



Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

July 22, 2018



Behold, the days are coming, says the LORD, when I will raise up a righteous shoot to David. ~Jeremiah 23:5a

Weekly Mass Intentions



Mass Intentions

Saturday – July 21

8:00am~† William Burke

Offered by: Joan Fortunato

5:00pm~† Bryan Graves

Offered by: Linda Graves

Sunday – July 22

8:30am~† Isabel Maria Quiñones

Offered by: daughter, Martha

10:00am~ † Grace Frulio

Offered by: Frulio Family

11:30am- † Parish Community Intentions

1:30pm- † Parish Community Intentions

6:00pm- † Parish Community Intentions

Monday – July 23

8:00am~† Nancy Rogo

Offered by: OLMC Parish

12:05pm~† John J. Plescia, Sr.

Offered by: OLMC Parish

Tuesday – July 24

8:00am~† Adolfo Barrera

Offered by: OLMC Parish

12:05pm~† Adell Pendergrass Simpson
~*Birthday Anniversary*~

Offered by: daughter,
Cinderella Wonszewitz

Wednesday – July 25

8:00am~† Guillermo Martinez

Offered by: OLMC Parish

12:05pm~† Thomas J. Mormino

Offered by: OLMC Parish

Thursday – July 26

8:00am ~† George Talaszek

Offered by: OLMC Parish

12:05pm~† Alice & Abraham Glassgold

By: Peg & Tom Ventrudo

Friday – July 27

8:00am~† Fr. D. Michael Flynn, S.J.

Offered by: Annette Esposito

12:05pm~† Laura DiFilippo

Offered by: OLMC Parish

Saturday – July 28

8:00am~† Rose G. DeAngelis

Offered by: OLMC Parish

5:00pm~† James & Elizabeth Mooney

Offered by: Linda Graves

Sunday – July 29

8:30am~† Marie Flynn

Offered by: OLMC Parish

10:00am- † Jose F. Luciano Rozon

Offered by: OLMC Parish

Weekly Memorials

Bread & Wine



~ **FOR ALL**

Tabernacle Candle

~ **SOULS**

Memorial Candle

~ **IN PURGATORY**

Liturgical Minister's Schedule JULY 2018

Saturday 5:00 PM

Lector: Linda Graves & Linford Smith (*carry Gospel Book*)

E.M.: Linford Smith, Peg & Tom Ventrudo

Sub: Cinderella Wonszewitz

Sunday 8:30 AM

Lector: Joan Knighton & Delmeter Carey (*carry Gospel Book*)

Sub: Jonathan Codipilly

Eucharistic Ministers: Delmeter Carey, Joan Fortunato & Samuel Torres

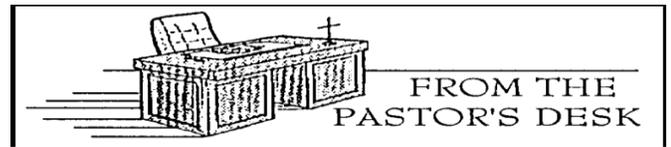
Sub: Linda Torres

Sunday 10:00 AM

Lector: Thelma Washington (*carry Gospel Book*)

Eucharistic Ministers: Alexis Crowdell, Dianne Murphy & Cresencia Pascua

Sub: Emmanuel Fode



FROM THE
PASTOR'S DESK

"They were like sheep without a shepherd" (Mark 6:30)

The image of the shepherd and the sheep is very common in the Bible and in all Christian literature. We usually associate it with Jesus, the good shepherd who gives his life for his flock. Although we live in an industrialized and globalized society and we know in some way the concepts of the shepherd and his sheep, these images do not tell us the totality of the message and the strength that they had in the time of Jesus when they lived in an agricultural society.

The readings of today reveal and confirm God's desire to shepherd us; that is, take care of ourselves, protect us and comfort us as the pastor used to do with his sheep. In the first reading, God promises to send pastors to his people, especially a pastor of the offspring of David who would guide them wisely and on the paths of justice. In the Gospel, Jesus, Son of David, is full of compassion when he looks at people as "*a flock that has no shepherd.*" Having these two passages ahead we can sing with the psalmist: "*The Lord is my shepherd, there is nothing I shall want.*"

The prophet Jeremiah contrasts the bad pastors or leaders with whom the Lord is willing to provide them. Speaking in the name of the Lord, he assures the people of Israel that no one will be left out of his care. Today more than ever we need those leaders who join us and do not divide us; that make us feel welcomed that sustain us when we are weak. St. Paul also recognized these attributes in the leaders of their communities by reminding them that Christ "*broke the walls that cause enmity*" (Ephesians 2:14).

Jesus sent his disciples two by two in the Gospel of last week, so today we hear the story of their mission.

Surely the disciples did it so well that in today's passage a crowd is following Jesus. Jesus continues to teach his disciples. He shows them the responsibility they must have to the people they attract. They cannot flee from their followers; indeed, as we will see next week. Nowadays,, Pope Francis wants every priest to be may always be shepherds according to God's heart. Francis invited priests to become involved in the problems of their parishioners while doing their priestly service. Let us ask that Pope Francis, our bishops and priests continue to lead us so that no one of us is lost and that we become a single flock under a single shepherd.

Fr. Hernán, S.J.

SCRIPTURE READINGS

These readings are found complete on our parish web page (www.olmcsi.org). Click on "USCCB Daily Readings."

