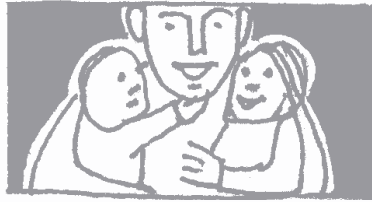


Eleventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

TODAY'S MESSAGE

Today all fathers are honored. Not only those men who are biological fathers, but tribute is given all brands of fathers—stepfathers, godfathers and father-figures (brothers, uncles, grandfathers, teachers, coaches, priests) all who help by taking on the role of a male parent when they see the need. May all of us who have been “fathered” recognize how blessed we were and thank God for the care provided and sacrifices made by those responsible men.



The Holy Spirit (God) is a model of fatherhood, though spiritual, and just as we look to our own earthly “fathers” for material support, love and consolation—so too do we look to the Holy Spirit for strength and inspiration during hard times.

The wonderful thing is that the Holy Spirit IS and WILL BE FOREVER available for us to count on and to provide each of us with spiritual sustenance—grace which comes with fruits, gifts, and true guidance. Happy Father’s Day to all our Fathers!

Jean Ramacciotti, RCIA Coordinator

WEEKLY STEWARDSHIP REPORT

Thank you to everyone for practicing good stewardship in support of the mission and ministries of our parish during the month of May. Our average weekly collection for May was \$10,598; this represents an 18% increase vs. May, 2011, and the third time in the last four months we have topped the \$10,000 mark. We have also shown a nearly 6% increase in our overall Sunday Collection vs. 2011.

However, as we near the end of our fiscal year, we have fallen 12% behind our \$11,000 monthly goal (\$10,361). Our Offertory goal for Jul – May was \$506,000. Our actual collection for Jul – May was \$476,000. This \$30,000 shortfall is almost equal to the salary we pay for one priest. Remember, we need an average of \$11,000 a week in order to meet all of our financial responsibilities.

Perhaps, God has blessed you recently, and you can help us close this deficit over the next few weeks? We encourage everyone to consider using the Sunday Offertory Envelopes or Online Giving as a way of giving to the Lord the “first fruits” of the “treasure” we have received.

THANK YOU FOR SHARING GOD’S GIFTS!



Our Weekly Offering

June 10 Actual \$9,000 • Goal \$11,000
Catholic Communications... \$1,750.00



Please Pray

FOR THE SICK AND HOMEBOUND — Norman Swope, Devin Wakefield, Robert Kerrigan Sr., Kathleen Briggs Kerrigan, Linda Staelgraev, Erika Staelgraev, William McNerny, Cecilio V. Suarez Jr., Theresa Diulus, Joan Sterling, Kimberly Bishop, Mary Lee Hagen, Fr. Thierry Geris, Rose DeVasto

FOR THE RECENTLY DECEASED — Robert Purcell, Judith Ann Canales, Msgr. William Lenane, Arminda Schembri, Frank M. Briggs, Hong Lee, Fr. Tony Medina, Irene Zupon, Marguerite Chang, Marianne Pelligrini, Michel Boudart, Rachel Salcedo, William J. Wall

Pray For Lists guidelines: • Have permission from the person to be listed. • Go through the Pastoral Home Ministry to list the names. • Names will be on the list for 3 months and then be removed. • Can request names to be continued after 3 months. Contact the Pastoral Home Ministry 650-494-2496 x22 or fongmt@hotmail.com

MASS INTENTIONS

Sunday, June 17:

8:45 am STA... Vince Giovannotto †

9:00 am SAG ... Julia Dizon †

10:30 am OLR .. Delsie Aranha †

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Readings: Ez 17:22-24; Ps 92; 2 Cor 5:6-10;

Mk 4:26-34

Monday, June 18:

8:30 am OLR ... Mary Heckler †

12:15 pm STA .. Msgr. William Lenane †

Readings: 1 Kgs 21:1-16; Mt 5:38-42

Tuesday, June 19: St. Romuald

Readings: 1 Kgs 21:17-29; Mt 5:43-48

Wednesday, June 20:

12:15 pm STA .. Delsie Aranha †

Readings: 2 Kgs 2:1, 6-14; Mt 6:1-6, 16-18

Thursday, June 21: St. Aloysius Gonzaga

Readings: Sir 48:1-14; Mt 6:7-15

Friday, June 22: St. Paulinus of Nola;

Ss. John Fisher and Thomas More

7:15 am STA... Msgr. William Lenane †

8:30 am OLR ... Jose & Julia Martinez †

Readings: 2 Kgs 11:1-4, 9-18, 20; Mt 6:19-23

Saturday, June 23:

5:00 pm SAG ... William Gretz Sr. †

Readings: 2 Chr 24:17-25; Mt 6:24-34

PRESIDERS SCHEDULE

Saturday & Sunday June 23 & 24, 2012

St. Albert the Great

Sat 5:00 pm Fr. Stanley

Sun 9:00 am Fr. Seimas

Sun 11:00 am Fr. Hernandez

St. Thomas Aquinas

Sun 7:30 am..... Fr. Hester

Sun 8:45 am..... Fr. Brown

Sun 10:30 am..... Fr. Stanley

Sun 12 noon Fr. Wall, O.P.

