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**MASS SCHEDULE**

Saturday:  
4:00 pm Vigil

Sunday:  
9:00 am  
11:00 am en Español

Mon, Tues, Thurs:  
8:00 am

Wednesday 6:00 pm Español &  
Friday 6:00 pm

**RECONCILIATION**

Saturday:  
8:30 am to 9:30 am

**OFFICE HOURS**

Monday - Thursday  
8:30 am - 5:30 pm  
(closed 12:00 noon - 1:00 pm)

Friday:  
8:30 am - 12:00 noon

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**SUNDAY, July 24th, 2022**



**17TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

“He will get up to give him whatever he needs  
because of his persistence.” - Lk 11:8

**17° DOMINGO DEL TIEMPO ORDINARIO**

“Por su molesta insistencia, sí se levantará  
y le dará cuanto necesite”. - Lc 11, 8

**Parish Mission Statement:**

We the people of St. Mary Roman Catholic Church, Called by God,  
Approach the Father in Word and Sacrament, Live relationship with Jesus in Catholic  
Community, Seek the Called in the Love of the Holy Spirit

**MASS INTENTIONS, DAILY GOSPEL****Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time****July 24, 2022**

Year C

<b>Sat. July 23</b> <i>St. Bridget, Religious, BVM</i>	Lk. 11:1-13	4:00 p.m.		<b>Seigworth Family</b> (Chris Seigworth)
<b>Sun. July 24</b> <i>Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time</i>	Lk. 11:1-13	9:00 a.m. 11:00 a.m.	+	<b>People of the Parish</b> <b>Marilyn Fritz</b> (Darleen Williams)
<b>Mon. July 25</b> <i>St. James, Apostle</i>	Mt. 20:20-28	8:00 a.m.	+	<b>Mike Wicker</b> (Donna Wicker)
<b>Tues. July 26</b> <i>St. Joachim &amp; Anne, Parents of the Blessed Virgin</i>	Mt. 13:36-43	8:00 a.m.	+	<b>Martina Aguila</b> (Anonymous)
<b>Wed. July 27</b>	Mt. 13:44-46	6:00 p.m.	+	<b>Victor Rounseville</b> (Darleen Williams)
<b>Thurs. July 28</b>	Mt. 13:47-53	8:00 a.m.	+	<b>Sandy Lewin</b> (Anthonia Ajao)
<b>Fri. July 29</b> <i>St. Martha</i>	Lk. 10:38-42	6:00 p.m.	+	<b>Paquito Agduyeng</b> (Maria Agduyeng)
<b>Sat. July 30</b> <i>St. Peter Chrysologus</i>	Lk. 12:13-21	4:00 p.m.	+	<b>Ceferino Legaspi</b> +
			+	<b>Benito Frando</b> +
			+	<b>Virginia Legaspi</b> +
			+	<b>McJoie Legaspi</b> (Greg, Maria & Brian Frando)
<b>Sun. July 31</b> <i>Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time</i>	Lk. 12:13-21	9:00 a.m. 11:00 a.m.	+	<b>People of the Parish</b> <b>Dan Crone</b> (Carol Spawn)

Reflection for Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time: Year C  
**Abraham Drew Nearer**  
Colleen Jurkiewicz Dorman

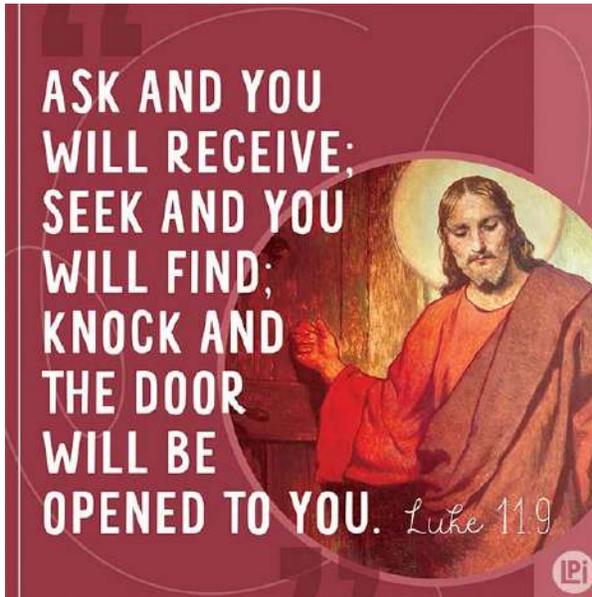
I'm from the Midwest. My parents and grandparents were all born, raised, and lived their lives in the Midwest. There is a pathological politeness that has worked its way into our genetic code and the thought of inconveniencing another person causes us actual physical discomfort, so we find it impossible to ask for help unless we preface the request with five minutes of apologies and explanation.

