

July 17, 2022

Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time (C)

Gn 18:1–10a

Col 1:24–28

Lk 10:38–42

## Come On In!

**H**ospitality has been defined as entertaining your guests and caring for their needs. It is a gracious custom. However, in some ancient communities it was necessary for survival. Travelers were vulnerable to the climate and topography of an unfamiliar area, as well as to its inhabitants. Every stranger was a potential enemy. Conversely, the traveler might be a thief, murderer, or a spy sent ahead to reconnoiter his enemies. People had to be on their guard, and travelers never really knew how others would receive them. They could be robbed by their host, captured, enslaved, or even put to death.

### FOR Reflection

- ★ *How might you offer your services to open-door projects of your parish?*
- ★ *Most of us trace our family history back to immigration. How have you benefited from that form of hospitality?*

To guarantee protection on all sides, a certain protocol of hospitality had to be presumed and observed. The host was expected to treat all travelers as guests, not as potential enemies. Such treatment was thought to neutralize any threat to the household. The traveler was expected to act as a guest rather than a threat, accepting the generosity of the host for necessary food, drink, and shelter. Such hospitality was a temporary arrangement, but it assured everyone of a degree of safety.

We see traces of this custom in the first reading from Genesis. Surprise! The visitors were no ordinary travelers. They were messengers from God. In the Gospel reading, Jesus was a guest in the home of Martha and Mary. Their hospitality flowed from love, not social custom. Furthermore, he was no ordinary traveler. Both readings encourage us to practice hospitality. You never know who might appear as a guest.

*Sr. Dianne Bergant, CSA*



*"The Lord said to her... 'Martha, Martha, you are anxious and worried about many things. There is need of only one thing. Mary has chosen the better part.'"*

LUKE 10:41–42



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## MASS TIMES

### Daily Masses:

**Monday, Thursday, Friday, 1<sup>st</sup> Saturday: 9am**

**Wednesday: 6pm**

**\*30 minutes before Every Mass, we pray the Holy Rosary**

### Weekend Masses:

**Saturday: 4pm**

**Sunday: 9am**

### Confessions:

**Saturday: 3pm**

**\*1<sup>st</sup> Friday & 1<sup>st</sup> Saturday: After the Holy Mass, or  
-by appointment**

## SACRAMENTS: ENCOUNTERS WITH THE RISEN CHRIST!

**The Sacrament of Reconciliation** is offered the First Friday and First Saturday after the 9am Mass, Saturdays at 3pm, and most any reasonable time by appointment. Your identity need not be known; your anonymity is respected.

**The Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick** is strongly encouraged for those seriously ill, the elderly, or those facing surgery. This sacrament of Our Lord's healing & comfort is usually available on the last weekend each month after every Mass, or by appointment.

**The Sacrament of Marriage** is a wonderful commitment of life and love, and the Church welcomes those who are called to this noble vocation. Christian marriage involves a couple's serious deliberation, prayer, and planning. The diocesan policy requires all engaged couples to contact the pastor at least 6 months before setting any wedding date.

**The Sacrament of Baptism** presupposes sufficient instruction according to the age of the candidate, and a desire to practice the faith. Expectant parents are encouraged to ask the Pastor for the Church's blessing for a safe and healthy delivery. Call the Church Office to schedule instruction and the service.

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## NEW PARISHIONERS:

*Welcome to St. Michael's! We're glad you're here. Please introduce yourself to Fr. Amal, and register by completing a registration form, then kindly return it to the Church Office. Get involved! Volunteer! Let us share with each other our God-given talents, love, and service to our neighbors.*



