

## Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

July 28, 2024

The eyes of all look hopefully to you,  
and you give them their food in due season.

-- Psalm 145:15



### Daily Mass

Week of July 29<sup>th</sup> – August 2<sup>nd</sup>

Monday: 8:00 Intentions: Christopher Ritchie  
 Tuesday: 8:00 Lawrence Appel+  
 Wednesday: 8:00 Maria & Wellington Loh+  
 Thursday: 8:00 Mary Ann McBride+  
 Friday: 8:00 Henry Michel+



Please remember the sick in our Parish, especially Mike Abell, Mark Lutz, Michael Carter, Rufus Smith, Peggy Delson-Rini, Frank Rini and Cecilia Uyeda.

Weekly Collection	Plate
July 21, 2024	\$9,213.00



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

**Brooks Dennis Hart**, son of Madison Barsi and Zachary Hart.

**Alexandre Augustinas Legrain**, son of Mairin Lee and Pierre Legrain.

**Sylvie Joan McDonnell**, daughter of Madelaine Krehm and John McDonnell.

Congratulations to the proud parents from all of us!



### Today's Readings!



**First Reading** -- When they had eaten, there was some left over, as the Lord had said (2 Kings 4:42-44).

**Psalm** -- The hand of the Lord feeds us; he answers all our needs (Psalm 145).

**Second Reading** -- Strive to preserve the unity of the spirit through the bond of peace (Ephesians 4:1-6).

**Gospel** -- Jesus took the loaves, gave thanks, and distributed them to those who were reclining, and also as much of the fish as they wanted (John 6:1-15).

From  
Father Leo



My Dear Brothers and Sisters,

I would like to share with you some thoughts as to why I believe that St. Paul was uniquely qualified to be the Apostle to the Gentiles (non-Jews). He was raised in the cosmopolitan city of Tarsus, Cilia, which is in modern day Turkey. Although St. Paul lived in the Jewish community of Tarsus, he was educated in Greek philosophy; and because of the status of his family, he was afforded Roman citizenship. He brought to his ministry a world view unlike any of the other Apostles. His cultural background shaped how he approached his mission to proclaim the Good News.

Although scripture scholars are pretty sure that St. Paul did not write the Letter to the Ephesians, the Disciple who wrote in his name, knew his mind. The first section Epistle to the Ephesians, Jews and Gentiles alike, highlighted the importance of each group, letting go of the enmity of the past which separated them religiously and culturally. The letter makes it clear that the death of Jesus on the cross ushered in a new world order. They were no longer two people, but now one person in Christ.

In this week's continuation of the letter, the community of believers are urged to treat each other with humility, gentleness, patience and love. It is easy to imagine St. Paul writing the following words of advice to the Ephesians:

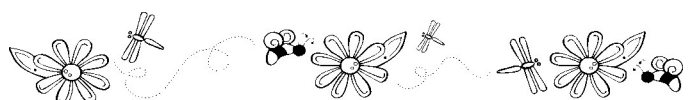
*"...preserve the unity of the spirit  
through the bond of peace:  
one body and one Spirit...  
one Lord, one faith, one baptism;  
one God and Father of all,  
who is over all and through all and in all."*

Love, Fr. Leo

### 2024 Missionary Cooperative Appeal!



Corpus Christi is pleased to have Brother Henry Gaither, S.C., a member of the Province of the United States of the Brothers of the Sacred Heart, who will be speaking at all the Masses next weekend, August 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup>. He currently resides in New Orleans, Louisiana. Please give a warm welcome to Brother Gaither.



**Hospitality!**

Coffee and donuts will begin after the 8:00 a.m. and 10:30 a.m. Masses on Sunday, August 4<sup>th</sup>. Come and enjoy the treats and chatting with your fellow parishioners!

**Upcoming Potluck!**

The next Community Potluck will take place on Saturday, August 10<sup>th</sup>, following the 5:00 p.m. Mass in the Gibson Center. The theme will be "Welcome Back." Hope to see you there!

