

August 7, 2022: 19th Sunday in Ordinary Time

And be sure of this, that if the head of the house had known at what hour the thief was coming, he would not have allowed his house to be broken into. You too, be ready; for the Son of Man is coming at an hour that you do not expect.”
Luke 12:39

Background on the Gospel Reading

Jesus' instructions on how to be ready for the coming judgment continue in the stories and sayings found in today's Gospel. We are not to be like the greedy rich man in last Sunday's Gospel who planned to store his great harvest in barns rather than share it. We are, rather, to share our wealth with those in need. The antidote for the anxiety brought on by the coming judgment is to relinquish our possessions and provide for the needs of others. Our treasure will be in heaven where it will not wear out or be destroyed.

The other major way to be ready for the coming judgment is to be watchful. In Luke's Gospel, Jesus tells a parable about watchfulness to begin making this point. We must be like servants waiting for the master's return from a wedding banquet, which, even now, can last for a few days in the Middle East. We must be watchful so that even if the master comes after midnight, we will be ready for him. This is what the coming of the Son of Man will be like.

Peter asks if this parable is meant for the apostles or for the large crowd that has gathered to listen to Jesus. Without answering Peter's question, Jesus responds with another parable about servants awaiting the return of their master. It begins with a question: “Who, then, is the faithful and prudent steward whom the master will put in charge of his servants to distribute the food allowance at the proper time?” This parable adds to the theme of watchfulness; it explains how to wait and reminds us of the reward for the faithful follower at the heavenly banquet after the judgment. If it is addressed to the apostles, then it could also be addressed to leadership in the early Church.

Either way, the parables reminds us that we should be found doing our jobs when the master arrives. If we are doing our jobs, our reward will be great. But if we relax, neglect our duties, and begin to act like the greedy rich man—eating, drinking, and making merry—we will not have a place in the kingdom. Watchfulness means living in such a consistently moral and obedient way that we are always ready to give an account to God of how we have lived.

The readings for 19th Sunday in Ordinary Time Year C advise us to be prepared for we do not know when our time to move from this world to the next will come. The first reading speaks of how the Passover came suddenly. The psalm sings of how God rescues us. In the second reading we are reminded of the promise of eternal life. In the gospel Jesus tells us to be vigilant, like servants awaiting the return of their master. The end will come like a thief in the night.

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Sacred Heart Parish

A Stewardship Parish in Union with Christ

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Weekend Masses:

Saturday 4:30 pm, Sunday 11 am

Mass During Week:

Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday at 7 pm.
Friday at 10 am.

Lohnes Complex

First Fridays - 2 pm at the Lohnes Complex, ***closed to public.***

Bible Study:

Cancelled for summer.

Holy Hour of Adoration:

Post-poned until further notice.

Reconciliation:

By request.

Marriages:

Six months' notice required. A year's notice is recommended.

Baptisms:

Please call the Parish Office to schedule preparation session.

Family Connections:

At www.rcchurch.com you will find a link to family connections.

St. Vincent de Paul:

To assist those in need. Call 638-9010.

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July 23rd -July 24th, 2022

Regular Sunday	\$1572.00
Building Fund	45.00
St. Vincent De Paul	33.00

MASS INTENTIONS

Tue. 7 pm	Late Mary Gallant
Wed. 7 pm	Late Edward Buckle
Thu. 7 pm	Late Gus & Irene Rumbolt
Fri. 10:00 am	Intentions of Donor
Sat. 4:30 pm	Late Brian Canning
Sun. 11 am	Parish Community

LITURGICAL MINISTERS

August 13	
Marie Pennell	Joan Penney Veronica Hickey
August 14	
Veronica Stone	Wayne & Amelia Dicks
Communion to the Sick – Tony Griffin	

MASS INTENTION FORMS: Now available at the church are mass intention forms and envelopes for your convenience.

