

**MASS INTENTIONS**

SATURDAY  
JULY 22  
4:00 PM

CATHY HOHMAN  
SUNDAY JULY 23  
8:30 AM  
+ MALCOLM WIMMER  
11:00 AM  
+ MELBA ROSE GAITWOOD  
BIRTHDAY REMEMBRANCE

TUESDAY  
JULY 25  
8:00 AM  
+ GARY MONROE

WEDNESDAY  
JULY 26  
8:00 AM  
OLLINGER FAMILY  
BIRTHDAYS

THURSDAY  
JULY 27  
8:00 AM NICK ARNETT

HEALTH & HEALING  
FRIDAY JULY 28

8:00 AM JOHN ARNETT  
HEALTH & WELL-BEING  
SATURDAY  
JULY 29  
4:00 PM

+ DAVID ROBESON  
SUNDAY JULY 30  
8:30 AM  
+ MALCOLM WIMMER  
11:00 AM  
+ DENISE KEITH

**Collection details:**

7/16/2023—\$ 2816  
Candles—\$ 33 AC Unit :  
\$ 10,885

**Total Deposit—\$ 13,734**

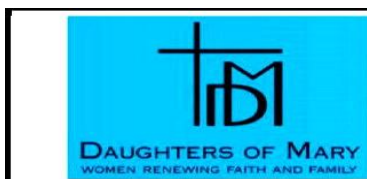


KNIGHTS OF COLUBUS AND- LADIES AUXILIARY #8740



In the beginning was the word...

Our Lady of Lourdes Liturgy



Our Lady of Lourdes Parish Hall  
Tuesday at 6PM

Bulkheads • Boathouses • Dredging • Boatlifts

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**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

While thanking God for His Providential care; I extend my special words of thanks and appreciations to all who contributed for Air Conditioning unit. I am very grateful and thankful to all who love our parish through your tireless and generous contributions. Without your extending hands we could have not had the project complete. You're awesome!!! You did it!!!

The total cost to replace the AC unit; will be Approximately \$ 22,000. The Last two weekends' donations (special collection) for AC is \$ 12,385. Thanks to your warm hearts which beat & melt when we needed the most.

**WEEKLY READINGS**

Sunday 23  
Wis 12:13, 16-19  
Rom 8:26-27  
Mt 13:24-43  
Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Monday 24  
Ex 14:5-18  
Mt 12:38-42  
Monday of the Sixteenth Week in Ordinary Time

Tuesday 25  
2 Cor 4:7-15  
Mt 20:20-28  
Feast of Saint James, Apostle

Wednesday 26  
Ex 16:1-5, 9-15  
Mt 13:1-9  
Memorial of Saints Joachim and Anne, Parents of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Thursday 27  
Ex 19:1-2, 9-11, 16-20b  
Mt 13:10-17  
Thursday of the Sixteenth Week in Ordinary Time

Friday 28  
Ex 20:1-17  
Mt 13:18-23  
Friday of the Sixteenth Week in Ordinary Time

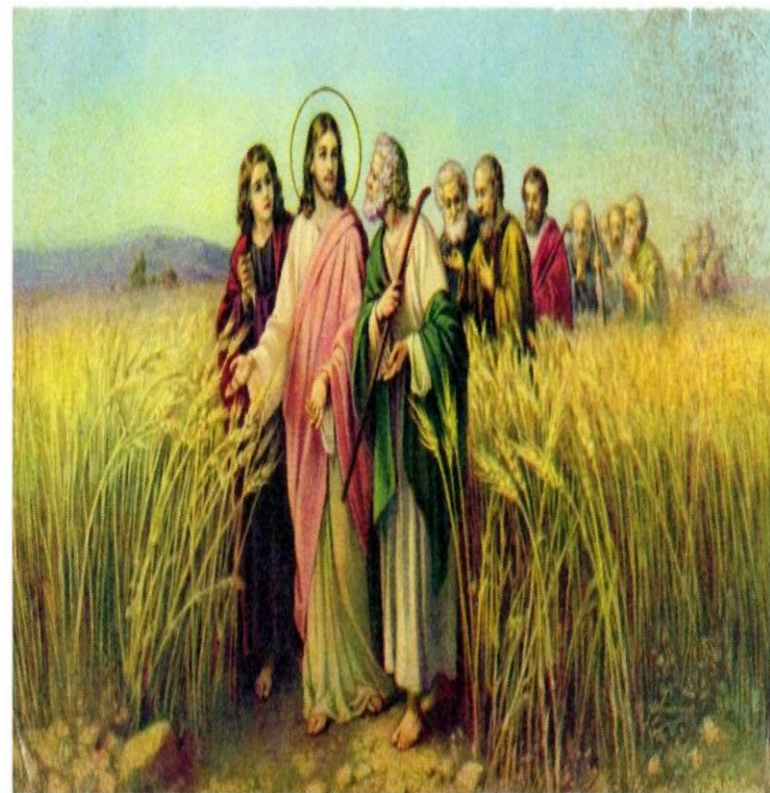
Saturday 29  
Ex 24:3-8  
Jn 11:19-27  
Memorial of Saints Martha, Mary and Lazarus



