



JULY 16, 2023

15TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

“Whoever has ears
ought to hear.”
- Mt 13:3, 7-9

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Mass Times/Tiempos de misa

Monday – Friday ~ Lunes – Viernes
9:00AM

Saturday – Sábado
8:00AM

Saturday Evening
English 5:00PM

Sábado Por la Noche
Español 6:30PM

Sunday Mass
English 7:30AM & 9:30AM

Misa Del Domingo
Español 11:30AM

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Monday - Friday ~ Lunes - Viernes
9:00AM - 5:00PM

**SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION ~
SACRAMENTO DE LA RECONCILIACIÓN**

Saturdays 3:30PM - 4:30PM

**EXPOSITION AND ADORATION
EXPOSICIÓN Y ADORACIÓN**

of the Blessed Sacrament ~
del Santísimo Sacramento

Thursday/Friday ~ Jueves/Viernes 9:30AM-
10:30PM

PRAYER LINE ~ LÍNEA DE ORACIÓN

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BAPTISMS ~ BAUTISMOS

English: Dn. Phil Nelson

Spanish: Fr. Fernando Lopez OSA

FUNERALS ~ FUNERALES

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PRIVATE PRAYER ~ ORACIÓN PRIVADA

Chapel open Mon-Sat ~ Capilla abierta de lunes a
sábado:
10AM-4PM

Rosario en Español

Este Martes

A las seis de la tarde



Rosary in English

To the Immaculate Heart of Mary
Fridays after the 9am mass

INTENTIONS/INTENCIÓNES

Sunday: 7/16/23	9:30	Steven Ramirez † <i>By: Les & Mary Baker</i>
Monday: 7/17/23	9:00AM	Terry Hill † <i>By: Bereavement</i>
Tuesday: 7/18/23	9:00AM	Alicia Williford * <i>By: The Wood Family</i>
Wednesday: 7/19/23	9:00AM	<i>Eternal rest grant unto them O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon him/ her. May they rest in peace. Amen. May Almighty God bless us with His peace and strength, the Father and the Son and the Holy Spirit.</i>
Thursday: 7/20/23	9:00AM	
Friday: 7/21/23	9:00AM	Ellie Nelson † <i>By: The Nelson Family</i>
Saturday: 7/22/23	8:00AM	
	5PM	Michael Pretzinger † <i>By Patty & Steve McGillivray</i>

Blessed Magdalene Albrici

*On Monday we honor the
memory of an
Augustinian nun whose great
love for religious life and
generous attention to the needs
of others, drew many to follow
her example as consecrated
women or as more committed
lay persons.*



Magdalene was a vigorous promoter of Augustinian life, establishing new convents and, by the depth of her own spirituality and the magnetism of her personality, drawing existing ones to adopt the Augustinian Rule. She was widely sought after as a spiritual guide, as well, and in this role furthered the spread of the Third Order. A spirit of penance and contemplation as well as devotion to the sick and needy were special characteristics of her life.

*By means of the joyful and faithful practice
of one's faith, others can find the possibility
of belief and the path to interior happiness
and peace.*

Strengthen your Faith

Faith Formation for Adults

- ☞ August 6—*Ministries of our Church* • Presented by Phil Smith
- ☞ September—*Corporal & Spiritual Works of Mercy*
- ☞ October—*Pilgrimage*

Presentations start at 11AM, after the 9:30 Mass

Call Aina Yates (646-4338 ext. 111) for childcare

A light lunch will be served

Share our Faith

Share the Faith

CATECHIST

TRAINING:

Training of new catechists:

Seminars are held weekly

Call Aina Yates at (646-4338 ext. 111)

Catechists are people who keep the memory of God alive; they keep it alive in themselves and they are able to revive it in others.
-Pope Francis



Right of Christian Initiation of Adults

RCIA

conversations continue,
for you or anyone you know who wants to begin the journey to becoming Catholic.

Protect our Children



All Volunteers and Workers with the Catholic Church

Are Required to become certified in
God's Protection Children and Youth.

Through Virtus Training

*Call the parish office if you need to recertify or
if you are new to parish ministry
(805) 646-4338*

Did you know? July 15-16

Protect children with disabilities

Children living with disabilities are nearly three times more at risk for abuse and maltreatment, compared to children who do not have special needs. This mistreatment can range from physical, sexual, or emotional abuse or neglect. Safe adults can help prevent this abuse, by recognizing the higher risk for these children and being alert to any signs of abuse. Because parents and caregivers of these children are at increased risk of stress and isolation, abuse may be harder to spot. For more information, read the VIRTUS® article “Children Living with Disabilities and Risk for Child Maltreatment and Victimization” at lacatholics.org/did-you-know/. Read the VIRTUS® article “Children Living with Disabilities and Risk for Child Maltreatment and Victimization” here.

