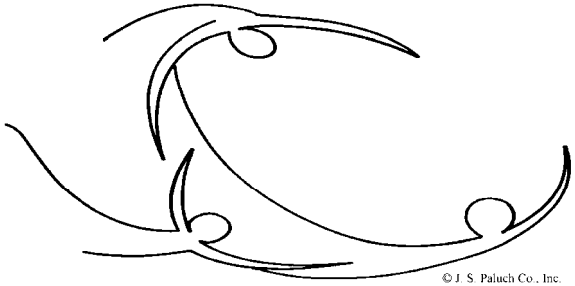


Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time June 28, 2009



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**You changed my mourning into dancing;
O LORD, my God, forever will I give you thanks.**

— *Psalm 30:13*

O LORD, BE MY HELP

Today we encounter readings that draw us into the mystery of suffering and death. In the past few years we have witnessed the devastation of life and property through tsunamis and hurricanes. So many lifted their lament to God, simply asking, “Why?” This is an honest expression of anger toward a God who we believe is the giver of life. When we lose a loved one, we can wonder why the presence of Christ is not enough to make that person rise, even from death, as did the little girl in today’s Gospel passage. Again we raise our voices and ask, “Why?” At moments such as these, let us make the prayer of the psalmist our own: “Hear, O Lord, and have pity on me; O Lord, be my helper.” Let us pray that our mourning will one day be turned into dancing.

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TODAY’S READINGS

First Reading — God did not make death, nor does God rejoice in the destruction of the living (Wisdom 1:13-15; 2:23-24).

Psalm — I will praise you, Lord, for you have rescued me (Psalm 30).

Second Reading — Your abundance should supply the needs of the others (2 Corinthians 8:7, 9, 13-15).

Gospel — Your faith has saved you (Mark 5:21-43 [21-24, 35b-43]).

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Vigil: Acts 3:1-10; Ps 19; Gal 1:11-20; Jn 21:15-19 Day: Acts 12:1-11; Ps 34; 2 Tm 4:6-8, 17-18; Mt 16:13-19

Tuesday: Gn 19:15-29; Mt 8:23-27

Wednesday: Gn 21:5, 8-20a; Mt 8:28-34

Thursday: Gn 22:1b-19; Mt 9:1-8

Friday: Eph 2:19-22; Jn 20:24-29

Saturday: Gn 27:1-5, 15-29; Mt 9:14-17; or, for Independence Day, any readings from the Mass “For Public Needs,” nos. 882-886, or “For Peace and Justice,” nos. 887-891

Sunday: Ez 2:2-5; Ps 123; 2 Cor 12:7-10; Mk 6:1-6a

Deadline for bulletin news is on Tuesdays by 4:00 pm.

**Please call the office with any news
you would like to put in the bulletin.**

Rosary Dedication: June 2009:

For an increase in devotion to the Real Presence of Christ in the Eucharist.

This Week at Our Lady of Sorrows

Sunday, June 28th

Mass – 8:00 am
English Choir – 9:30 am
Mass - 10:30 am
Free Living Will, 12-3 pm
Spanish Mass - 5:00 pm,

Mon, June 29th

Communion Service – 8:15 am

Tuesday, June 30th

Communion Service – 8:15 am

Wednesday, July 1st

RECTORY CLOSED
Communion Service – 6:30 pm
Legion of Mary – 4:30 pm, Lucius Hall

Thursday, July 2nd

Communion Service – 8:15 am

Friday, July 3rd

RECTORY CLOSED

Mass - 8:15 am
Exposition – 9:00 am
Benediction – 12:00

Saturday, July 4th

Confessions, 3:00 pm
Mass – 4:00 pm

Sunday, July 5th

Mass – 8:00 am
Mass – 10:30 am
Spanish Mass - 5:00 pm,

JUST THE BEGINNING

The American Revolution was a beginning, not a consummation.

