

July 7, 2019 | Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Do not rejoice because the spirits are subject to you,
but rejoice because your names are

written in heaven.

~ Luke 10:20

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FOURTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Today's Gospel begins immediately after the final verse in last Sunday's Gospel. After strong language about the difficulties of discipleship, Jesus immediately appoints 72 people to go ahead of him to every town and place he plans to visit, proclaiming that the Kingdom of God is at hand. He sends them in pairs. In the Law of Moses two witnesses were needed for a testimony to be credible. It was probably also a safer way to travel.

Jesus admits it will be difficult, that he is sending them out like lambs among wolves. Yet they are to bring nothing with them, not even a money bag or sandals. They are to greet no one on the way so as not to be distracted from their mission. When they enter a house, their message is simply "peace." The response they will receive may be positive or negative. Either way, they are to know that the Kingdom of God is at hand. They are not to demand special treatment but eat and drink whatever is given them. They are to stay in one house and are not to look around for one that provides better accommodations. They are to heal the sick as a sign that the Kingdom of God is at hand for them. Like Jesus' miracles, healing is a sign of the coming of the kingdom. If the town will not receive them, they are to shake the dust from their feet and move on. Even in the case of such rejection they should know that the

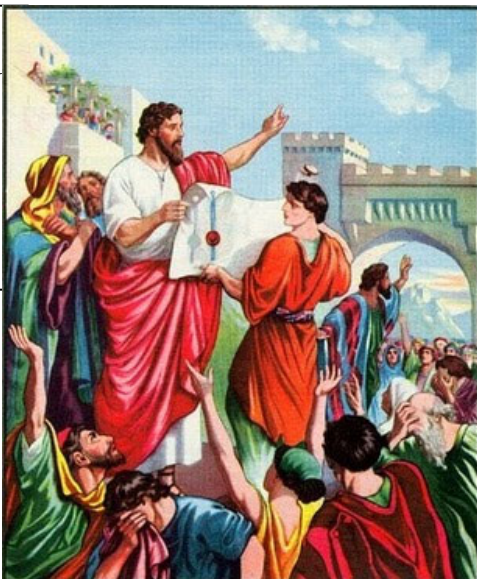
Kingdom of God is at hand.

When they return from their journeys, they are rejoicing because their mission has been successful. Demons were under their power because of Jesus' name. Jesus may have sent them out as lambs among wolves, but at the conclusion of this passage he assures them that they have been given power over the enemy and nothing will harm them, not even serpents and scorpions.

A key theme of today's Gospel and last Sunday's Gospel is discipleship—its challenges, its difficulties, and its rewards. Sharing in the mission of Jesus is difficult, but everyone is called to do it, not just some professionals trained for ministry. Even for us today, the harvest is plentiful. We should pray to the master of the harvest to send out workers for his harvest.

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Jesus called each of His disciples personally and then sent them out in his name. He trusted them with the responsibility of carrying out his mission and ministry. Today, Jesus calls each of us by our name and entrusts us with the same responsibility. Today, each of us is asked by Jesus to not only to hear and believe in him, we are called to share this good news whenever and wherever we can.



As Pope Francis reminds us in the Joy of the Gospel, *"Every Christian is a missionary to the extent that he or she has encountered the love of God in Jesus Christ: we no longer say that we are 'disciples' or 'missionaries', but always missionary disciples."* The mission and vocation to hear and share the good news of the gospel belongs to all of us, not just some of us.

The responsibility of promoting and building the Kingdom belongs to all the baptized. We should not be discouraged if and when people do not listen to us. The quality of our lives is the greatest example we can offer others. The church documents tell that above all the gospel must be proclaimed by witness. Jesus has called each of us by our name, he has filled each of us with his Spirit and sends us out in his name; we are not alone.

~Fr. Idzi



IN 4 DAYS WE BEGIN the St. Symphorosa 25th Silver Jubilee Family Fest.

This yearly summer tradition brings our entire community together for 4 days of family friendly fun. There are so many things to see and do at the Fest, from rides to music to great local food!! Bingo will be played every evening with Super Bingo game on Sunday starting at 1pm. We are even planning an outdoor Mass on Saturday at 5pm, weather permitting of course.



I, personally invite each and everyone to this wonderful event. I look forward to seeing everyone during these 4 days. I thank all those who have volunteered and that are a part of the Fest committee for all of the hard work they have and will be putting forth during this time. I pray for great weather and a successful Family Fest once again this year!