Proteja a los niños con discapacidad

Los niños que viven con discapacidades corren casi tres veces más riesgo de abuso y maltrato, en comparación con los niños que no tienen necesidades especiales. Este maltrato puede variar desde abuso o negligencia física, sexual o emocional. Los adultos de confianza pueden ayudar a prevenir este abuso al reconocer el mayor riesgo para estos niños y estar alertas a cualquier señal de abuso. Debido a que los padres de familia y cuidadores de estos niños corren un mayor riesgo de estrés y aislamiento, el abuso puede ser más difícil de detectar. Para obtener más información, lea el artículo en inglés de VIRTUS® “Children Living with Disabilities and Risk for Child Maltreatment and Victimization” (Niños que viven con discapacidades y riesgo de maltrato y victimización infantil) en lacatholics.org/did-you-know/. Lea el artículo en inglés de VIRTUS® “Children Living with Disabilities and Risk for Child Maltreatment and Victimization” (Niños que viven con discapacidades y riesgo de maltrato y victimización infantil) aquí.

Father Kirk's Letter

A huge THANK YOU to all who prepared and presented Sunday Faith Formation talks this past year. The series was a huge success and gives us all something to look forward to at the beginning of each month. Building on this success, we are planning to continue the series into the future. Our topic for August will be Ministries of Our Parish and will give attendees an opportunity to learn more about many of the ministry opportunities we offer here at St. Thomas. Our topic for September will be Corporal and Spiritual Works of Mercy, and in October I will be presenting on the topic of Pilgrimage. Look for a full schedule of talks for the coming year sometime in the next few weeks, and please continue to support this great community building gathering.

God's peace,
Fr. Kirk

Una Carta de Padre Kirk

MUCHAS GRACIAS a todos los que prepararon y presentaron charlas dominicales de formación en la fe el año pasado. La serie fue un gran éxito y nos da a todos algo que esperar al comienzo de cada mes. Sobre la base de este éxito, estamos planeando continuar la serie en el futuro. Nuestro tema para agosto será Ministerios de nuestra parroquia y les dará a los asistentes la oportunidad de aprender más sobre muchas de las oportunidades de ministerio que ofrecemos aquí en St. Thomas. Nuestro tema para septiembre será las Obras de Misericordia Corporales y Espirituales, y en octubre estaré presentando el tema de la Peregrinación. Busque un programa completo de charlas para el próximo año en algún momento de las próximas semanas y continúe apoyando esta gran reunión de desarrollo comunitario.

la paz de Dios,
p. Kirk



Ongoing Events in Our Parish

- Food Share—Every First Thursday of the month: Sign in 9am, Distribution 9:30—10:30 (*No pets allowed*)
- Fellowship Gathering—Second Tuesday of the month after the 9am daily mass.
- St. Vincent de Paul—Third Saturday of the month: Sign in 9am Distribution 9:30—10:30
- Family to Family—Fourth Wednesday of the month

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REFLECT AND RESPOND TO SCRIPTURE

First Reading: The prophet Isaiah assured the Israelites who were exiled in Babylon that God's word is reliable and purposeful. How might you help friends or family trust more in God?

Second Reading: Paul sees creation itself sharing in the redemption and future glory that awaits all believers — "For creation awaits with eager expectation the revelation of the children of God." What do you imagine earth would look like filled with God's glory, absent any "corruption?"

Gospel: Over the next few Sundays, we will be hearing many parables from Jesus. Today's parable of the sower and the seeds speaks to how people react differently to the Good News of the kingdom of heaven. How would you describe your reaction to Jesus's parables of the kingdom?

Readings for the week of July 16, 2023

Sunday: Is 55:10-11/Ps 65:1, 11, 12-13, 14 (Luke 8:8)/Rom 8:18-23/Mt 13:1-23 or 13:1-9

Monday: Ex 1:8-14, 22/Ps 124:1b-3, 4-6, 7-8/Mt 10:34—11:1

Tuesday: Ex 2:1-15a/Ps 69:3, 14, 30-31, 33-34/Mt 11:20-24

Wednesday: Ex 3:1-6, 9-12/Ps 103:1b-2, 3-4, 6-7/Mt 11:25-27

Thursday: Ex 3:13-20/Ps 105:1 and 5, 8-9, 24-25, 26-27/Mt 11:28-30

Friday: Ex 11:10—12:14/Ps 116:12-13, 15 and 16bc, 17-18/Mt 12:1-8

Saturday: 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

Next Sunday: Wis 12:13, 16-19/Ps 86:5-6, 9-10, 15-16 (5a)/Rom 8:26-27/Mt 13:24-43 or 13:24-30

Observances for the week of July 16, 2023

Sunday: 15th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Monday: Blessed Madalene Albrici

Tuesday: St. Camillus de Lellis, Priest

Wednesday:

Thursday: St. Apollinaris, Bishop and Martyr

Friday: St. Lawrence of Brindisi, Priest and Doctor of the Church

Saturday: St. Mary Magdalene

Next Sunday: 16th Sunday in Ordinary Time

A REFLEXIONAR Y RESPONDER

Primera Lectura: El profeta Isaías aseguró a los israelitas que estaban exiliados en Babilonia que la palabra de Dios es confiable y útil. ¿Cómo podrías ayudar a tus amigos o familiares a confiar más en Dios?

