

FOURTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

JULY 3, 2016

May I never boast except in the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ.

— Galatians 6:14

PEACE

The greeting of peace at Mass adds substance to a message of today's readings: peace is relational. When we greet in peace the person near us at Mass, we share the touch of a handshake or embrace, sincere eye contact, and friendly words. The scriptures speak of a similar peace. The first reading from Isaiah describes the peace of the holy city, Jerusalem, a place of prosperity and comfort where the "LORD's power shall be known to his servants" (Isaiah 66:14c). The Christian understanding of peace changes slightly. Paul writes of the "peace and mercy" on all who are created anew. Jesus describes a feeling of peace that will rest on those who accept his disciples and their message. Peace is both an absence of strife and a personal blessing. May we always and sincerely bring peace to our own lives as we share it with others.
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TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — Rejoice and be glad for I will spread prosperity over Jerusalem like a river, and the wealth of nations like an overflowing torrent (Isaiah 66:10-14c).

Psalm — Let all the earth cry out to God with joy (Psalm 66).

Second Reading — May I never boast except in the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ (Galatians 6:14-18).

Gospel — Jesus sends his disciples out in pairs to bring his peace and proclaim the kingdom of God.

OUR GIFTS RECORD

	Offertory	Development
Last Week's Collection	\$1,338.00	\$851.00
Number of Families contributing	70	49
Total Pledge for 2016	\$172,351.00	\$185,388.00
Pledged to Date (25 Weeks)	\$86,250.00	\$93,508.00
Received to Date	\$78,589.43	\$60,230.43
Envelopes Outstanding	\$7,660.57	\$33,277.57

LADIES OFFERTORY RECORD

Amount given last week	Amount given to Date in 2016
\$58.00	\$4,690.00

Seven ladies made a contribution last week.

BISHOP'S ANNUAL APPEAL WEEKLY REPORT

2016 Parish Goal	\$23,330.00
Amount Received to Date	\$5,799.61
Amount Outstanding	\$17,530.39

Three people made a B.A.A. contribution last week.

HALL RENOVATION FUND WEEKLY REPORT

Amount given last week	Amount given to Date in 2016
\$45.00	\$6,478.00

Four people made a Hall Fund contribution last week.

PARKING LOT totaled \$5.00.

8 **CHILDREN** contributed \$23.00.

POOR BOX totaled \$33.00.

The **ATTENDANCE** for last Saturday 4:00 P.M. Mass was 180 and Sunday 10:00 A.M. Mass was 150.

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

One day a person met a wise man and said, "Do you know what I just heard about your friend?"

"Hold on a minute," he replied. "Before telling me anything I'd like you to pass a little test called the Triple Filter Test."

"What is that?" he asked. The wise man said, "Before you talk to me about my friend, it might be a good idea to take a moment and filter what you're going to say. The first filter is Truth. Have you made absolutely sure that what you are about to tell me is true?"

"No," the man said, "Actually I just heard about it and..."

"All right," said the wise man. "So you don't know if it's true or not. Now let's try the second filter, the filter of Goodness. Is what you are about to tell me about my friend something good?"

"No, on the contrary..."

"So," the wise man continued, "you want to tell me something bad about him, but you're not certain it's true. You may still pass the test though, because there's one filter left, the filter of Usefulness. Is what you're going to tell me about my friend going to be useful to me?"

"No, not really."

"Well," concluded the wise man, "If what you want to tell me is neither true nor good nor even useful, why tell it to me at all?"

"These are the things that you shall do: Speak the truth to one another, render in your gates judgements that's that are true and make for peace." Zechariah 8:16

FLOWERS IN THE CHURCH ARE OFFERED BY:

1. the Family of Little Tony Carroll in loving memory of him on the 19th Anniversary of his death;
2. and a Parish Family Member in thanks to St. Expedite.

FR. CHERIAN'S SUMMER TRIP

Fr. Cherian will be traveling north to visit Parish Families who are out of town on Friday, July 8th. He will return after three weeks. Let everyone wish him a happy trip and safe return. Fr. Predeep will be taking care of St. Edward's while Fr. Cherian is away. Hearty welcome to Fr. Predeep.

JULY 4TH INDEPENDENCE DAY

Fr. Cherian wishes everyone a fun-filled and joyful **Independence Holiday!**

"You have to love a nation that celebrates its independence every July 4, not with a parade of guns, tanks, and soldiers who file by the White House in a show of strength and muscle, but with family picnics where kids throw Frisbees, the potato salad gets iffy, and the flies die from happiness. You may think you have overeaten, but it is patriotism."

