

# The Chimes

The weekly bulletin of

CHILD JESUS PARISH

AT ST. MARGARET MARY

2324 W. Chase Ave. • Chicago, IL 60645



August 16, 2020

20th Sunday in Ordinary Time



## 20<sup>th</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Then Jesus said to her in reply, "O woman, great is your faith! Let it be done for you as you wish." And the woman's daughter was healed from that hour. - Mt 15:28

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### MASS SCHEDULE

**Saturday**

4:00 pm (English)

6:00 pm (Vietnamese)

**Sunday**

10:00 am (English)

12 noon

(Bilingual English & Vietnamese)

**Weekdays**

Monday-Saturday 8:00 am

### RECONCILIATION

Saturdays from 3:00-3:30 pm.

### RECTORY OFFICE

(773) 764-0615

Hours: Monday-Thursday

9:00 am-12:00 pm & 1:00-5:00 pm

Friday by appointment

**Parish Website:**

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**Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time - Year A**

Today's Gospel, Matthew 15:21-28, recounts the encounter of Jesus with a Canaanite woman. From the Gospel story, we may surmise that she is a good mother and a wise person.

Today's Gospel might make us wonder about Jesus' attitude towards the woman. She, full of worries, approached Jesus to seek healing for her daughter, yet Jesus appeared not noticing her nor hearing her pleading. When the disciples saw that Jesus gave her no reply, they said to him *"Send her away, for she keeps calling out after us."* To their implore Jesus replied: *"I was sent only to the lost sheep of the house of Israel."* (Matthew 15:23-24) When the woman was persistent in asking Jesus for help, his response appeared rude and uncharitable. *"It is not right to take the food of the children and throw it to the dogs."* (Matthew 15:26)

Did the Gentiles not receive God's love? Is salvation only for the Jews? Is the Good News only for a certain group of people? Perseverance in asking Jesus is a concrete demonstration of the faith and the way of living the faith of the Canaanite woman who is considered pagan?

Jesus Himself has repeatedly shown us that God is always full of love for all. Many times, in the Gospel, Jesus said he was sent to go to other sheep. We read in the last chapter of the Gospel according to Matthew that Jesus, before returning to heaven, commanded the apostles to go to all nations, preach and baptize those who trust in him. Reading and meditating on the Word of God, on Jesus' actions, especially Jesus' passion and death, we can say that Christ's Gospel and salvation are for everyone, everywhere, at all times.

Before coming to see Jesus, this woman must have heard a lot about him. She knew that only he could drive away the demon that possessed her daughter. She had all the necessary qualities such as faith, humility, wisdom, perseverance, and especially love for her daughter. And these good qualities helped her to endure the trial Jesus used to test her faith.

*"Please, Lord, for even the dogs eat the scraps that fall from the table of their masters." Then Jesus said to her in reply, "O woman, great is your faith! Let it be done for you as you wish." And the woman's daughter was healed from that hour. (Matthew 15:27-28)*

The woman in today's Gospel was not discouraged and gave up when her faith in Jesus was tested. She was a pagan and God accepted her!

May the woman's example of faith in Jesus in today's Gospel prompt each of us to reflect, reexamine our own faith life!

Fr. Phi Nguyen

**CHILD JESUS PARISH - TOWN HALL MEETINGS**

One of our key commitments throughout the unification process has been to keep all parishioners informed of our progress, to answer parishioner's questions, and to address parishioner's concerns. As part of this process, we will hold three Town Hall meetings. These meetings will be held in-person with proper social distancing and will also be livestreamed. Meetings will take place at all three churches of Child Jesus Parish.

**You may attend any meeting that fits your schedule at any of the churches.**

Child Jesus Parish at St. Henry Church	Tuesday, August 18, 7:00 p.m.
Child Jesus Parish at St. Margaret Mary Church	Tuesday, August 25, 7:00 p.m.
Child Jesus Parish at St. Timothy Church	Thursday, August 27, 7:00 p.m.

The meetings at St. Henry and St. Margaret Mary will be held in their churches. The meeting at St. Timothy will be held in the Social Hall in the basement of the Church building. There will be a single door entrance on the West side of the building.

All meetings will be livestreamed.

FacebookLive: <http://www.facebook.com/childjesusparishSMMChurch>

YouTube: <http://youtube.com/c/mancoichicago>

Zoom: Each of the churches in Child Jesus Parish will publish the information when the link is available.

To attend the meeting at St. Henry, please register at <https://sainthenrychicago.org/townhallmeeting>

To attend the meeting at St. Margaret Mary, please register at <https://www.smmchicago.org/parish/> and follow the links.

Registration for the meeting at St. Timothy will be available soon.

Our parishioners are the lifeblood of Child Jesus Parish. Please attend and make your voices heard.