—Woodrow Wilson

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday:	Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time
Monday:	St. Peter and St. Paul
Tuesday:	The First Holy Martyrs of the Holy Roman Church
Wednesday:	Blessed Junípero Serra; Canada Day
Friday:	St. Thomas; First Friday
Saturday:	St. Elizabeth of Portugal; First Saturday; Blessed Virgin Mary; Independence



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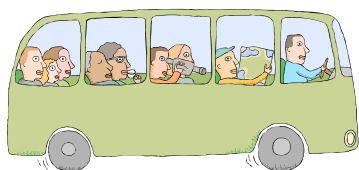
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Pay It Forward – Remember, if you are planning on going on vacation, Pay It Forward by making your weekly sacrificial gift to the Sunday collection before you leave. Then, you will have helped your parish in its financial obligations and you won't be tempted to spend what is God's on yourself. And, if you miss a Sunday unexpectedly, please make it up as soon as possible because we count on everyone's generosity to operate the parish.

Baby Shower - Nine months ago, we adopted yet-to-be born babies in our Spiritual Adoption Program. We have prayed for these babies with their presence on the altar at every celebration of Mass. It is time to welcome them into the world. We will have our Baby Shower on the Weekend of July 11 & 12. Every household is asked to bring baby items to Mass that can be presented to Birthright of Memphis to assist young mothers who have made the decision, often difficult in our times, to carry their babies to term rather than terminate their pregnancies. A large basket will be placed in front of Mary's altar in which you can place your gifts (no need to wrap them). There will also be a small basket to receive monetary donations

Free Attorney Services in Spanish – Attorney John Dolan will provide free assistance with the drafting of Living Wills on Sunday, June 28, immediately following the Spanish Liturgy by appointment. Living Wills are essential in modern society because it protects your right to make decisions about your health should you become unable to make decisions due to accident or illness. A Living Will instructs doctors in how to administer food, water and medical assistance when a person is terminally ill or injured and falls into a coma. It also advises doctors whether or not a person wishes to donate any organs after they die to people in need of transplants in order to survive. Mr. Dolan has adopted our parish school for 2009-2010 and is offering this service to OLS parishioners only. To make an appointment call Mrs. Julia Barredo Willhite at 299-3244 or email her at spanishtchr8123@aol.com.

House For Rent – A large home, big enough for two families, is for rent on Frayser Blvd. \$600/month. Contact Carmen Vazquez (OLS parishioner) at 270-0378.



Monthly Bus Trip will be Sunday, June 28, 2009 after 10:30 Mass. This month we will visit Sam's Casino. If you are interested in going, please contact Martha Hensley at 357-2459 or 268-2849.

New Roof Fund – To date, we have collected \$26,000+ for the new roof on the church. Thank you for your generosity, but please continue to make sacrifices for the improvement of the parish facilities. It appears the next major undertaking will be the total resurfacing of the parking lot.

Cheese ravioli on sale this weekend after 8:00 am & 10:30 am Mass in Krug Hall, if interested, please call Patty Bridges at 353-0318 or 283-2500.

Altar Server Training – All those making their First Holy Communion are invited and encouraged to serve the Lord at His Altar during Mass and other liturgical celebrations. Three basic training sessions will be held on Saturdays in July (11, 18 and 25). After that, training will be individualized on Wednesday evenings in August, 6:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. Please call the Parish Office to sign up for training.

Our Parish School Needs You!

In the months of June and July, OLS school will be undergoing a refurbishing of the building and grounds and **VOLUNTEERS** are needed to help us bring this about before school begins.

We need help with cleaning, painting, organizing, consolidating supplies, flooring, removing and replacing caulking, repairs and cabinetry, boxing up files and many others.

Whatever your skills are, we want you! Those wishing to help should come by the school from 9-3 any day of the week starting June 22nd through the 15th of July. See the new principal Julia Willhite or call her at 299-3244 to set up a time to help.

Consider sharing your time and talents with us - we surely would appreciate it!

