

Bishop Prasad at Mother of Sorrows

Bishop Prasad will be with us next weekend, July 9 and 10, and will speak at all the Masses. There will be a free will offering taken up for his ministry. Welcome Bishop Prasad!

A Special Call to Prayer

We extend a special call to prayer as many gather in Cleveland for the upcoming Republican National Convention. On Sunday, July 17th at the 11am Mass at the Historic St. Stephen Church, 1930 W. 54th St. Cleveland, OH (parking off W 57th). Call 440-688-1977 with any questions. Fr. Caroli Shao, A.J. will be joined by guest homilist, Fr. Mitch Pacwa, S.J. followed by a reception in the school hall. All are welcome!

The FEST- EVERYTHING

In just over one month, thousands from across the region will come together for FEST 2016 - our Catholic Family FESTival. Come Sunday, August 7 from noon to 10pm for great music (Newsboys, Michael W. Smith, Matthew West, and Lauren Daigle). Visit over 150 activities and displays. Stop by the Marcs Mom's Relaxation Station for over 150,000 giveaways for moms. Dads can stop by the Dad's Den for inspiration and resources on how to be a strong man of faith. The FEST is a day of faith, family and fun - Everything - and it's all for free thanks to Marc's, Notre Dame College, Barons Bus Lines, Cleveland.com, PNC Bank, Sherwood Foods, and Sanctuary Health Network. Parking is close and convenient. Get all the details at www.theFEST.us or call 440-943-7662. Join us at the Center for Pastoral Leadership (28700 Euclid Ave., Wickliffe) for The FEST!

A Program for the Young at Heart!

Camp Christopher's September Song is an excellent choice for anyone age 50+ who enjoys meeting new people, spending time outside and making new memories. Throughout the day, campers are offered a variety of activities from which to choose: daily Mass or prayer services, swimming, crafts, canoeing, hiking, riding the zipline, or simply relaxing on the beach. September Song campers can be as active or as relaxed as they choose. September Song 2016 begins on Sunday, August 14 and ends Friday, August 19. The cost is \$300 per person, which includes lodging, meals, and all entertainment and activities. For more info or to register, call Catholic Charities at 330-762-2961 or visit www.ccdcle.org/program/camp-christopher-september-song.

Volunteer Drivers Needed

Volunteer Drivers needed for an Ursuline sister with a standing Saturday morning appointment. Would like drivers willing to drive once/month most months. Time commitment for each trip: 8:30am - 11am. Trips originate from Regina Health Center in Richfield. Use the sisters' car and gas. Background check and safe driving record required. Enjoy spending some time with a sister! Please contact Maggie Gibson at 440-449-1200 or mgibson@ursulinesisters.org.

34th Annual Conference

All are invited to attend Catholic Renewal Ministries' 34th Annual Conference to be held on July 15 and 16 at Magnificat High School in Rocky River. Guest speakers will be Jim Murphy, Paco Gavrilides, Nellie Cruz Krawczynski, Fr. Damian Ference, Fr. Bob Franco, Bishop Richard G. Lennon and Roberto Santiago Jr. This year's theme is "Proclaim God's Mercy". The conference opens on Friday at 7pm. Contact Shirley or Tom Fumich at 440-327-1226 for registration info or visit www.crmweb.org. Advance registration through July 6 is \$30, and at the door \$35. Come experience the healing power and gifts of the Holy Spirit.

A Peace Pilgrimage to the Holy Land

Fr. Wally Hyclak (St. Mary of the Falls, Olmsted Falls, OH) & Barb Vopat (Sun City, AZ) are taking a group on a 'Peace Pilgrimage to the Holy Land', November 27-December 6, 2016. Price from Phoenix or any other departure city available. Pray for peace as you visit, Jerusalem, Bethlehem, Nazareth, Cana, Sea of Galilee, Mt. Tabor, Mt. of Beatitudes, Jericho, Tiberius & more! Reasonable pricing including taxes, tips, breakfast and dinner. Contact Barb at bvopat@yahoo.com or 216-470-4207. Father and Barb are veterans hosting this Peace Pilgrimage and would love for you to join them to pray for peace in the world, the Middle East and in our hearts.