**God's Work!**

We are so busy! Most of us have more than one job to do, and we never seem to have enough time. We are workers, volunteers, parents, friends, and most of us are more than one thing at a time. But which of these is the work of God?

We seldom view our ordinary work as being the work of God. We may think that we have to be ministers or priests, missionaries or charity workers, engaged full-time in works formally identified as being "God's work." But everything we do with a faithful heart and with love for others is God's work. We each have our own role to fill in the world, and many gifts are necessary. We cannot always see the direct connection of our daily work to the plan of God. But we trust and we believe that God leads us to do what is needed, where it is needed. What is "God's work?" "This is the work of God, that you believe in the one he sent" (John 6:29).

**Feeding the World!**

With today's two accounts of feeding miracles and the psalm response about the Lord's hand feeding us, it is easy to gloss over the marvelous hymn in Ephesians. It is built around the most potent biblical numbers: one, three and seven. The core of it is the word "one" expressed seven times. Three of these describe the church: one body, one Spirit, one hope; the next three are the foundations of the church: one Lord [Jesus], one faith, one baptism. All of these are bound up together in the one Father of all. While we might feel daunted by the prospect of duplicating the wonders by Elisha and Jesus in the feeding of multitudes, Ephesians gives us a more realistic way to live and "feed" others as a church: by living in humility and gentleness, by acting with patience, bearing with each other in love and always seeking and striving to preserve unity through peace. Who among us cannot increase the way we "feed" the church and the world by living this way? We are always called upon to "feed" the world in the literal sense; but, our mission as church tells us that others are also fed by the way we live and act each moment of each day.

**Readings For The Week  
July 29<sup>th</sup> -- August 3<sup>rd</sup>**

- Monday: First Reading Jeremiah 13:1-11; Responsorial Psalm Deuteronomy 32:18-19; Gospel John 11:19-27
- Tuesday: First Reading Jeremiah 14:17-22; Psalm 79; Gospel Matthew 13:36-43
- Wednesday: First Reading Jeremiah 15:10, 16-21; Psalm 59; Gospel Matthew 13:44-46
- Thursday: First Reading Jeremiah 18:1-6; Psalm 146; Gospel Matthew 13:47-53
- Friday: First Reading Jeremiah 26:1-9; Psalm 69; Gospel Matthew 13:54-58
- Saturday: First Reading Jeremiah 26:11-16, 24; Psalm 69; Gospel Matthew 14:1-12

**Fatima, Lourdes and Shrines of Spain Tour!**

Starting from picturesque Lisbon, visit some of the world's most treasured Marian shrines, pilgrimage sites, and spiritual places of Portugal, Spain and France. Hear about the apparition of the Blessed Virgin to the shepherd children in Fatima; learn about the journey taken by pilgrims from all over the world into Santiago de Compostela; and visit Loyola and Manresa to get inspired by St. Ignacio's Jesuit Mission. In Braga, walk the monumental steps of the Sanctuary of Bom Jesus do Monte; and in Burgos, marvel at the majestic Cathedral. Join the nightly Rosary and candlelight procession in Lourdes. Spend one night by the inspiring Montserrat Sanctuary, where you will also attend Mass. End in Barcelona with time to celebrate life, reflect and rejoice. This twelve-day group tour includes hotels, guides, historians, land transportation, and eleven Breakfasts and seven dinners. Price starts at \$2,529, per person, based on double occupancy. For more information and to make a reservation, contact Catholic Cruises and Tours at (860) 399-1785.

**Saints and Special Observances!**

- Monday: Sts. Martha, Mary & Lazarus
- Tuesday: St. Peter Chrysologus, Bishop & Doctor of the Church
- Wednesday: St. Ignatius of Loyola, Priest
- Thursday: St. Alphonsus Liguori, Bishop & Doctor of the Church
- Friday: St. Eusebius of Vercelli, Bishop  
St. Peter Julian Eymard, Priest