***Ministers & Altar Server
Schedule
for June 27 & 28***

	<u>4:00 PM</u>	<u>8:00 AM</u>	<u>10:30 AM</u>	<u>5:00 PM</u>
Communion:	Deacon Henry Louise Macdonald	Deacon Bennis Larry Hall	Linda O'Donnell Sharon O'Brien	Estaban Roque Nick Vinturella
Reader:	Gerry Taulman	Janie Hall	Mark Owens	C. & R. Roque
Altar Servers:	Alisha Younger	Grace Williams Hayden Williams	Christian Sawicki Dalton Bailey	Juan Rivera Abigail Roque

***Ministers & Altar Server
Schedule
for July 4 & 5***

	<u>4:00 PM</u>	<u>8:00 AM</u>	<u>10:30 AM</u>	<u>5:00 PM</u>
Communion:	Nick Vinturella Eileen Monroe	Deacon Henry Martha Hensley	Deacon Bennis Janet DeStefano	Estaban Roque Nick Vinturella
Reader:	Bill Roth	Don Gohman	Barbara Allard	C. & R. Roque
Altar Servers:	Lacey Carter	Bradley Hudson Kacee Hudson	Katie Hissong Erick Foote	Sarihi Roque Abigail Roque

Please remember the following people in your prayers: Barbara Allard, Grace Aspinall, Theresa Baker, Rachel Beaty, Deacon Don Bennis, June Bennis, Rebecca Bethune, Crissy Brigance, Thomas Brown, Carole Brunner, Fred Brunner, John Calipari, Keith Carpenter, Trudi Collier, Abraham Delgado, DePriest Family, James Essary, Elena Everroad, Tony Drewitz, Margaret Dries, Rena Frazier, John Paul Fields, Rosa Fox, Carolyn Fracchia, Alice Fricks, Lance Garrett, Sue Guinn, Linda Gonzales, Theresa Greco, Eileen Haklitch, Amanda Hall, Shelby Henricks, Peggy Hooten, Lynn Hupp, Michael & Donna Jackson, Margaret Jones, George Klein, Justin Kitts, Robert Kuehner, Butsy Lanigan, Bill Lindsley, Anthony Lobianco, Ericka Lopez, Robert Lutts, Jerry Lynn, Sadie Claire Lynn, Louise Macdonald, Joseph Mangold, Thomas Miller, Bill Nutt, Eudora Mays, Shirley Mayo, Tony Oliviera, Frances O'Toole, Brinda Paravicini, Jackie Perfetti, Waldyr Poilis, Fr. Robert Ponticello, Nancy Pope, Dr. Cheryl Pearson, Kenneth Rainey, Louisa Reilly, James & Maureen Spain, Mona Stringfellow, Steve Stromberg, Brooklyn Swann, Stephen Thompson, Fr. Bryan Timby, Keith Trenham, Carolyn Walsh, Helene Weiss, Lewis Wilkinson, Mary Wilson, Louise Winter and Angie Wright, Shorty Zsidi.

Stewardship of the Altar – Flowers can be put on the Altar in memory of a loved one; a deceased couple of the departed of an entire family or in honor of someone's special anniversary, birthdays or other happy occasions or just to honor someone you think is special. Please contact Frances Bursi at 357-5874 or 634-1168.





Office Closed – The Parish Office will be closed on Friday, July 3, to celebrate the Independence Day holiday. The office will reopen at 9 a.m. on Monday, July 6.

New Office Hours – Remember that the Parish Office will begin operating under new hours beginning July 1. The office will be open on Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, and Friday from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. The office will be closed every Wednesday.

God is like ... SEARS ... he has everything.

The Cenacle Retreat League of Memphis is now accepting registration for a Summer Retreat August 7 - 9 at Our Lady Queen of Peace Retreat Center, Stanton, TN. The retreat director is Passionist Reverend Columkille Regan. For additional information please call Anne Marie Botto (850-0572) or Ann Berry (682-2066).