July 22: Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Jeremiah 23:1-6
Psalm 23:1-3, 3-4, 5, 6
Ephesians 2:13-18

July 29: Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

2 Kings 4:42-44
Psalm 145:10-11, 15-16, 17-18
Ephesians 4:1-6



RELIGIOUS EDUCATION PROGRAM 2018-2019 – Parents! *Have you registered your child for our Religious Education Program? Was your child in the program this year? Have you registered him/her for the next class?* Religious Education classes are not just to prepare for the sacraments (Baptism, Communion, Confirmation.) All children who attend Public School should attend Religious Education classes each year. Register your child now to make sure he/she has a place. Parents interested in registering their children for our CCD program can do so by visiting our Parish Rectory. First Communion and Confirmation preparation require two full years of instruction before receiving the sacrament. Please bring with you your child's baptismal certificate when registering. All children are welcome at our program. We have a great service for children with developmental challenges. Please call us to learn more about how we can serve your family.

RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS (RCIA) - Have you or anyone you know expressed an interest in becoming a Catholic? Were you baptized a Catholic but never received the sacraments of Communion and Confirmation. We offer the opportunity for people to come together in small groups to learn more about The Catholic Faith. These sessions center on the teachings and experiences of the Gospels and the Church while preparing individuals to celebrate the sacraments of baptism, communion and confirmation. Candidates will make their sacraments during the Easter season. Call the rectory if you or someone you know is interested for more details.

ST. JOSEPH RETREAT CENTER – Located at 850Hylan Blvd. Staten Island, NY 10305. Tel. 718-720-1097

A Time of Grace, Summer Guided Retreat:

Sunday, August 12th-Friday, August 17th, facilitated by Fr. Michael Sullivan. \$450 for single occupant, \$400 for double occupant and \$300 for a commuter option. Non-refundable deposit of \$50 due one week prior to retreat. During this "Year of Grace" as proclaimed by Pope Francis, Father Sullivan will awaken the wonderful gift of grace that God has given each one of us. Father's humorous way of speaking will definitely put a smile on your face and leave you feeling with pride to be a part of the body of Christ.

COMING SOON: MOBILE FOOD PANTRY - We invite all families of our parish, in need of this type of assistance, to our very own mobile Food Pantry in the month of August. Dates and times will be announced in the next few weeks. For more information please contact the Parish office 718-442-3411.

PLANNING A VACATION? ... But there's no vacation from **SUNDAY MASS**; When traveling, visit: masstimes.org To find the mass times in your area. Have a safe blessed summer.

JULY 26 – FEAST OF STs. JOACHIM & ANNE (Patron Saints of Grandparents) – Reflection: This is the "Feast of Grandparents." It reminds grandparents of their responsibilities to establish a tone for generations to come: They must make the traditions live and offer them as a promise to little children. But the feast has a message for the younger generations as well. It reminds the young that older people's greater perspective, depth of experience, and appreciation of life's profound rhythms are all part of a wisdom not to be taken lightly or ignored.

COLLECTIONS: July 15: \$4,015; Second Collection: \$1,879. *Thank you for your continued generosity to our Parish!*

THE CHURCH IS THE HOUSE OF GOD - where there is a place for everyone, with all their problems. This means you and me; it means all of us. We don't come to share in the Body or Blood of Jesus because we have earned it or because it is our right. We can't demand it. We come because we are invited around the table of the Lord out of love. It is a gift freely given to us.

PRAYERS FOR TRAVELERS - Help us, almighty Father, to walk ever in your ways, and to travel always in your presence. Please be with us on our journey, and protect us from peril we may meet on the way. Preserve us, Lord, and those who go with us from every evil on the road, and bring us safely home. Through Christ, our Lord, your Son, we ask this grace. Amen.

TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION - The American Revolution cleared the way for freedom of religion in the former colonies, since the colonies had always been a more religiously tolerant place than the old country. Even so, colonial laws restricted the practice of the Catholic faith, and just as in England, Americans who desired to be priests or nuns had to go to the Netherlands or France. As political storm clouds gathered in France, an American woman, Mother Bernardina Matthews, the prioress of the Hoogstraeten Carmel in Holland, made a brave move. With two other American nuns, her nieces, and a Dutch sister, she came to Port Tobacco, Maryland, in 1790. Within twenty years the community had grown to twenty, although by 1823 their farm failed and they had to move to Baltimore and open a school. The Carmelite order requires contemplation and cloister, so in time the school was closed. The Port Tobacco land had long since been sold, but in 1976 a community of nuns was able to return thanks to loyal neighbors who had worked for forty years for their restoration. Today, our original American convent is fully alive in prayer, hard work, and strong community. —Rev. James Field, Copyright © J. S. Paluch Copyright (c) J. S. Paluch Co., Inc.

PROTECT OUR CHILDREN – Anyone who needs to report an alleged incident of sexual abuse of a minor by a priest, deacon, religious or lay person serving in the Archdiocese of New York is asked to contact Sr. Eileen Clifford, O.P., at 212-371-1000, x2949 or Deacon George J. Coppola at 917-861-1762. Both may also be reached via e-mail at victimassistance@archny.org. Information can also be found on the website of the Archdiocese – www.archny.org. In keeping with the archdiocesan policy regarding sexual abuse of minors, this information is provided to ensure that our children remain safe and secure.

SOCIETY OF ST. VINCENT DePAUL GIVES BACK - Our parish could share in the profits. For each car, truck or van, running or not that is donated the Society will give back to our church \$75/\$200 per vehicle. Maybe you don't have a vehicle, but a family member, friend or neighbor has an old or neglected vehicle in their driveway that they would like to dispose of. Call the Society of St. Vincent de Paul at 718 491-2525.

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