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## Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

July 16, 2017

You have crowned the year with your bounty  
and your paths overflow with a rich harvest.

-- Psalm 65:12



Daily Mass

Week of July 17<sup>th</sup> – 22<sup>nd</sup>

Monday: 8:00 John Andrieu+  
 Tuesday: 8:00 Elizabeth & Thomas Eagen+  
 Wednesday: 8:00 Charles & Bernadena Elsenius+  
 Thursday: 8:00 Marcy Fletcher+  
 Friday: 8:00 Intentions: Owen Burns  
 Saturday: 8:00 Pedro & Ramona Antuna+



Please remember the sick in our Parish, especially John Miller, Thomas Lee, Michael Kluziski, Betty Perkins, Dennis Reeve, Sebastian Romeo, Louise Ahern, Bonnie Danielson, Owen Burns, Bernice De Vries, Michael Vasquez, Paul Cummings, Patricia Dombrink, Laura Pierce, Marvin Johnson, Cora Rose, Tom Reid, Henry Souza, Rosa Santos and Juanita Estrelles.

Weekly Collection	July 9 <sup>th</sup>
Plate	\$10,531.00
School Support	\$622.00
Plate -- July 2 <sup>nd</sup>	\$8,850.00
Rainy Day Fund	\$959.00



**Summer Hours:** The Parish Office will be closed on Fridays during Summer through August 31<sup>st</sup>. We will be open from 9:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m., Mondays through Thursdays. Have a fun and safe summer vacation!



Welcome to Our Family

The Parish Family of Corpus Christi has been increased and enriched through the recent baptisms of:

**Declan James Bernie**, son of Ellen Gardner and Charles Bernie.

**Audrey Anne and Evelyn Blake Bernie**, daughters of Jaime Potter and Michael Bernie.

**Keeneland Francis McNeal**, son of Caitlin Bernie and Luke McNeal.

**Matteos Augustine Vaz-Gould**, son of Marcia Vaz and Adam Gould.

Congratulations to the proud parents from all of us!

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

Several people have asked me for a copy of the Prayer that I recited some weeks ago during the homily time. It is a prayer of Blessed Charles de Foucauld, a French monk who lived with the most abandoned people of Algeria. He was killed in an uprising in 1916. From his inspiration have come all sorts of groups which constitute his Religious Family -- Jesus Caritas Fraternities, Little Sister of Jesus, Little Brothers of Jesus, Little Brothers of the Gospel, etc. I have belonged to one of these groups for over fifty years and so this prayer means a lot to me. I happily share it with you. Fr. Dan

Prayer of Abandonment:

*Father,  
 I abandon myself into your hands;  
 do with me what you will.  
 Whatever you may do I thank you;  
 I am ready for all, I accept all.*

*Let only your will be done in me,  
 and in all your creatures.  
 I wish no more than this, O Lord.*

*Into your hands I commend my soul:  
 I offer it to you  
 with all the love of my heart,  
 for I love you, Lord,  
 and so need to give myself,  
 to surrender myself into your hands,  
 without reserve,  
 and with boundless confidence,  
 for you are my Father.*

*Bl. Charles de Foucauld 1858-1916*

### Engage Your Heart Through Service to Others!

Companions in Ignation Service and Spirituality is a unique program that engages women and men over the age of 50 who have a desire to serve those most marginalized in our communities while deepening their spiritual foundations. Ignation Companions integrate their personal journey of faith with their own conviction to act for justice within local nonprofits. Our ten-month program runs from September to June each year and is hosted by the Jesuit School of Theology in Berkeley. If you have an interest in learning about our amazing program, we invite you to visit our "Information Table" after all the Masses on Saturday, July 29<sup>th</sup>, and Sunday, July 30<sup>th</sup>. For more information, contact Marco Matute at (415) 487-8560, ext. 224 or: [marco@saintagnessf](mailto:marco@saintagnessf). The Companions in Ignation's website is: [www.IgnationSpiritualLifeCenter.org/ignation-companions.html](http://www.IgnationSpiritualLifeCenter.org/ignation-companions.html). Also, you may contact Paul Loh at 384-4576 or email to: [paul@lohrealty.com](mailto:paul@lohrealty.com).