~Fr. Idzi

25th Annual

Thursday, July 11 5:00pm – 11:00pm
 Friday, July 12 5:00pm – 11:00pm
 Saturday, July 13 1:00pm – 5:00pm
 6:00pm – 11:00pm
 Sunday, July 14 1:00pm – 10:00pm

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OUTDOOR MASS
(weather permitting)
SATURDAY AT 5 p.m.

Four-Day "All-you-Can-Ride" Wristbands \$50.00 *
AVAILABLE IN THE PARISH OFFICE
 (Until July 7th Church after all Masses)
CASH ONLY BEGINNING MONDAY, JULY 1
 (Wristbands will be \$80.00 Until July 10th)
 Four Day "All-you-Can-Ride" Wristbands will be \$70.00 at the Fest
 One Day \$30.00 Wristbands Available every day *
 *Height Restrictions May Apply to Some Rides

\$10,000.00 – First Prize
Sunday, July 14th – 9:30 pm
Tickets: 6 for \$100 or \$20.00 each
Winner need not be present

**PLAYED ON SUNDAY,
JULY 14th
DOORS OPEN AT 1:00 PM**

**Played Thursday, Friday and
Saturday in our
"AIR CONDITIONED"
Mason Avenue School Hall
COVER ALL GAME
8:30 pm EACH EVENING**

Beer Area - Pull Tabs - Merchandise
Booths - Hoopigan Games
Special Raffles
Young Children's Games Everyone's a Winner
Foce Periana - David's Dancers

FOOD SPECIALS

**Chuck's Southern Comfort Café • Gabby's Churros • Harmony Restaurant
Lena's Pizzeria • Original Rainbow Cone • St. Sym's Kitchen
• Sno Daze Tropical Sno • Strawberry Patch • Taqueria La Ciudad**

Thursday, July 11 • 7:45 p.m.-10:45 p.m.

Friday, July 12 • 7:45 p.m.-10:45 p.m.

Saturday, July 13 • 7:30 p.m.-10:45 p.m.

Sunday, July 14 • 2:00 p.m.-5:00 p.m.

OVER THE SIDE BAND

Sunday, July 14 • 6:30 p.m.-9:30 p.m.!

SATURDAY
School Talent
Show

2 p.m.-3 p.m.

Darla's

Dancers

3 p.m.-4 p.m.

Parish Staff

Rev. Idzi Stacherczak
Pastor

Rev. Ted Bojczuk
Pastor Emeritus

Rev. Norman Trela
Retired Priest

Ken Hilliard
Operations Director

Deacon Raul Duque
Music Director

Magdalan Barry
Parish Secretary

Nancy Markham
Office Coordinator

Judy Banasiak
Religious Education
Coordinator

Kathy Berry
Principal

Chris Garza
Assistant Principal

Parish Office Hours

Monday through Friday
9:00 am—7:00 pm

Saturday
9:00 am—12:00 pm

Schedule of Masses

Sunday
7:30, 9:30, 11:30 am

Saturday Evening Mass
5:00 pm

Weekdays: 8:00 am
Monday through Saturday

Holy Days:
7:30am, 9:30 am and
7:00 pm

Sacrament of Penance

Monday - Saturday
after the 8am Mass

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EVERYONE IS INVITED

The entire St. Symphorosa Community invites Fr. Bob Regan, pastor of St. Rene Parish, along with his parishioners and all of our neighbors to this years **25th Silver Jubilee Family Fest**. We look forward to the opportunity to spend time together, get to know each other and enjoy each others company during this time. If you have any questions, please reach out to our parish office at 773.767.1523.



Due to an early submission deadline for this weekend's bulletin, all stewardship and Split the Pot information will be available in Next weekend's bulletin, Sunday, July 14, 2019.

25th Silver Jubilee Family Fest Mega Pass Wristbands

4 Day Mega Pass wristbands are still on sale in the parish office this week until Wednesday, July 10. The parish office closes at 7pm. Wristbands are \$60 and **CASH ONLY**. As of the start of the Fest, Thursday, July 11th, tickets are only available at the fest at a cost of \$70 each. Please contact the parish office if you have any questions at 773.767.1523

"Renew My Church" Prayer:

Lord Jesus you speak to us today,
as you spoke to holy men and women
who have gone before us.

In every age and in our own time,
you call to us and say: "Renew My Church."