Segunda Lectura:

Pablo ve a la creación misma compartiendo la redención y la gloria futura que les espera a todos los creyentes: "Porque la creación aguarda con ansiosa expectativa la revelación de los hijos de Dios." ¿Cómo imaginas que se vería la tierra llena de la gloria de Dios, sin ninguna "corrupción"?

Evangelio: Durante los próximos domingos, estaremos escuchando muchas parábolas de Jesús. La parábola de hoy del sembrador y las semillas habla de cómo las personas reaccionan de manera diferente a las Buenas Nuevas del reino de los cielos. ¿Cómo describirías tu reacción a las parábolas de Jesús sobre el reino?

Las lecturas de la semana del 16 de julio de 2023

Domingo: Is 55, 10-11/Sal 64, 1. 11. 12-13. 14 (Lucas 8, 8)/Rom 8, 18-23/Mt 13, 1-23 o 13, 1-9

Lunes: Ex 1, 8-14. 22/Sal 123, 1-3. 4-6. 7-8/Mt 10, 34—11, 1

Martes: Ex 2, 1-15/Sal 68, 3. 14. 30-31. 33-34/Mt 11, 20-24

Miércoles: Ex 3, 1-6. 9-12/Sal 102, 1-2. 3-4. 6-7/Mt 11, 25-27

Jueves: Ex 3, 13-20/Sal 104, 1 y 5. 8. 9. 24-25. 26-27/Mt 11, 28-30

Viernes: Ex 11, 10—12, 14/Sal 115, 12-13. 15 y 16. 17-18/Mt 12, 1-8

Sábado: Cant 3, 14 o 2 Cor 5, 14-17/Sal 62, 2. 3. 4. 5. 6. 8. 9/Jn 20, 1-2. 11-18

Domingo siguiente: Sab 12, 13. 16-19/Sal 85, 5-6. 9-10. 15-16 (5)/Rom 8, 26-27/Mt 13, 24-43 o 13, 24-30

Las conmemoraciones de la semana del 16 de julio de 2023

Domingo: 15º Domingo del Tiempo Ordinario

Lunes: Blessed Madalene Albrici

Martes: San Camilo de Lelis, presbítero

Miércoles:

Jueves: San Apolinar, obispo y mártir

Viernes: San Lorenzo de Brindis, presbítero y doctor de la Iglesia

Sábado: Santa María Magdalena

Domingo siguiente: 16º Domingo del Tiempo Ordinario

LIVE THE LITURGY INSPIRATION FOR THE WEEK

We are all sowers in the field. Our time, our money, our attention: these finite resources are the seeds, and the choice is ours where we scatter them. Do we focus our efforts on soil that will bear fruit for the kingdom?

VIVIR LA LITURGIA INSPIRACIÓN DE LA SEMANA

Todos somos sembradores en el campo. Nuestro tiempo, nuestro dinero, nuestra atención: estos recursos finitos son las semillas, y la elección es nuestra donde las esparramos. ¿Enfocamos nuestros esfuerzos en la tierra que dará frutos para el reino?

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*Bulletin Notices for Sunday, July 30 are due this Friday, July 21, by 5pm
 (Please check this box every Sunday for due dates for Bulletin entries)*

¹³ That same day Jesus went out of the house and sat by the lake. ² Such large crowds gathered around him that he got into a boat and sat in it, while all the people stood on the shore. ³ Then he told them many things in parables, saying: “A farmer went out to sow his seed. ⁴ As he was scattering the seed, some fell along the path, and the birds came and ate it up. ⁵ Some fell on rocky places, where it did not have much soil. It sprang up quickly, because the soil was shallow. ⁶ But when the sun came up, the plants were scorched, and they withered because they had no root. ⁷ Other seed fell among thorns, which grew up and choked the plants. ⁸ Still other seed fell on good soil, where it produced a crop—a hundred, sixty or thirty times what was sown. ⁹ Whoever has ears, let them hear.” Matthew 13:1—9

SOWN



“The seed sown on rich soil is the one who hears the word and understands it.”

MATTHEW 13:23