PARISH COUNCIL: Thank you to those who serve on our parish Council. Every year three council members finish their terms in September. We will need new members to have a full slate. If you know someone who would be a good member, please speak with them and put their name forward for election. Mike Leonard, Victoria Murphy, and Brian Sparkes are the three people that finish their term this September. Thank you very much to all who served on the parish council.

NEW PASTORAL APPOINTMENTS:

Fr. Arul Prakash, C.M. will be assigned on a permanent basis to St. Ann’s, Precious Blood, St. Sylvester’s, and St. Michael’s parishes, in the Codroy Valley effective August 1st, 2022.

Fr. Joseph Kizhakkekuruvidathil, CST will be assigned to our Lady of Lourdes, Our Lady of the Cape, and St. Anne’s parishes, on the Port au Port Peninsula, on an interim basis on August 1st and on a permanent basis on September 1st, 2022.

Fr. Lee Lainey, who is on temporary sabbatical, will resume his ministry at the Cathedral, All Hallow’s and St. Brendan’s parishes on September 1st, 2022.

Fr. Gerard Patry will leave Holy Rosary Parish in Pasadena to take on pastoral responsibilities of St. Stephen’s, Mater Regina and St. Fintans’s Parishes with priestly assistance offered to Our Lady of Fatima Parish on a one-hear trial basis, effective September 1st, 2022.

Bishop Bart van Roijen will take on pastoral responsibilities for Holy Rosary Parish, effective September 1st, 2022.

ST. CLARE: Saint Clare of Assisi was born into a wealthy Italian family but soon shunned her luxurious upbringing to embrace the life of piety and poverty. Inspired by the words of Francis of Assisi, Clare fled her home and joined Francis, establishing her own religious order. The group became known for their austere and devout lifestyle and for the power of their prayer, which is credited with saving Assisi from invaders twice. After Francis' death, Clare continued his work and broadened her own influence. Clare died in 1253 and was canonized two years later by Pope Alexander IV.



ST. DOMNIC: August 4th is the feast day of St



Dominic of Guzmán, who was born in 1170 in a Castilian aristocratic family. He entered the community of monks at the cathedral of Osma in Spain, and in 1203 he accompanied the prior Diego de Acevedo on a diplomatic mission through France. This journey exposed Dominic to the disastrous effects of the Albigensian or Cathar heresy, which envisaged all aspects of material life as evil. Dominic’s endeavors for the eradication of this doctrine led him to the establishment of a new order of preachers, formally approved by Honorius III in 1216. Dominic died in 1221 in Bologna, where his tomb lies in a church dedicated to him. He was canonised in 1234.

MASS REQUESTS: Our current list is almost exhausted. This is a good time to request Masses and have them said in a timely manner.

NAGASAKI DAY: Nagasaki Memorial Day is observed annually on August 9 in Nagasaki, Japan, commemorating the victims of the atomic bombing during WWII. Nagasaki was the second city after the first bombing three days earlier of the city of Hiroshima. So far, Japan is the only country that suffered nuclear attacks during a war. In 2017, the General Assembly of the United Nations adopted the Prohibition of Nuclear Weapons Treaty, which contains a comprehensive set of prohibitions on participating in any nuclear weapon activities. The treaty commenced on January 22, 2021. Let us pray for all the nations to maintain peace and bring an end to all wars.

PARISH DUES: Received with thanks from Sheila George

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HUMOUR: Larry was a photographer for the N.Y. Times and was scheduled to meet a plane on the runway to take him on a job. “Hit it,” said Larry climbing into the first plane he saw on the runway. The pilot took off, and was soon in the air. “OK,” said Larry, “fly low over the trees over there, I want to take a few pictures.” “What do you mean?” asked the pilot. Larry looked at the pilot and answered a little annoyed, “I need to take some pictures for the N.Y. Times, so please.....” There was a long pause, before the pilot asked in a shaky voice, “you mean you’re not my pilot instructor