MASS INTENTIONS

- Saturday, June 27th 4:00 pm**
Langston/Bray Families & Rachel
Renee Hooten+
- Sunday, June 28th 8:00 am**
People of Parish
- Sunday, June 28th 10:30 am**
Tony Salvati +
- Sunday, June 28th 5:00 pm**
Charlena LoBianco+
- Monday June 29th 8:15am**
Jason Morin +-
- Tuesday, June 30th 8:15 am**
Secondina Bompreszi Galtelli +
- Wednesday, July 1st 6:30 pm**
Bonita Comans +
- Thursday, July 2nd 8:15 am**
Thanksgiving to Blessed Mother
- Friday July 3rd 8:15 am**
Ellie Curtis+
- Saturday, July 4th 8:15 am**
Kathleen Harley +
- Saturday, July 4th 4:00 pm**
Ruth Salawsky+
- Sunday, July 5th 8:00 am**
Roby & Gohman Families +
- Sunday, July 5th 10:30 am**
People of Parish
- Sunday, July 5th 5:00 pm**
Int. of Benita Rios

PARISHONERS IN NURSING HOME:

**Carolyn Fracchia
St. Peter Villa, 331-A
141 North McLean
Memphis, TN 38104**

**Jackie Perfetti
St. Francis Nursing Home
5959 Park Ave, room 328
Memphis, TN 38119`**

**Helene Weiss
St. Francis Nursing Home
5959 Park Ave, room 328
Memphis, TN 38119**

**Ginger Shemwell
Luther Tower
274 S. Highland apt. 106
Memphis, TN 38111**

Visiting the sick is a corporal work of mercy. Visit the sick and/or send them a card to let them know they are not forgotten.

PARISHONERS IN HOSPITAL:

Rita McKenzie - Methodist Central ICU

Inspirations for the Week:

Monday – Daily prayer will diminish your cares.

Tuesday – Did you pass your pastor? Come back to church!

Wednesday – The bread of life never gets stale.

Thursday – TCIG: Thank God I'm Forgiven

Friday – Enthusiasm is the spirit of God working with you.

Saturday/Sunday – The grass might look greener on the other side, but it still needs to be mowed.

Financial Report Weekend of 6/21/09

Envelopes	\$ 2,758.00
Loose Checks	112.39
Loose Currency/Coin	600.00
Debt	
Improvements	150.00
Ascension	5.00
Total Collection	\$ 3,625.39
Church Budget for the Week	<u>-4,894.23</u>
Collection Diff for the Week	\$ (1, 268.84)
Collections Revenues Y-t-D	\$221,023.74
Church Budget Y-t-D	<u>252,611.74</u>
Collections Deficit Y-t-D	\$(31,588.00)

TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

As Independence Day draws near, we think of the men and women of the military who serve with courage and competence, some far from home. How does the Church accompany them? In 1939, Pope Pius XII created an independent jurisdiction of the Catholic Church called the "Military Vicariate." In 1985 Pope John Paul II created the "Archdiocese for Military Services, USA." Spanning the globe and serving nearly one and a half million Roman Catholics, more than one thousand priests minister in hospitals, on military bases of all the armed forces, on ships at sea, and on the battlefield. The AMS does not ordain priests, but accepts priests on loan from religious orders and dioceses.

In 1824 a Jesuit priest named Adam Marshall enlisted in the Navy and died at sea in 1825. He was assigned as a "schoolmaster," but he sought out and ministered to Catholic sailors. Twenty years later, President Polk was worried that the war with Mexico was seen as anti-Catholic, so he recruited two Jesuit priests to serve in the army as chaplains. At the time of the Civil War, only about ten percent of Americans were Catholic. Military policies forced Catholic soldiers to attend Protestant services. The Church protested this rule, and many priests volunteered to become chaplains. Their witness and the courage of the "Nuns of the Battlefield" (several orders of sisters who assisted Civil War victims) helped temper prejudice against Catholics and pave the way for the life and ministry of this vigorous and unique archdiocese.

—Rev. James Field, © Copyright, J. S. Paluch Co.

