
19th Sunday in Ordinary Time

AUGUST 7, 2022



THIS WEEKEND'S READINGS

First: Wisdom 18:6-9

Second: Hebrews 11:1-2, 8-19 or 11:1-2, 8-12

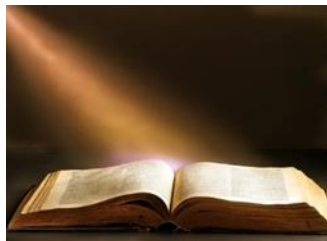
Gospel: Luke 12:32-48 or 12:35-40

FOCUS: **At an hour you do not expect, the Son of Man will come.**

Both the creed we profess and today's Gospel leave no doubt: When we die, we will have to account for every moment of our lives. What did we do with the gifts we were given? What did we fail to do? Will our lives reflect what Saint John Paul II called the civilization of love or the culture of death?

LITURGY OF THE WORD:

The first reading recalls the faith and courage of the people on the night of the Passover. The author of Hebrews writes: "Faith is the realization of what is hoped for and evidence of things not seen." In the Gospel, Jesus encourages the disciples to remain vigilant and be prepared for the return of the Son of Man.



MASS INTENTIONS

5 p.m.: Maura Cleary, Kevin Stanton and Anna Regino

10 a.m.: Eric Harlow, Michael Mont and the Ryan, Borst & Costello Families

TREASURER'S REPORT

July 24-31: Totalled \$ 5,649.14

Envelopes: \$ 3,292.12 – Online: \$ 2,357.02

THANK YOU

CATHOLIC SOCIAL TEACHING

"Within the community of believers there can never be room for a poverty that denies anyone what is needed for a dignified life."

Pope Benedict XVI

CARMELITE MISSIONS APPEAL

A special collection will be taken up the weekend of **August 13-14** for the Carmelite Missions.

The Carmelites respond to the call to love one another through prayer and action by establishing ministries where there is greatest need. They create humanitarian programs to relieve the suffering of the poor, minister to those in hospitals and prisons, provide education, and conduct spiritual and religious formation in almost 40 countries on five continents.

We realize we've been asking a lot of you lately. But if you are able to support this worthwhile cause, we would be most appreciative.

CONDOLENCES

We extend our deepest sympathies to Zoe Faso, upon the death of her brother, Carlos Sanabria, and to John and Deb Botti upon the death of John's brother, Jim Botti. Please keep the families in your prayers.

RAFFLE TICKET TALK

As of July 31, 992 raffle tickets have been purchased. That translates into an almost effortless **\$ 12,400 for St. Paul's** – with still a few more tickets to tabulate.

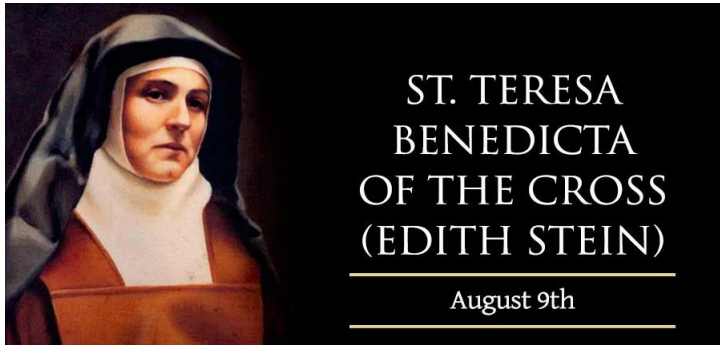
Stay tuned for the grand total – and fingers crossed for the publication of names of St. Paul's winners after the August 13 drawing!



GOSPEL DISCUSSION UPDATE

Scripture discussion of the Gospel of Luke will resume on Zoom from 10-11:15 a.m. on Monday, September 12.

New participants are welcome! If you would like to join the group, call Gail VanTassel at 845-457-3432 so that the Ignatius Bible Study Guide to accompany this discussion can be ordered.



**ST. TERESA
BENEDICTA
OF THE CROSS
(EDITH STEIN)**

August 9th

On August 9, the Catholic Church remembers St. Teresa Benedicta of the Cross (St. Edith), who was born Edith Stein on October 12, 1891 – a date that coincided with her family's celebration of Yom Kippur. Although she stopped believing in God when she was 14, Edith Stein would not only return to God but convert from Judaism to Catholicism.

As a young woman with profound intellectual gifts, Edith gravitated toward the study of philosophy. Along the way, the non-religious Edith would meet several Christians whose intellectual and spiritual lives she admired.

She graduated with the highest honors from Gottingen University in 1915, then served as a nurse in an Austrian field hospital during World War I. She returned to academia, earning her doctorate after writing a highly-regarded thesis on empathy.

Five years later while visiting friends, she spent an entire night reading the autobiography of the 16th century Carmelite nun Teresa of Avila. "When I had finished the book," she later recalled, "I said to myself: This is the truth." She was baptized on January 1, 1922, and would ultimately imitate St. Teresa by becoming a Carmelite, taking the name Teresa Benedicta of the Cross.

She went on to teach at a Dominican school and gave numerous public lectures on women's issues. She spent 1931 writing a study of St. Thomas Aquinas, and then accepted a university teaching position. In 1933, the rise of Nazism, combined with Edith's Jewish ethnicity, put an end to her teaching career.

St. Teresa Benedicta of the Cross died in the concentration camp at Auschwitz on August 9, 1942. Then-Blessed John Paul II canonized her in 1998 and proclaimed her a co-patroness of Europe the next year.

NEED A CHUCKLE?

A Sunday School teacher asked her class why Joseph and Mary took Jesus with them to Jerusalem.

A small child replied, "Because they couldn't get a baby-sitter."

Attending a wedding for the first time, a little girl whispered to her mother, "Why is the bride dressed in white?"

The mother replied, "Because white is the color of happiness, and today is the happiest day of her life."

The child thought about this for a moment then said, "So why is the groom wearing black?"

SCHOOL SUPPLIES NEEDED

Girl Scout Troop 439 is again working on the Community Backpack Project, furthering the tradition of providing backpacks and school supplies to Pine Bush School District students in need. More than 250 children are typically assisted because of your generosity.

Collection boxes will be in Deacon John Hall through **August 21.**

If you prefer, gift cards to stores that sell school supplies or checks can be mailed to: Girl Scout Troop 439, c/o Jen Myers, troop leader, 3030 State Route 52, Pine Bush 12566, and the troop will do the shopping. Questions? Call Jen at 845- 219-4001.



sessions, which often includes practicing how to be assertive in the face of peer pressure.

For more information, call (845) 561-3633 Ext. 47, email teenintervent@adapp.org or visit www.adapp.org

W IN THE LOOP

SAVE THE DATE: Fr. Sean will invite all students, pre-K through teens, to come to the altar with their filled backpacks for a special blessing on **Sunday, August 28.**

SAVE THE DATE PART II: Our **Parish Picnic** has been scheduled for **Sunday, September 18**, at the Town of Crawford Park on Lybolt Road in Bullville. Details to follow.

If you would like to remember deceased loved ones with a Mass next year, the 2023 **Daily Mass Record** has arrived. The suggested donation is \$15 per name

Please remember our **Food Pantry**, the use of which has almost quadrupled since pre-COVID times. Two new families reached out just this week.

We are able to keep up and provide healthier options because of our partnership with the Food Bank – and your generosity! While cash as well all donations of *unexpired* nonperishable items are always welcome, we are now particularly low on: Tea, coffee, tomato soup, canned fruit or fruit bowls, granola bars, pancake mix and syrup, tuna and peanut butter. Thank you!

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