**OUR LADY OF LOURDES**

Catholic Parish

REV. PRABHU AROCKIASAMY, PASTOR  
ED CONNICK, DEACON



July 23 2023  
Sixteenth Sunday  
in Ordinary Time

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION, SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION AND MASS

SCHEDULES

SATURDAY  
3:15PM  
EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION & CONFESSION  
3:30 PM – HOLY ROSARY  
4:00 PM – HOLY MASS

SUNDAY  
8:00 AM – EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION  
8:30AM- HOLY MASS  
10:30 AM – EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION  
11:00AM- HOLY MASS

REGULAR WEEKDAYS  
MONDAY- COMMUNION  
SERVICE TUESDAY- FRIDAY  
8:00 AM – HOLY MASS

ANNOUNCEMENTS

**2023 Annual Benefit Night  
November 18 @ 5:30pm**

**Core Committee :** Fr. Prabhu A (Pastor) Mrs. Sallie Washington (Chair person) Mrs. Kathy Arnett (Co-Chair Person) Mrs. Anna Scott (Co-Chair Person) **Please mark your Calender** promote

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SUNDAY : OFFICE CLOSED

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**ENCYCLICAL LETTER FRATELLI TUTTI  
OF THE HOLY FATHER FRANCIS ON FRATERNITY AND SOCIAL FRIENDSHIP**

**115.** At a time when everything seems to disintegrate and lose consistency, it is good for us to appeal to the “solidity”[88] born of the consciousness that we are responsible for the fragility of others as we strive to build a common future. Solidarity finds concrete expression in

service, which can take a variety of forms in an effort to care for others. And service in great part means “caring for vulnerability, for the vulnerable members of our families, our society, our people”. In offering such service, individuals learn to “set aside their own wishes and desires, their pursuit of power, before the concrete gaze of those who are most vulnerable... Service always looks to their faces, touches their flesh, senses their closeness and even, in some cases, ‘suffers’ that closeness and tries to help them.”

**Foot Note : Post-Synodal Apostolic Exhortation Christus Vivit (25 March 2019), 93.**  
Service is never ideological, for we do not serve ideas, we serve people” [89]

**116.** The needy generally practise the special solidarity that exists among those who are poor and suffering, and which our civilization seems to have forgotten or would prefer in fact to forget. Solidarity is a word that is not always well received; in certain situations, it has become a dirty word, a word that dare not be said. Solidarity means much more than engaging in sporadic acts of generosity. It means thinking and acting in terms of community. It means that the lives of all are prior to the appropriation of goods by a few. It also means combatting the structural causes of poverty, inequality, the lack of work, land and housing, the denial of social and labour rights. It means confronting the destructive effects of the empire of money... Solidarity, understood in its most profound meaning, is a way of making history, and this is what popular movements are doing”.[90]

**Foot Note : Ibid., 94.**

**117.** When we speak of the need to care for our common home, our planet, we appeal to that spark of universal consciousness and mutual concern that may still be present in people’s hearts. Those who enjoy a surplus of water yet choose to conserve it for the sake of the greater human family have attained a moral stature that allows them to look beyond themselves and the group to which they belong. How marvellously human! The same attitude is demanded if we are to recognize the rights of all people, even those born beyond our own borders.

**Foot Note : Address to Authorities, Sarajevo, Bosnia and Herzegovina (6 June 2015): L’Osservatore Romano, 7 June 2015, p. 7.**

**RE-ENVISAGING THE SOCIAL ROLE OF PROPERTY**

**118.** The world exists for everyone, because all of us were born with the same dignity. Differences of colour, religion, talent, place of birth or residence, and so many others, cannot be used to justify the privileges of some over the rights of all. As a community, we have an obligation to ensure that every person lives with dignity and has sufficient opportunities for his or her integral development.

**Foot Note : Latinoamérica. Conversaciones con Hernán Reyes Alcaide, ed. Planeta, Buenos Aires, 2017, 105.[119] Document on Human Fraternity for World Peace and Living Together, Abu Dhabi (4 February 2019): L’Osservatore Romano, 4-5 February 2019, p. 7.**

**119.** In the first Christian centuries, a number of thinkers developed a universal vision in their reflections on the common destination of created goods.[91] This led them to realize that if one person lacks what is necessary to live with dignity, it is because another person is detaining it. Saint John Chrysostom summarizes it in this way: “Not to share our wealth with the poor is to rob them and take away their livelihood. The riches we possess are not our own, but theirs as well”.[92] In the words of Saint Gregory the Great, “When we provide the needy with their basic needs, we are giving them what belongs to them, not to us”.[93]

**Foot Note : NA  
TO BE CONTINUED NEXT WEEK**

**FAMILY FUN DAY  
SATURDAY – AUGUST 19, 2023  
9:00 – 2:00 PM – (Lunch 11-1)**

**All of Our Lady of Lourdes Parishioners are invited along with extended families. Come one, come all! Hamburgers and Hot Dogs, along with Tea and Water will be provided by OLL, cooked by Knights of Columbus. You are only requested to bring a covered dish (i.e., Meat dish, side dish or dessert) and sign up on the attendance sheet at each door, along with the family count for your guests. If you would like to bring on Saturday between 8:30 and 11:00 AM, please discuss with the staff. The setup will be as effortless as possible in order for all the parish to be able to enjoy this Fun Day. Ideas include Pickleball, basketball, corn hole, Ring Toss, Dominoes, checkers, card games such as Uno, Poker, Rook, Hearts, Spades, etc. If you just want to sit and talk and eat at Fun Day, that’s okay, too! It’s your day!**

