

SIXTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

ENTRANCE HYMN

(Psalm 86:5-6)

V. Lord, You are kind and forgiving, most loving to
all who call on You. Lord, hear my prayer;

R. Listen to my cry for help.

V. Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the
Holy Spirit,

R. As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall
be, world without end. Amen.

OPENING PRAYER

Let us pray. Heavenly Father, Your patience is
greater than our faults and Your pardon is stronger
than our weakness. Keep us in the assurance of
Your love that Your peace may remain in our
hearts. We ask this through our Lord, Jesus Christ,
Your Son, Who lives and reigns with You and the
Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

A READING FROM THE BOOK OF WISDOM

(Wisdom 12:13, 16-19)

There is no god besides you who have the care of
all, that you need show you have not unjustly
condemned. For your might is the source of
justice; your mastery over all things makes you
lenient to all. For you show your might when the
perfection of your power is disbelieved; and in
those who know you, you rebuke temerity.
But though you are master of might, you judge
with clemency, and with much lenience you
govern us; for power, whenever you will, attends
you. And you taught your people, by these deeds,
that those who are just must be kind; and you
gave your children good ground for hope that you
would permit repentance for their sins.

GRADUAL

(Wisdom 11:26-12:2)

V. But You spare all things, because they are Yours,
O Lord and lover of souls, for Your imperishable
Spirit is in all things!

R. Therefore You rebuke offenders little by little,
warn them, and remind them of the sins they are
committing, that they may abandon their
wickedness and believe in You, O Lord!

A READING FROM PAUL TO THE ROMANS

(Romans 8:26-27)

Brothers and sisters: The Spirit comes to the aid
of our weakness; for we do not know how to pray
as we ought, but the Spirit himself intercedes with
inexpressible groanings. And the one who
searches hearts knows what is the intention of the
Spirit, because he intercedes for the holy ones
according to God's will.

ALLELUIA VERSE

(2 Peter 3:9a,c)

V. Alleluia, alleluia.

R. Alleluia, alleluia.

V. The Lord does not delay His promise, not
wishing that any should perish but that all
should come to repentance.

R. Alleluia, alleluia.

A READING FROM THE GOSPEL OF MATTHEW

(Matthew 13:24-43)

Jesus proposed another parable to the crowds,
saying: "The kingdom of heaven may be likened
to a man who sowed good seed in his field. While
everyone was asleep his enemy came and sowed
weeds all through the wheat, and then went off.
When the crop grew and bore fruit, the weeds
appeared as well. The slaves of the householder
came to him and said, 'Master, did you not sow
good seed in your field? Where have the weeds
come from?' He answered, 'An enemy has done
this.' His slaves said to him, 'Do you want us to
go and pull them up?' He replied, 'No, if you pull
up the weeds you might uproot the wheat along
with them. Let them grow together until harvest;
then at harvest time I will say to the harvesters,
'First collect the weeds and tie them in bundles
for burning; but gather the wheat into my
barn.'"

He proposed another parable to them. "The
kingdom of heaven is like a mustard seed that a
person took and sowed in a field. It is the smallest
of all the seeds, yet when full-grown it is the
largest of plants. It becomes a large bush, and the
'birds of the sky come and dwell in its branches.'"

He spoke to them another parable. "The kingdom of heaven is like yeast that a woman took and mixed with three measures of wheat flour until the whole batch was leavened."

All these things Jesus spoke to the crowds in parables. He spoke to them only in parables, to fulfill what had been said through the prophet: I will open my mouth in parables, I will announce what has lain hidden from the foundation of the world.

Then, dismissing the crowds, he went into the house. His disciples approached him and said, "Explain to us the parable of the weeds in the field." He said in reply, "He who sows good seed is the Son of Man, the field is the world, the good seed the children of the kingdom. The weeds are the children of the evil one, and the enemy who sows them is the devil. The harvest is the end of the age, and the harvesters are angels. Just as weeds are collected and burned up with fire, so will it be at the end of the age. The Son of Man will send his angels, and they will collect out of his kingdom all who cause others to sin and all evildoers. They will throw them into the fiery furnace, where there will be wailing and grinding of teeth. Then the righteous will shine like the sun in the kingdom of their Father. Whoever has ears ought to hear."



OFFERTORY VERSE

(1 Timothy 1:16)

V. But for that reason I was mercifully treated, so that in me, as the foremost, Christ Jesus might display all His patience as an example for those who would come to believe in Him for everlasting life.

PRAYER OVER THE GIFTS

V. Gracious Lord, look upon this service of ours so that our gifts may be acceptable and worthy of gaining Your mercy. We ask this in the name of Your Son, Jesus Christ, Who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

COMMUNION VERSE

(2 Peter 3:15a)

V. Consider the patience of our Lord as salvation.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

V. The Lord be with you.

R. And also with you.

C. Let us pray: Heavenly Father, do not withhold Your patience from us, for we have partaken at Your Holy Table.. May Your presence strengthen us as we await Your Kingdom. We ask this in the name of Your Son, Jesus Christ, Who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

R. Amen.



"KNOWING THE KINGDOM"

Last week we were presented with the foundation of the Parables of Jesus. "The disciples approached Him and said, why do You speak to them in parables? He said to them in reply, Because knowledge of the mysteries of the kingdom of heaven has been granted to you."

This was and is one of the missions of Jesus, to be as an emissary and a transparency of God and to proclaim the name of the Lord through His word.