"I'm so sorry, no pressure, I would never ask unless it was an emergency, I hate to do this, you can absolutely say no," et cetera and so forth, until our poor victim wants to collapse from sheer social discomfort. If you put us all in a room together and forced us to accept favors from each other, you would have utter chaos.

Which is why I deeply identify with the very Midwestern moment that Abraham has in today's reading, where he finds himself concerned for the innocent residents of Sodom and Gomorrah but cannot bring himself to bother God about it. God assures him that He will spare the cities if He finds even fifty innocent people there. It isn't enough, Midwestern Abraham is still worried, and he needs more assurance, but he can't do it without falling all over himself apologizing.

God's patience with him throughout the exchange is just so wholesome and parental. You get the sense that Abraham is twitching with anxiety, and the Lord knows this, but gently and matter-of-factly answers his questions, one after the other, all calmness and serenity.

The theme that leaps off the page from today's readings is persistence in prayer. To the modern world, that's a very strange — almost silly — concept. If God is omnipotent, why does He need to be asked to do anything? And isn't that a paradox, anyway — trusting in God's providence, but daring to ask again and again for what you need? What makes that different from nagging? Isn't that just trying to micromanage the Almighty?



And then there's the inescapable truth that so often, the very specific things we request will never materialize. We pray for peace and plenty, and in return we are treated to an endless barrage of headlines announcing violence, recession, and disunity.

What's the use of praying, we might ask, when our hearts will continue to break?

I return to today's readings, in particular to one phrase: Abraham drew nearer. The phrasing makes me think of a child having a meltdown, trying to keep it together, little fists clenched around his face to hide the tears, as his father stretches out his arms to bring him into a reassuring embrace that says, "See how I am here. See how I love you. See how I will take care of you."

God desires relationship with us, and you cannot have relationship without conversation. One of the greatest communication tools my husband and I ever learned was the power of saying, "I need to express this thing that's in my head, and I know you may not be able to do anything about it, but I have to talk about it and let you know, preferably while eating ice cream." Persistent prayer is really just good communication. It's letting someone know about your feelings and your needs and allowing them to be there for you. Even if you're from the Midwest, and even if it causes you physical discomfort.

God's faithfulness is what we need. The world is broken, it will always be broken, and us along with it. There is only one who can piece us back together again, and only if we ask. There will be those who tell you that thoughts and prayers are not enough when it comes to combating the great evils of the world. But I think we will find that any action without prayer is what is insufficient. Prayer changes things because it changes people. So, keep praying. Dare to seek, to knock, to ask. Dare to draw nearer.

Colleen Jurkiewicz Dorman

## Sharing our Gifts

### What We Gave Back to God

July 17, 2022

Attendance 544

Needed to meet weekly expenses	\$ 8,000.00
Plate Collection	\$ 6,399.89
Online Giving	\$ 1,340.58
Building Fund	\$ 94.97

#### June 2022

Monthly Operating Expense	\$23,949.93
Monthly Plate Collection	\$29,869.16
Deficit or Gain	+\$ 5,919.23

### Our Daily Bread

Thank you for your continued support of Our Daily Bread ministry. We have made and distributed 9,224 sandwiches year to date, and 314,521 since inception (September 2013).

**WE ARE IN NEED OF MONEY DONATIONS, FOR LICENSE, APRONS, HAIRNETS.** You may drop your donation off at the Parish Center.

*Due to the increase demand for sandwiches we are need of more volunteers every Monday 9:00AM TO 11:30AM*

If you are interested, please come David Hunter at 714-726-6130.



**Thank you, once again!**

## Donate your Change

Be sure to pick up a special offering box or can at the back of the church. Write that it's for the building fund, your name and phone number on it before you turn it in.