**GOSPEL REFLECTION**

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Jesus Christ, In today’s Gospel, Jesus offers three parables to describe the Kingdom of Heaven. He also explains why he speaks to the crowds in parables and interprets the parable of the sower for the disciples. This reading is a continuation of Jesus’ discourse that we began reading last Sunday.

All three parables use commonplace experiences to describe aspects of the Kingdom of Heaven. The first parable is longer and more detailed than the next two, and it alerts us to the two-fold reality of the Kingdom of Heaven. The beginnings of the Kingdom of Heaven can be found in this world. The fruition of the Kingdom of Heaven, however, will not be realized until the final judgment.

In the meantime, as Jesus’ explanation to the disciples cautions, any effort to judge the progress of the Kingdom of Heaven is premature. Only God, in the final judgment, will distinguish the fruit of the Kingdom of Heaven and offer its reward.

The second and third parables call to our attention the abundance that will result from the small beginnings of the Kingdom of Heaven. Just as a mustard seed—the smallest of all seeds—will become a large bush, so too God will bring his Kingdom to full bloom. As a small amount of yeast will leaven the entire batch of bread, so too God will bring about the expansion of his Kingdom. In each case the image is of the superabundance that God brings out of even the smallest of signs of the Kingdom.

Contained within these parables are words of caution as well as words of consolation. In the parable of the sower we are warned against judging others. To judge and uproot the “weeds” prematurely will harm the wheat; final judgment rests with God. In the parables of the mustard seed and the yeast, we are consoled by the message that God can work wonders and produce abundance from even the smallest beginnings of the Kingdom of Heaven.

In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit- Amen

Rev. Prabhu Arockiasamy

**PRAYER LIST**

Anita Barclay, Campbell Berger, Katherine Berger, Bethany Ann Boltz, Roy Williams, Logan Bowlers, Jerry Boyes, Patrick Webb Brownlie-Carey, Noli Causay, Teresa Coleman, Lee Cooley, Peter Cooley, Anita Cowart, Anne Davidson, Daniel Dorriety, Marquitta Dukes, Dodie Dumas, Louise Frontz, Janet Gafford, Tony Golemon, Mary Ann Keith, Dennis Keith, Liz Kilborn, Edward Kimbrough, Debora Klaus, Steven Kuszynski, Shirley Lacy, Michael Langan, Alfred Leonard, Margie Lord, Rodney Lundy, Mary McKeough, Patricia McRoy, Craig Miley, Archie Moore, Elaine Moore, Wally Neese, Kenny Nixon, Tiffany Neese, Darlene O'Rourke, James M. O'Rourke, Alex Paneda, Lita Paneda, Scott Peck, Ursula Quintana, Kaitlyn Reynolds, Simon Schum, Cindy Snow, Mandy Spotswood, Curtis Steiner, Rita Steiner, Todd Stringfellow, Barbara Thomas, Katelyn Tillman, Tyler Upton, Norma Villanueva, Anna Visperas, Rudy Visperas, Melanie Wacker, Albert Washington, Heather Washington, Darlene Watson, Lou Watt, Brad Wells, Bubba Williams, Bobby Zarate, Diane Little, Joyce Ladnier, Roy Still, William Patrick A, Fred L. Lorge, Joan A. Lorge, Barbara Smith, Frank Seltzer, Dennis Cottrell, Pete, Sam Barksdale, Joey Murphy, Chuck Simmons, Damian Turk, John O'Conner, Fr. Francis J. Sofie Jr, Megan, Stephen Wiese, Matthew wiese, Raymond Floyes, Kay K Shaw, Lloyd J. Thompson, Ruby P Thompson, George E. Merren, Jr, Flora Decker, Mary Ann Fletcher, Pat McKeough, Mathew Wilson, Eddie Booth Jr, Helen Bender, Paige Ellis, Eunice Miles, Gloria Leslie, Diana Holifield, Bea Burton, Janet & John Frazier, Henry Hoven, Mark Westbrook, Ronnie Hudson, Jewanda Taylor Jowe, Nicholas Balch, Jean Stanley, Colleen O'Rourke, Perry Hockaday, David Curtis, Kristi D Young, Beth Kenny, Chad Gorlett

**MASS OPENINGS**

- 3 August 2023—Opening**
- 4 August 2023—Opening**
- 9 August 2023—Opening**
- 10 August 2023—Opening**
- 11 August 2023—Opening**
- 13 August 2023—11:00am Opening**
- 16 August 2023—Opening**
- 18 August 2023 —Opening**
- 22 August 2023—Opening**
- 23 August 2023—Opening**
- 24 August 2023—Opening**
- 25 August 2023—Opening**