Travel Plans?

When traveling we arrange hotels, places to eat, places to visit and more...Why not include holy places? When we travel on weekends, God is watching over us. Should we not be sure to included finding somewhere to go to Mass for the weekend? You could check www.masstimes.org or call the Parish office for help. Hotels, motels, and travel services may also be of help in finding out where Mass is being celebrated.

Each day let us pray...

Angel of God, my Guardian dear, to whom His love commits me here, ever this day, be at my side, to light and guard, to rule and guide. Amen.

Please check the vestibule for more information on upcoming events, registration forms, prayer cards, and notices.



SUNDAY, JULY 3, 2016 FOURTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

We all need somebody to lean on

Independence resonates deeply for Americans; dependence, even interdependence, not so much. Yet nations, political parties, and people need to trust and rely on one another to survive. The song “Lean on me” reminds us: “Swallow your pride . . . For no one can fill those of your needs / That you won’t let show.” Pride is stubborn, but remember: You depend totally on God for everything from your next breath to eternal salvation, and mutually with others for joy and hope. Pray for our nation, and pray for those you lean on. Oh, and look around for those who may need to lean on you.

TODAY’S READINGS: *Isaiah 66:10-14c; Galatians 6:14-18; Luke 10:1-12, 17-20 (102)*. “Rejoice because your names are written in heaven.”

MONDAY, JULY 4

Helping hands

The laying on of hands is a blessing tradition that goes all the way back to Israel (Jacob) blessing his grandsons and Moses naming Joshua his successor, a tradition that continued on up to Jesus bringing a young girl back to life. Later, Peter and John laid on hands to call down the Holy Spirit on the Samaritans. And today, it is part of the sacraments and liturgy of the Catholic Church. It may appear to be a mere gesture, but it’s meant to confer and invoke and transform—if you’re open to being changed by the power of your faith, that is.

TODAY’S READINGS: *Hosca 2:16, 17b-18, 21-22; Matthew 9:18-26 (383)*. “. . . lay your hand on her, and she will live.”

TUESDAY, JULY 5

FEAST OF ELIZABETH OF PORTUGAL

Marriage reform starts at home

Fourteenth-century Portugal was not for the faint of heart. In this wild and turbulent setting, Elizabeth quietly went about helping the poor and even managed to reform her wild and turbulent husband, King Denis of Portugal, to whom she had been pledged at the tender age of 10. Whatever situation you find yourself in, even one not of your own choosing, look for opportunities to help others grow and in doing so, to serve the gospel. No matter what, you are always free to act in faith. Cherish and practice that freedom.

TODAY’S READINGS: *Hosca 8:4-7, 11-13; Matthew 9:32-38 (384)*. “At the sight of the crowds, his heart was moved with pity for them because they were troubled and abandoned, like sheep without a shepherd.”

WEDNESDAY, JULY 6

FEAST OF MARIA GORETTI, VIRGIN, MARTYR

Let mercy and forgiveness be your testament

Canonized in 1950, Maria Goretti was held up in the past as a model of purity, clinging to virginity rather than to life. Today we see her as a victim of sexual assault, horrifyingly common in our world. But sing her praises not only for her bravery, but also for a mercy as stunning as her courage: As she lay dying, she forgave the man who assaulted her. When he was released from prison, he went to Maria’s mother to beg forgiveness, and it was granted. Her attacker ended up devoting his life to a religious order. Mercy had passed from daughter to mother to abuser. What mercy and forgiveness will you pass on as your legacy?

TODAY’S READINGS: *Hosca 10:1-3, 7-8, 12; Matthew 10:1-7 (385)*. “Sow for yourselves justice, reap the fruit of piety.”

THURSDAY, JULY 7

The medicine of mercy

For too long, it was easy to envision the church as a sacramental filling station, where grace was the fuel that got us up and running for another week of routine responsibility. This utilitarian approach to parish life has been replaced by an image from Pope Francis of the church as a field hospital, pitching its tent on the battlefield of a wounded world. Pope Saint John XXIII also preferred to imagine the “medicine of mercy” as the particular service Christ’s church provides to a society in need of healing. We come to serve, not to judge!

