

**SIXTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**  
**JULY 19, 2020**

**Readings**

First Reading Wis 12:13, 16-19

Second Reading Rom 8:26-27

Gospel Mt 13:24-43

**Reflection**

The kingdom of heaven is like . . . (Matthew 13:31, 33)

In his parable of the weeds among the wheat, Jesus confirms what we already know to be true: evil exists in the world. We see evidence of it all around us. Sometimes it even seems as if evil is winning out. Will the weeds eventually choke out the wheat and overrun the field of God's kingdom?

Jesus assures us that it will not. In the end, the angels of God will sort the good from the bad, and evil will be destroyed forever (Matthew 13:41). The fact is, by his death and resurrection, Jesus has already won the victory over evil. Someday God's kingdom will reign over all the earth.

Meanwhile, how can we hasten its coming? It's significant that after telling the first parable about the weeds and the wheat, Jesus tells two more parables about the kingdom of heaven. It's like a tiny mustard seed that grows into a large bush (Matthew 13:31-32). It's like a little yeast that leavens a whole loaf of bread (13:33). These are hopeful images! God's kingdom isn't static. It begins in many small ways and then grows and grows.

You have a part to play in its growth! With every prayer, with every act of faith, with every good deed, you help to build the kingdom of heaven on earth. Making time for prayer, worshipping at Mass, helping the poor, sharing your faith, reaching out to a friend in need, speaking out in defense of life—in these ways and more, you can participate in growing God's kingdom. Yes, they can seem like small things. But so are the mustard seed and that little pinch of yeast.

So don't get discouraged by the evil you see, and don't give up hope. Believe that your small acts of faithfulness really do make a difference. And taken together with other believers, they become a mighty force in choking out the weeds of this world.

“Lord, may your kingdom come!”

## MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK OF JULY 19, 2020

Sunday, July 19

8:30 @ St. Theresa: ✚Fr. Joseph Fraher  
9am: Intention of Donor  
10:30am: Intention of Celebrant  
11am @ Our Lady of the Valley: Fr. Joseph Fraher  
5pm: ✚Gary Troxel by George & Peg Paul

Monday, July 20

8:30am: Ampelia y Pablo Nunez by Alejandra Nunez Lomeli

Tuesday, July 21

8:30am: ✚Pearl Dabich by Steve & Lynda Hartwig  
12:15pm: ✚Wesley Schons by Florence Meister

Wednesday, July 22

8:30am: ✚Gary Troxel by Jerry & Deb Bank  
12:15pm: Chris & Trish Maslak by The Sitz Family

Thursday, July 23

8:30am: ✚Maria Guadalupe Cortes Sencion by The Grosz Family  
12:15pm: Familia de Leon by Alejandra Nunez Lomeli

Friday, July 24

8:30am: ✚Marlene Sanders by George & Peg Paul  
12:15pm: ✚Chuck Beaudrie by Chris & Trish Maslak

Saturday, July 25

8:30am: Estaphanie Beaz by Familia Nunez Lomeli  
5pm: ✚Jeanne Lenzner by Steve & Lynda Hartwig  
5pm @ Our Lady of the Valley: ✚Fr. Joseph Fraher

**Masses:** As you can see from the Mass schedule above, St. Anthony is no longer providing a noon Sunday Mass. It was apparent that 4 weekend Masses were sufficiently & safely accommodating parishioners and tourists. We are no longer following the alphabet so please attend whichever Mass you'd like. We are still asking that masks be worn, wash/sanitize hands often and that the Holy Eucharist be received in the hand.

The obligation to attend Sunday Mass remains dispensed and the live stream Mass will continue until.....?? The following is the link for the live stream Mass.

