

July 23, 2017

SIXTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
Wis 12:13, 16-19; Rom 8:26-27; Mt 13:24-43 or 13:24-30



“The Spirit comes to the aid of our weakness, for we do not know how to pray as we ought, but the Spirit himself intercedes with inexpressible groaning. And the one who searches hearts knows what is the intention of the Spirit. But though you are master of might you judge with great clemency and with much lenience you govern us...and you taught that those who are just must be kind.”

Do I understand that when I decide ‘I am going to pray’ that this is a response to the movement of the Spirit? When I pause to pray or plea, to thank or speak my words do I recognize the aid of that same Spirit? Paul helps us understand what sparks our prayer. Remember the prayer poem ‘Lovely lady dressed in blue, teach me how to pray.’

I might also find strength knowing that my intentions are good and positive as I pause and pray for others. I am concerned about their well being, their peace and happiness. I want to be free of judging others, as God judges me with clemency and wants me as a just person to be kind.

There are many helps for our prayer life in the readings of scripture today.

HIS WORD TODAY by Rev. William J. Reilly

First Reading: Wisdom 12:13, 16-19

This passage from the Book of Wisdom addresses itself to God, giving praise and thanksgiving for his mercy.

Second Reading: Romans 8:26-27

Paul indicates that since people are, in general, unaccustomed to the manner of praying, of speaking directly to God, the Holy Spirit will intercede for them.

Gospel: Matthew 13:24-43

According to Matthew, Jesus speaks of the “reign of God” in three parables: the man who soweth good seed, the mustard seed, and the yeast.

In each parable, Jesus demonstrates that once the “reign of God” had been established, it grew and spread.

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July 31st – August 4th,
We will reopen on Monday, August 7th.*



OUR COLLECTION

**Collection for July 16, 2017
By Mass as follows:**

5:30 pm: \$847 9:00 am: \$1,024
11:30 am: \$1,896 6:00 pm: \$1,406
Sunday Masses Total: \$5,173
Parish Pay: \$745
Faith Street: \$1,615
Grand Total: \$7,533



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**FEAST, SCRIPTURE, CITATIONS
& SPECIAL INTENTIONS**

Saturday, July 22 *Saint Mary Magdalene*
Ex 12:37-42; Jn 20:1-2, 11-18 (603)

12:10 p.m. Daniel Mckeveny

5:30 p.m.

Sunday, July 23

*Wis 12:13, 16-19; Rom 8:26-27; Mt 13:24-43
or 13:24-30 (106)*

9:00 a.m. Jose Castro

11:30 a.m. Kathleen Monti

6:00 p.m. *People Of The Parish*

Monday, July 24 *Saint Sharbel Makhluf,*
Priest | Ex 14:5-18; Mt 12:38-42 (395)

12:10 p.m.

Tuesday, July 25 *Saint James, Apostle*
2 Cor 4:7-15; Mt 20:20-28 (605)

12:10 p.m.

Wednesday, July 26 *Saints Joachim and*
Anne Parents of the Blessed Virgin Mary
Memorial Ex 16:1-5, 9-15; Mt 13:1-9 (397)

12:10 p.m. Anne Darrow (*Living*)

Thursday, July 27

Ex 19:1-2, 9-11, 16-20b; Mt 13:10-17 (398)

12:10 p.m.

Friday, July 28

Ex 20:1-17; Mt 13:18-23 (399)

12:10 p.m. Eve Otto

Saturday, July 29 *Saint Martha*
Ex 24:3-8; Mt 13:24-30 (400)

12:10 p.m. Helena Babby Dowdall

5:30 p.m. Robert Carpenter