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15TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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Jesus summoned the Twelve and began to send them out two by two and gave them authority over unclean spirits. The Twelve drove out many demons, and they anointed with oil many who were sick and cured them. - Mk 6:7, 13

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July 14, 2024 Fifteenth Sunday In Ordinary Time

Once I asked a fallen-away Catholic friend of mine what he remembered about the parish priest from his youth. He said, "He was a gentle, nice guy. Kind of vanilla. Kept to himself." It struck me that he, perhaps like many, perceive Catholic priests as the following: lonely, harmless, and self-sufficient. As a challenge both to this perception (accurate or not) and to us priests who perhaps feel a pull in that uninspiring direction, stands the mighty image of what we see in the Gospel this Sunday.

Jesus sent out his apostles, **"two-by-two, with power over demons, and without money belts." Two-by-two:** they enjoyed deep fellowship and brotherhood. **Power over demons**: they were anything but harmless. These men wielded enormous power against evil. **Without money belts**: they were not self-sufficient. They needed others to help them. Not lonely, but in community. Not harmless but armed with massive spiritual energy. Not self-sufficient, but poor and in need of help.

This is a challenge to me, and perhaps to all of us, living in a rich, secularized, and individualized culture. Do I embrace my priestly ministry in deep fellowship with other priests? Do I speak and act boldly to drive out evil where it is found? Do I live poorly and simply, trusting in the help of those around me even for basic needs? The fruitfulness of priestly ministry largely depends on these three traits. Let's pray for all priests — and, by extension, all of us Christians — to live more like Jesus' communal, poor, and powerful apostles.

— Father John Muir ©LPi

Mass Schedule SJB/HT Sunday - 9:00 am Reconciliation Thursday 4:00-5:00 pm Office Hours SJB/HT Monday - Thursday 9:00am-4:00pm Friday 9:00am - 2:30pm E-mail - <u>nbergeson@syrdio.org</u> Web Site - <u>www.stjohnthebaptist-holytrinity.com</u> Syr. Dio. Web-site - <u>www.syracusediocese.org</u> Pastor: Father Brendan Foley Secretary/Bulletin: Nancy Bergeson Senior Priest in Residence: Fr. Lester Smith In Residence: Fr. Paschal Anionye Music Director/Organist: Mr. James Stanley Buildings/Grounds: Robert Warren Religious Education: Betty Warren Sacristan/Grounds: Allan Chouinard Altar Server: Benjamin Chouinard

Fr. Foley is away this weekend, July 13th & 14th while he is with the Diocese's Youth on a trip to Steubenville.





A Family Perspective Family Life Education Jesus sent out His apostles without many "things" because THINGS distract. We collect, argue about and protect our "things." Garage sales only transfer "things." We even ignore each other because we have "things" to

do. What "things" are separating you from your family?

Pray For Vocation

"He began to send them out two by two." Just as Jesus was sending out His disciples in pairs, perhaps you too are being called to discipleship for this shared mission as a priest or religious brother or sister. Reach out to the Vocation Office via email: vocations@syrdio.org and follow us on Instagram @vocationssyracuse.



Weekly Readings And Observances **Readings for the week of July 14, 2024**

Sunday: Am 7:12-15/Ps 85:9-10, 11-12, 13-14 (8)/ Eph 1:3-14 or 1:3-10/Mk 6:7-13

Monday: Is 1:10-17/Ps 50:8-9, 16bc-17, 21 and 23/Mt 10:34-11:1

Tuesday: Is 7:1-9/Ps 48:2-3a, 3b-4, 5-6, 7-8/Mt 11:20-24 Wednesday: Is 10:5-7, 13b-16/Ps 94:5-6, 7-8, 9-10, 14-15/Mt 11:25-27

Thursday: Is 26:7-9, 12, 16-19/Ps 102:13-14ab and 15, 16-18, 19-21/Mt 11:28-30

Friday: Is 38:1-6, 21-22, 7-8/Is 38:10, 11, 12abcd, 16/Mt 12:1-8 Saturday: Mi 2:1-5/Ps 10:1-2, 3-4, 7-8, 14/Mt 12:14-21 Next Sunday: Jer 23:1-6/Ps 23:1-3, 3-4, 5, 6 (1)/Eph 2:13-18/Mk 6:30-34

Observances for the week of July 14, 2024

Sunday: 15th Sunday in Ordinary Time Monday: St. Bonaventure, Bishop and Doctor of the Church Tuesday: Our Lady of Mount Carmel Wednesday: Thursday: St. Camillus de Lellis, Priest

Friday:

Saturday: St. Apollinaris, Bishop and Martyr; BVM Next Sunday: 16th Sunday in Ordinary Time ©LPi



Reflect: Readings and Gospel



First Reading: The Israelite priest Amaziah was threatened by the prophet Amos from Judah. What are some ways you have helped others who feel at risk in a difficult situation?

