

Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

July 28, 2019

Salesian Perspective

St. Paul asks us to reflect on the wonderful gift of redemption that is given to us as a result of Jesus' death and resurrection. We are sinners, but God's love for us pardons all our sins and gives us new life in Jesus, a sharing in the very life of the risen Lord. Because of this sharing, we are able to approach God in prayer as Jesus did. We can call God "Father."

In our thankfulness, we want to hold God's name as holy and we desire, as Jesus did, that the kingdom of God become present in us. Our requests must be simple:

- Give us the bread we need for today: food for our bodies and the bread that makes us one in Eucharist.
- Forgive our sins each day because we are willing to forgive the sins of one another.
- Keep us safe and strong in our faith until the end.

Jesus tells us more about our praying: "Ask and you shall receive; seek and you shall find; knock and it shall be opened to you." Jesus never tells us what to ask for; all He tells us is that our Father will give us the Holy Spirit, His abiding presence in us and among us. What He is saying is that God will give us himself; He is the only good we will need.

God's one desire for each of us is that we be his children, trusting in his goodness. When we learn to pray with trust, then we will also learn to see the goodness of our God in whatever comes to us in our daily lives. The Spirit within us will give us the strength and courage we will need to handle the situations of our life-journey.

Nothing will be too much for us to handle, because everything is coming to us from the hand of our Father, whose only purpose for us is union with Him, true happiness.

Jesus teaches us how to pray. How we pray really does make a difference in how we live. May each of us learn to ask our Father for the gift of the Holy Spirit and then trust that He is with us as we go about our day. He will give us everything we need, for we are His children whom He loves with an everlasting love.

Remember the Homebound



Please let Father Fred know when a parishioner or family member is homebound. He would appreciate the opportunity to visit and offer his services. Also, if you would like a

Eucharistic Minister to visit you at home during an illness or when unable to attend Mass, please call **Father Fred** at **(252) 995-6613**.



Mass Intentions

✠ **In Loving Memory of Donald & Douglas Hansotte, Wednesday, 8:30am**

Requested by Sandra Stanko

One weekend Mass is reserved in dedication to our living and deceased parishioners and for visitors sharing the Mass with us. To request a Mass card or prayer intention for other Masses, contact Emile at (240) 357-4257, olsparish.events@gmail.com.

The Reading for today's Mass is found in the

Glory & Praise at number **850**:

1st Reading ~ Genesis 18:20-32

2nd Reading ~ Colossians 2:12-14

Gospel Reading ~ Luke 11:1-13



Masses For The Week

- ❖ Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday 8:30am
- ❖ **NO OCRACOCKE MASS**
- ❖ 1st Friday w/ 1hr Adoration 8:30am
- ❖ 1st Saturday Immaculate Heart of Mary 8:30am
- ❖ Saturday Vigil 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.

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 Hall is OLS' pick up point. Checks may be made out to: **United Methodist Men**, PO Box 1591 Buxton, NC

27920. **Thank you for your generosity!**



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!**

Protecting God's Children



Be attentive. Talk with your children this summer. As your children meet new people and go to new places, make sure that you talk to them often about their experiences and the people they've met. Communication is essential to creating and maintaining a safe environment all year round.

Esté atento. Hable con sus hijos este verano. A medida que sus hijos conozcan gente nueva y vayan a nuevos lugares, asegúrese de hablar con ellos a menudo sobre sus experiencias y las personas que han conocido. La comunicación es esencial para crear y mantener un entorno seguro durante todo el año.

Youth Faith Formation

Our Lady of the Seas is dedicated to supporting the work of parents in passing on the Faith to the next generation of young Catholics.

Children who have received First Communion Sacrament are cordially invited to class for the remainder of the summer:

- Sunday, July 28, 10:15am-12:30pm (meet at Church)
- Sunday, August 11, 10:30am-12:30pm (Parish Hall)
- Sunday, August 25, 10:30am-12:30pm (Parish Hall)
- Sunday, September 4, 10:30am-12:30pm (Parish Hall)

The focus will be on Mass and Mass prayers all Catholics use in their daily and weekly prayer life. Instructors **Gibbs Bricker** and **Anne DeValle** are committed to helping your children discover the realness of God's presence within and around them.

REMINDER: Registration will begin in August for Fall/Winter Faith Formation for:

- First Communion Classes
- Confirmation Classes
- Continuing Catechism

Registration forms are available in the Narthex.

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 join with other sponsors to cover a weekend, please contact Dave Kelmer at (252) 986-2719 or email karenkelmer@gmail.com. **With your help we can make this happen! Thank You.**

Summer Raffle



Tickets are on sale after each Mass. One ticket for \$5 or five for \$20. Proceeds go toward funding new hurricane shutters. Drawing for \$500 will be held every time the sales total \$1,000. But that's not all! This year, we are saving every single one of the 50/50 ticket stubs. In the final drawing, all of the stubs will be entered to win the use of a beautiful Hatteras Island vacation home for one full week. Don't miss your chance to win some bucks and the bonus prize, too. Get your tickets today!

1st Winner – Kathy McNamara, Woodbridge, VA
2nd Winner – Keith Palen, South Park, PA

Volunteer Appreciation



Our Lady of the Seas is blessed with so many people who give generously of their time and talent. Many times it is in quiet ways that go unnoticed. Nancy Rinda is our Liturgical Minister who manages our readers, those who proclaim the Word of the Lord to the congregation at Mass and announce the Prayers for the Faithful. Nancy understands the reverence in which the Word should be proclaimed, working closely with the readers so the community feels the Lord is speaking directly to us. **Nancy, we want to thank you for the diligent work you do to support our ministry.**

Congratulations, You're Getting Married

If you're interested in getting married at our Church, or would like to inquire about renting the Parish Hall for a special event, please contact our Outreach Coordinator, Emile Garry at ols.events@gmail.com or (240) 357-4257. She will provide you the necessary information to start your planning.

Dates to Remember:

- Summer Faith Formation Classes, Sundays after 9:00am Mass through September 4, Parish Hall.
- Saturday, August 24, 10:00am, M&M 2019-2020 Planning & Organizational Meeting at the Parish Hall.
- Sunday, September 8, the Mass celebrates our local feast, **Mary, Our Lady of the Seas**. Coffee and fellowship will follow at the Parish Hall.
- Friday & Saturday, September 13 & 14, "**Day at the Docks**". This yearly celebration began after Hurricane Isabel in 2003 as a way to celebrate the commercial and charter fishermen of Hatteras.



Bloom where you are planted.

- St. Francis de Sales