Our Lady of the Rosary

Sun 9:00 am..... Fr. Valenton

Sun 10:30 am..... Fr. Seimas

St. Thomas Aquinas Parish

THIS WEEK'S HIGHLIGHTS

Sunday, June 17: Eleventh Sunday in Ordinary Time; Father's Day
3:00 pm Young Adult Encuentro (OLRH)
4:00 pm STAYouth (DC)

Monday, June 18:
7:30 pm TMC (TH)
7:30 pm RCIA (PC)

Tuesday, June 19:
7:30 pm Human Concerns (OLRH)

Wednesday, June 20: Summer begins
10:00 am Adult Spirituality Board (PC)

Thursday, June 21:
10:00 am Faith Sharing (DC)
5:30 pm STAYouth (DC)
7:00 pm Centering Prayer (DC)
7:00 pm Comm. Board (PC)

Friday, June 22:
4:00 pm Seton School (SESG)
7:00 pm Young Adult (OLRH)

Saturday, June 23: Blessed Virgin Mary
8:00 am Environment Team (OLR)
10:30 am Baptism Class (PC)
11:30 am Chinese Dance Group (SESG)

Father! To God himself we cannot give a holier name. —William Wordsworth

6PM YOUTH MASS ON HIATUS

Sunday evening, May 27, the Feast of Pentecost, was the final Life Teen Sunday evening Mass for this school year. We will take a break for the summer, and allow our families to attend one of the other eight (!) masses in the parish each weekend! This special youth-oriented mass will commence again in September.

HEALTH UPDATE FROM FR. THIERRY

JUNE 1 – Dear Friends, The results of my most recent tests were not as good as I had hoped. Cancer has been detected in another lymph node in my neck. I will receive a scan in late June to help determine a course for treatment. I will also receive another MRI of the brain to confirm if any radiation treatment is needed there. Meanwhile, I will spend most of June visiting my family in Europe.

I am confident that I am in good hands. Thank you for your prayers.

Blessings, *Fr. Thierry*

THE RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS (RCIA)

"We need to shift the way we view initiation sacraments: bring it out of the classroom and into the assembly," according to the book RCIA-Transforming the Church. The primary responsibility for initiation formation does not rest with catechists, books, or peer gatherings, though these are important components of an initiation process. Yes, information IS necessary. But more important is that Inquirers experience Catholic teachings and ways within the living, praying, serving community of the faithful. Therefore, the RCIA process offers an important challenge to our community — How do we parishioners fulfill our call to discipleship. Please contact Jean at 494-2496 X34 if you know any adult who is interested in receiving any of the Initiation sacraments.

HELP NEEDED TO SUPPORT "CELEBRATION OF LIFE" RECEPTIONS

St. Thomas Aquinas Parish has a wonderful tradition of providing a reception following "Celebration of Life" funeral and memorial Masses. A hard working, tiny, band of dedicated volunteers organize this loving gift of time and talent for the parishioners of our Parish. It is a rewarding ministry but, as the years have passed, the number of committee members has dwindled. Help is needed!

Do you have an occasional free morning? Scheduling often has less than a week's notice. Would you have time to make a salad or a dessert? Sharing is caring. Is flower arrangement fun for you? Each table has a small bouquet and a larger one at the buffet table. Perhaps you could help with the set-up or the tidy-up process on occasion. Some of the activities are: placing table cloths on table; making coffee; putting cookies onto platters; picking up sandwiches at Costco and such things.

Many hands make light work. Please consider joining this group and help to provide this valuable service to our Parish. To learn more please contact Helen Short: helen5576@att.net or phone: 650-327-1028 or Beverly Wade ndwade@pacbell.net or 650-856-9339 Thank you!

THE PETER'S PENCE COLLECTION

Next Sunday, we will take up the Peter's Pence Collection, which provides the Holy Father with the funds he needs to carry out his most important charitable works. The proceeds benefit the most disadvantaged: victims of war, oppression, and natural disasters. Through your generosity, we can cast the peace of Christ upon the world.

June 17, 2012

UPDATE ON 2012 ANNUAL DIOCESAN APPEAL

St. Thomas Aquinas Parish's ADA totals as of June 1, 2012 are:

Total pledged: \$142,000

Total paid: \$120,000

Total Refund: \$1,250

Anticipated Refund: \$23,000

Number of Donors: 350

Please keep making your regular payments. When all our pledges have been paid, St. Thomas Aquinas will receive a much needed rebate to help us pay for some important improvements to our parish facilities. Thank you for your support of Bishop McGrath and our local Church.

"TORTURE IS WRONG"

Throughout June our churches are displaying banners with the above wording. Our parish is participating in the National Religious Campaign Against Torture, sponsored by Pax Christi U.S.A. June is "Torture Awareness Month".

During this month we ask ourselves what message faith communities might send to world leaders about employing torture as a principle of government policy. And, very importantly, to pray. In the words of the "Catechism of the Catholic Church" (#2298) "It is necessary to work for their [use of cruel practices] abolition, we must pray for the victims and their tormentors." Let us pray.

YOUNG ADULT CIRCLE

Dinner at Slider Bar Cafe, Tues. June 19th at 7:30PM, 324 University Ave. — The Young Adult group meets for its monthly social gathering. Please confirm your attendance on our Facebook Page "Young Adult Circle" or contact us at yacircle@gmail.com.

Summer of Fun Kick-Off BBQ, Sat. June 23rd from 11 am - 3 pm, Mitchell Park — Join us for our Summer of Fun Kick-Off BBQ. Summer of Fun is our annual series of events held for the purpose of bringing together Catholic Young Adults for fellowship. For the BBQ, please bring a dessert, drink, or side dish and a small donation to cover the costs of the meat entree. Contact us at yacircle@gmail.com for more information.

For more info, see our website, www.YoungAdultCircle.org, check the Facebook Fan Page "Young Adult Circle", or contact us at yacircle@gmail.com.