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## Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

July 6, 2025

May I never boast except in the cross of  
our Lord Jesus Christ.

-- Galatians 6:14



### Daily Mass

Week of July 7<sup>th</sup> – 11<sup>th</sup>

Monday: 8:00 Helen Greenan+  
Tuesday: 8:00 Zelda & Owen Burns+  
Wednesday: 8:00 Caria & Robin Tomczykowski's  
Anniversary  
Thursday: 8:00 Angela McCormick+  
Friday: 8:00 Evelyn & Artie Baker+



Please remember the sick in our  
Parish, especially Lisa Wemple,  
Sarah Wren, Marian Flandick,  
James Breen, Janet Laurent, Mike  
Abell, Michael Carter, Anil Siu,  
Peggy Delson-Rini, Frank Rini and  
Cecilia Uyeda.

### Weekly Collections

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|---------------------|-------------|
| June 29, 2025       | \$10,507.00 |
| St. Vincent de Paul | \$1,079.00  |

### Today's Readings



**First Reading** -- As a mother comforts her child, so will I comfort you (Isaiah 66:10-14c).

**Psalm** -- Let all the earth cry out to God with joy (Psalm 66).

**Second Reading** -- May I never boast except in the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ (Galatians 6:14-18).

**Gospel** -- Jesus sends out the seventy-two (Luke 10:1-12, 17-20 [1-9]).

### The Voice of the Lord!

What is more delightful than the voice of the Lord calling to us?

-- St. Benedict



From  
Father Leo



My Dear Brothers and Sisters,

In this week's Gospel, Luke describes how Jesus appointed seventy-two disciples to go in pairs to towns and villages and preach the Good News in his name.

When they returned to Jesus, they marveled at how successful their mission had gone:

"Lord, even the demons are subject to us because of your name."

Jesus reminds them that they should not rejoice because of the wonders that they were able to perform, but rather that they should be grateful for the opportunity to share in his mission to the world.

By virtue of our baptism, we too have been commissioned to proclaim that the reign of God is in our midst. When we show others compassion, we are allowing the power of God's love to be manifested through us.

As a way of keeping myself mindful of my call to discipleship, I daily offer to God a simple prayer that I will share with you:

*Lord, be in my mind, on my lips and in my heart. So that all I think, say and do will be done in your name.*

Love, Fr. Leo

### Mission!



Today's first reading from Isaiah was occasioned by the return of the Jewish people from exile. The prophet visualizes the Holy City as a mother welcoming her children home. The people may now look forward to prosperity and comfort. In this post-Pentecostal season, the Church attributes this sense of fulfillment to the Holy Spirit.

Paul, on the other hand, speaks of "the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ." It is the single thing of which he will boast, for it is the means by which we are re-created. The comfort and prosperity promised in the first reading are here transformed by a deepening of the Christian paradox.

Luke's Gospel describes the calling and the mission of "seventy-two others," who are commissioned to bring in the "harvest." The number is symbolic, since according to Jewish tradition the number of nations in the world is seventy-two. This then is a universal mission, a catholic mission to all the world.

### Summer Food Drive!

The Corpus Christi Summer Food Drive has begun. Our support of the Alameda County Community Food Bank (ACCFB) is more important than ever. One in four residents in our community is experiencing or is at-risk of hunger. The Living Our Faith Ministry has set an ambitious goal of raising \$15,000 for ACCFB by mid-August. We have already raised nearly \$5,000 in our previous food drives this year, so we're one-third of the way toward reaching this goal! The Summer Food Drive started on June 1<sup>st</sup> and will continue until August 3<sup>rd</sup>. You may participate using any one (or more) of the following three methods:

\* Donate online at: [donate.accfb.org/vfd/Alameda-County](https://donate.accfb.org/vfd/Alameda-County). Enter Group #6434475 in the Search field to be directed to the Corpus Christi Fundraiser page for ACCFB.

\* Donate non-perishable food items and place them in the 2 large food barrels in the Gibson Center or in the designated baskets in the Church.

The Living Our Faith Ministry and the Corpus Christi Family appreciate your generous response to this tremendous need in our community!

### Confirmation Photos!

The photo's for this year's Confirmation are available online. The website is: <https://www.dennism-pic.com/Parish/Confirmation/Confirmation-2025>. Alternatively, just go to the website: [dennism-pics.com](https://dennism-pics.com), click on the "Parish" folder. Inside, there is a "Confirmation" folder. Click on this folder and you will find the "Confirmation 2025" gallery. In either case, you will need to provide the password which is: frleo (all lower case, no spaces). In the gallery, you can download any photo for free by clicking on the down arrow in the lower right corner of the selected photo. Only click on the "Buy" button if you wish to purchase a print of other item with your photo on it.

Note: Within the [dennism-pics.com](https://dennism-pics.com) website are other galleries with many photos of Corpus Christi Parish events including the Annual Crab Feed. All Corpus Christi related photos are free to download.

### Traveler's Song!

Take this blessing prayer along with you as you travel on vacation this summer; and may the Spirit of Jesus be with you wherever you are in this wide and wonderful world!

*In paths of peace may the Lord guide us,  
and may he send his holy angel Raphael  
to accompany us on our way;  
that safe and sound, in peace and in joy,  
we may return to those who love us.  
We ask this through Christ our Lord.*

*Amen!*



### Readings For The Week

July 7<sup>th</sup> -- 12<sup>th</sup>

Monday: First Reading Genesis 28:10-22a;  
Psalm 91;  
Gospel Matthew 9:18-26

Tuesday: First Reading Genesis 32:23-33;  
Psalm 17;  
Gospel Matthew 9:32-38

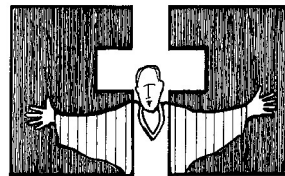
Wednesday: First Reading Genesis 41:55-57; 42:5-7a;  
Psalm 33;  
Gospel Matthew 10:1-7

Thursday: First Reading Genesis 44:18-21, 23b-29;  
Psalm 105;  
Gospel Matthew 10:7-15

Friday: First Reading Genesis 46:1-7, 28-30;  
Psalm 37;  
Gospel Matthew 10:16-23

Saturday: First Reading Genesis 49:29-32; 50:15-26a;  
Psalm 105;  
Gospel Matthew 10:24-33

### Treasures From Our Tradition!



*It's* high summer now, school is out, the pace of work slows and some people drift away. There are visitors in the churches every summer and familiar faces are "among the missing." Some find the summer's call

more appealing than the summons of the church bells. Many, however, would not dream of missing a Sunday; and so they make their way to Mass in unfamiliar places, watching the locals for clues as to when to sit or stand, where the Communion stations are. In answering the call, they keep the "sabbatical" rhythm of the Christian life: every seventh day, the Body of Christ assembles for worship.

*For* centuries, there was no obligation to Sunday Mass in the sense of a written law, but Christians have always yearned to be together on Sunday. In the city of Abitina, during a persecution by the Emperor Diocletian, a group of Christians were urged to stop worshipping together on Sundays. They responded, "Then take our lives, for without the Sunday we cannot live." By a curious coincidence, the appointed readings today center us on thoughts of peace. On our Independence Day, the experience of worship situates us in community, and evokes a commitment from us to be advocates of peace in all aspects of our society's life.