

ST. ANTHONY OF PADUA

ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH | JULY 21, 2024



THEY WERE LIKE SHEEP WITHOUT A SHEPHERD.
- MK 6:34

16TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday 4:00 pm
Sunday 10:00 am

WEEKDAYS

Monday & Tuesday:
8:30 am

HOLY DAY MASSES

Consult the bulletin

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MESSAGE FROM THE PASTOR

The theme of the Readings for today is leadership. God is leading us through His Son, Jesus Christ, and Christ is appointing leaders within His Church. This should inspire us to accept this leadership and fulfill our role in God's Plan as well. Leadership is always a two-way situation, or it becomes a dictatorship. As Catholics, we are familiar with God's role as Creator and Christ's role as Redeemer, but how well do we understand our role in God's Plan. As we have discussed here many times, God has given each of us some part to fill in His Plan of Salvation. Some people have prominent or significant roles to fill, and others have smaller ones, each according to his talents or gifts; and God will hold each of us accountable for our assigned role, particularly those who have been given the role of leader.

The First Reading is from the Prophet Jeremiah (23:1-6). Here, God is sending His Prophet Jeremiah to the leaders of the Jewish people near the end of the Monarchy. He uses the metaphor of a shepherd in referring to their leaders who were misleading the people into idolatry and abandoning the Mosaic Law. Through the Prophet, God promises to send a "true leader" who will lead the people according to a new covenant. This was not fulfilled until the coming of Jesus Christ and still those leaders would not accept Him.

The Responsorial Psalm is (23:1-6). This psalm is the famous "The Lord is my Shepherd" psalm of which we are all familiar. Although we understand the terms, "shepherd and sheep" which are used here in a metaphoric way, we can identify with them easily. Here, Jesus is the divine shepherd, and we need to follow Him as readily as sheep follow a good shepherd, because only Jesus can lead us to the Father and heaven—the "green pastures."

The Second Reading is from St. Paul's Letter to the Ephesians (2:13-18). In this passage, Paul is speaking to the Greek-speaking Jews who had recently converted to Christianity. He refers to them as "you who once were far off" because they followed the Mosaic Law to the letter but not the spirit, which could not bring them to eternal life with the Father. After they accepted Christ and His teachings and were baptized, they became a "new person" and part of the Body of Christ—the Church.

The Gospel Reading is taken from Mark (6:30-34). When the disciples, whom Jesus had sent out to preach, teach and heal had returned, they were tired and needed time to rest. Jesus understood this. He is very much aware of human needs and limits. In this story, He tries to get the apostles away from the crowds, but the people kept finding and following them for they had many needs, both physical and spiritual. Jesus saw this and put aside His need for rest and attended to their needs as a "Good Shepherd" would do.

Leadership is necessary whenever people come together for a common purpose. Someone must be the leader, but that does not mean that everyone else can sit back and follow blindly. We have seen what that does in recent business and political scandals. Even in our spiritual life, we need to understand what the goal is and who our leaders are. We have a responsibility to praise them occasionally when they have done well and challenge them when we feel they are straying; but most of all we must keep our ear tuned to listen for the voice of Jesus calling us to Him.

Rev. Edward J. Smith

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JULY 21, 2024

SACRAMENTAL CELEBRATIONS

CONFESSION

Saturday 3:00 pm or by appt.

BAPTISM

At least one parent must be a parishioner & actively attend Mass prior to calling the Office.

Baptisms will be held on the 4th Sunday of the month.

MARRIAGE

At least one member of the couple must be a parishioner & actively attend Mass prior to calling

Couples need to make arrangements at least 6 months in advance

No date may be reserved until discussion with the pastor of the parish.

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SUNDAY READINGS

FIRST READING: I will appoint shepherds for them who will shepherd them so that they need no longer fear and tremble; and none shall be missing, says the LORD. (*Jer 23:4*)

PSALM: The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want. (*Ps 23*)

SECOND READING: In Christ Jesus you who once were far off have become near by the blood of Christ. For he is our peace, he who made both one and broke down the dividing wall of enmity. (*Eph 2:13-14*)

GOSPEL: When he disembarked and saw the vast crowd, his heart was moved with pity for them, for they were like sheep without a shepherd; and he began to teach them many things. (*Mk 10:34*)

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READINGS FOR THE WEEK JULY 21, 2024

Sunday: Jer 23:1-6/Ps 23:1-3, 3-4, 5, 6 (1)/
Eph 2:13-18/Mk 6:30-34

Monday: Sg 3:1-4b or 2 Cor 5:14-17/Ps
63:2, 3-4, 5-6, 8-9/Jn 20:1-2, 11-18

Tuesday: Mi 7:14-15, 18-20/Ps 85:2-4, 5-
6, 7-8/Mt 12:46-50

Wednesday: Jer 1:1, 4-10/Ps 71:1-2, 3-4a,
5-6ab, 15 and 17/Mt 13:1-9

Thursday: 2 Cor 4:7-15/Ps 126:1bc-2ab,
2cd-3, 4-5, 6/Mt 20:20-28

Friday: Jer 3:14-17/Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 11/Mt
13:18-23