TODAY’S READINGS: *Hosca 11:1-4, 8c-9; Matthew 10:7-15 (386)*. “I drew them with human cords, with bands of love.”

FRIDAY, JULY 8

Love is patient, not abstract

Sonnets of love describe with passionate detail the merits of the beloved that draw such devotion: eyes, hair, lips, hips. Who would declare a burning love in vague or abstract terms? Would such a theoretical declaration ever be convincing? In the same way, Pope Francis reminds us that our love must never be less than concrete if it is to be believable. Our love must be shaped first by our intentions, then revealed in our attitudes, and finally demonstrated in our behaviors. Intentions, attitudes, behaviors—the three-fold way to ensure our love is the real and tangible thing.

TODAY’S READINGS: *Hosca 14:2-10; Matthew 10:16-23 (387)*. “Let [the one] who is wise understand these things; let [the one] who is prudent know them.”

SATURDAY, JULY 9 FEAST OF AUGUSTINE ZHAO RONG, PRIEST,

MARTYR, AND COMPANIONS, MARTYRS; BVM

Greet your companions in faith

The name of Father Augustine tops the list of 120 martyrs who died in China between 1648 and 1930. The phrase “and companions” is often used for groups of martyrs, but are they given short-shrift in light of their courage? One doubts that these women, men, and—yes—children would feel ignored, but why not spend a few moments today acknowledging with gratitude your sisters and brothers in faith whose names no one but God may know, your ancestors in the communion of saints?

TODAY’S READINGS: *Isaiah 6:1-8; Matthew 10:24-33 (388)*. “Whom shall I send? ‘Here I am,’ I said; ‘send me!’”



Invest just five minutes a day, and your faith will deepen and grow—a day at a time.

CatholicMom.com Gospel Activity - Luke 10:1-20



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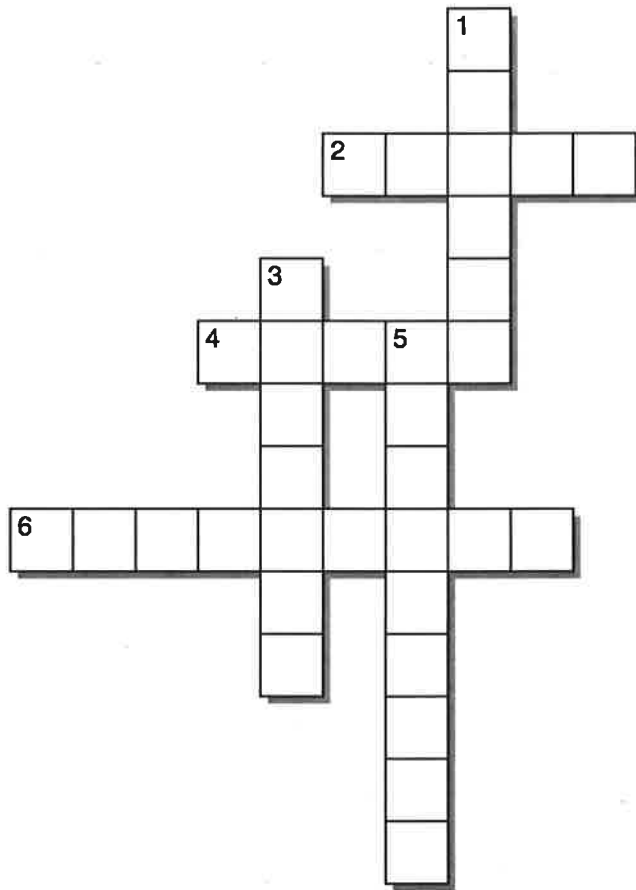
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CatholicMom.com Gospel Activity - Luke 10:1-20



Across

2. "Behold, I am sending you out like ___ among wolves"
4. Jesus appointed seventy-two of his followers, sending them out in ___ to every town and place he intended to visit.
6. Jesus told them when they entered a home to say, "Peace to this ___."

Down

1. They said, "Lord, even the ___ are subject to your name."
3. "The ___ is abundant but the laborers are few;"
5. The seventy-two returned to Jesus _____.