

Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time August 4, 2024

Do not work for food that perishes, but for the food that endures for eternal life.

-- John 6:27a



Week of August 5th - 9th

Monday: 8:00 Marguerite Bachand+ Tuesday: 8:00 Henry Michel+ Wednesday: 8:00 Special Intentions 8:00 Anne Baudler+ Thursday: 8:00 Special Intentions Friday:



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

Weekly Collection	Plate
July 28, 2024	\$7,465.00

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



Asher Ray Mitzelfelt, son of Trisha Buendia and Anthony Mitzelfelt.

Congratulations to the proud parents from all of us!

Saints and Special Observances!

Monday: The Dedication of the Basilica of

St. Mary Major

Tuesday: The Transfiguration of the Lord

Wednesday: St. Sixtus II, Pope, & Companions,

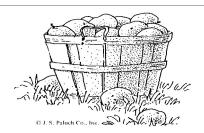
Martyrs St. Cajetan, Priest

St. Dominic, Priest Thursday:

St. Teresa Benedicta of the Cross. Virgin Friday:

& Martyr

Saturday: St. Lawrence, Deacon & Martyr



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 so effective in his ministry. He was raised in the cosmopolitan city of Tarsus, Cilicia, 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 grew up experiencing these three great cultures.

When he answered, "Yes," to our Lord's invitation on the road to Damascus to become an Apostle, he brought to his ministry a unique set of gifts. As he wrote in one of his Letters, he was "...a Jews' Jew" with an intimate knowledge and appreciation of the Greek and Roman cultures. St. Paul was a brilliant man with unbelievable insight into truth of who the risen Christ was and what he came into the world to proclaim. Lastly, St. Paul's vision and insight was matched by his unfailing courage and conviction as he writes in his Letter to the Romans: "If God is for us, who can be against us?"

Love, Fr. Leo

Today's Readings!

First Reading -- The people of Israel receive bread from heaven in response to their grumbling (Exodus 16:2-4, 12-15).

Psalm -- The Lord gave them bread from heaven (Psalm 78).

Second Reading -- Put on the new self that has been created in God's way (Ephesians 4:17, 20-24).

Gospel -- I am the bread of life; whoever comes to me will never hunger (John 6:24-25).

2024 Missionary Cooperative Appeal!



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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 this weekend, August 3rd and 4th. He currently resides in New Orleans, Louisianana. Please give a warm welcome to Brother Gaither.

Corpus Christi Church August 4, 2024

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

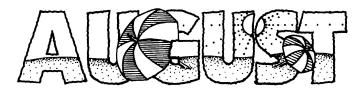
Treasures From Our Tradition

1794, a young Irishwoman befriended two widows aboard ship while emigrating to America. They bought a house in Philadelphia and began to live a community life under the direction of a priest. Soon they relocated to Washington. There, the "pious ladies," as the neighbors called them, were asked by their priest friend, by then the president of Georgetown University, to begin a religious community. In 1799, they established a branch of the Visitation Order founded by Saint Jane de Chantal and Saint Francis de Sales in the 1620s.

he unique vision of this order followed a sensible routine, less arduous and more flexible than most traditions, and also accepted widows and older women. Amazingly, this American outpost of the Visitation began without reference to the "rule" of the Order. Most of the European convents had been lost under the "reign of terror," and the rules and customs of the community could not be obtained. A copy of the rule was discovered in 1812, and in 1816 the pope officially established the monastery. By then, some French nuns had regrouped, and they sent a habit and cross to be copied. (No religious wore the habit in public in the United States until after the Civil War.) From the beginning, the Georgetown nuns had an educational mission, even though they discovered in the "rule" that such work was officially off-limits for the contemplative life. In America, the nuns depended on a school for their livelihood, so the rule was adapted. Today, the Academy of the Visitation is a thriving example of excellence in Catholic education, and the adjacent monastery is the oldest monastic foundation in the original thirteen United States.

The Bread of Life!

Today's Gospel has the crowd asking Jesus three questions. First, "When did you get here," to which Jesus responds by rebuking them for their failure to grasp his miracle as a "sign," an occasion to put faith in him. Their second question about accomplishing the "works of God" has Jesus respond that faith is the "work" that God wishes. Many scholars believe this is John's answer to the faith-works dichotomy emerging in the early Christian community. Faith is the work of God in the believer, John would have us understand. The third question asked by the crowd is a request for a "sign" that would allow them to put faith in Jesus, as the manna in the desert allowed the Israelites to put faith in the Lord God. Jesus answers by revealing himself as the "bread of life" that "comes down from heaven and gives life to the world."



Readings For The Week August 5th -- 10th

Monday: First Reading Jeremiah 28:1-17;

Psalm 119;

Gospel Matthew 14:13-21

Tuesday: First Reading Daniel 7:9-10, 13-14;

Psalm 97;

Second Reading 2 Peter 1:16-19;

Gospel Mark 9:2-10

Wednesday: First Reading Jeremiah 31:1-7;

Responsorial Psalm Jeremiah 31:10;

Gospel Matthew 15:21-28

Thursday: First Reading Jeremiah 31:31-34;

Psalm 51;

Gospel Matthew 16:13-23

Friday: First Reading Nahum 2:1, 3; 3:1-3, 6-7;

Responsorial Psalm Deuteronomy 32:35cd;

Gospel Matthew 16:24-28

Saturday: First Reading 2 Corinthians 9:6-10;

Psalm 112;

Gospel John 12:24-26

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.

