Saturday - July 16, 2022 and Sunday - July 17, 2022

Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

SUNDAY BIBLE STUDY
Waiting on the Lord
Readings:
Genesis 18:1–10
Psalm 15:2–5
Colossians 1:24–28
Luke 10:38–42

God wants to dwell with each of us personally, intimately—as the mysterious guests once visited Abraham's tent, as Jesus once entered the home of Mary and Martha. By his hospitality in this week's First Reading, Abraham shows us how we are to welcome the Lord into our lives. His selfless service of his divine guests (see Hebrews 13:1) stands in contrast to the portrait of Martha drawn in this week's Gospel. Where Abraham is concerned only for the wellbeing of his guests, Martha speaks only of herself—"Do you not care that my sister has left me by myself ...? Tell her to help me." Jesus' gentle rebuke reminds us that we risk missing the divine in the mundane, that we can fall into the trap of believing that God somehow needs to be served by human hands (see Acts 17:25). Our Lord comes to us not to be served but to serve (see Matthew 20:28). He gave His life that we might know the one thing we need, the "better part," which is life in the fellowship of God. Jesus is the true Son promised today by Abraham's visitors (see Matthew 1:1). In Him, God has made an everlasting covenant for all time; He has made us blessed descendants of Abraham (see Genesis 17:19, 21; Romans 4:16-17, 19-21). The Church now offers us this covenant, bringing to completion the word of God, the promise of His plan of salvation, what Paul calls "the mystery hidden for ages." As once He came to Abraham, Martha, and Mary, Christ now comes to each of us in Word and Sacrament. As we sing in this week's Psalm: He will make His dwelling with those who keep His Word and practice justice (see also John 14:23). If we do these things, we will not be anxious or disturbed. We will not have our Lord taken from us. We will wait on the Lord, Who told Abraham and Who tells each of us: "I will surely return to you."

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Education
Classes will resume in
Sept.



Last week's Collections
07/09//22 Offertory \$1748.00
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Mission Co-op \$ 200.00
Thank you so much for your donations!



We thank you for your continued support of our parish! If you missed a prior collection, you may drop your envelope in the next collection. We are so grateful for our wonderful parishioners and visitors!

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PRAYERS FOR OUR
PARISHIONERS
Pray for the soul of:

Ed Judge, Sandra Finch, Peggy Lanzetta, Roger Paquette and Patrick Paquette, Peter Eichert, Charles Cutshall, Deacon Larry Casey, Deacon John Mason, Pat Seidel, Joanne Odendahl, Dana Gogan- Vayla Cornell's daughter, David Ellis, Mary McFarland, Mike England, Katherine Kuge, Lucille Bettie, Dave Boiani.

Please pray for:

Syl Findley, Lorraine Reynolds, Michael Waranis, Bonnie Boiani, Candy Zacher, Allen Jones, Evie Jones, Rosemary Orsini, Debi Spriggs, Betty Mason, Holman Family, Veronica McCann, Candy Wilson, Chad & Elijah Long, Chris Ensley, Elaine McCormick, Steve Marteski, Baine Allgary, Rachel Callahan, Dooley Family, Lori Thompson, Baby Tehilah, Robert Stevens, Asher and Vanessa Reed, Terri Mazziotti, Mike Romano, Jean Paul Geldres, Kathy & Jack Morrow, Robert Marsh, Sterling Wise, Raymond O'Keefe, Gene Bishop. *Please* pray for: the safety of our marines, soldiers, sailors Luke Malonis, Sean Hastings, Phillip Thomas, John J. Banaghan, Carlos Rodriguez, Christopher, Greg Langas, Jeff Longhurst, Nicholas Horton, Josh Adkison, Chris Jones, David Rogers, Anthony Clark Yebba, Edward Bowen, Matthew & Patrick Mills, Clayton Cornell, Taylor Biggers, Anthony Difiore, & Donald P. Lozano.



All parishioners are invited to come together monthly from 6:30 to 8 pm for adoration and prayer. Please join us in the church Monday, August 08, 2022 for our next prayer group. Adoration along with group prayer, with silent adoration at the conclusion of prayer. Info: Contact Steve Lusignan at 404-786-5711 or Sally Lusignan at 706-258-7985.



Please join us downstairs for coffee and donuts after the Sunday, 11am Mass. If you would like to help serve the donuts, please see or call Nanci in the office. Donuts are paid for and all you do is pick them up from Ingles and make the coffee!

Our servers for rest of July:

July 17th- Ellen, Kevin, Grace, and Fran Fay

July 24th -Stephanie, Robert, Elizabeth, Alexandria, Robby & Killian

July 31st-Nanci & Tom Bailey

We thank you for volunteering your time so we can get together for fellowship!

2nd Coll. For July
July 10th—Mission Co-op
July 17th—Local STVDP
July 31st—Military Services



MASS INTENTIONS

Mon. July 18th – 9:00am

Mass

Veronica "Bunny" McCann
PIP

Requested by: Bob Stevens <u>Tues. July 19th -9:00am</u> Mass

Frank Gioco- RIP

Requested by: Richard Erler Wed. July 20th -9:00am Mass

Bobby Bond-Sp. Int: "happy Birthday!"

Requested by: Cory Bond Fri.-July 22nd—7:00pm Mass

Rev. Chris Williamson-RIP
Requested by: St. Anthony
Parish

Sat. July 23rd – 9:00am Mass

No Mass Intention Scheduled Sat. July 23rd -4:00pm Mass

Mark Stevens-Sp. Int. "Happy Birthday!"

Requested by: Bob Stevens



Funeral Mass for Ed Judge

There will be a funeral Mass and reception for Ed Judge on Tuesday, July 26, 2022 at 11:00am at our parish. All parishioners are invited.

St. Anthony "Wish List" for renovations and repairs!
*Windows in church
*Cracks in walls
*Ceiling scraped/painted
*Retaining walls replaced
These are some immediate repairs we need to do right away!
Future: Tony's Place
Thank you in advance!

WORD OF LIFE

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"Because of our belief and hope in the Resurrection, we can face death not with fear, but with preparation...We prepare for eternal life by choosing to love and follow God now, in our daily lives and decisions." Read more at www.respectlife.org/end-of-life-considerations

INTERCESSIONS FOR LIFE

For all those nearing death: That their faith will grow ever stronger, as they prepare in hope to share eternal life with Christ;



If you would like to have flowers in memory of or in honor of someone, Please call the office.