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Catholic Church  
(Est. 1858)**

**July 9, 2017  
Ordinary Time**



*Our Mission :To be a Home of  
Small Christian Communities  
Helping each other to connect life  
and faith,  
and Welcoming all to the  
compassionate love of Jesus.*

**A HUMBLE KING**

Like a tonal center in music, the note to which we keep returning in today's readings is humility. We wait in joyful expectation for the coming of our Lord as King. But what we are told to expect and rejoice over is a meek and humble king, riding on an ass. Not horses or chariots of the great and mighty, but a humble beast carries the Ruler whose dominion stretches "from the River to the ends of the earth" (Zechariah 9:10). This King comes to banish the tools of the warrior and bring peace. No wonder that a weary world rejoices and gives thanks to God!  
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**TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION**

The premier poet of the English language, Geoffrey Chaucer, introduced one of his most beloved characters, the "Wife of Bath," by this telling remark: "Husbands at church door she had five." Four times widowed, she was setting off on a pilgrimage, notably without number five. The church door is a curious detail, pointing to the fourteenth-century wedding custom of marrying on the porch of the parish church. The goal was to give maximum publicity to the consent of the groom and bride, and so consent was moved from the bride's home to a public venue. The priest would stand in the doorway and begin by sprinkling the couple with holy water. He needed to make sure they weren't too closely related and give them some instruction. He would direct the groom to pay the bride's family a dowry, and then announce the monetary amounts to the interested passersby. Only then would the guests enter the church for the wedding Mass, during which the bride and groom would hold lighted candles. The gradual move from home to church and the shift from the bride's father to the priest's authority helped to protect the freedom of brides who weren't quite as confident as the Wife of Bath.—Rev. James Field, Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co.

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**MASS SCHEDULE**

**Weekend Masses**

Saturday Vigil 4:30 p.m.  
Sunday 9:00 a.m.

**Weekday Masses - 8:30 a.m.**

**First Friday Adoration/Sacred Heart Devotion  
and Other Fridays Holy Hour - 9:00 a.m.**

**Holy Day Masses**

8 a.m. and 7:00 p.m.

**Confessions - Saturday: 4:00 p.m. - Or by Appointment**

**TODAY'S READINGS**

**First Reading** — Rejoice heartily, O Jerusalem! For see, your savior comes (Zechariah 9:9-10).

**Psalm** — I will praise your name for ever, my king and my God (Psalm 145).

**Second Reading** — The one who raised Christ from death will give life to your mortal bodies also (Romans 8:9, 11-13).

**Gospel** — Come, all you who labor and are burdened, and I will give you rest (Matthew 11:25-30).

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**READINGS FOR THE WEEK**

- Monday: Gn 28:10-22a; Ps 91:1-4, 14-15ab; Mt 9:18-26
- Tuesday: Gn 32:23-33; Ps 17:1b, 2-3, 6-7ab, 8b, 15; Mt 9:32-38
- Wednesday: Gn 41:55-57; 42:5-7a, 17-24a; Ps 33:2-3, 10-11, 18-19; Mt 10:1-7
- Thursday: Gn 44:18-21, 23b-29; 45:1-5; Ps 105:16-21; Mt 10:7-15
- Friday: Gn 46:1-7, 28-30; Ps 37:3-4, 18-19, 27-28, 39-40; Mt 10:16-23
- Saturday: Gn 49:29-32; 50:15-26a; Ps 105:1-4, 6-7; Mt 10:24-33
- Sunday: Is 55:10-11; Ps 65:10-14; Rom 8:18-23; Mt 13:1-23 [1-9]

Next Week's Mass Intentions

Sat.	7/08	4:30 p.m.	+ Johnathan Gibbs
<b>Sun.</b>	<b>7/09</b>	<b>9:00 a.m.</b>	<b>Parishioners</b>
Mon.	7/10	8:30 a.m.	<b>No Morning Mass</b>
Tue.	7/11	8:30 a.m.	<b>No Morning Mass</b>
Wed.	7/12	8:30 a.m.	<b>No Morning Mass</b>
Thur.	7/13	8:30 a.m.	+ Doug Valenti
Fri.	7/14	8:30 a.m.	+ Doug Valenti
Sat.	7/15	4:30 p.m.	+ Alberto M. David

*Office Hours*  
**PARISH OFFICE**

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Mon., Wed., Thur., and Fri. 9:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.  
Tuesday 1:30 p.m. - 4:30 p.m.  
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Nancy Tatum, Secretary/Bookkeeper  
Diane Mutchie, Stewardship & Dev. Director  
Joe Iovino, Church Sexton

*Liturgical Ministers*  
**Saturday July 15th & Sunday July 16th**

**Saturday July 15th**

Altar Servers:  
Joe Iovino, Isabelle Brady, Amanda Phillips

Eucharistic Ministers  
Bill Maus, Cathy Maus, Lina Majesky

Readers:  
Janice Pounds, Mary Jo Perry

Ushers:  
JJ Nichols, Bill Black, Fred Lininger, Justin Brady

Greeters:  
Sandy Sharp, Sammy Sharp

**Sunday July 16th**

Altar Servers:  
Nicholas Motl, Matthew Webb, Benjamin Molt

Eucharistic Ministers  
Walt Egan, Frank Fraize, Hazel Fraize

Readers:  
Harry Burridge, Carol Burridge

Ushers:  
Mike Benton, Daniel Shepard, Terry Gilmore, Ernie Pourpore

Greeters:  
Helen Hoffman, Sheryl Daley

**Baptism Reminder!**

Individuals or families must be registered Parishioners and attending Mass for six months before requesting the Baptism of a baby.

Due to early submittal of the Bulletin, offertory for the July 2, will be in next weeks bulletin.

**Those needing "Anointing of the Sick" or in need of a Priest, please call these telephone numbers only:**

**During Business Hours: Parish Office—325-9777  
After Business Hours 904-994-6803 Please call the Parish Office to let us know if a parishioner is hospitalized, seriously ill or homebound so that a Priest can visit and anoint them.**



Rosaries and Rosary CDs are available in the back of the Church if needed!



**Now that summer** is here with family time of fun and travel, please don't forget your parish!! Envelopes can be sent in early or contributions can be made online through your bank.

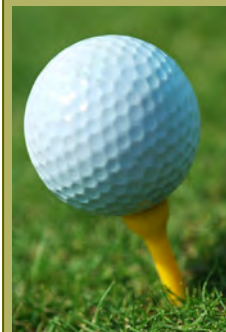


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 to begin again from scratch!  
**Everybody!**

-Pope Francis



The “Lord’s Day” is the principal day of the week for the Eucharistic celebration of the Church. Each Sunday Mass Commemorates the resurrection of Christ on that first Easter Sunday. It is a reminder of our “new creation in Christ.”

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Apparently it's not enough anymore - nowadays you've got to have a website as well

**Who are the Chatty Catholic Crafters?**



A fun loving, caring, casual group of Catholic women who have a great time crafting, laughing, chatting, and supporting each other as we make items for your yearly Holiday Market. This year’s market will be the week of October 11th thru the 14th and we need a lot of help getting ready. Please join us on Thursday morning after the 8:30 a.m. Mass in the Parish Enrichment Center. We all have special God given talents but if you don’t know what your talents are we will help you find them. Don’t be shy we can’t wait to see your there!!

Looking for something to do this summer? Having trouble forgiving somebody? Join the St. Monica Book Club in reading **Everybody Needs to Forgive Somebody** by Dynamic Catholic author Allen R. Hunt beginning Tuesday, July 11, at 6:00 in the parish library. Call Karen Lee at 972-0316 by June 30 to get your free book!

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