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Andrew said to Jesus,
“There is a boy here who has five barley loaves and two fish;
but what good are these for so many?”

JOHN 6:8-9



Seventeenth Sunday
in Ordinary Time

JULY 25, 2021

This Week	Stewardship		
<p>Monday, July 26 No Activities noted</p> <p>Tuesday, July 27 11:30AM Rosary 12:00PM Daily Mass - William Scinto (D)</p> <p>Wednesday, July 28 12:00PM Daily Mass - Keith Larsen (D)</p> <p>Thursday, July 29 12:00PM Daily Mass - Rita Stelling (D) 12:30AM Adoration 12:30PM Scripture Circle 3:00PM Divine Mercy Chaplet 4:pm Benediction</p> <p>Friday, July 30 12:00PM Daily Mass - Karyn Soltis (L)</p> <p>Saturday, July 31 7:30AM Men's Group 5:00PM - Mass - Phyllis & Bernard Johnson (D)</p> <p>Sunday, August 1 8:00AM Mass - Richard Marks (D) 10:30AM Mass - St. Therese Parishioners</p> <p>Monday, August 2 No Activities noted</p> <p><u>IF IN LOTS FOR ANY REASON OTHER THAN LITURGIES, PLEASE DISPLAY CURRENT 2021 WHITE HANGTAG. (ALL OTHERS SUBJECT TO TOW.) WATCH FOR EMAILED INFORMATION AND UPDATES. SCHEDULE SUBJECT TO CHANGE.....</u></p> <p><i>(Schedule is subject to change.)</i></p>	Offertory	Needed	Received
	July 11, 2021	\$12,708.50	\$12,908.85
	July 18, 2021	\$12,708.50	\$10,591.40
	July 2021	\$50,834.00	\$39,651.50
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	<p>Today's Readings.</p> <p>First Reading — Elisha feeds a hundred people with twenty barley loaves (2 Kings 4:42-44).</p> <p>Psalm — The hand of the Lord feeds us; he answers all our needs (Psalm 145).</p> <p>Second Reading — Paul urges the Ephesians to live in a manner worthy of the call they received (Ephesians 4:1-6).</p> <p>Gospel — Jesus feeds a large crowd with five barley loaves and two fish (John 6:1-15).</p>		
	<p>Monday: Ex 32:15-24, 30-34; Ps 106:19-23; Mt 13:31-35</p> <p>Tuesday: Ex 33:7-11; 34:5b-9, 28; Ps 103:6-13; Mt 13:36-43</p> <p>Wednesday: Ex 34:29-35; Ps 99:5-7, 9; Mt 13:44-46</p> <p>Thursday: Ex 40:16-21, 34-38; Ps 84:3-6a, 8a, 11; Jn 11:19-27 or Lk 10:38-42</p> <p>Friday: Lv 23:1, 4-11, 15-16, 27, 34b-37; Ps 81:3-6, 10-11ab; Mt 13:54-58</p> <p>Saturday: Lv 25:1, 8-17; Ps 67:2-3, 5, 7-8; Mt 14:1-12</p> <p>Sunday: Ex 16:2-4, 12-15; Ps 78:3-4, 23-25, 54; Eph 4:17, 20-24; Jn 6:24-35</p>		
<p><u>Interested in joining St. Therese?</u> Please contact the Parish Office.</p>			
<p>Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time July 25, 2021 "This is truly the Prophet, the one who is to come into the world....." <i>JN 6:1-15</i></p>			
<p>This Week's Saints/Special Observances</p>			
<p>Sunday: Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time Monday: Saints Joachim & Anne Tuesday: Saint Pantaleon Wednesday: Saint Innocent I Thursday: Saints Martha, Mary & Lazarus Friday: Saint Peter Chrysologus Saturday: Saint Ignatius of Loyola</p>	<p>Please use care when parking in the handicap spaces and display a current white placard in addition to the handicapped tag. (Other cars should not be parked so close as to render these spaces inaccessible.)</p>		

ONE LORD, ONE FAITH

Do you suppose the authors of the four Gospels were aware of today's first reading from the second book of Kings? Of course they were. The prophet Elisha fed a hundred men with twenty barley loaves in order to prove God's power. This same miracle, now multiplied by more people fed by fewer loaves, is attributed to Jesus in all four Gospels. In today's passage from John we even have the detail that the loaves were barley, reminding every pious Jew of that miracle that Elisha worked. Yet Jesus went into hiding when they wanted to make him king. It is the passage from Paul's Letter to the Ephesians that gives us the reason for this. The power of Jesus comes from God. It is not meant merely to feed us, or to provide one group with a king. There is one Lord, one faith, one God and Father of all who works through Jesus Christ and through us all.