Second Reading: Paul teaches the Ephesians that in "the fullness of times," God's plan is "to sum up all things in Christ, in heaven and on earth." What are some things in your life you are waiting for

Gospel: Jesus taught the apostles to preach and heal only in places where they were welcomed. Do you recall a time or a place where you felt truly welcomed? ©LPi

A Message From Fr. Foley

First and foremost, I would like to extend my deep gratitude for the welcome I received last weekend. It was great to finally meet so many kind faces and celebrate Mass with you. (And I



know I can also extend the same 'thank you' from Friar Jude!) I do hope you continue to introduce yourselves to us while we are still getting acclimated. This weekend, as was mentioned in the bulletin last weekend, I'm away with our diocesan pilgrimage to the youth conference at the Franciscan University of Steubenville. It is an incredible experience to have the privilege to be a part of, most especially because for many teens at this conference, it is a first encounter with God, with the real, transformative, love of God, and especially with the truth that their lives are good and have meaning and purpose-and this is usually met with such great excitement, with new horizons. To be able to witness these moments and accompany them in the process is deeply renewing in my own relationship with the Lord and his call for me. It is an invaluable gift, so I do ask your forgiveness for being away just after we've only just begun! I will keep you close in prayer, and I ask your prayers for us and these young people from our diocese. I believe there are at least 5 busloads of kids from our area alone, and at our particular conference we will meet between three and four thousand others...so I promise important work gets done, and I'll be busy!

Something strikes me as I receive the Gospel text this Sunday. Remember, too, the passage picks up where our Gospel concluded last week: Jesus in his native place was amazed at the lack of faith of those in his company. So in this same context of yearning for faith and trust in the hearts of his followers, he sends them on mission. We hear a description of a well-prepared disciple according to how Jesus wants them to go in his name. Yet, it would seem that 'prepared' would be the last word we'd use when hearing that the disciple is without money, a walking stick, has minimal clothing, no bags to carry anything additional, etc... his commissioned disciple is pretty much empty handed.

I know for me in my own spiritual life, it is often easier to pray when I have the words in front of me, the responses of Mass, the Liturgy of the Hours, the rosary, various spiritual texts...and while these are all good and certainly have their place, it is important to pay attention to Jesus' desire for his disciples to be open-handed, free of attachments, ready to receive all as gift. The faith he is inviting from us is that his grace alone will be able to provide for everything we need, and it's not that he wants us to be empty or left wanting, but is clear that this is the disposition for us to be ready to receive the incredible abundance that the Lord wants for us. Often if our hands are full and our hearts are too occupied with other things, we may miss what the Lord desires to give us. So it is important to reflect on how readily we each fit this commission and our preparedness to be sent out to the needs of others. What might be the things we cling to or feel we need to cling to in order to be happy or 'at peace'? Are we putting stipulations on how or when God can show up for us? We may find that the more we surrender our control and trust that the Lord will provide and use us as instruments of his grace, the more we will come to know the authentic freedom that alone belongs to the beloved sons and daughters of God. This kind of freedom is worth giving everything for, even if the journey to get there is met with difficulties and suspicion by the rest of the world.

Have a blessed week!—By the way, some great saints for us in the calendar this week, St. Kateri (today), St. Bonaventure (Monday), Our Lady of Mount Carmel (Tuesday), Elijah the Prophet (Saturday)...pray for us!



Lector Schedule - Sunday July 21st 9:00 am SJB/HT: Pat Minnoe

Mass Schedule for SJB/HT & OLP/SP

Saturday July 13, 2024

4:00pm OLP/SP - Frank Procopio - The Family Joseph J. Prince, III - Sisters Emmelina Raccuia - Mary Linda Jeffrey Canino - Bertha & Family Benny & Terry Cimino - Son, Joseph Christina & Carmine Carapella - Anna David Vacco - Mom Canino & Family Henry & Esther Pagano - sandy & Dan Mary Joe & Angelo Canino - Bertha & Family Bessie & Attilio Sampaolesi - Bertha & Family Richard Sisto & Frank Giannantonio - Frank & Sue

