

## The Church's Calendar This Week

Sunday, August 2

### **18<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time**

Masses at 6:00/8:00/10:00a/12:00/4:00/6:00p

Live-Streamed Mass at 10:00 a.m.

Monday, August 3

### **Monday of the Nineteenth Week in Ordinary Time**

Masses at 6:30 a.m. & 12:00 p.m.

Tuesday, August 4

### **Memorial of St. John Vianney, priest**

Masses at 6:30 a.m. & 12:00 p.m.

Wednesday, August 5

### **Wednesday of the Nineteenth Week in Ordinary Time**

Mass at 6:30 a.m.

Sacrament of Reconciliation 10:00 – 11:00 a.m.

Mass at 12:00 p.m.

Thursday, August 6

### **Feast of the Transfiguration of the Lord**

Masses at 6:30 a.m. & 12:00 p.m.

Friday, August 7

### **Friday of the Nineteenth Week in Ordinary Time**

Masses at 6:30 a.m. & 12:00 p.m.

Saturday, August 8

### **Memorial of St. Dominic, priest**

Mass at 7:00 a.m.

Sacrament of Reconciliation at 10:00a – 11:00 a.m.

Mass at 12:00 p.m.

Vigil Mass at 5:00 p.m.

Sunday, August 9

### **19<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time**

Masses at 6:00/8:00/10:00a/12:00/4:00/6:00p

Live-Streamed Mass at 10:00 a.m.

## Outreach Ministry

Our Outreach Coordinator, Ron Gochenouer have started a food pantry to go along with their clothes closet and is open to Cathedral's parishioners. Located at Cathedral Catholic Academy school grounds. They're open Saturday mornings from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. If any parishioners are in need of canned goods or non-perishable food, they are welcome to come by. If they are unable to make it to the site, please call (808) 306-7502 and he could arrange to have it delivered.

## Stewardship of Treasure

### **Offertory Collection**

7/20 – 7/26

Sunday Offering	\$ 2,031.65
Weekday	\$ 761.16
Online Giving	\$ 1,496.00
Feasts & Solemnities	\$ 3.00
<b>Total Offertory</b>	<b>\$ 4,291.81</b>

### **Other Collection**

Repair & Maintenance	\$ 130.00
Mass Intention	\$ 27.00
Holy Land, Rice Bowl, CRC	\$ 5.00
Catholic Relief Services	\$ 4.00
Seminarian Education Fund	\$ 5.00
Others (Funeral, Outreach, etc.)	\$ 160.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 4,622.81</b>

## Sharing the Faith

- Is it easy or hard to believe the words from Romans that nothing can separate us from God? Why?
- Jesus gave the bread to his disciples to share with the crowd. Where does Jesus ask you to give sustenance or support?
- How do the Lectionary readings build your understanding of the Eucharist?

## Living the Liturgy

- The *Catechism of the Catholic Church* says that there is a famine on earth for people to hear the words of the Lord (2835). Read the First Reading from Isaiah. How might some people's hunger be satisfied by God's word? Where do you hear the Word of the Lord?
- Organize a potluck meal or picnic. Perhaps you can include some new parishioners or neighbors along with old friends. Invite each person or family to bring something to share. Try to avoid organizing the kinds of food and trust that whatever people bring will feed you all. Pray a food blessing together. How does sharing food encourage us to share our lives and our stories?
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## Limited Seating

There is limited seating in the church to allow social distancing. Please call the office Monday through Friday at (808) 536-7036 or go to our website: [www.cathedralofourladyofpeace.com](http://www.cathedralofourladyofpeace.com) to reserve a space at Sunday Mass.

# August 2, 2020 – Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

## Exegesis on this Sunday's readings

*Isaiah 55:1-3 / Psalm 145:8-9, 15-16, 17-18 / Romans 8:35, 37-39 / Matthew 14:13-21*

Imagine a bond so strong it will never break, a foundation so firm it will never fall down, and a love so strong it will never end. This is the kind of love that Paul imagines that God has for his people when he tells the Romans that nothing can separate them from God's gracious and powerful love. It is the same love that God continues to demonstrate for us even now.

In the First Reading, Isaiah reveals to the Israelites the concrete signs of God's love: water in the desert, grain to eat, wine, milk, and rich food. All are indications of abundance, richness, and God's gracious care for his people. Isaiah affirms that God's faithful love will again renew them and invites them to heed and listen to the Lord so they may have abundant life. God is the source of all good things, nourishing and providing sustenance for all. If we, too, heed these words, we can be certain that all our hungers will be satisfied by listening to and coming to know the Lord.

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### **Next Sunday's Readings: "Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time"**

*1 Kings 19:9a, 11-13a / Psalm 85:9, 10, 11-12, 13-14 / Romans 9:1-5 / Matthew 14:22-33*

## From the Desk of Fr. Pascual

Dear Cathedral Basilica Ohana,

Greetings of peace, love, and joy!

*"His heart was moved with pity for them."* (Mt. 14:14)

Tired and weary after knowing His cousin John the Baptist just died, Jesus did not waste any opportunity to tend to the needs of the people around Him. He probably wanted to grieve at the loss of His closest relative. He withdrew in a boat to a deserted place. But people followed Him. When He saw the crowd, His heart was moved with pity and ministered to their needs first rather than His own. Not only that, Jesus cured the sick, but He also provided food and fed 5,000 men, not counting women and children.

Jesus' action challenges us to extend a helping hand when situations like this happen around us. He calls us to have a heart moved with pity to see the needs of others rather than our own first. Especially when there are extreme conditions where help is warranted, let us not delay responding. A heart that is moved with pity does not only mean to be sympathetic but also has the compassion to relieve the person from her or his pain and need. This is when we minister to others as we are entrusted with the mission to serve. As we do our best to do this, we also put our trust in the Lord as He assures us, "the hand of the Lord feeds us; he answers all our needs."

On the occasion of the feast of St. James, the Apostle, one of the points of Pope Francis' homily was on service. He said, "*Who is the most important in the Church? The Pope, the bishops, the Monsignors, the Cardinals, the pastors of the most beautiful parishes, the presidents of lay associations? No! The greatest in the Church are those who make themselves servants of all, those who serve everyone, not those who have titles. And to help us understand this, He took a child and placed him in their midst, and embracing him with tenderness – because Jesus spoke with tenderness, He had so much of it – He said to them: "Whoever receives a child, receives Me." That is, whoever welcomes the most humble, the one who serves the most. This is the path. There is only one path against the spirit of the world: humility. Serving others, choosing the last place, not climbing the ladder.*

These words of the Holy Father make me reflect, especially during these difficult times in our lives, to have a heart moved with pity. So many people around us need our help to provide food, clothing, shelter, spiritual and financial assistance, and more. As some agencies and churches assist on these matters, our service can be through our generous giving of time, talent, and treasure. Jesus' mission to serve has been entrusted to each one of us. Let us take part in this so that, like Jesus, we can relieve the suffering of our brothers and sisters in one way or the other, be it big or small.

May God continue to keep you all safe.

Your friend in the Lord,

Fr. Pascual