All monies will go toward future building improvement projects in the parish campus.

## Brick Garden

*We are continuing to take brick orders. This is a wonderful way to pay honor to someone you love or to be remembered as part of St. Mary history for years to come. Bricks are \$50 for a 4x8 and \$100 for a 8x8. Call the Parish Office for an order form or to place your order.*

*The brick garden is growing — don't miss the opportunity to be a part of it.*

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Parish News

REQUIREMENTS PRIOR TO THE BAPTISM OF YOUR CHILD

In order to baptize your child in our parish, the following documents are required before you begin the process.

1. Must be registered parishioner
2. Must have child's birth certificate
3. Godparents must be a practicing Catholic, in good standing. This means they have received Confirmation (certificate is required). If they are married, a copy of their Catholic marriage is required. A letter of good standing and proof of completion of a baptismal preparation is required for both parents and Godparents These forms will be included in packet.



Preparation takes time. Please contact Donna Wicker at (928) 377-3435 ext 2 to receive all necessary forms and information.

I can not set a date for baptism unless all requirements are met.

HOW CAN I KEEP FROM SINGING ?!?!?

We now have a Pianist, Richard Terrien, and a super Korg Keyboard, but we still need other musicians, instruments, and singers. If you think you might have anything to add to the effort, no matter how large or small, if you feel called at all, please step forward. You are needed and wanted. If you play an instrument of any kind, even if you're a novice, come see how we can team up to make our music ministry better! You don't have to participate every Mass or even every week. Pray about it. Is God Calling You ??? Is this the call? It's a wonderful, spirit filled, and fun Ministry. Pray about it some more and check it out! Feel free to check with any of us after Mass, call the office, reach out in any way for more information. You could even just join us for practice on Wednesdays at 4:30 pm in the Church. Everyone is WELCOME !!!

Rosary Group

Wednesdays at 10:00am in Parish Center: Room 5,6,7

If you are unable to attend the Wednesday rosary, but would like to be included in prayer, please leave your prayer petition on the clipboards in the Gift store. God Bless

Safe Environment

It is now time to renew your Safe Environment training as set forth from the Diocese of Phoenix. If you wish to volunteer in any capacity for the church, you must have safe environment training. There are two options: the Foundation ( for those who have never had safe environment or have lapsed certification) and Renew ( for those who certification expires this month.) Deadline is July 30, 2022 If you have any questions please call Donna at 928-377-3435 ext. 2.



Psalms The School of Prayer

First Session: August 9, 2022

5:00pm to 6:30pm

Parish—Library

Every 2nd and 4th Tuesday of each month

Go to Ascensionpress.com and order the workbook: Psalms School of Prayer \$29.95 or order on-line Workbook for \$27.95

For more information contact

Liz at (928) 530-9442

## Parish News and Events

### Parish Events This Week

<b>Sunday, July 24</b>		
Scouts	12:45pm	JB House
<b>Monday, July 25</b>		
O.D.B.	9:00am	Kitchen
JPC	6:30pm	JB House
<b>Tuesday, July 26</b>		
<b>Wednesday, July 27</b>		
Rosary	10:00am	Rm. 5,6,7
JPC	6:30pm	JB House
CERS	6:45pm	Rm. 5,6,7
<b>Thursday, July 28</b>		
<b>Friday, July 29</b>		
CERS	6:00pm	Rm. 5,6,7 Library & Kitchen
<b>Saturday, July 30</b>		



## Gift Shop

### Hours of Operation

**Saturdays,  
Before & After Mass**



**Sundays,  
Before & After Masses**

We have medals, bibles, rosaries, Chapel veils, prayer cards, missals, large print bibles, religious candles, various statues.

Come soon to the Gift Shop for the best selection.

### This is Natural Family Planning Awareness Week

NFP- Cooperating with God's design for married love. If you are looking to postpone a pregnancy because of a serious reason, or if you are trying to get pregnant, Natural Family Planning is the answer. It is safe, no chemicals or artificial hormones. Stop by the table in the Narthex of the church to pick up information on NFP.

If you have any questions feel free to call Donna at 928-377-3435 ext. 2.