-Erma Bombeck

CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED The Church Office will be closed this Monday, July 4th in observance of the Independence Day Holiday.

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION There will be no Eucharistic Adoration this Monday or Thursday due to the Independence Day Holiday.

THANK YOU to two Parish Family members for their donations in thanks to St. Expedite, St. Joseph and the Infant of Atocha; a member for a donation in thanks to St. Expedite for the needy, the Sacred Heart and St. Anne; a member for a donation thanks to all Saints; a member for a donation in thanks to St. Benedict; and a member for a donation in thanks to St. Expedite.

JOKE OF THE WEEK A couple had an outstandingly happy and successful marriage. The husband was once asked to what he attributed this remarkable situation. "It's simple," he said. "Division of labor. My wife makes all the small, routine decisions. She decides what house we buy, where we go on vacation, whether the kids go to private schools, if I should change my job, and so on." "And you?" "I make the big, fundamental decisions. I decide if the United States should declare war, if congress should appropriate money for a manned expedition to Mars, and so on."

DANGEROUS QUALITIES OF WIFE AND HUSBAND

<u>WIFE:</u>	<u>HUSBAND:</u>
She listens HALF,	He listens NOTHING,
Understands QUARTER,	Understands EVERYTHING,
Thinks ZERO,	Thinks DOUBLE,
Reacts DOUBLE,	Reacts SINGLE,
And REMEMBERS 100%.	And REMEMBERS 0%.

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Monday: Independence Day
Tuesday: St. Anthony Zaccaria; St. Elizabeth of Portugal
Wednesday: St. Maria Goretti
Saturday: St. Augustine Zhao Rong and Companions;
Blessed Virgin Mary

MASS INTENTIONS

Monday: In loving memory of John Fox Sherlock on his Birthday.
Tuesday: In honor of the Holy Souls and St. Joseph.
Wednesday: For Pat L.'s Ann Marie on her Birthday.
Thursday: For the repose of the soul of Little Bibbie Sherlock.
Friday: In loving memory of Tommy Taylor on the 19th Anniversary of his death.

PROBLEM SOLVING

Often we think we stand all alone,
With our problems too many to bear,
But God has not left us on our own –
We must believe that He does care.

So many times, we think our cries are not heard,
But God is patient with us anyway;
If we would just believe in His Word,
Our problems would all go away.

Linda Alicea

READERS

Sat. July 2nd, 4:00 P.M.
Kim Kaiser & Ann T.

Sun, July 3rd, 10:00 A.M.
Jimmy Joseph & Rose Marie

Sat. July 9th, 4:00 P.M.
Julie Ann & Bridget Ann

Sun. July 10th, 10:00 A.M.
Jimmy Joseph & Rose Marie

READERS – WEEKDAYS

Monday	Ann T.
Tuesday	Theresa Maria Cat
Wednesday	Rose Marie
Thursday	Kim Kaiser
Friday	Rosie Cat

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS – WEEKEND

Saturday 4:00 P.M.	July 2nd
Front	Bridget Ann
Left Cup	Winnie Ann

Sunday 10:00 A.M.

July 3rd	July 10th
Pete Man's Nora	Pete Man's Nora
Rose Marie	Rose Marie

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS - WEEKDAY

Monday	Bridget Rita
Tuesday	Pete Man's Nora
Wednesday	Ann T.
Thursday	Rose Marie
Friday	Bridget Ann

IS IT INTERSTING?

Q: Why is a computer so smart?
A: Because it listens to its motherboard.
Q: What are the three quickest ways of spreading a rumor?
A: The internet, telephone, and tell your mom.
Q: Why don't mothers wear watches?
A: There's a clock on the stove.

REMBER THIS

- God won't ask what kind of car you drove; but He'll ask how many people you helped get where they needed to go.
- God won't ask the square footage of your house; but He'll ask how many people you welcomed into your home.
- God won't ask about the clothes you had in your closet; but He'll ask how many you helped to clothe.
- God won't ask how many friends you had; but He'll ask how many people to whom you were a friend.
- God won't ask in what neighborhood you lived; but He'll ask how you treated your neighbors.
- God won't ask about the color of your skin; but He'll ask about the content of your character.

~~~~~**PRAYER CORNER**~~~~~

**PRAYER FOR FORGIVENESS**

Loving Lord, mindful of Your mercy and the love that took You to the cross, I place myself before You and ask Your forgiveness for all the times when I have failed to follow You. Lord Jesus, forgive me and help me become more like You each day. Amen.