Saturday: Jer 7:1-11/Ps 84:3, 4, 5-6a, and
8a, 11/Mt 13:24-30

Next Sunday: 2 Kgs 4:42-44/Ps 145:10-
11, 15-16, 17-18 (see 16)/Eph 4:1-6/Jn 6:1-
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JULY

Sunday - July 21st - 16th Sunday in Ordinary Time

10:00 am - †Donald Zernikow

Requested by: Loving Family

Monday - July 22nd - St. Mary Magdalene

8:30 am - †The Living & Deceased of the Parish

Tuesday - July 23rd - St. Bridget, Religious

8:30 am - †David Stein & Gilbert Amador

Requested by: Raquel Stein

Saturday - July 27th - 17th Sunday in Ordinary Time Vigil

4:00 pm - †Nick Penick

Requested by: Mary Jane Penick

Sunday - July 28th - 17th Sunday in Ordinary Time

10:00 am - †Sheila Strauser

Requested by: Strauser Family



The apostles gathered together with Jesus and reported all they had done and taught. He said to them, "Come away by yourselves to a deserted place and rest a while." So they went off in the boat by themselves to a deserted place. — Mk 6:30-31b, 32

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Liturgical Ministers

Saturday, July 27th at 4:00 pm

Lectors: Laura V.

Eucharistic Ministers: Carol B., Laura P., Karen B.

Sunday, July 28th at 10:00 am

Lectors: Celia F.

Eucharistic Ministers: Anna A., Anna S.

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16TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME


OFFERTORY REPORT

AMOUNT BUDGETED WEEKLY..... \$6,240.00
 SUNDAY COLLECTION (6/30/2024) \$6,205.00
 7/1/2023 TO DATE +/-) BUDGET..... -(\$19,453.16)

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Call the Parish Office if you would like to add someone to this list. Please notify us when to remove the name.

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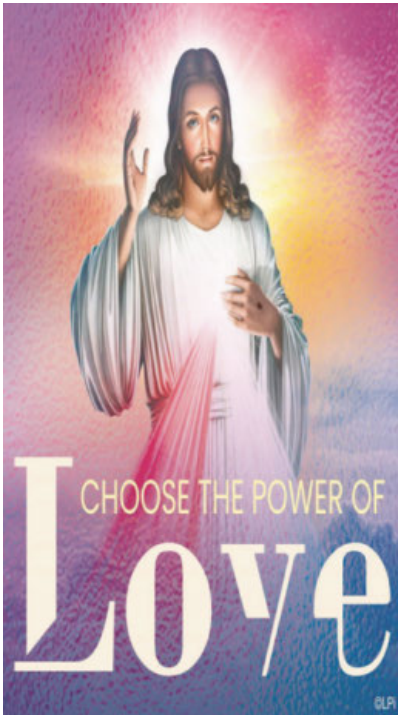
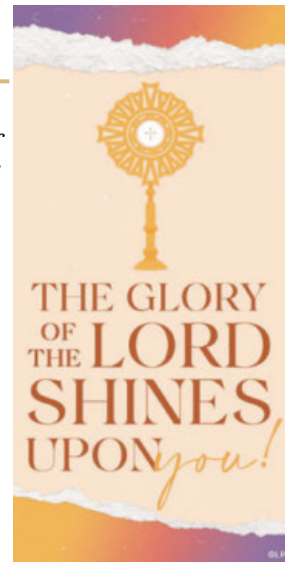
ADORATION CHAPEL

“St. Sharbel’s companions in the hermitage were the Sons of God as encountered in the Scriptures and in the Eucharist and the Blessed Mother. The Eucharist became the center of his life. He consumed the Bread of his Life and was consumed by it. Though this hermit did not have a place in the world, the world had a great place in his heart. Through prayer and penance he offered himself as a sacrifice, so that the world would return to God. It is in this light that one sees the importance of the Eucharistic Prayer in his life.”

St. Sharbel Makhluף, Priest, Hermit, Miracle Worker, Leganon, 1828-1898,
Feast Day: 7/24. www.catholicculture.org

“And just as He appeared before the Holy Apostles, Sts. John and James and their father Zebedee in true flesh, so now He has us see Him in the Sacred Bread. Looking at Him with the eyes of their flesh, they saw only His Flesh but believed that He was God.”

St. James the Greater, Apostle Martyr, Patron of Spain & Santiago de Compostela, d. 42, Feast Day: 7/25, (St. Francis of Assisi)



DIVINE MERCY MEDITATION - HEART OF MY HEART

When the procession began, I saw Jesus in a brightness greater than the light of the sun. Jesus looked at me with love and said, **Heart of My Heart, be filled with joy.** At that moment my spirit was drowned in Him. ... When I came to myself, I was walking along in the procession with the sisters, while my soul was totally immersed in Him ... (Diary, 1669).

Today, the Lord said to me, **My daughter, look into My Merciful Heart and reflect its compassion in your own heart and in your deeds, so that you, who proclaim My mercy to the world, may yourself be aflame with it** (Diary, 1688).