# THE ASSUMPTION

OF THE

*Blessed Virgin Mary*

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AUGUST 15, 2020



## Sunday Mass in English at Blessed Aloysius Stepinac Croatian Catholic Mission

In collaboration with Child Jesus Parish, Blessed Aloysius Stepinac Croatian Catholic Mission has Mass in English on Sunday at 9:00 AM.

Blessed Aloysius Stepinac Croatian Catholic Mission is located at 6346 N. Ridge Avenue, on the southwest corner of Ridge and Devon Ave. CTA #155 Devon Avenue bus stops at the southeast corner of Ridge and Devon Ave. If driving, you may park in Misericordia parking lot adjacent to the church.

To attend Mass, please register at <https://www.facebook.com/BlessedStepinacChicago/> or <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/70a0a44adab2dabf94-blessed>

## Change in Mass Schedule

### Beginning Sunday, August 16, 2020

At St. Henry

Sunday: 8:00 am Mass in Vietnamese

At St. Margaret Mary

Saturday:	3:00 pm–3:30 pm	Confession
	4:00 pm	Mass in English
	6:00 pm	Mass in Vietnamese
Sunday:	10:00 am	Mass in English
	12:00 noon	Mass - Bilingual in English and Vietnamese

## AN INVITATION FROM THE COMMONWEAL COMMUNITY OF ST. GERTRUDE CHURCH

Dear All,

We invite everyone to attend our upcoming virtual forum organized by members of the Commonweal community.

### “Rending/Mending the Seamless Garment: Voting Catholic.”

The Commonweal community of St. Gertrude Catholic Church is planning a virtual forum on this topic for Sunday, August 23.

Jon Nilson, Professor Emeritus of Theology at Loyola University Chicago, and Heidi Schlumpf, Executive Editor of *The National Catholic Reporter*, will address the problem of political partisanship within our Church today and how Catholics can better promote the fullness of Catholic teaching.

The forum will begin at 2:00 p.m. and last for about an hour. There will be opportunity for questions and discussion. All are welcome.

For more information, including how to join the forum, visit [e-grapevine.org/Rending-Mending](https://e-grapevine.org/Rending-Mending).

We hope to see you virtually on Aug. 23. Please feel free to share information about the forum widely.

All good wishes,

Denise DeBelle, John Williams, and members of the Commonweal Conference steering committee

## CYCLES OF FAITH

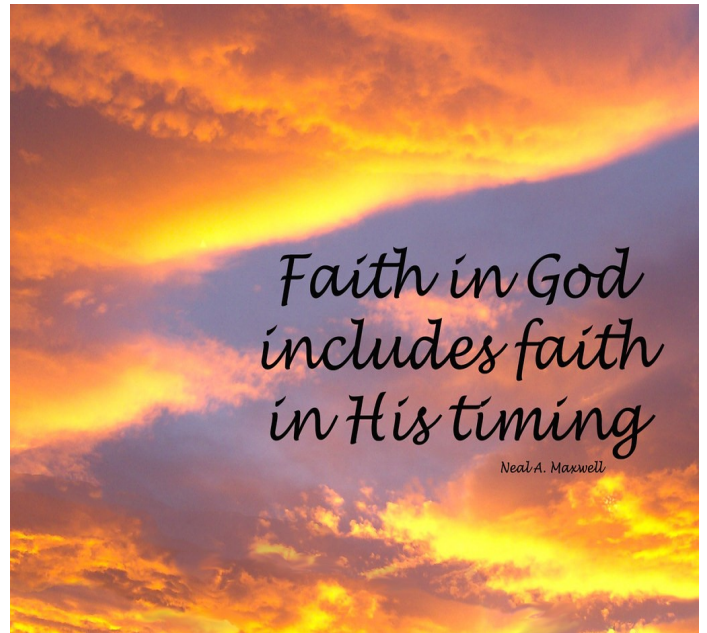
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We are hardwired for wholeness and crave it. When something is broken, we want it fixed. If a part of our body is not working properly, we want it healed. How often do we find ourselves saying, "I'm tired of struggling with this cold, I can't wait for my surgery to heal, or I want my treatments to make me better." Wholeness and healing restore our relationships and make us free to love as we desire. We know very well how our limitations, imperfections, and brokenness really limit us. They can easily prevent us from being and doing what we want to do.

Our physical and emotional wounds and maladies are easier to identify. If my back hurts, I feel it and know what part of my body needs attention. If I am feeling intense anger, I can identify the emotion and take necessary steps to uncover its cause. Being persistent often brings greater and quicker results. But will pursuing and even achieving our physical and emotional healings really be enough? We forget that there is a deeper healing that we seek and desperately need. As we look around at humanity, there are some physical and emotional wounds and scars that cannot be made whole. They are limitations that must remain and, for one reason or another, cannot be rectified. Does this mean that the wholeness and healing that my being longs for is not possible for me? Must I settle with less than what God promises?