### \*\*\*Altar Flowers\*\*

Parishioners now have the opportunity to contribute to the Altar Flowers "in memory" or "in honor" of a loved one.

Donation is \$50.00. There are two bouquets for the altar. It is your choice of donating for one or two.

The names will be published in the bulletin.



**Saturday, September 17, 2022**

*Details forthcoming*



Budget Blinds for the generous discount, the blinds are beautiful!



Events & News



**Please pray for all who are sick or infirmed:**



*Carl Cena, Lori Davies, Robert Comstock, Linda Pinnick, Carol Kreft, Diane Schatz, Stella Dombrowski, Ray Martin, Rita Cownie, Mark Kucharek, Fr. Charlie Urnick, Orelia Cano, James Cleary, Angie Huizenga, Sandra Lyons, James Driscoll, Michael Barrett, Diane Seiler, Joan Anamassi, Frankie Daiber, Fermin Esquibel, Joseph Matthews, Richard Potts, Mary Woodward, Toni Grzechowika, Ron Tuohey Sr., Don Hall, Danny Weatherwax, Richard Fernandez, Anthony Fernandez, Susan & Steve Richards, Ventura Villalobos, Jaime Fernandez, Susan Regino, Ellsie Taylor, Ryan Smith, Olivia Sanchez, Ann Peterson, Helena Hall, Gabriel Esquivel, Teresita Mocato, Aurora Marchece, Caitlin Amburgue, Peyton Mann, Jaime O’Niell, Art Penfold, Jerrod Wetzal, Teresa Stafford, Jacque Sweetman, Fernando Galvan Jr, Gary Gallant, Rocco DiConza, Rick Maiero, Alex Freiday, Neal Kinsinger, Jimmy Gifford, Nora Wisely, Mike DeGraff, Marietta Green, Yolanda Gallegos, Brad Glowacki, Ann Collins, Patrick & Jennifer Weinmiester, Con Sanchez, Don & Pam Weinmiester*

**Names Will Only be Posted for 4 Months**



**Please pray for all those who have died, especially;**

Mary Guitron, Manuela Bañuelos  
Maria Smedley, Larry Gudde,  
Maria S. Castillo

**If you are in a crisis pregnancy or know someone who is the pregnancy center is here to help. This also included young families in need.**



**Please call Advice and Aid Pregnancy Center at 928-692-1301**



**Come to Adoration**

Come with me by yourselves to a quiet place and rest.  
Mk 6:31 Look to Jesus the pioneer and perfecter of our faith, who for the sake of the joy that was set before Him endured the cross disregarding its shame, and has taken His seat at the right hand of the throne of God.  
( Hebrews 12:2) The idea of fixing our eyes on Jesus is so simple that even a young child can understand it. As you kneel or sit before the Lord, call to mind your favorite images of Jesus-- with His Blessed Mother, the wedding feast at Cana, the Transfiguration, feeding the 5,000 people or perhaps healing the hemorrhaging woman. Many people hold two images of Jesus dear to their hearts: The crucified Christ and the Lord seated at the right hand of His Father in glory. When we begin to fix our eyes on one of these images and focus our attention on Jesus in the Sacrament, a couple of things begin to happen.

- 1. The distractions of normal life, with all of its responsibilities, problems, and demands, fade away.
- 2. We begin to feel as if we have entered into heaven. We feel as if we too are “seated” with Jesus “in the heavenly places” (Ephesians 2:6) We get a taste of what it will be like when there will be no more suffering or pain, when we will reunited with all of our loved ones, and when every hope and dream of ours will finally be fulfilled. If you are new and would like to adore Our Lord in the Chapel, please come to the Parish Office to sign in.

We cordially invite all parishioners to join us for Adoration and Benediction every Sunday afternoon at 4:00pm. Don’t miss this opportunity to be with Our Lord Face to face.