**The words of Jesus appear in boldface type*

My Prayer Response:

Lord Jesus, as I gaze into Your Merciful Heart, may I reflect Your mercy in my heart and radiate it out to others. May my life be aflame with Your mercy Amen.

“Jesus I Trust in You!”

PRO-LIFE THOUGHT OF THE WEEK FROM PROLIFECORNER.COM

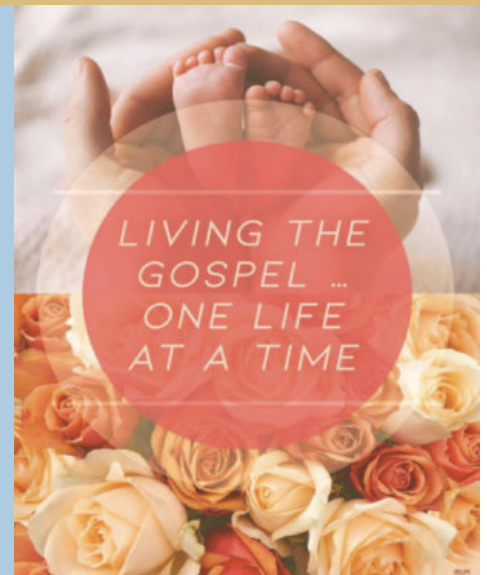
Let us throw ourselves on the mercy of God, our Creator, and unceasingly ask Him for an end to abortion and euthanasia. Then and only then can we have peace in our hearts, in our families, and in the streets of America.

Think about this:

“America: all the great causes that are yours today will have meaning only to the extent that you guarantee the right to life.”

~St. John Paul II

Lord, let us not be cowards; give us the courage & wisdom necessary to stand up & fight the evil of abortion & euthanasia today. Amen!





In Loving Memory

DONATIONS HAVE BEEN MADE

to Tommy Zaworski Scholarship Fund
in memory of **Sharol Kniepper**
by *Margaret Thomas.*

CATHOLIC CEMETERIES GRIEF SUPPORT GROUP - 7/21

Catholic Cemeteries Association provides free, monthly grief support groups both In-Person at 3 pm & Virtually at 5 pm via Zoom on the same day. Meetings are open discussion with a topic or whatever is in your heart.

The July Meeting is scheduled for Sunday, July 21st with the closest location at **St. Joseph Cemetery in Avon at 32789 Detroit Rd.**

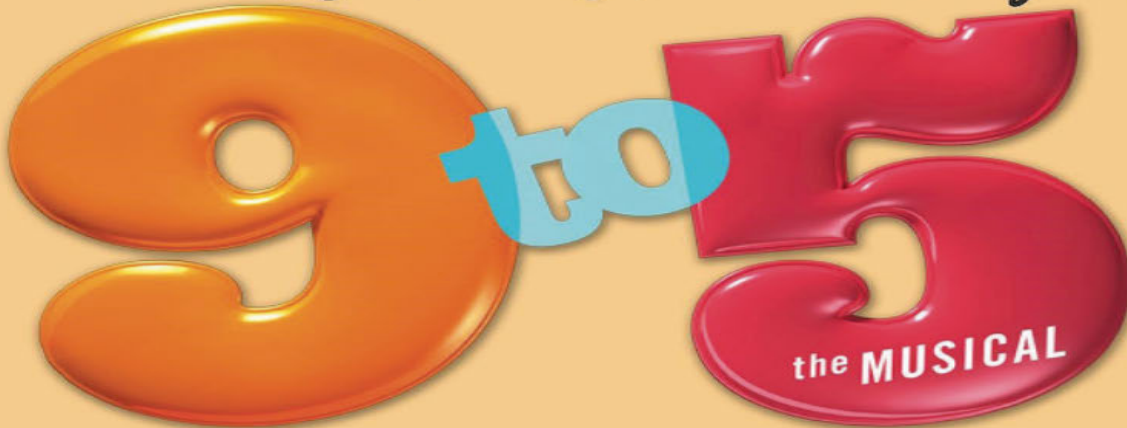
The Topic will be *"Taking Care of Yourself while Grieving"* and *"Returning to School/Work After a Death"*. Your RSVP is appreciated but not required. Please contact Rhonda at 216-930-4866 for more information or sign up for the virtual group at <https://bit.ly/ccavirtualgriefsupportgroup>.

RIGHT TO LIFE SIGNATURE AD CAMPAIGN - 7/27 & 7/28

In November, abortion was enshrined in the Ohio Constitution. This means we need to make abortion undesirable. We need to reach out to vulnerable pregnant women to give them life affirming choices they don't think they have. On July 27th & 28th, we are joining with Right to Life of Northeast Ohio and dozens of area churches in the annual Signature & Media Campaign. Volunteers will be at each entrance of the church accepting signatures that will be sent to our legislators to emphasize our beliefs and to collect donations to support the pro-life multi-media education that gets women to choose life. The billboards for the campaign will be up from August to November. *"Thank you for helping us Build a Culture of Life!"*

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