The answer is no. Ultimately, there is a desire that goes deeper than the physical and emotional. It is a desire that resides in our soul. What we really seek and thirst for is healing and wholeness for our soul. Inner strength, conviction, focus, grounding, love, hope, faith, courage, determination, peace, and connectedness are all words that center us on eternity. They direct us to a presence we discover in our core, which is none other than the presence of God. In God, we are healed. When we are persistent in reaching out to and establishing our relationship with God, real healing and wholeness begin to happen.

There are some limitations and some of our brokenness with which we may simply have to live. This does not mean that we have to abandon our journey to wholeness and healing. If we have done our inner soul work, we have worked toward and acquired what and who we ultimately need and desire.



### Readings for the week of August 16, 2020

Sunday: Is 56:1, 67/Ps 67:23, 5, 6, 8 [4]/Rom 11:13-15, 29-32/Mt 15:21-28

Monday: Ez 24:15-24/Dt 32:18-19, 20, 21 [cf. 18a]/Mt 19:16-22

Tuesday: Ez 28:1-10/Dt 32:26-27ab, 27cd, 28, 30, 35cd-36ab [39c]/Mt 19:23-30

Wednesday: Ez 34:1-11/Ps 23:1-3a, 3b4, 5, 6 [1]/Mt 20:1-16

Thursday: Ez 36:23-28/Ps 51:12-13, 14, 15, 18-19 [Ez 36:25]/Mt 22:1-14

Friday: Ez 37:1-14/Ps 107:23, 45, 67, 89 [1]/Mt 22:34-40

Saturday: Ez 43:1-7ab/Ps 85:9ab and 10, 11-12, 13-14 [cf. 10b]/Mt 23:1-12

Next Sunday: Is 22:19-23/Ps 138:12, 23, 6, 8 [8bc]/Rom 11:33-36/Mt 16:13-20

### SACRAMENTS

**Marriage:** Arrangements should be made at least three months in advance.

**Baptisms:** On the 1st and 3rd Sundays of the month immediately following the 10:30 am mass. Please make arrangements at least one month in advance.

Preparation class held on the 2nd Tuesday of each month at 7:00 pm in the rectory

### R.C.I.A.

Program/Process for adults interested in the Catholic Faith (Sept.-April). Call the Rectory for information.

### NEW PARISHIONERS

We welcome our new parishioners and invite them to register at the rectory.

# 6 WORSHIP CALENDAR

## MASS INTENTIONS

**Sunday, August 16** 20th Sunday in Ordinary Time

English

10:00 am Julita Tovela  
Marie Schmid

Bilingual English & Vietnamese

12:00 pm Deceased members of Child Jesus

**Monday, August 17**

8:00 am Deceased members of Child Jesus

**Tuesday, August 18**

8:00 am Art Fuentes, Jr.

**Wednesday, August 19** St. John Eudes

8:00 am Lino Guerra

**Thursday, August 20** St. Bernard

8:00 am Deceased members of Child Jesus

**Friday, August 21** St. Pius X

8:00 am Deceased members of Child Jesus

**Saturday, August 22** 21st Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 am Deceased members of Child Jesus

English

4:00 pm Rosemary O. Janito  
Ann Donohue

Vietnamese

6:00 pm Deceased members of Child Jesus

**Sunday, August 23** 21st Sunday in Ordinary Time

English

10:00 am Hugh Donald Ordonez  
Gilbert Reynolds  
Julita Trovela  
Rosario Louis & Josephine D'Souza

Bilingual English & Vietnamese

12:00 Deceased members of Child Jesus

## RELIGIOUS EDUCATION UPDATE

Passing along our faith to our young people is one of the most important parts of our community and our faith. Whether or not we have children, we all strive to be good models in what we say and what we do. Young people watch us and learn by our example. We can also learn from them as we see the passion and purity of their faith.

As our parish continues to unify, we are bringing our Religious Education programs together. Deacon Joseph Thuan Than from the St. Henry worship site has agreed to serve as Interim Director of Religious Education. He will be aided by Cindy Shaw from the St. Timothy worship site and Cynthia Splatt from the St. Margaret Mary worship site.

Please keep them, our catechists, and our youth in your prayers.

## THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY

### COLLECTION REPORT

**August 9, 2020**

Sunday Envelope Budget .....	\$8,942.00
Sunday Envelope Actual .....	\$3,886.00
Loose Money .....	\$1,969.00
Total Collection .....	\$5,855.00
Variance .....	(\$3,087.00)
Weekly Budget Amount	
Envelopes Used .....	71

### CLASSIFIEDS

**FOR RENT:** sm office spaces \$300-\$600/mo, perfect for 1-8 person office, quiet environment, 24 hr access, Neal Gallo, 773-743-6565 or Neal.gallo.gznm@statefarm.com; 3 bdrm, 1500 sq ft, 3rd fl, Peg, 773-274-7534.