## The Week Ahead

**Sat / July 16<sup>th</sup> Our Lady of Mount Camel**

3-3:45 pm: Confessions, in the Library

4 pm Vigil Mass: Tracey Kocz by Mary Kocz

Monthly Maintenance Fund Collection

**Sun / July 17<sup>th</sup> Sixteenth Sunday In Ordinary Time**

9 am Mass: Cathy Duncan (SI) by Dean Beardslee

Monthly Maintenance Fund Collection

Coffee & Donuts after Mass, in the Parish Hall

**Mon / July 18<sup>th</sup> St. Camillus de Lellis Priest**

9 am Mass: Marie Curry † by Matt and Mary Winston

Pastoral Advisory Committee meeting in the church hall

**Tue / July 19<sup>th</sup>**

No Mass

**Wed / July 20<sup>th</sup> St. Apollinaris, Bishop and Martyr**

6 pm Mass: Julia Merritt Pape by Betsy Edmonds

**Thu / July 21<sup>st</sup> St. Lawrence of Brindisi, Priest & Doctor of the Church**

9 am Mass: Sue Sitko by Michael and Martha Decoster

6 pm **B--I--N--G--O**, in the Parish Hall

**Fri / July 22<sup>nd</sup> St. Mary Magdalene**

9 am Mass: Mary Talley † by Michael and Martha Decoster

**Sat / July 23<sup>rd</sup> St. Bridget, Religious**

3-3:45 pm: Confessions, in the Library

4 pm Vigil Mass: Healing For Our Country by Bud and Aggie Budewig

Altar Society Collection

**Sun / July 24<sup>th</sup> The Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

9 am Mass: Mildred Verdel † by Betsy Edmonds

Altar Society Collection

Coffee & Donuts after Mass, in the Parish Hall

**Altar Flowers** this week are compliments of:

Kevin and Shannon Langellier in memory of  
Ruth Kramer Mitchell †

**Tabernacle Roses** this week are compliments of: The

Epperson family in honor of Mikenzie's birthday

**Coffee & Donuts** next week, July 24<sup>th</sup>, will be served by  
Joyce Speir & group # 1.

**Thought for the week...**

"To Hear God's Voice

We must turn down

The world's Volume. "

▲ Wishing you a blessed week! ▲

## July 9<sup>th</sup> - 10<sup>th</sup>, 2022 Collection

Regular Collection - \$ 1662.00

Maintenance Fund Collection - \$ 660.00

**Many thanks to you for your sacrificial giving!**

## Birthdays For the Week:

Maryann Barber, 17<sup>th</sup>

Catherine Duncan, 17<sup>th</sup>

Mikenzie Epperson, 17<sup>th</sup>

Shelly Yingling, 20<sup>th</sup>

Frances Trudell, 21<sup>st</sup>

Darrell Beason, 22<sup>nd</sup>

**We wish you many blessings on your birthday**

*Consider attending Mass or making a visit to the Chapel on  
your birthday to thank God for your family & the gift of Life.*

## Anniversaries For the Week:

Tom and Joann Helfert, 22<sup>nd</sup>

Ken and Linda Rodenbeck, 23<sup>rd</sup>

**We wish you many blessings on your Anniversary**

## Open Adoration Hours

Friday: 6-7 pm, 7-8 pm

*If you are interested in one of the above hours  
(or any hour), call Rose, 870-994-2744, or Anne,  
870-847-1985. Please Note: substitutes are always  
needed, please call and volunteer.*

## Liturgical Schedule

We are going to take a new approach with the  
Liturgical Schedule starting in August. On the bulletin  
board there is a blank schedule for August.  
Please sign up when you are able to serve.  
If you have any questions please contact the office.

## ATTENTION:

## BROTHERS AND SISTERS

Monday, July 18, at 6 pm there will be  
Pastoral Advisory Committee Meeting  
held in the church hall



## Columbarium

Due to unforeseen circumstances we now have to lock the Columbarium gates due to trespassers during the night. It will be opened everyday 10 am till 3 pm if you need in before or after those hours please make prior arrangements with the office. We are working hard to get the situation under control. Thank you for your generosity and patience.

### Next Weekend's 2<sup>nd</sup> Collection

*Next weekend, the second collection will be for the Altar Society. This collection is for the benefit of each one of us who participate in the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass as it helps to defray the cost of many items used at the altar. Wine, hosts, altar cloths, candles, and candle oil are just a few items that this money pays for. Thank you in advance for your generosity.*

## ALL LADIES

The laundering of the small Altar Linens is handled by a handful of dedicated women of the parish. We would like to invite more ladies to participate in this humble, but important service. Time involved is once/ week for about 3-5 hours total. Usually we serve for a month at a time, two or more times a year. "Substitutes only" are also welcome. For more information please contact: Anne Kootz at 870-847-1985.

### Calling all future Arkansas State students

We at St. John Newman University Parish are here for you. We have mass at 5 pm every Sunday as well as Faith Night on Wednesdays. Check us out on our website at [astatecnc.com](http://astatecnc.com) you can also check us out on

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Let Us Have our Love, for the, Holy Eucharistic Lord !

I kindly remind You All that the COVID restrictions are now completely lifted in our Diocese.

You can no longer get credit for attending the Holy Mass by watching It on EWTN or YouTube.

You have to actually attend a live Mass and encouraged to receive Holy Communion and to spend a little time in adoration in the presence of Blessed Sacrament.

