

Assumption Catholic Church



Do Whatever He Tells You. JOHN 2:5

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Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

July 14, 2024



Your Turn

MARK 6:7-13

May you find Christ here...may you take Christ to the world!

Mass Schedule:

Saturday, 4:00 p.m.
Sunday, 8:30 a.m.
Wednesday, 5:00 p.m.
Thursday, 12 noon
Friday, 9:00 a.m.

Confessions:

Saturdays, 3:00-3:45 p.m.
Weekdays, 30 mins. prior to Mass

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Bulletin Deadline:

Wednesday, 12 noon

Sunday Reflection: Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Jesus gave his apostles both the power and the authority to speak and to act in his name (Mark 6:7). He commanded them to do the works which he did - to heal the sick, to cast out evil spirits, and to speak the word of God - the good news of the gospel which they received from Jesus. When Jesus spoke of power and authority, he did something unheard of. He wedded power and authority with self-sacrificing love and humility. The "world" and the "flesh" seek power for selfish gain. Jesus teaches us to use it for the good of our neighbor.

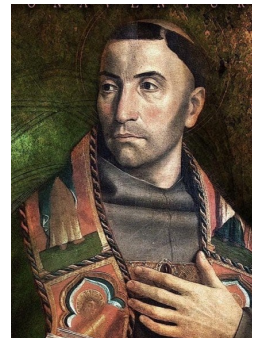
Why does Jesus tell the apostles to "travel light" with little or no provision? "Poverty of spirit" frees us from greed and preoccupation with our possessions and makes ample room for God's provision. The Lord wants his disciples to be dependent on him and not on themselves. He wills to work in and through each of us for his glory. The Lord entrusts us with his gifts and talents. Are we eager to place ourselves at his service, to do whatever he bids us, and to witness his truth and saving power to whomever he sends us? Let us pray: Lord Jesus, make me a channel of your healing power and merciful love that others may find abundant life and freedom in you. Free me from all other attachments that I may joyfully pursue the treasure of your heavenly kingdom. May I witness the joy of the Gospel both in word and deed.

**Readings for Next Sunday,
July 21, 2024**
Jeremiah 23:1-6
Ephesians 2:13-18
Mark 6:30-34

Saint of the Week... St. Bonaventure, Bishop and Doctor

Saint Bonaventure played an important role in both the medieval Church and the history of the Franciscan Order. A senior faculty member at the University of Paris, Saint Bonaventure certainly captured the hearts of his students through his academic skills and insights. But more importantly, he captured their hearts through his Franciscan love for Jesus and the Church. Like his model, Saint Francis, Jesus was the center of everything—his teaching, his administration, his writing, and his life. So much so, that he was given the title "Seraphic Doctor."

Born in central Italy in 1221, Saint Bonaventure was baptized John, but received the name Bonaventure when he became a Franciscan at the age of 22. Little is known about his childhood, but we do know that his father was a well-off physician. While St. Francis died about five years after Bonaventure's birth, he is credited with healing Bonaventure as a boy of a serious illness.



Feast Day: July 15

Bonaventure was elected General Minister of the Franciscan Order; his 17 years in this role were not easy as the Order was embroiled in conflicts. But because he was a man of prayer and a good administrator, he managed to structure the Order through effective legislation. More importantly, he offered the Friars an organized spirituality based on the vision and insights of St. Francis. A mystical writer, Bonaventure managed to unite the pastoral, practical aspects of life with the doctrines of the Church. Thus, there is a noticeable warmth to his teachings and writings that make him very appealing.

Shortly before he ended his service as General Minister, Pope Gregory X named Bonaventure a Cardinal and appointed him Bishop of Albano. But a little over a year later, St. Bonaventure died suddenly on July 15, 1274. There is a theory that he was poisoned.

Source: franciscanmedia.org

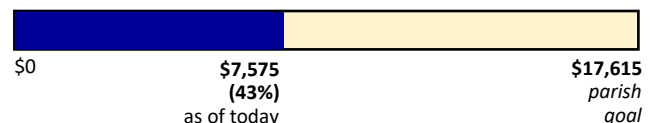


Tina Blank, Jennifer Boling, Leslie Bosley, Angela Bowers, Steve Brill, Mickey Brooks, Darlene "Bitsy" Brown, Sue Burns, Raymond Clark, Linda Davis-Kyle, Palma Devic, Debbie Kelley Evans, Bill Fazzalore*, Scott Furey, Barbara Gratto, Sue Greco, Shawn Hartman, Kathy Jenkins, Sarah Jones, Margie Keister, Sueann Keller-Schwille, Wanda Kinnie, Joanne Knott*, Jeffrey Labonte, Pam Launi, Lance Lupis, Betty McAvoy, Paul & Connie Murray, Randy Nairn, Debbie Pappas, Crystal Pollet, Susie Radcliffe, Charles Ravenscroft, Katherine Revell, Carla Riggleman, Jeff Roth, Margie Roy, Helen Shallis, Sparrow Shannon, Esther Shockey, Fran Sommers, Barbara Stanislawczyk, Melissa Stanislawczyk, John Stephen Jr., Bill Stine, Patsy Summers, Stefanie Swanger, Maleigha Taylor, Courtney Whiteman.

