
13th Sunday in Ordinary Time

JUNE 27, 2021



Reading I: Wisdom 1: 13-15; 2: 23-24

God's original plan did not include spiritual or physical death. It came into the world through sin. Resisting it is part of true wisdom.

Reading II: II Corinthians 8: 7, 9, 13-15

You are not expected to become beggars, but you are asked to share your surplus wealth, however little that might be. Jerusalem needs your material help.

The Gospel: Mark 5: 21-43, or 5: 21-24, 35b-43

Here are two miraculous deeds recorded by Mark using his "sandwich style." Jesus responds and repels the sickness and death brought to the world, as recounted in today's verses from the Book of Wisdom (today's First Reading).



5 p.m.: Gloria Palmeri, Joe Britto, John Ryan, Sr. and Clare Costello

10 a.m.: Domingo Rodriguez, Ryan Yore, Peter Capria and Luka Vulaj

LAST WEEK'S MASS ATTENDANCE

5 p.m. Saturday, June 19: **50** in the church.
10 a.m. Sunday, June 20: **111** in the church;
7 in the hall. Total: **118**.

TREASURER'S REPORT

June 13-June 20: Totalled \$ 6,085.39
Envelopes: \$3,239.72 – Online: \$ 2,845.67
THANK YOU!

LOVE THEM ANYWAY

According to the Rev. Leonard N. Peterson (whose Reflections sometimes occupy this space), "Anyway: The Paradoxical Commandments," written by Dr. Kent M. Keith, echo this week's Gospel message. Here they are:

- People are illogical, unreasonable and self-centered. Love them anyway.
- If you do good, people will accuse you of selfish ulterior motives. Do good anyway.
- If you are successful, you win false friends and true enemies. Succeed anyway.
- The good you do today will be forgotten tomorrow. Do good anyway.
- Honesty and frankness make you vulnerable. Be honest and frank anyway.
- The biggest people with the biggest ideas can be shot down by the smallest people with the smallest minds. Think big anyway.
- People favor underdogs, but follow only top dogs. Fight for the underdog anyway.
- What you spend years building may be destroyed overnight. Build anyway.
- People really need help but may attack you if you do help them. Help people anyway.
- Give the world the best you have and you'll get kicked in the teeth. Give the world the best you have anyway.

- Dr. Kent M. Keith

ALL BROTHERS AND SISTERS



**DON'T LET THE WORLD DIVIDE US
WHEN GOD CREATED US TO LOVE
EACH OTHER!**

IN THE LOOP...



Do you know someone who is homebound and would welcome a visit from one of our specially-trained Eucharistic Ministers? Now that the Archdiocese has given the green light to resume this ministry, feel free to call the office (361-3107) with any requests.



Don't forget to drop off your unwanted religious items by **July 12**. St. Mary Mission - which found a niche in collecting, cleaning, repairing and then re-distributing them to churches, convents and schools worldwide – will be here that week to pick up the boxes in the Deacon John Hall that we fill.



Next Saturday, **July 3**, is First Saturday Morning at the National Shrine of Our Lady of Mount Carmel in Middletown. Scriptural Rosary at 9:15 a.m. precedes 10 a.m. Mass with Fr. James Sidoti, O.Carm. Confessions follow at 11 a.m. First Saturday mornings run through October 2.

Solemn Feast of Our Lady of Mount Carmel begins with Evening Prayer outdoors at 6:30 p.m. **July 15**. Morning Prayer is at 10 a.m. **July 16**, followed by 11:30 a.m. Mass, then a procession and crowning at the outdoor Shrine,

For more info: www.ourladyofmtcarmelshrine.com.

FROM CARDINAL DOLAN

June 14, 2021

Month of the Sacred Heart of Jesus

Year of St. Joseph

Dear Father Harlow:

Congratulations on exceeding your goal for the 2021 Cardinal's Annual Stewardship Appeal! At its core, the Appeal exists to help make Christ known in the world, and we all realize that our world is in great need of His love and healing right now.

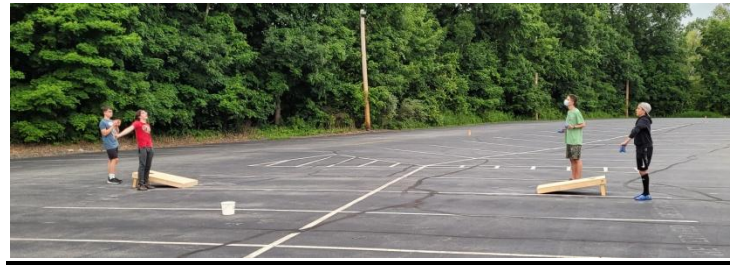
Thank you for the many ways that you make Christ known in the world each day – sacramentally through your priestly ministry, personally through your daily witness of charity, and spiritually through your prayers and devotion. There has been so much on our minds throughout this past year, and I am grateful to you for your commitment to the Appeal throughout it all. So many worthy ministries across our Archdiocese benefit from the generosity of our parishioners, and I ask you to please share my gratitude and thanks to the good people of St. Paul Parish for their participation in this effort! The generosity of our benefactors is even more astonishing and exemplary in these trying times.

With prayerful best wishes and eternal gratitude, I remain,

Fraternally in Christ,

Timothy Michael Cardinal Dolan

Archbishop of New York



YOUTH MINISTRY DOUBLE HEADER

Last week, the Youth Ministry met virtually on Thursday – and then in person on Friday for the first time in more than a year!

During the virtual discussion, Deb Harrison shared homily highlights from a Baptism in California she just attended, which was tailored to resonate with non-believers as well. People are part of a tree, something larger than any one individual, and all play roles in the shaping of its branches. A tree grows upward through good works and is nourished by compassion and respect. Everyone can help make a better, bigger tree.

And what was anticipated to be a quick meeting lasted more than an hour as the kids pondered the tree analogy and shared Scriptures.

Friday night was rooted in fun. About 12 kids enjoyed rotating through the parking lot to play corn hole, basketball, tag and other games. Fortunately, the unexpected drizzle didn't last long enough to dampen any spirits.

A CALL TO SOCIAL JUSTICE

Sr. Anita Baird spoke at a June 21 forum sponsored by Georgetown University's Initiative on Catholic Social Thought in a segment titled "Voter Participation and the Common Good: Political Strategies, Moral Questions, Catholic Principles,"

"The most important moral question in this debate is the protection of the dignity and rights of all citizens to participate in shaping the governance of our country, to ensure the common good of all, and the right of human beings to govern themselves. And that is at the heart of the common good," she said.

To read the full article, visit:

<https://www.globalsistersreport.org/news/justice/social-justice/news/sister-calls-protection-voting-rights-moral-issue-georgetown-forum>

Or for easy access to this and past reflections, go to www.stpaulsbullville.org; then click "Read More" under the Social Justice heading on the home page.

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