Jesus was to continue; "This is why I speak to them in parables, because they look but do not see and hear but do not listen or understand. Isaiah's prophecy is fulfilled in them, which says: You shall indeed hear but not understand, you shall indeed look but never see. Gross is the heart of this people, for they will hardly hear with their ears; they have closed their eyes, lest they see with their eyes and hear with their ears and understand with their hearts and be converted, and I will heal them. But blessed are your eyes, because they see, and your ears, because they hear. Amen, I say to you, many prophets and righteous people longed to see what

you see, but did not see it, and to hear what you hear but did not hear it."

This week we continue to hear from Jesus three parables of Jesus concerning the Kingdom of God. Throughout His ministry, he used language that ordinary people would be able to begin to comprehend the beauty of God's Kingdom. We learn that the Kingdom of God.



PARISH CALENDAR AND NEWS

8:45 am - Morning Devotions

9:00 am - Holy Mass of the Eucharist

THIS WEEK'S MASS SCHEDULE

(July 20th – July 25th)

Monday 7/20 Mass of Thanksgiving
Tuesday 7/21 Mass for Health and Healing
Wednesday 7/22 Mass to the Holy Saints
Thursday 7/23 Mass to the Holy Martyrs
Friday 7/24 Mass to the Holy Angels
Saturday 7/18 Feast – James the Greater

NEXT SUNDAY, JULY 26, 2026

17th SUNDAY IN THE ORDINARY

9:00 am - Holy Mass of the Eucharist to be celebrated in the Traditional rite



LECTORS PROCLAIMING THE "WORD"

7/19 - 16th Ordinary – Shirley Mielicki Floyd
7/26 - 17th Ordinary - Eric Dibrindisi



PRAYERS FOR HEALTH AND HEALING

"And He sent them out to proclaim the kingdom of God and to heal the sick." - Luke 2:9

May we pray this day, and every day for the health and healing of all of us, most specially for those, who are homebound or in various facilities:

George Sadowski, Shaw, Dick Floyd, Richard Foster, Carolyn and Michael Rapalye, Karen Herzig, Paula Winn, Marge Sanderson, Brandon Poe, baby James, Stefanik Gadecki, Liam & Evelyn Spatcher, Jennie Harrington, Eric Rose, Lori Lukomski, Mick Szumski, Toka Bara, Laurie Lis, Todd Odell, David Moskin, Laurie Lis, Renata Wos, Jan Clark, Zoe Kinnunen, Debbie Bara, Houston & Brenda Knox and for others.

Let us Pray: O Lord, God of mercies, in Your kindness, stretch out Your hand and heal all our brothers and sisters who are in any way are ailing. Deliver them, according to Your will, from all their present sicknesses and illnessness, and grant them recovery in Jesus' holy name. We ask this through the same Jesus Christ, Who lives and reigns with You. Amen.

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JULY CALENDAR RAFFLE

I wish to thank Sue Dibrindisi and thank all who contributed to our raffle. The names are listed in the vestibule of the Church. May God bless.



OUR PARISH OUTREACH PROGRAMS

"Let each of you look not to your own interests, but to the interests of others."

- Philippians 2:4



OUR FOOD MINISTRY

Our next food giveaway from our Parish will be on Saturday, July 15th from 10:00 am until 12:00 pm.

I want to thank Cheryl Major and Eric Dibrindisi for helping yesterday with the grocery giveaway. We handed out 7 bags of groceries and 6 children bags. May God bless our ministry.

We are still in need of the following:

- Cereals and instant oatmeal.
- Fruit juices, - V8, Apple and Cranberry juices.
- Powder milk / condensed milk.
- Tea bags.
- Pasta and spaghetti sauce.
- Boxes of Mac-n-cheese.
- Canned tuna in water.
- Canned meats- chicken, salmon,
- Ramen noodles.
- Soups- all varieties.
- Canned veggies and fruits.
- Children's snack packs

OUR MINISTRY TO AID OUR VETERANS

In the month of July our Parish will continue to collect items like toiletries, hygiene products, small notebooks and pens, rain ponchos and umbrellas, flip flops for showers, activity books etc. to aid both impatient from the VA as well as homeless veterans. All donations will be greatly appreciated.



SUNDAY, AUGUST 2, 2026

12:00 am - 2:00 pm Take-out

To be held on the Church Parking Lot

Menu: BBQ chicken, baked potato, corn on the cob, salad, and desert

\$18.00 per meal ticket

Maximum Number of Tickets: 180

For tickets, please call:

**Fr. Robert Koerber at (413) 665-2129
or
Sue Dibrindisi at (413) 586-4315**

RAFFLE TICKETS WILL BE AVAILABLE

- Multiple prizes
- Multiple chances to win on a single ticket.
 - Need not be present to win.
- All winners will be notified by the contact information given.

We have begun to collect prizes for our BBQ. If you would like to donate a gift basket or gift certificates, please see or contact Sue Dibrindisi. Sponsorship forms and tickets will be sent out next week to parishioners and local businesses for support.

We are also asking for contributions of charcoal briquettes to be used for our upcoming Chicken BBQ. All donations will be greatly appreciated. Thank you.



**EASTERN DIOCESAN
MISSION & EVANGELISM COMMISSION**

CALL TO PRAYER

In the month of July, the Eastern Diocese of the PNCC. has called upon all its members and friends to offer **prayer at 12:00 noon each Wednesday.**

Almighty God, inspire the people of our country with a spirit of service. Through Jesus Christ You revealed that the greatest law is love of You and our neighbors. Inflamm our hearts with the fire of Your holy love and so strengthen our love for one another. May a sense of duty and a call to service come forth from You and may we lead by example in ministering and caring for our family, relatives, friends, neighbors, and all in need. Through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen

Our Father, Who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy Name; Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us and lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. Amen.