

July 25, 2021

The Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time and the World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly

We welcome newcomers to our church! If you would like to become a member of our parish family, please complete one of the blue registration forms, which you will find on the table near the front door of the church. You can bring the form to the office during business hours or put it into the collection basket.

Mass Intentions

- 7/25/21 For the People of the Parish
- 7/26/21 Edward Martin Waggoner
- 7/28/21 Austin Garcia
- 7/29/21 Martha Waggoner
- 7/31/21 Sandra Driskill

Week of July 18 - July 24, 2021

Income \$3,957.00
CCD \$ 87.00
Expenses \$4,354.33

Birthday List

- Bryan Ready 7/26
- Magdalene Sykes 7/26
- Erick Thibodeaux 7/26
- Eli Patterson 7/27
- James Stott 7/27
- Pat Ready 7/28
- Bryce Kane 7/29
- Neal Jacobs 7/30
- Cass Hebert 7/31
- Ashley Uzzle 7/31

Pope Francis has designated the fourth Sunday of July to be the World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly. The Sunday is the closest to the July 26 Memorial of Saints Joachim and Anne, the Parents of the Blessed Virgin Mary. Today we give thanks and praise to God for the grandparents and elderly of our parish family and ask for his continued blessing upon them.

SAVE the DATE!

Our Ministries Fair is returning the weekend of August 28 & 29. All of our parish ministries will display their activities in the hall after both Masses! Please plan to attend!

July 26 is the Memorial of **Saints Joachim and Anne**, the Parents of the Blessed Virgin Mary. From an ancient tradition, going back even to the second century, the parents of the Virgin Mary are known by the names of Joachim and Anne. Devotion to St Anne is found in the sixth century in the East, and by the tenth century it was widespread in the West. St Joachim was likewise honored, but at a more recent date. - from the Liturgy of the Hours



July 29 is the Memorial of **Saints Martha, Mary and Lazarus**, Disciples of the Lord. Martha and Mary were sisters who received Jesus into their home at Bethany. According to Luke 10:38-42, Martha devoted herself to serving while Mary devoted herself to listening to Jesus. The two have been seen as models of the active and contemplative life, respectively. According to John 11:1-44, Jesus raised Lazarus from the dead, the seventh of the seven signs of the Fourth Gospel. John 12:1-8 tell us that Mary anointed the feet of Jesus, an action to which Judas Iscariot objected.

The First Reading (2 Kings 4:42-44) depicts a food miracle by Elisha that apparently is a preview of Jesus' multiplication of loaves as told in the Gospel (John 6:1-15). The two accounts are comparable in a number of details: the insufficiency of the available food, the command to "give the people something to eat," the eating and leftovers (in the case of Elisha this corresponds to the Word of the Lord). In the First Reading the extent of the miracle is smaller: the food available is more plentiful, the crowd of people (one hundred men) is smaller, and the miracle takes place through a word from God, not by Jesus' authority. Still, the parallels are striking. One can see clearly that Jesus does not act according to his own fantasy but obediently fulfills the Scriptures, surpassing them by a wide margin in the process. Up to his final words on the Cross he focuses steadily on the fact that he "must fulfill the Scriptures completely" so that "everything might be finished" (John 19:28). The works that God began in the Old Covenant through the service of his prophets are thus completed by his Son in the New Covenant out of the Son's authority, which is in fact his obedience to the Father. - from Light of the Word, by Hans Urs von Balthasar



Lequita Baldwin, Barbara Allen, JoAnne & Travis Harris, Martin Brantley, Wanda Brantley, Daniel Begnaud, Alice Loftin, Fred Blanchette, Castro Family, Vivian Lopez, Maylee Converse, Cody Warner, Denise Tremonte, Phyllis Rhodes, Linda Brown, Sue Dickey, Sandra Dugan, Jim Kaiser, Woodrow Guidry, Dora Robinson, Annie Marino, Kelcey Converse, Jo Frances Manuel, Mary Rogan-Reeder, Joseph Reeder, Steve Morris, Karon Preiss, Roy Harmon, Ann Crain, Cece Cobb, Patsy Bobo, Aprille McLaughlin, Norman Lytle, Sami Thibodeaux, Mrs. Martha, Janet Swearingen, Larry Britain, The Men and Women of the USS Makin Island, Sara Spikes, Leah & Natalie Spikes-King, Abril Spikes, David Ready, Martha Waggoner, Ernie and Shirley Brown, Jennie Beeve, Donna Collier, Joe Wheaton, Kelvin Wheaton, Ray Shawn Wheaton, Erica Redmon, Yvonne Guidry, Linda and Paul Gantz, Carol Marsh