So we will be more happy to see, more of you on the weekdays and Saturdays and Sundays.

I appreciate and thank you all, for All Your kind Prayers and loving support and generous Sacrifices, for our St. Michael's Community.

God Bless You and  
Bless All Your Dear and Near Ones.  
Fr. Amal Punganoor 07/01/2022

### FULL TIME YOUTH MINISTER POSITION

St. Paul the Apostle Catholic Church in Pocahontas is seeking a devoted, faith filled Catholic to become the full time Youth Minister of our parish. While working primarily at St. Paul Church, candidate will also serve the youth of St. John the Baptist Parish in Engelberg and St. Joseph the Worker Parish in Corning. Deadline for Applications will be September 30, 2022.

To apply or inquire, contact Fr. Stephen Elser.  
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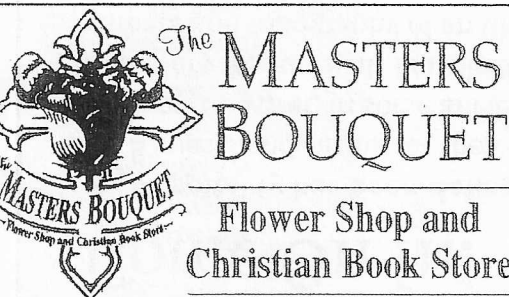
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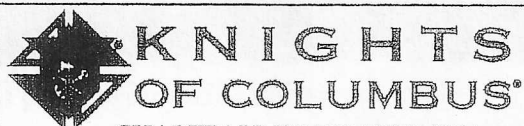
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# Dear Padre,

**Especially in the summertime, parishioners come to Mass dressed quite casually. Some wear shorts, sandals, old jeans, or gym shoes. What is proper church attire?**

**W**hen I was a child, my father and I were dressed in suits and tie to church, my mother wore a dress, and my eight siblings and I were also impeccably dressed. Times have changed. We're a more casual society. That said, I think it's good for people to dress up for Mass. Parents need to set an example for their children and get into the habit of wearing their "Sunday best"—even if it's Saturday evening.

The Church, being universal, doesn't have an official dress code.



"Appropriate attire" for the jungles of Brazil is different from that in New York City. We must be sensitive to culture and to financial situations. Also, what is inappropriate for Easter Sunday may be fine for a Saturday teen Mass.

Although not a mandate, in 2006 the US bishops issued a statement with suggestions for Mass attire: "As Christians we should dress in a modest manner, wearing clothes that reflect our reverence for God and that manifest our respect for the dignity of the liturgy and for one another" ("Happy Are Those Who Are Called to His Supper").

We should speak up when someone is dressed inappropriately, but do so in a kind, nonjudgmental manner. A sign in the back of church or an announcement in the bulletin may be a better alternative. Try something like, "Summer is here, but remember when you dress for Mass that church isn't the beach." We show respect at church events by our participation and in the way we dress.

*Fr. Patrick Keyes, CSSR / [Sundaybulletin@Liguori.org](mailto:Sundaybulletin@Liguori.org)*

## A WORD FROM *Pope Francis*

*Jesus' response to Martha—when he tells her that there is only one thing that needs to be done—finds its full significance in reference to listening to the very word of Jesus...If we go to pray, for example, before the crucifix, and we talk, talk, and then we leave, we do not listen to Jesus.*

ANGELUS, JULY 17, 2016

## Calendar

### Monday

JULY 18

Weekday

Mi 6:1–4, 6–8

Mt 12:38–42

### Tuesday

JULY 19

Weekday

Mi 7:14–15, 18–20

Mt 12:46–50

### Wednesday

JULY 20

Weekday

Jer 1:1, 4–10

Mt 13:1–9

### Thursday

JULY 21

Weekday

Jer 2:1–3, 7–8, 12–13

Mt 13:10–17

### Friday

JULY 22

St. Mary Magdalene

Sg 3:1–4b or

2 Cor 5:14–17

Jn 20:1–2, 11–18

### Saturday

JULY 23

Weekday

Jer 7:1–11

Mt 13:24–30

### Sunday

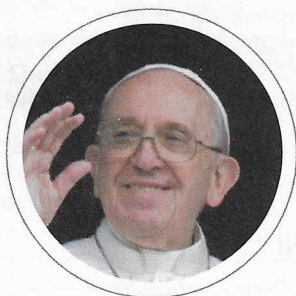
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Seventeenth Sunday  
in Ordinary Time

Gn 18:20–32

Col 2:12–14

Lk 11:1–13



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