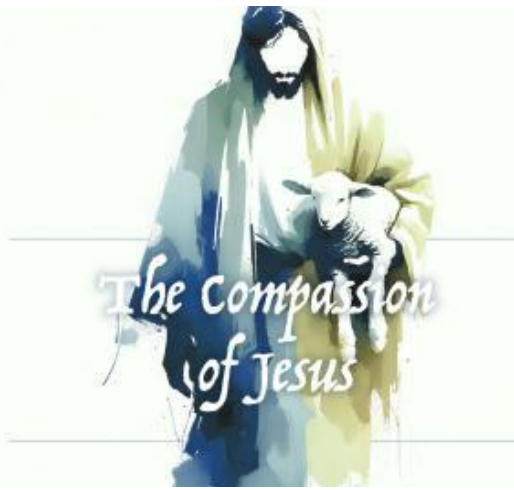

16TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

JULY 21, 2024



THIS WEEKEND'S READINGS

First: Jeremiah 23:1 – 6

Psalms: 23:1 – 3, 3 – 4, 5, 6

Second: Ephesians 2:13 – 18

Gospel: Mark 6:30 – 34

FOCUS: *The Lord is our shepherd, guiding and protecting us, and providing for all things.*

From the time of Creation, the Lord has watched over us and guided us, judging our needs and our care for one another. When no one could shepherd us back to himself, he sent his Son to reconcile us to himself and free us from the bonds of sin. He sees who and where we are and knows what we need, providing for all things.

LITURGY OF THE WORD:

Jeremiah proclaims that the Lord sees the misdeeds of the shepherds who shepherd his people and will punish them. He will appoint shepherds who will



shepherd his people so they no longer fear and tremble. Saint Paul writes that through the sacrifice of Christ, we have become close to God. In the Gospel, the Apostles and Jesus go off to rest and are followed by a vast crowd. Moved by their lack of a shepherd to guide them, Jesus teaches them many things.

MASS INTENTIONS

5 p.m.: Joyce Garrett, Walter Lindner, Jr.
and Lilia Ines Amato

10 a.m.: Frances Hernandez, Dolores Townley
and Teresa Collopy

PRAYER **TO THE GOOD SHEPHERD**

*Lord of the 23rd Psalm,
I have known death,
and you have refreshed my soul.*

*I have known fear,
and you have comforted me.*

*I have known hunger,
and you have set a feast before me.*

*In the darkest valley,
no calamity of humankind
or nature has separated us.*

*Teach me to walk as you walk
beside those in mourning
so that they will know joy;*

*beside those in fear
that they will know comfort;*

*beside those in hunger
that they will feast*

until their cup overflows.

*As your goodness and love
follow me,*

*may mine follow my neighbor
that the threat of the worst terrors
may turn to the knowledge*

*of the comforts
of the house of the Lord,
where you have invited us
to dwell forever.*

*And so let me strive
to help build on earth
what you have promised us
in heaven.*

*In the face of all calamity,
present and yet to come,*

*let me lead my neighbor
beside quiet waters,*

*the quiet waters
of the Good Shepherd.*

Amen



UNLEASH YOUR INNER ARTIST!

An acrylic paint pour – also known as acrylic flow painting or simply a paint pour – is happening at St. Paul’s at 6 p.m. on **Friday, July 26**.

Regardless of what it’s called, the technique is the same: Acrylic paint is poured onto a surface so as to create a unique, flowing design. And anyone can do it.

So here’s your chance to make messy memories!

This Youth Ministry event is open to the young and not-as-young alike. The cost is \$5 per person, which covers the paint as well as the canvas so everyone can leave with their masterpiece.

To ensure there are enough supplies on hand, please **RSVP by Monday, July 22**. Call Chris Worthington at 845-248-3120, or email Deb and Chris at saintpaulsym@gmail.com.

THE BOOK HAS ARRIVED

If you would like to remember deceased loved ones with a Mass next year, stop in or call the office because the **2025 Daily Mass Record** is now open. There is also still some availability in 2024.

The suggested donation is \$15 per name.

YOUNG ADULT MINISTRY FORMING

Calling all young adults between the ages of 18 and 30 who would like to meet others while enjoying some engaging activities.

The first Young Adult Ministry event, a game night, is planned for 7:30 p.m. on **Friday, August 2**, in Deacon John Hall. Some games will be supplied, but participants are welcome to bring their family-friendly favorites. An invitation to participate has been sent to nearby churches, and light refreshments will be served.

The plan is to meet at least monthly and for the group to ultimately determine what it wants to do. A picnic perhaps? Or maybe pickleball?

For more information, reach out to adviser Anne Savastano at 845-636-3587 or anya1321@gmail.com. For planning purposes, game night RSVPs are encouraged, but don’t hesitate to just show up!



CARMELITE MISSIONS APPEAL

The Carmelites respond to the call to love one another through prayer and action by establishing ministries where there is the 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.

Each summer, Carmelite friars visit churches near and far to share how these endeavors impact the lives of others and to raise funds so these good works can continue.

Unfortunately, the schedule is such that we are unable to secure a guest speaker this summer. However, we will take up a special collection the weekend of **August 3 and 4** for the Carmelite Missions.

We realize we ask a lot of you – but if you are able to support this worthwhile cause, we would be most appreciative.



TREASURER’S REPORT

The Treasurer’s Report for the remainder of July will return after Maxine’s vacation.

THANK YOU!

LAST WEEKEND’S MASS ATTENDANCE

5 p.m. – 77

10 a.m. – 131

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