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**Please help us reach our goal
before our Jubilee Finale in August!**

Simply complete the pledge card you received in the mail or visit the CSA website listed below. Checks can also be accepted at the Parish Office.

www.csa.dwcministries.org/donate

A Powerful Answer to the Question:

Why Did God Create Evil?

A professor at a university asked his students if everything that exists was created by God. One student bravely answered, "Yes." The professor continued, "Did God create everything?" "Yes sir," replied the student.

The professor continued, "If God created everything, then God created evil, since it exists. And according to the principle that our deeds define ourselves, then God is evil."

The student became silent after hearing such an answer. The professor was very pleased with himself. He boasted to the students for proving once again that faith in God is a myth.

Another student raised his hand and said: "Can I ask you a question, professor? Is 'cold' a thing?" The teacher responded, "Of course it exists. Have you ever been cold?"

The other students laughed at the young man's question, but he continued, "Actually, sir, cold doesn't exist. According to the laws of physics, what we consider cold is actually the absence of heat. A person or object can be studied on whether it has or transmits energy. Absolute zero (-460 degrees F) is a complete absence of heat. All matter becomes inert and unable to react at this temperature. Cold does not exist. We created this word to describe what we feel in the absence of heat.

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Jubilee Finale Weekend Events

Friday, August 9, 2024

9:00 am Mass at St. Thomas Cemetery

Sunday, August 11, 2024

12-2 pm Family Fun Fair

St. Mary's Hall and parking lot

There will be games and prizes for all ages, a DJ, and refreshments! We planned this event with our younger parishioners in mind to help form memories for them of this Jubilee anniversary!

Monday, August 12, 2024

5:00 pm Mass of Jubilation

6:30 pm Reception

7:00 pm Dinner and Program

Keyser Fire Station No. 2

Most Rev. Mark Brennan will celebrate the Mass of Jubilation, joined by several other former pastors and Vicariate priests. Immediately following the Mass will be a short reception, a catered dinner, and ending with a celebratory program of thanks and recognition. We promise you will enjoy it! And remember, all the events are at no cost thanks to your generosity and support of our Jubilee fund raisers.

Return your response card by July 19!

Mass Schedule and Intentions

Date	Time	Intention	Offered by
Saturday, July 13	4:00 p.m.	Soul of Donald Wagoner.....	Mary Wagoner
		Intentions of Rosie Landis.....	Mike & Joanne Stickley
Sunday, July 14	8:30 a.m.	Souls of Joseph & Catherine Blundon	Assumption Parish
		Soul of Karen Patterson.....	Dave Dunn
Monday, July 15	No Mass		
Tuesday, July 16	No Mass		
Wednesday, July 17	5:00 p.m.	Soul of Mike Noechel	Mike & Rosie Landis
Thursday, July 18	12 noon	The Calemine & Wise Families.....	Jean Harber
		The Barrick & Travis Families.....	Howard & Karen Barrick
Friday, July 19	9:00 a.m.	Souls of James & Inez Dorsey	Marion Dorsey
		Souls of Lorenzo & Barbara Grubbs	Howard & Karen Barrick
Saturday, July 20	4:00 p.m.	Souls of Joe & Mary Balassone.....	Sue & Jean Harber
		Intentions of Molly Saunders-Bloom	Mary Lambert
Sunday, July 21	8:30 a.m.	Souls of George & Jennie Ebner	Assumption Parish
		Intentions of Linda Davis-Kyle	Assumption Choir

Join us to pray the Rosary 30 minutes prior to each weekday Mass.

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The student continued: "Professor, does darkness exist?" "Of course it exists," he replied.