Sunday July 14, 2024

7:30am OLP/SP - All the people of OLP/SP 9:00am SJB/HT - Marie Salinski - Friends Jane Hunkler - Ed McGuire Antonio McLaughlin - Mother Karin Airel - Peter & Maureen White Brian Mingolelli, Sr. Joe Falcone & Gloria Falcone 11:30am OLP/SP - Pietro & Maria Sisera - Sister-in-law, Gilda Christofero Giarizzo & Jenny Giarizzo -The Family Rev. Michael Dietrich - Rosemarie Emmi & Family Anthony James Cannizzaro & Mule & Cannizzaro Families -John & Margherita

Monday July 15, 2024 9:00am OLP/SP - N/A

Tuesday July 16, 2024 9:00am OLP/SP - Lillian Mayo - Mary Lindon

Wednesday July 17, 2024 9:00am OLP/SP - Patsy J. Falvo - Daughters, Marietta & Ann 4:00pm-5:00pm OLP/SP Confession

Thursday July 18, 2024 9:00am OLP/SP - Peter Caruso - Pagano Family Frances Minozzi - John Minozzi 4:00-5:00pm SJB/HT Confession

Friday July 19, 2024

Saturday July 20, 2024 4:00pm OLP/SP - Julio DeLorio - Frank & Sue Benny & Terry Cimino - Son, Joseph

Sunday June 21, 2024

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7:30am OLP/SP - All the people of OLP/SP 9:00am SJB/HT - David McLaughlin - Mother Bill Judge - Louise & Sal Lamacchia Florence Tubbert - Pat & Norm Jaquin Al & Frances Bleskoski - Fran & Judy Jeanne Viggiano - The Viggiano Family 11:30am OLP/SP - John F. Blasi - Marietta & Family Angelo Borreggine - Wife, Frances

Mass Schedule OLP/SP 315-422-7163

Saturday Vigil - 4:00pm Vietnamese Mass 6:00pm Sunday - 7:30am, 11:30am 9:30am Vietnamese Monday - Thursday 9:00am in the Chapel Reconciliation Wednesday 4:00-5:00pm

Sacrificial Giving

Week June 29th & 30th SJB/HT Collection: \$1,779.00 OLP/SP Collection: \$7,410.00 Week July 6th & 7th

SJB/HT Collection: \$4,010.00 OLP/SP Collection: \$5,182.00

Courtesy Announcement:

Totus Tuus grade school program is designed for children going into first through sixth grade in the 2024-2025 school year. The Day Program runs Monday through Friday. The students are encour-



aged to be clear and consistent in their faith. They are shown how to view their Lord as a good Father. This personal relationship gives them the confidence to be Christ's witnesses in the world round them. Finally, Totus Tuus endeavors to show the youth that a humble and courageous desire to know God must be based upon a steadfast and disciplined life of prayer combined with the reception of the sacraments.

July 28-August 2

Holy Cross Dewitt ** Fr. Foley will be assisting and would love to have children from our parish come! Information is found at: https://syracusediocese.org/attend-totus-tuus

Parishioners

WATER With the hotter months upon us and our church not having A/C, please feel free and comfortable to bring with you cold water bottles. It's important that we all stay hydrated through the hot weather and in church as well. It's OK!





Remember: Mike Affleck, Shawn Babcock, ⁸ Nancy Bailey, B.J. Bubniak Family, Arlene Bukowski, Ashley Caiello, De De Calkins, Robert Capria, Catherine Cushman, Linda Deapo

Theresa Domathowski, Hank Donohue, Ginny & Erin Donovan, Jenny Emmi, Jon English, Tenley Farrow, Marilyn Ferretti, Ellen Gangemi, Gladys Graham, Robert Greenwood, Joseph Guinto, Jeanne Hammond, Mary Isgar, Carla Johnson, Tony Lauretti, Shirley Kerr, Emma Lane, Kay Ledermann, Jackie Limeri, Maria Luisi, Judy & Skip Marioritti, Michael & Darlene Morga, Diane Moro, Peggy Palerino, The Pavia Children, Antoinette Perotta, Cherie S., Cathy Galutz Sacco, Faith Setzer, Marion Sherwood, Esther Sindoni, John Sobon, Patricia Soule, Timothy K. Suppes, Barbara Traino, Gerry Vaccaro, Shelly Visco, Matthew Watkins and Fred Wheeler. We also remember in our prayers our Service Men and Women & our Health Care Workers.

Catholic Trivia Question: Which Gospel writer and evangelist was a physician by trade?

Answer: Luke. ©LPi

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