The Catholic High School Class of 1959

50 Year Reunion on Friday and Saturday August 28 and August 29, 2009. We are trying to locate the following classmates: Mike Leech, Nashville; Don Kinney, Bartlett; Hugh Walker, Sevierville, TN ; Jack Wallace Blytheville, AR; Wayne Campbell, Joe Clark, John Foster, Marcus Herrera, James Jackson, Edward Scott, and Henry Weaver.

Please call Joe Cervetti at 767-9415





Holy Land Pilgrimage – Fr. Timby is leading a pilgrimage to the Holy Land, March 5-16, 2010. The all-inclusive price for this trip is \$3313 and includes round-trip airfare from Memphis to Tel Aviv, all land transportation, accommodations, all meals except daily lunches, taxes, tips, portage for one bag, and fuel surcharges. (If the price of fuel rises significantly, there could be additional surcharges applies by the airlines.) Brochures will be available soon. If you have any interest in such a trip, please call the parish office. OLS parishioners will be given priority. As a Knight of the Equestrian Order of the Holy Sepulchre in Jerusalem, Fr. Timby is trying to arrange a special audience with the Latin Patriarch of

Jerusalem during this pilgrimage during which pilgrims will receive the Apostolic Blessing and Indulgence.– For full details of the pilgrimage Fr. Timby is leading to the Holy Land you can go to www.GoCatholicTravel.com/Timby. The URL is case sensitive so be sure to type it correctly. Color brochures will be mailed to those who have expressed an interest as soon as they arrive from the printer. We have 18 parishioners already expressing an interest. Come and join us for this wonderful Lenten journey in the footsteps of Jesus.

Parish Bible Study 2009-2010 – Next year we will be studying St. Paul’s Letter to the Romans, one of the most contentious books of the New Testament and the source of so much conflict between Catholics and Protestants because it is the foundation of Martin Luther’s teaching that salvation is by *sola fide* (faith alone) after he added the word “alone” to the sacred text in his version of the Bible. This 25-session study by Catholic Scripture Study International will begin in October and conclude in May. Pre-registration is necessary. The cost of \$50 (just \$2.00/week) is due at the time of registration in order to order personal study materials. A limited number of scholarships (up to 50% off) are available facing financial difficulty. Sessions will continue to be on Thursday morning and Sunday evening. Please make checks payable to OLS.

Regional Charismatic Renewal Conference – The 26th Annual Mid-South Regional Catholic Charismatic Conference will be held July 17-18 at St. Ignatius of Antioch Catholic Church, 601 Bell Road, Antioch, TN 37013. This year’s speakers are Fr. Larry Hess from Allentown, PA, and Mother Lucy Lukasiewicz from Channing, TX. Advances registration is encouraged in order to assure we have adequate arrangements made. Cost is \$35/individual, \$55/couple, and \$65/family. An additional \$10 will be charged if registration occurs after July 10. For more information contact Teresa Seibert at 615-430-9343, e-mail is tseibert@bellsouth.net, or visit the website at www.msccr.org.

Use of Parish Property – Due to an significant increase in lawsuits against Catholic parishes across the country resulting for accidents occurring at private functions held in parish facilities, Catholic Mutual Insurance Company will no longer cover any parish that does not strictly abide by the requirement to have users/renters of parish facilities for non-parish events, such as receptions, parties, meetings, etc., purchase separate insurance for each gathering. The minimum cost is \$95.00/day for every time a space is used. Parish organizations and church sponsored events or meetings, of course, are exempt, but specifically mentions as occasions when this insurance is required are: birthday parties, wedding receptions, and non-parish events open to the public. The insurance only covers one day so it must be purchased for each day that the facility is being open and used, e.g., early set-up, next day clean-up, monthly meetings, etc. The insurance must be purchased 14 days prior to the scheduled event. If there are any questions, please contact the Parish Office.