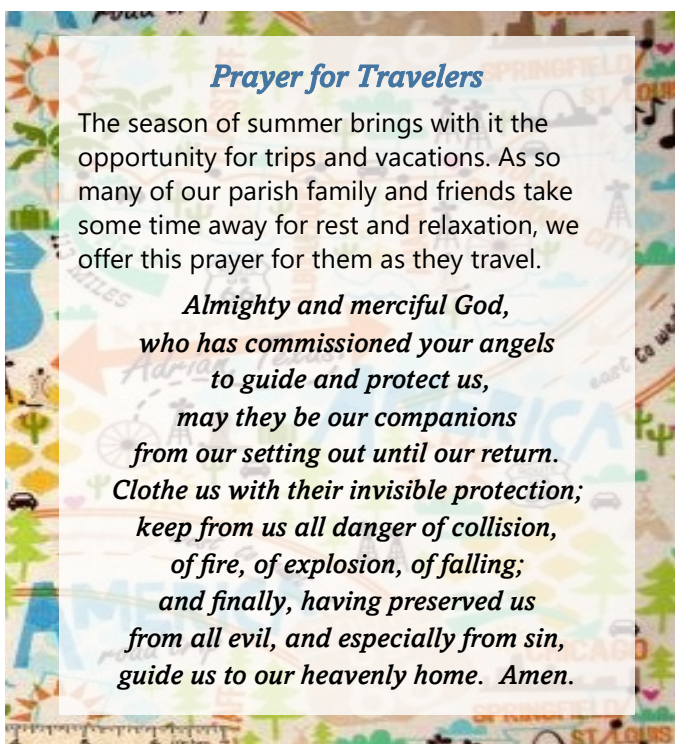
"You're wrong again, sir. Darkness also does not exist. Darkness is actually the absence of light. We can study the light but not the darkness. We can use Newton's prism to spread white light across multiple colors and explore the different wavelengths of each color. You can't measure darkness. A simple ray of light can break into the world of darkness and illuminate it. How can you tell how dark a certain space is? You measure how much light is presented. Darkness is a term man uses to describe what happens in the absence of light."

In the end, the young man asked the professor, "Sir, does evil exist?" Answering this time with not as much certainty, the professor said, "Of course. As I said before, we see it everyday. Cruelty, crimes and violence throughout the world. These examples are nothing but a manifestation of evil."

To this, the student answered, "Evil does not exist, sir, or at least it does not exist by itself. Evil is simply the absence of God. It is like darkness and cold—a man-made word to describe the absence of God. God did not create evil. Evil is not faith or love, which exist as light and warmth. Evil is the result of the absence of Divine love in the human heart. It's the kind of cold that comes when there is no heat, or the kind of darkness that comes when there's no light."

The student's name was Albert Einstein.

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Prayer for Travelers

The season of summer brings with it the opportunity for trips and vacations. As so many of our parish family and friends take some time away for rest and relaxation, we offer this prayer for them as they travel.

*Almighty and merciful God,
who has commissioned your angels
to guide and protect us,
may they be our companions
from our setting out until our return.
Clothe us with their invisible protection;
keep from us all danger of collision,
of fire, of explosion, of falling;
and finally, having preserved us
from all evil, and especially from sin,
guide us to our heavenly home. Amen.*



Next Sunday = Donut Sunday!

Please join us after Mass next Sunday (July 21) at St. Mary's Hall for donuts, coffee and fellowship! Thank you to the Ladies Guild for hosting this month's event.

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Family Photos for Parishioner Directory

Included in our Jubilee Commemorative Book will be an updated parishioner directory. Parishioner pictures will be taken after both Masses next weekend (July 20-21). No sign up is necessary, just stop by the photo area near the front of the hall

REMINDER!

Memorial ads that you would like to have included in the Jubilee Anniversary book are due to the Parish Office by Friday, July 19!

Upcoming Diocesan Collection

A Diocesan collection is scheduled for next weekend to support the Catholic Communications Campaign and the Catholic Campaign for Human Development. A separate basket will be available.

Liturgical Minister Schedule

Saturday, July 20

Lector: Doug Minnich
Servers: Sommer & Micah Alt
EMs: Bill Lupis, Mere Barrick (c), Mary Wagoner (c)
Cantor: Linda Marsh
Greeters: Bill Lupis & Mary Wagoner

Sunday, July 21

Lector: Geoff Newlin
Servers: Tucker Newlin & Jude Barrick
EMs: Beverley Iser, David Minnich (c), Jane Placka (c)
Cantor: Julie Alt
Greeters: John & Debbie Krumpach

Saturday, July 27

Lector: Alan Taylor
Servers: Sue Harber & Alan Taylor
EMs: Eric Hatfield, Bob Yowler (c) & Karen Yowler (c)
Cantor: Julie Alt
Greeters: Kelli & Kerri Wittman

Sunday, July 28

Lector: Paul Bogdan
Servers: Mike & Rosie Landis
EMs: Kelley Kuhn, Mike Landis (c), Rosie Landis (c)
Cantor: Patrick George
Greeters: Tony & Marie Del Signore

Keyser Healthcare Center EM

July 18 Meredythe Barrick
July 25 Stacy Rhodes