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Altar Flowers

If you would like to sponsor flowers , please call the Parish Office, 910-256-2471. The fee is \$110, and you may split that among a group, or between two families if you'd like to.....

SACRAMENTS

Reconciliation: Confessions are heard on Saturdays from 4:15 PM - 4:45PM in the Reconciliation Room at the Church, and other times by appointment. Communal Services are typically scheduled during Advent and Lent.

Eucharistic Adoration: Thursday 12:30PM - 4:00PM

Baptisms: Important information can be found on our website at www.catholicwb.org/sacraments as to how to get started. Baptisms for children are scheduled no more than 2 months in advance. Adults interested in becoming Catholic should inquire about the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA).

Anointing: Persons concerned about their health are encouraged to receive the Sacrament of the Sick. (Hospital & nursing home patients should notify the Registration Department, the social worker, or Pastoral Care upon check-in.)

Marriage: Couples planning marriage are asked to contact the Parish Office at least 6 months prior to their proposed wedding date.

Confirmation: Adults seeking Confirmation should call the Parish Office. Young people are usually confirmed in the 10th grade after two years of preparation.

PARISH STAFF

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2021 BISHOP'S ANNUAL APPEAL
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St. Stanislaus, Castle Hayne	136%
Sacred Heart, Southport	122%
Saint Joseph, Burgaw	113%
Saint Mark, Wilmington	104%
All Saints, Hampstead	100%
Saint Therese, Wrightsville Beach	93%
Immaculate Conception	91%
Saint Mary Basilica Shrine	64%

Thank you for your generosity!



FEAST OF FAITH

The Preface Dialogue

"Lift up your hearts." "We lift them up to the Lord." "Let us give thanks to the Lord our God." "It is right to give him thanks and praise." With this ancient dialogue we enter the Eucharistic Prayer, the heart of the Mass. These venerable words have been part of the Christian liturgy almost from the beginning—by the time of Hippolytus of Rome (c. 215) they were already fixed in the liturgy.

Several times during the Mass the priest has invited us to pray. There is something different here. We are invited to be "lifted up," to ascend, to climb the Lord's mountain, as it were, to go to a new place for this most solemn part of the Mass. And we are invited to a new frame of mind, a sense of joy, of focused dedication: our hearts must not be cast down, but lifted up, and lifted to the Lord. Why? Because we are going to give thanks—we are going to "eucharist!" It is right and just that we do this.
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Reverend William J. Upah, was born October 1961 and grew up in Philadelphia. Fr. Bill is the youngest of five children - and has four sisters (three living,) seventeen nieces & nephews, and even some great nieces and nephews!

Fr. Bill attended Catholic grade school, high school, *and* college. He says, "Ever since I can remember, I thought of becoming a priest. The priest that taught me in high school, a priest friend of the family, and the pastor of my home parish all inspired me, by their examples, to enter the priesthood."

St. Charles Seminary was where he had his start in 1988 - after he'd worked at various jobs: including UPS and architectural drafting.

Fr. Bill was ordained along with seven others in June 1998 for the Diocese of Raleigh. He is coming to us most recently from Annunciation parish in Havelock, NC. Our parish, St. Therese, will be his seventh assignment in twenty-two years. Fr. Bill comments on his assignment to St. Therese:

"I'm very much looking forward to it."

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www.wilmingtoncatholicradio.com

Men - start your weekend off right!

Saturdays at 7:30a.m.

Join other men of St. Therese on Saturday mornings for coffee, bagels, and candid conversation about how we can become better Catholic men.

We read and discuss scripture, but most of the time spent together consists of open dialogue about how these readings relate to real events in our lives. We are fortunate to have our faith to guide us. Meeting like this helps our faith to stay strong and to grow.

*On-site meetings have resumed in the Parish Hall. Inquiries?
Email: jim@gibson-consultants.com*

Please Pray for...