Change in Rental Policy for Gymnasium – Due to complaints made to the Diocese of Memphis regarding the serving of alcohol leading to the intoxication of minors at a recent function held in our gymnasium, we are being forced by the attorneys for the Diocese to ban the use of any alcohol at private functions in our gymnasium. It is against the law to serve alcohol of any kind to minors. It is also against the law to have minors serving alcohol. This applies to public functions, private parties and family gatherings. Those who rent the gymnasium in the future must hire a security guard furnished by the parish to enforce this policy for the entire duration of the event. Also, we are being forced to re-evaluate all rental policies and cannot agree to rent to gymnasium until our new policies are approved by the Bishop upon the recommendation of the attorneys for the Diocese. Sadly, the inappropriate behavior by a few is the fountain of punishment for all.

The Church Is Not Recession-Proof – Everyone is tightening their belts these days and we find ourselves being forced to do the same. We have already made changes in our telephone service provider to reduce expenses. Beginning in July, the Parish Office will be open only 4 days/week on Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday with abbreviated hours of 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. We are examining ways to combine our English and Spanish bulletins to reduce the use of paper and ink and the number of page we run on our copier every week. (Many don't realize that we are charged for each copy we print over our approved level each month.) Organizations and groups will have to settle for announcements in the bulletin because in an attempt to further reduce the cost of paper and ink and copier use we will no longer print flyers or inserts for the bulletin. (We will include flyers and inserts if they are pre-approved and an ample supply of pre-printed copies is provided.) We are raising the thermostat setting in the church by several degrees to reduce HVAC costs during the summer. **Most importantly, remember that our parish expenses continue even when you are absent from Mass so please make your contributions before a planned weekend away and make up those you missed through unexpected time away from OLS.**

Attention School Parents! – Parents of our parish who have students in our school and who expect to receive financial aid for the 2010-2011 school year MUST be using the parish envelope system or writing checks that are included in the Sunday collection in order to be considered for financial aid. Those parishioners who have no identifiable financial support of the parish will not be eligible for financial aid for 2010-2011. If you need envelopes please contact the parish office.

Tuition Payments – Tuition payments are now due for the 2009-2010 school year. Payments are to be made in the Parish Office between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 2:00 p.m., Monday thru Friday. All tuition for 2008-2009 MUST be paid in full by July 1 or pre-registration will be canceled and fees will be applied to the past due amount. A final letter reminding parents of past due tuition has been mailed. If you need to make special arrangements, please see Mrs. Willhite in the school office.

Fr. Timby will celebrate Mass and Mass intentions while he is out of town.

Please pray for Doris Marthin, who passed away last week, a memorial mass will be at OLS Sat. July 4th at 11:00 am. Visitation 10 am – 11 am. Eternal Rest grant unto her, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon her. May her soul and the souls of all the Faithful Departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.

WOW!! **St Paul & The Underground Church** was a production to rival Cecil B. DeMille! We had a cast of thousands – well, close. The Marketplace was wonderful!! Special thanks to our Shop Keepers who unselfishly shared their time, talents & treasures with our children: Ashley Afflito, Frances Bursi, Martha Hensley, Anne Humphrey, Donna Jackson. Paula Lutts, Betty & Ron Marshak, Billie Rackley (and her friend Deana who furnished the goats & chickens), Allie Williams, Hayden Williams, Tina Younger. The roving band of actors: Tasha Wood, Heather Martini, Grace Williams and Alisa Younger. The music and talents of Kris Acklen and Lauren Linton. The Church: Tanna Cuppy. Bradley Hudson, CT O'Donnell, Juan Rivera. Games: Kacee Hudson and Karlee Valiencourt, Keisha Talley. Family leaders and assistants: Clara Gonzalez, Katie Hissong, Susan Hissong, Sharon O'Brien, Wanda Rivera, Abby Roque, Sarahi Roque, Janette Villanueva, Perla Villanueva, and Laurie Williams. Our support staff: Dalton Bailey, Lisa Hudson, James Humphrey, Jeanne Littleton, Nathan Llanes, and Christian Sawicki. Several mothers helped also & I'm sorry but I can't remember all the names! Please forgive me if I have left anyone out!! I tried to be careful but there were so many who contributed so much! The fun was shared with 37 children and a great time was had by all. It was a great week! It will be tough to top this next year.