**Not Sure What You Believe?**

Do you consider yourself spiritual but not religious? Or have you been a churchgoer for some time but you have doubts and questions about what you believe? Perhaps something feels like it is being rearranged inside your heart and you want to explore your spirituality more. Or maybe your partner or spouse is Catholic, but you feel completely "out of the loop" when it comes to his/her religious beliefs. If you fit any of these descriptions, you are invited to gather with others who want to explore their spiritual lives more as well.

The RCIA process (Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults) at Corpus Christi offers a chance for anyone on a spiritual journey to gather with others who are asking questions about their spirituality or faith beliefs. It is an opportunity to search, share, question and grow alongside others. Jesus always invited others, without pressure, to "come and see" if they were interested in living the way that he lived. We invite you to do the same, no strings attached. Please join us in the Parish Office for a Q&A session about this group today, July 16<sup>th</sup>, or August 20<sup>th</sup> at 9:15 a.m., between the morning Masses. Feel free to bring family members or friends. To learn more, contact Ann Naffziger at: [ann@gospelliving.org](mailto:ann@gospelliving.org) or call 521-8011.



**Remember Your Offerings**

**Weekend Mass Collection During the Summer!**

It is important that we maintain the level of weekly giving to the Sunday Mass collection even as we make payments towards our Stewardship Campaign pledges. If the giving in this area declines, we will have defeated our purpose in maintaining a healthy operating budget, paying off the debt and sowing the seeds for the future in terms of the needs outlined in the Stewardship Campaign. The Parish has been very responsive to this message and your generosity is very much appreciated.

This especially holds true during the summer months when many of us are away for extended periods of time. Please remember your Parish by writing a check that includes the Sundays that you are away, either before you leave or upon your return. Or, you can set up automatic bill payments from your bank's Online Banking system.

Again on behalf of the Finance Committee, thank you for your continued generosity and responsiveness as we work together towards keeping the Parish finances on a firm footing and share collectively the responsibility for stewardship of Corpus Christi.

*Finance Committee*

**Toward Heaven!**

Think well. Speak well. Do well. These three things, through the mercy of God, will make a person go to heaven.

-- St. Camillus de Lellis

**Come to the Party!**

Everyone is invited to celebrate Fr. Basil's 87<sup>th</sup> Birthday at a party given in his honor on Saturday, August 12<sup>th</sup>, after the 5:00 p.m. Mass in the Gibson Center and Quad. Please RSVP to the Parish Office. Looking forward to seeing you there!



Our Parish would like to extend congratulations & best wishes to:

**Keilla Michelle Mata**

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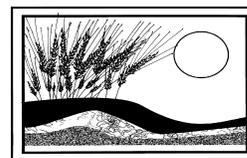
**Matthew Ryan Hatamiya Lee**

who were married on Saturday, July 8<sup>th</sup>. May their lives be filled with happiness and joy!



**2017 School Supplies Drive!**

The Outreach School Supplies Collection this year will benefit Community Education Partnerships (CEP) and the children of the refugee families that Corpus Christi is helping. CEP recruits and trains volunteers to provide high-quality academic tutoring for homeless children in the pre-kindergarten through 12<sup>th</sup> grade school system. The group is now working with several shelters in Berkeley and Oakland, and is in dire need of school supplies. We are pleased to add CEP to its list of worthy local causes providing help to our neighbors in need. The most needed items are: backpacks, calculators, pens and pencils, notebooks/dividers, three-ring notebook paper, crayons, colored pencils, rulers, compasses and flash cards. Feel free to add other items that you feel would be useful and appropriate. There will be a marked container in the Gibson Center and the collection runs through Monday, September 11<sup>th</sup>. For questions, please contact Madeline Briar at 530-6316 or Lenore McCracken at 530-7304. Many thanks for all your help!



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**Today's Readings!**

**First Reading** -- My word will achieve the end for which it was sent (Isaiah 55:10-11).

**Psalm** -- The seed that falls on good ground will yield a fruitful harvest (Psalm 65).

**Second Reading** -- We, who have the firstfruits of the Spirit, groan within ourselves awaiting the redemption of our bodies (Romans 8:18-23).

**Gospel** -- Some seed fell on rich soil and produced fruit (Matthew 13:1-23 [1-9]).

