

Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

July 7, 2019

Salesian Perspective

Imagine for a moment what those early disciples must have felt like as Jesus sends them out on their first mission to announce: "The reign of God is at hand."

He sent them to prepare the towns and villages for His coming. They were to proclaim "peace" everywhere they went. And He gave them power to cure the sick.

Marvelous things must have happened on their journeys because they came back overjoyed with their experience: "Even the demons are subject to us in your name."

Jesus shares their joy, but He warns them: don't get so caught up in the power you have that you forget that you are disciples who have been created anew by placing your faith and trust in me. I am the source of your salvation; any power you have comes from me.

St. Paul learned that early in his ministry. We hear it echoed in his letter to the Galatians: "May I never boast of anything but the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ." This kind of humility is key to the effectiveness of Jesus' disciples.

Any good that we are able to do happens primarily through our cooperation with God's grace. That is why we are urged to put our gifts at the service of the Church. Sharing our gifts for the good of one another enables us to grow, not only in our love, but in our humility.

Jesus sends us out into the world every day to announce by the way we live that the reign of God is here. We must try to bring Christ's peace to everyone we meet and everything we do. We can do that best when we begin our day by remembering God's presence in us, and asking for the grace to live this day well as a faithful disciple.

We may often feel like lambs among wolves; Jesus told us we would. That's all the more reason to stay focused on the presence and grace of God within us. He will give us what we need to be good news to the world around us. May we learn to boast in nothing but the cross of Jesus. From Him comes the saving power of grace.

Our Lady of the Seas Pastor – Fr. Fred Smuda

If you need to reach our Pastor, please call (home) 252-995-6613 or contact Riley Greider, Secretary (cell) 585-409-5179. Have a life event you need to schedule for the Church or Social Hall? Contact Emile Garry: olsparish.events@gmail.com, 252-995-6370.



Mass Intentions

✠ **In Memory of Michael Shea, Saturday, 5:30pm**

Requested by his loving family

✠ **In Memory of John Carcich, Sunday, 9:00am**

Requested by Catherine Carcich

✠ **Prayers for the Ashley Cimino Family, Sunday, 11:00am**

Requested by Kathryn Kirwin

The Reading for today's Mass is found in the

Glory & Praise at number **838:**

1st Reading ~ 1 Kings 19:16b, 19-21

2nd Reading ~ Galatians 5:1, 13-18

Gospel Reading ~ Luke 9:51-62



Masses For The Week

- ❖ Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday 8:30am
- ❖ Friday 4:00pm, Ocracoke
- ❖ Saturday 5:30pm
- ❖ Sunday 9:00am & 11:00am
- ❖ Domingo 6:00pm (Lengua Espanola)

Pope's Intention for July

The Integrity of Justice

That those who administer justice may work with integrity, and that the injustice which prevails in the world may not have the last word.

The Color Green

With the vestments, usually green, the color of hope and growth, the Church counts the thirty-four Sundays of Ordinary Time, inviting all of us to meditate upon the whole mystery of Christ – his life, miracles and teachings – in the light of his Resurrection. During Ordinary Time the faithful must descend the peaks of Easter and Christmas in order to mature in the spiritual life and increase in faith.



Add Your Voice

HEY VACATIONERS!!

Do you sing in your parish choirs back home? If you do, then come add your voices to **OUR** choir on

Sundays at 9:00am. Just let our Choir Director or any of our Music Ministers know several minutes before Mass starts so that a seat may be reserved for you.

All are welcome!

Hearts Open, Eyes Open Digital Conference – July 15-18, 2019

Streaming Access

Streaming will be available beginning 7/15 at 7:00pm ET at <https://stpaulcenter.com/heartsburning/>

Content will remain available for 2 weeks following the end of the conference.

For the first time, talks from world-renowned scholars and top homilists are available to all in an online conference. In this unique event, you'll hear from some of today's most respected scholars in their fields:

- ❖ Scott Hahn
- ❖ John Bergsma
- ❖ Ralph Martin
- ❖ Fr. David Vincent Meconi, S.J.

There's never been another opportunity like this to hear from all these theologians at once, and on your own time – you can watch the talks and listen to homilies as they're streamed live, or watch them later at your convenience.

This unique opportunity is available at a price that can't be beat - \$94. While only priests can attend the 4-day retreat, this streaming access is available to anyone.

Go to the St. Paul Center website to register now!

Fund Raiser 2019

We have an amazing opportunity this summer to pay off the mortgage on our church. A major sponsor has agreed to match 11 weeks of the second collection over the summer. Their only request is that we find individual sponsors to cover or share each of the 11 weeks.

If you would like to sponsor a weekend or share a weekend with another family, please contact **Dave Kelmer** as soon as possible at **252-986-2719** or karenkelmer@gmail.com. **WITH YOUR HELP WE CAN MAKE IT HAPPEN!**

Help Needed – Training Provided



Seeking students to serve as altar servers. Interested? Contact Gibbs Bricker at gb5965@gmail.com.

50/50 Raffle



Tickets are on sale after each mass. One ticket for \$5 or six for \$20. Proceeds to go toward funding new hurricane shutters. Drawing for \$500 will be held every time the sales total \$1,000.

NEW THIS YEAR... We are saving **ALL** the 50/50 stubs throughout the raffle. At the final drawing, all stubs will be entered to win a Hatteras Island vacation home for one full week.

1st Winner – Kathy McNamara, Woodbridge, VA

2nd Winner – Keith Palen, South Park, PA



Appreciation

Thanks to our “Master Gardener”, Claudia Hennessey, our flower gardens are experiencing a beautiful blooming season. Claudia has planted the gardens and kept them weeded

and well-watered. Please take a moment to thank Claudia for all her hard work, and be sure to enjoy the flowers as you stroll down the walkway.

Local Food Pantry

IF YOU HAVE UNOPENED, NON-



PERISHABLE FOOD that you haven't

used during your stay, please donate it to the Hatteras Island Food Pantry. Our 24-hour drop-box on the porch of the Social Hall is OLS' pick up point. If you prefer to

buy food for the pantry, "standard" sizes are

most useful. Checks may be made out to: **United Methodist Men**, PO Box 1591 Buxton, NC 27920.

Thank you for your generosity

Dates to Remember:

- Sunday, September 8th, **Celebration of Mary**, Our Lady of the Seas. Fellowship coffee follows Mass.
- Friday & Saturday, September 13th & 14th, **“Day at the Docks”**. This yearly celebration began after Hurricane Isabel in 2003 as a way to celebrate the commercial and charter fisherman of Hatteras.

Know that the virtue of patience is what assures us the most perfection.

- St. Francis de Sales