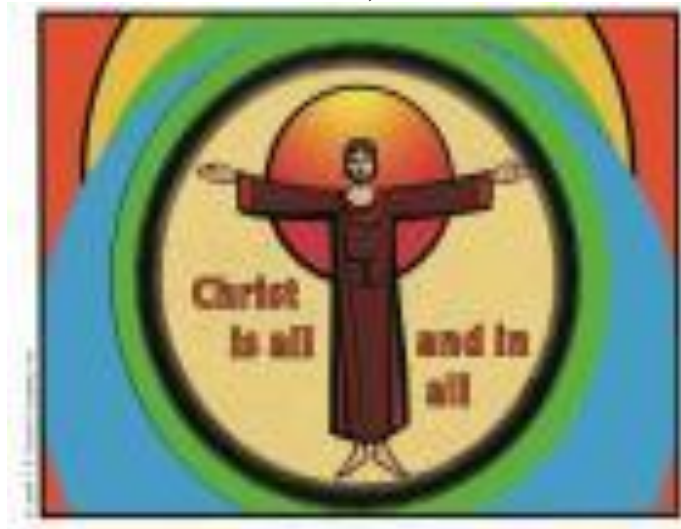


EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
JULY 31, 2022



Teach us to number our days aright,
that we may gain wisdom of heart.

— *Psalm 90:12*

THE CENTER OF A MEANINGFUL LIFE

Today's readings invite us to reflect upon some of life's deepest questions, and to explore the meaning of faith. We hear of the universal human search for meaning in our lives in the book of Ecclesiastes. In Luke's Gospel, we hear Jesus' parable about one who foolishly seeks ultimate security through the accumulation of wealth. In Colossians, faith in the crucified and resurrected Christ is proclaimed as the path to a richly purposeful and meaningful life. The path of Christian faith places our work, our sufferings, and our limitations within the larger picture of God's purposes for all of us. In Jesus, God is revealed as our companion in human suffering and limitation. God's love is at the center of a meaningful life. We place our trust in this loving God, who created us to share in this love, and to share this love with others. Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co.

TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — Do not spend your life toiling for material gain (*Ecclesiastes 1:2; 2:21-23*).

Psalm — If today you hear his voice, harden not your hearts (*Psalm 90*).

Second Reading — Christ has raised you to new life, so seek now what is above (Colossians 3:1-5, 9-11).

Today's Gospel — Be on guard against all greed, for your life does not consist of earthly possessions, but of the riches of the reign of God (*Luke 12:13-21*).

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READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Jer 28:1-17; Ps 119:29, 43, 79, 80, 95, 102; Mt 14:13-21

Tuesday: Jer 30:1-2, 12-15, 18-22; Ps 102:16-21, 29, 22-23; Mt 14:22-36 or Mt 15:1-2, 10-14

Wednesday: Jer 31:1-7; Jer 31:10, 11-12ab, 13; Mt 15:21-28

Thursday: Jer 31:31-34; Ps 51:12-15, 18-19; Mt 16:13-23

Friday: Na 2:1, 3; 3:1-3, 6-7; Dt 32:35cd-36ab, 39abcd, 41; Mt 16:24-28

Saturday: Dn 7:9-10, 13-14; Ps 97:1-2, 5-6, 9; 2 Pt 1:16-19; Lk 9:28b-36

Sunday: Wis 18:6-9; Ps 33:1, 12, 18-22; Hb 11:1-2, 8-19 [1-2, 8-12]; Lk 12:32-48 [35-40]

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Monday: St. Alphonsus Liguori

Tuesday: St. Eusebius of Vercelli;
St. Peter Julian Eymard

Thursday: St. John Vianney

Friday: Dedication of the Basilica of St. Mary Major;
First Friday

Saturday: The Transfiguration of the Lord;
First Saturday

PRAYER OF THE WEEK

Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Draw near to your servants, O Lord,
and answer their prayers with unceasing kindness,
that, for those who glory in you as their Creator and guide,
you may restore what you have created
and keep safe what you have restored.
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,
who lives and reigns with you
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
God, for ever and ever.

Reflection question:

How has the Lord answered my prayers?

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WEEKLY WORSHIP SCHEDULE

Masks are encouraged

SUNDAY: 8:00 a.m. MASS
10:00 a.m. MASS
WEDNESDAY MASS: 9:00 a.m.
PRAYER MEETING: 6:00 p.m.

SUNDAY AUGUST 7TH ASSIGNMENTS

SERVERS: 8:00 a.m. John Mendy,
Luciana Mendy
10:00 a.m. TBA
LECTORS: 8:00 a.m. Sharon Hardy, Javan Hardy
10:00 a.m. TBA

WELCOME: Caleb Johnson

COUNTERS: Team One:

Burnetta Burtin,
Mary Alexander,
Shirley Thaw

DIOCESAN TRAINING AVAILABLE

✓ **EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS**

✓ **OF HOLY COMMUNION**

WORKSHOP

Tuesday, September 27, 2022

St. Mark Parish

✓ **READERS TRAINING WORKSHOP**

(Lectors)

Wednesday, September 28, 2022

St. Mark Parish

St. Monica Parishioners: Please call our Church Office to register for these classes. 816-471-3696.

OUR SPECIAL PRAYER LIST

Dear Church Family,

Please notify Father Leonard when a family member has been hospitalized or has become homebound. Call the Church Office, 16-471-3696, or email leombuthia@yahoo.com.

Jeanette Hamilton, Rosa Birch, Delores Bazy, Vera Brown, Kevin Brown, Ray Myers, Vauncille Bartlett, Mary Ann Grayson, Donald & Mable Parson, Sergio Mendoza, Earl Greene, Jr., Ovell & Frances Thomas, Dorothy Mustin, Earnestine Nard, Flora Waddell, Elaine Lomax, Donna Dupree, Cheryl Warren, Chaunceyette Mize, Rhea Holloman, Clara Mays, Melva McClellan, Carlos & Pauls Nix, Velma Jennings, Brenda A. Martin, Margaret Sams, Yvonne Dillahunty, John & Debra Johnson

THE DIOCESE OF KANSAS CITY / ST. JOSEPH

- is committed to combatting sexual abuse in the Church. If you are a victim of sexual abuse or suspect sexual abuse,

- 1)
- 2) Call the Missouri Child Abuse Hotline, at 1-800-392-3728 (if the victim is currently under the age of 18
- 3) Contact your local Law Enforcement Agency, or call 911, and
- 4) 3) After report to these civil and law enforcement authorities, report suspected sexual abuse of a minor or vulnerable adult to the Ombudsman, Joe Crayon, crayon@ombudsmankc.org, if the abuse involves a priest, deacon, employee or volunteer of the Diocese or of Kansas City- St. Joseph.

The Diocese has a sincere commitment to providing and healing resources to victims of sexual abuse and their families.

VOLUNTEERS ARE NEEDED

ALTAR SERVERS

COUNTERS

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS

LAWN & GARDEN TEAM MEMBERS,

LECTORS

USHERS

Please call the Church Office, to join one or more of these ministries.

816-471-3696

Training will be provided.



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