# WEEKLY PRAYER

## READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF JULY 24, 2022

- Sunday:** Gn 18:20-32/Ps 138:1-2, 2-3, 6-7, 7-8 [3a]/Col 2:12-14/Lk 11:1-13
- Monday:** 2 Cor 4:7-15/Ps 126:1bc-2ab, 2cd-3, 4-5, 6/Mt 20:20-28
- Tuesday:** Jer 14:17-22/Ps 79:8, 9, 11 and 13/Mt 13:36-43
- Wednesday:** Jer 15:10, 16-21/Ps 59:2-3, 4, 10-11, 17-18/Mt 13:44-46
- Thursday:** Jer 18:1-6/Ps 146:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6ab/Mt 13:47-53
- Friday:** Jer 26:1-9/Ps 69:5, 8-10, 14/Jn 11:19-27 or Lk 10:38-42
- Saturday:** Jer 26:11-16, 24/Ps 69:15-16, 30-31, 33-34/Mt 14:1-12
- Next Sunday:** Eccl 1:2; 2:21-23/Ps 90:3-4, 5-6, 12-13, 14, 17 [1]/Col 3:1-5, 9-11/Lk 12:13-21

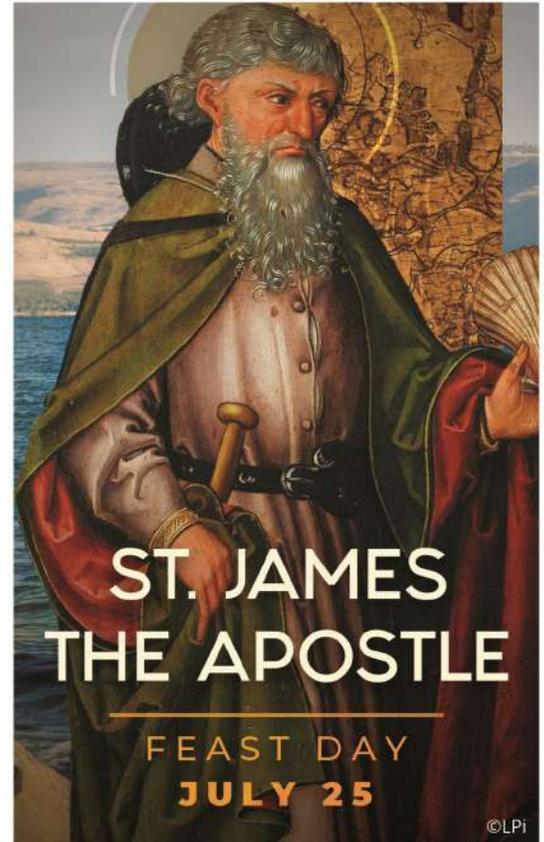
## OBSERVANCES FOR THE WEEK OF JULY 24, 2022

- Sunday:** 17th Sunday in Ordinary Time; St. Sharbel Makhlūf, Priest
- Monday:** St. James, Apostle
- Tuesday:** Sts. Joachim and Anne, Parents of the Blessed Virgin Mary
- Friday:** St. Martha
- Saturday:** St. Peter Chrysologus, Bishop and Doctor of the Church
- Next Sunday:** 18th Sunday in Ordinary Time; St. Ignatius of Loyola, Priest

## LIVE THE LITURGY

### Inspiration for the week

Ultimately, what does God promise to give us when we pray? The short answer to that question is God. God promises to give Himself to us in prayer. Prayer is about union with God, not receiving favors. When God comes to us in prayer, His presence comes with faith, hope, and love. When we find these virtues enhanced and nurtured, we know that our prayer has been heard and answered. When we seek out, listen to, and live by these virtues we find ourselves led back to God and more united with the Divine Presence. We struggle with what we want God to do and how we want our prayer validated. That's what makes Jesus' prayer, the Our Father, so perfect. It celebrates a deepening intimate relationship of trust between our Creator and us. When we persistently cry out for God in love, how can that prayer go unanswered?



## ST. JAMES THE APOSTLE

FEAST DAY  
JULY 25

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### SAINT OF THE WEEK

Saint James the Apostle is also called James, son of Zebedee, or James the Greater to distinguish him from the other James in Jesus' group of twelve. Most of what we know about Saint James is recorded in the New Testament. He and his brother John were collected by Jesus along the sea of Galilee. Matthew 4:18-22 tells the story of Jesus calling first Simon Peter and his brother Andrew and then the sons of Zebedee. In Mark 3:17 the brothers receive a nickname from Jesus who calls them "sons of thunder" because of their many extreme reactions, like that in Luke 9:54 when they offer to call down fire on a Samaritan village.

