Have mercy on us.
God, the Son, Redeemer of the world,
God, the Holy Spirit,
Holy Trinity, One God,
Blood of Christ, only-begotten Son of the Eternal Father,
Save us.
Blood of Christ, Incarnate Word of God, Blood of Christ, of
the New and Eternal Testament,
Blood of Christ, falling upon the earth in the Agony,
Blood of Christ, shed profusely in the Scourging,
Blood of Christ, flowing forth in the Crowning with Thorns,
Blood of Christ, poured out on the Cross,
Blood of Christ, price of our salvation,
Blood of Christ, without which there is no forgiveness,
Blood of Christ, Eucharistic drink and refreshment of souls,
Blood of Christ, stream of mercy,
Blood of Christ, victor over demons,
Blood of Christ, courage of martyrs,
Blood of Christ, strength of confessors,
Blood of Christ, bringing forth virgins,
Blood of Christ, help of those in peril,
Blood of Christ, relief of the burdened,
Blood of Christ, solace in sorrow,
Blood of Christ, hope of the penitent,
Blood of Christ, consolation of the dying,
Blood of Christ, peace and tenderness of hearts,
Blood of Christ, pledge of eternal life,
Blood of Christ, freeing souls from purgatory,
Blood of Christ, most worthy of all glory and honor,
Lamb of God, who take away the sins of the world,
Spare us, O Lord.
Lamb of God, who take away the sins of the world,
Graciously hear us, O Lord.
Lamb of God, who take away the sins of the world,
Have mercy on us.
L. You have redeemed us, O Lord, in your Blood.
R. And made us, for our God, a kingdom.
Let us pray: Almighty and Eternal God, you have appointed
your only begotten Son the Redeemer of the world and
willed to be appeased by his Blood. Grant, we beg of you,
that we may worthily adore this price of our salvation, and
through its power be safeguarded from the evils of this
present life, so that we may rejoice in its fruits forever in
heaven. Through the same Christ our Lord. Amen.