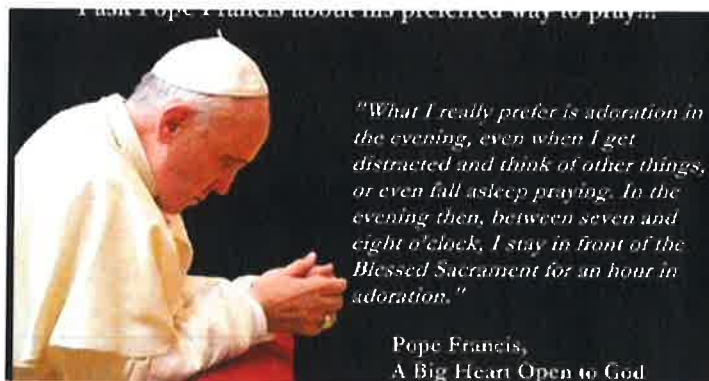
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The link may also be found on our webpage, stanthonycody.org



This summer, Fr. Rick Malloy, S.J., will offer talks on Thursday nights on movies and songs that elucidate the themes of the Spiritual Exercises of St. Ignatius. 7:00 PM in the church on July 16, 23, 30 and August 6. Each talk will be 30-40 mins followed by Q&A. Zoom access will be available for those who cannot attend in person. See how we can search for and find God in all things. Grace can be discerned and learned in experiences of moves like *Gran Torino*, *Places in the Heart*, and *It's a Wonderful Life*, and in songs like "The Sounds of Silence," "Christmas in the Trenches," and "What a

Wonderful World."



### **EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION**

We have several Holy Hours that are available to be filled. **Please consider**, with prayer, accepting one of the following: **Mondays @ 11am;** **Tuesdays @ 5pm & 6pm;** **Wednesdays @ 10am; Thursdays @ 1pm & 2pm; Fridays @ 10am.** The Office can provide you with additional information. 587-3388.

### **SACRAMENTS**

Sacraments are available by calling the Office, 587-3388.

### **COLLECTION FROM JULY 12, 2020**

"All who believed were together and had all things in common; they would sell their property and possessions and divide them among all according to each one's need." Acts 2: 44-45

Thank you to all those who contributed. Your generosity is humbling. For those of you interested in tithing & since Masses have resumed, there is a collection basket in the vestibule. If you're unable to attend Mass, please consider using U.S. mail, dropping off your envelope to the office, signing up for online giving or contacting your financial institution to set up bill pay. To sign up for online giving, please visit our website, [www.stanthonycody.org](http://www.stanthonycody.org) for the link..

**Thank you** for your generous support of gifts to **Living and Giving in Christ: Unity in Diocesan Ministries 2020** appeal! As of July 13, 2020, St. Anthony is at 53% of our goal of

\$76,669; St. Theresa is at 67% of their goal of \$2,766; Our Lady of the Valley is at 84% of their goal of \$4,396. For those who have not yet pledged, please consider doing so. You may donate online at [www.livingandgivinginchrist.org](http://www.livingandgivinginchrist.org). Please be mindful that to meet our goals, our shortfalls are taken from our reserves.

Please keep our pastor, Fr. Clark, in your prayers that he has a safe and BORING vacation and that he comes back to us refreshed!

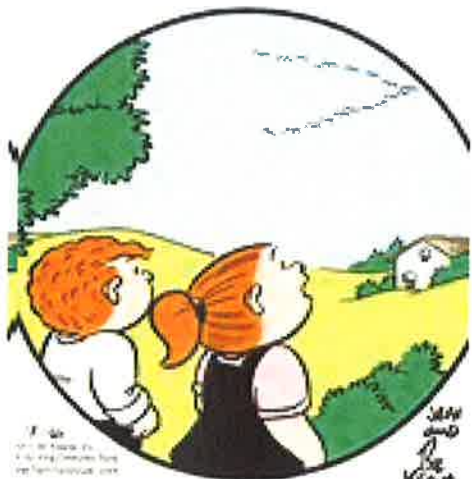
The Knights of Columbus Council #4031 is having a Corporate Sunday on Aug. 9<sup>th</sup> at the 9am Mass. This Mass will be to honor the life and pray for the soul of Fr. Michael McGivney, Knights of Columbus Founder, 1882.



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