Rob Alford, Bill Allen, Jeanne Ashe, Bill Baker, Jr., Todd Baumgartner, Pete Baxley, Doreen Bill, Nicole Birt, L. Black, Shealyn Breen, Chuck Brown, Silas Brown, Matthew Burns, Leonel Cardenez, Rob Carroll, Michael Cahill, Theresa Chandler, Caroline Ciocca, Carla Clark, Anne Cline, Jeanne Davis, Ashley Eason, Caleb Emmons, Bob Farris, Charlie Pat Farris, Andy Fisher, Gerry Geist, Marion Gemza, Angela Gittings, The Griffin Family, Ron Gunther, Elizabeth Hagan, Claudia Hamilton, Rosemary Heath, Debby Hester, Craig Hoffman, Clayton T. Housler, Ed Hyer, Maureen Jackson, Laurie King, Frank Kohn, Isabella Kolcun, Marie Korlacki, Ray Kress, Rich Lalier, Cheryl Lee, Fr. Doug Lawson, Aubrey Lueck, Dawn Mak, Linda Markin, Jessica MacKay, Elizabeth M. McConnell, Terry McGiverin, Holly McKittrick-Boyle, Debi McLaughlin, Paul McLaughlin, Michele Milkiewicz, Claire Millican, Patricia Moore, Toni Meunier, Nicole Myers, Terry Noe, Gail O'Donnell, Bob and Young-Ok O'Toole, Gregory O'Toole, Debbi Pollock, Peter Pruium, Marissa Rhyne, Garry Rust, Mary Sanza, Mildred Sanza, Charlie Sarracino, Cheryl Schmitter, David Scullin, Diane Sheedy, Joe Silva, Melanie Smith, Eugene Spagnoli, Bob Sparrow, Stella Spratt, Nora Stamper, Irene Stein, Archie Stone, Cynthia Sullivan, Joanne Tineille, Heather Scullin, Anneliese Todd, Hailey Tucker, Donna Tumolo, Ben Van Pilsum, Melinda & Dale Walker, Nancy Weicht, Deacon Jim Welch, Phil Williams

Flowers

All altar flowers for the whole month of July are sponsored by Lia & Anthony Marino in Honor of our new Pastor, Fr. Bill Upah.....

The Sgt. Eugene Ashley Memorial Center - Volunteer Opportunity

Our veterans served our country and all of us. Now, some of them need a helping hand. The Ashley Program is an 18 month transitional residence and recovery center for up to 23 homeless veterans. It provides structure, support and resources that foster lasting recovery and a return to independent living.

St. Therese' volunteers help with this mission by cooking Friday meals from 9AM to Noon. They provide the food and we prepare it in their kitchen. The residents themselves do all the clean-up!

Consider this volunteer opportunity if:

- You need a flexible schedule (only work the Fridays you wish to)
- You enjoy cooking or prep work
- You want to give back to our Veterans

Email Sally Gustie for more information:

gustiesally@gmail.com

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IMPORTANT INFORMATION

Other Opportunities to Give....

Sep 05 Priests' Welfare & Retirement

Oct 24 Mission Sunday

Nov 21 Catholic Campaign for Human Development

St. Therese Parish Choir

We will resume rehearsals for our Parish Choir on **Wednesday, September 1st at 7pm.**

There are a few requirements in order to participate in the choir: You must enjoy having fun while learning. You must be open to being moved spiritually in ways you might not expect. Lastly, you must desire to worship the Lord with the gifts He has given you.

The following are NOT required: Musical training, ability to read music, or a degree in music. We are a warm and welcoming group that gathers for prayer, music, and fellowship in and outside of rehearsals. If you have any questions or would like to join, please contact Kevin Donnelly at: worship@catholicwb.org.

Food Pantry News

"...Give it to the people to eat...."

YOU can help the poor and working-poor in our area who use the Food Pantry. You can also make a monetary donation - write your check and mail directly to:

St. Joseph's Food Pantry, 1303 US 117, Burgaw, NC 28425

***Volunteers (adult & youth) are needed. Contact Patricia Kopchick.....**

(On-site drop-off of food is available at St. Joseph's Thursdays, 10AM to noon, via a drive-thru system, or LOCALLY at 38 Pelican Drive, Wrightsville Beach and at other pantry volunteers' homes)

Want to make arrangements to drop off food at Joseph's at times other than Thursday? Contact Patricia Kopchick: 518-275-9887
Want to help here once food collection resumes at St. Therese post-COVID? Contact: Jane Yemma, jry1950@yahoo.com

Did you know: Over 1.5 Million individuals in NC lack reliable access to healthy meals?

Join Catholic Charities for the 2021 DRIVE OUT HUNGER GOLF OUTING

Monday, August 16; 8:30AM Check-in 10:00AM Shotgun Start Prestonwood Country Club, Cary NC
Details: Captain's Choice Tournament, Light breakfast at check-in, Boxed lunches on the course, Cocktail reception follows the event. Early bird pricing available through July 1. For more information or to find out about sponsorship activities - contact: Katey.Fithian@ccharitiesdor.org or call 984.300.3119

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