Saint James was part of Jesus' intimate circle, a witness to the Transfiguration, the resurrection of Jarius' daughter, and the agony in the garden of Gethsemane. In A.D. 44 Herod Agrippa had "James, the brother of John, killed by the sword." (Acts 12:2) He is the only apostle whose martyrdom is written of in the New Testament.

According to Spanish tradition, his body was taken to Santiago de Compostela, Spain where his relics were rediscovered in 9th century. This tradition has sometimes been attributed to a passage in the Song of Roland which tells of St. James appearing to Charlemagne in a dream, prophesying that Charlemagne would conquer the Moors in Spain. This was followed by a vision of stars which if followed would lead to the saint's lost tomb. In the Middle Ages Compostela was a hugely popular pilgrimage site. The saint's relics continue to rest in the cathedral there and one can still undertake the pilgrimage.

## The 12 Promises of the Sacred Heart of Jesus to St. Margaret Mary

Faithful Catholics consecrate to the Sacred Heart of Jesus, in a spirit of reparation, the First Friday of each month. Jesus himself made the following promises to St. Margaret Mary in favor of those who practice and promote this devotion.

1. I will give them all the graces necessary in their state of life.
2. I will establish peace in their families and will unite families that are divided.
3. I will comfort them in all their afflictions
4. I will be their secure refuge during life, and above all in death
5. I will bestow the blessings of Heaven on all their enterprises
6. Sinners shall find in My Heart the source and the infinite ocean of mercy
7. Tepid souls shall become fervent
8. Fervent souls shall quickly mount to high perfection
9. I will bless every place in which an Image of my Heart shall be exposed and honored and will imprint My love on the hearts of those who would wear this image on their person. I will also destroy in them all disordered movements.
10. I will give the priests who are animated by a tender devotion to my Divine Heart the gift of touching the most hardened hearts.
11. Those who promote this devotion shall have their names written in my Heart, never to be effaced
12. I promise you in the excessive mercy of my Heart that my all-powerful love will grant to all those who communicate on the First Friday in nine consecutive months the grace of final penitence; they shall not die in my disgrace nor without receiving their Sacraments. My divine Heart shall be the safe refuge in this last moment.



## Celebrating of the Feast of the Sacred Heart

The devotions attached to these promises are:

- Receiving Communion frequently
- First Fridays: going to Confession and receiving the Eucharist on the first Friday of each month for nine consecutive months. Many parishes will offer public First Friday devotions; if they do, you must perform First Fridays publicly. If it isn't so offered in your parish, you can do this privately, going to Confession, receiving the Eucharist, and offering your prayers for the intention of the Holy Father.
- Holy Hour: Eucharistic Adoration for one hour on Thursdays ("Could you not watch one hour with me?"). Holy Hour can be made alone or as part of a group with formal prayers.

Parish News and Events



**Sta. Margarita Maria BHC  
Salón Parroquial**

Sab. 30 de Julio 8am—7pm  
Dom. 31 de Julio 8am-4pm

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**Knights of Columbus**

Together we're empowering Catholic men to live their faith at home, in their parish, at work, and in the community. The Knights are known as "the strong right arm of the Catholic Church" and were founded on the principles of Charity, Unity, and Fraternity. We have recently been described as "good men at work doing Godly things; this is what the world needs". Our mission is to live up to that! We are inviting all Catholic men age 18 and over to consider joining us. If you have ever thought about joining us, stop thinking, PRAY and JOIN! You can join for free online at [www.kofc.org](http://www.kofc.org) and Click on JOIN. When prompted put in Council # 3145.

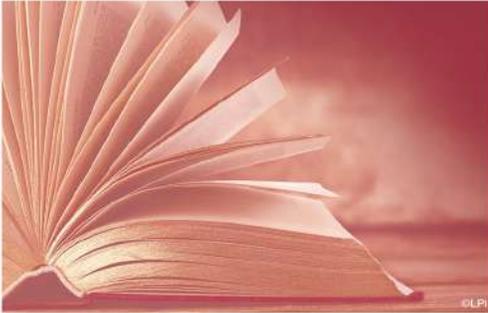
The Knights meet the first Thursday of every month at 6pm and would love to meet you! If you are a Knight new to Kingman, please consider transferring your membership to our Council. If you are a Knight visiting our area and happen to be here on a meeting night, feel free to join us as well. For more information please talk to any Knight after Mass, stop by our table in the vestibule, email [steve.couch51@gmail.com](mailto:steve.couch51@gmail.com), call or text 402-415-1296 or call 928-377-3435 ext. 4.

**Campus Corner**

Peace Be With You! Thanks for helping to keep our Campus beautiful and safe. Covid numbers are on the rise again so please use hand sanitizers, consider wearing a face covering, and do all you can to keep yourself and others safe. We continue to sanitize the Church, Chapel, and Parish Center regularly.

Lots of Summer projects around campus, inside and outside. In particular, if you have a green thumb, we could use a little gardening help. If you'd like to add your assistance in any way around Campus, please call the office at 928-377-3435 extension 4, or call 402-415-1296, or email at [scouch@stmarykingman.com](mailto:scouch@stmarykingman.com). There's always something that can use an extra pair of hands and ideas. As always, if you see something that needs attention or if you need assistance with anything let us know. Food For Thought: Don't Let The Sun Catch You Crying (or off guard!) Stay Cool! Keep Smiling and Praying! Peace And May God Bless Us All!

# WORSHIP & MEDITATION



## FIRST READING

"Please, let not my Lord grow angry if I speak up this last time. What if there are at least ten there?" He replied, "For the sake of those ten, I will not destroy it." (Gn 18:32)



## PSALM

Lord, on the day I called for help, you answered me. (Ps 138)



## SECOND READING

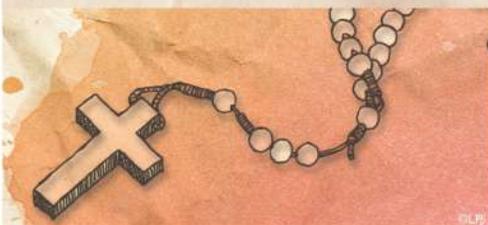
He brought you to life along with him, having forgiven us all our transgressions. (Col 2:13)



## GOSPEL

"And I tell you, ask and you will receive; seek and you will find; knock and the door will be opened to you. For everyone who asks, receives; and the one who seeks, finds; and to the one who knocks, the door will be opened." (Lk 11:9-10)

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## GOSPEL MEDITATION

### Encourage Deeper Understanding of Scripture

Meister Eckhart asks, "Who is the man whose prayers God always hears?" He answers, "God hears the man who appeals to God as God. When, however, man appeals to God, hoping for some worldly good, he is not appealing to God at all, but to what he is asking of God. He is trying to make God his servant. On this point, St. Augustine says: 'You pray to what you love, for true whole prayer is nothing but love!' Thus, we pray to what we love, and no one rightly prays to God but he who prays for God and has nothing on his mind but God." We struggle with what we want God to do and how we want our prayer validated. Meister Eckhart is correct. We often want God to be our servant. We further struggle with trusting that God knows what we need and that His will is best.

God's will is not some predetermined outcome of events that we must simply suggest. "Thy will be done" is not an invocation beckoning us to accept a particular state of affairs passively. Rather, it is the humble and confident placement of ourselves in the presence of the God we seek, whom we call "Father." We must remember that God is the God of life and light. It is from nothing that God brings something and from the darkness that God brings life. Prayer allows us to seek the One we love with the assurance that all will be well regardless of what course the events of our lives take. God is not about passive submission but the humble trust of love.

That's what makes the Lord's Prayer the perfect prayer. It provides us with proper disposition and focus, putting in line all of the essential relationships of our lives. It celebrates and fosters the ever-deepening relationship of trust we have with our Creator. It also calls us to keep open the doors of love between our brothers and sisters with the power that comes with forgiveness. If in one's darkest hour they can find the resolve to fervently pray this perfect prayer of Jesus' conviction, then there is no doubt that God will hear their plea, reach out in love, and bring them ever closer to His heart. What more does one need to weather the storms of life besides faith, hope, and love? These are God's most perfect gifts and all we really need.



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