Pour out the gift of your Holy Spirit upon us,
and so enable us
to hear you clearly

to listen to each other attentively
to imagine our future boldly
to discern your direction wisely
to persevere in your holy will courageously
to stay together in charity
to surrender our own plans readily
to embrace the greater good
to hand on your gifts to future generations.

May we remain in the holy company of
the Blessed Virgin Mary, the apostles,
and all the saints.

May their example and presence
inspire us with patient confidence
in the work of your grace.

We ask this of you who live and reign
with the Father

in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God,
forever and ever. Amen

Our Sanctuary Candle burning before the Blessed Sacrament for the month of July is offered for the following intentions:

For the repose of the soul of Tom Bogumil
given by Dorothy & Family

For the repose of the soul of Tom Markham
given by Family & Friends

For Nathan, Riha & Evan Mielnicki for their health and all the Lord's
blessings in honor of their birthdays
given by Grandma Mary

CATECHISTS NEEDED

Can You Help?

Although we are in the middle of summer and the thought of starting a new Religious Education school year may seem a bit premature, it is never too soon to begin planning for our wonderful students who are in need of individuals that are willing to share their faith.

We are looking for individuals who love their faith and want to make a difference in a child's faith formation. I believe we have people in our parish who are willing to bring the Word of God to children who cannot attend a Catholic School. Won't you please help us by volunteering as a catechist so that we can continue to accept all of the children who come to us?

For those, who are a little afraid of teaching, be aware that the Archdiocese of Chicago offers classes for new catechists to help prepare you to teach.

We are in need of three teachers for the coming year. **PLEASE HELP!!!**

If you are interested, please call the rectory at 773.767.1523 ext. 226. If I am not in the office, leave your name and phone number and I will return your call.

Enjoy the rest of the summer.

Judy Banasiak, Coordinator of Religious Education



An Invitation to Join* The Roman Catholic Church

*or perhaps become fully initiated
into the sacramental life of the Church

through the RCIA Process

If you are (or know someone who is):

- An adult who has never been baptized
- An adult who was baptized in another denomination or faith tradition
- An adult who is baptized Catholic but would like to complete his or her Sacraments of Initiation (receive the Eucharist/celebrate your First Holy Communion; celebrate your Confirmation)

This fall, our parish will begin the RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults) process with the period of inquiry and questioning – there is no formal commitment at this time. The only requirement at this point is a desire to explore one's relationship with God through the Catholic Faith. In a supportive group setting, we will learn about the teachings of the Catholic Faith, share stories, and journey together toward greater intimacy with our God through the reception of the Sacraments.

For more information, please contact our Parish Office at
773-767-1523.

Sorry!

**OFFICE
CLOSED**

The parish office will be closed
Thursday, July 11th through
Monday July 15th due to the
Family Fest. We will reopen for
regular business hours as of
Tuesday, July 16th at 9am.

SEE YOU AT THE FEST!!!



St. Symphorosa is currently seeking well read and reliable persons who are interested in proclaiming the Living Word of God during weekend Masses. If you are interested please contact Maggie at the parish office (773.767.1523) for more information.

Mass Intentions for the Week

Monday, July 8, 2019

8:00am †Eugene B. Zdziennicki (*Daughter*)

Tuesday, July 9, 2019

Saint Augustine Zhao Rong and Companions

8:00am †Christine Staszal (*Barbara Rendak*)

Wednesday, July 10, 2019

8:00am †Jackie Mehis (*Barbara Rendak*)

Thursday, July 11, 2019

Saint Benedict

8:00am †Charles DeLauriea (*Marge Garbacz*)

Friday, July 12, 2019

8:00am †Robert Cruz (*Mom & Dad*)

Saturday, July 13, 2019

Saint Henry

8:00am For all Parishioners, Living and Deceased (36)

5:00pm †Philip Losos (*Barbara Kozak*)

†Lerma Magbanua Coronado (*Rich & Marge Marcello*)

Sunday, July 14, 2019

7:30am †Kathy Arvetis (*Husband*)

9:30am †John Dragosetti, George, Maria & Dominic Velcich
(*Rosario Dragosetti*)

†John and Joe Mielnicki (*Family*)

11:30am †John & Irene Simonelic (*John Simonelic Family*)

†John & Mary Ferriter (*Kolasinski Family*)



Thursday, July 18th Feast of St. Symphorosa, our Parish Patroness

Please join us on the weekend of July 20/21 as we celebrate as a Parish Family at all masses. Our Parish Transformation Team invites you to the Social Hall of the Sharp Center immediately following mass for hospitality and fellowship.

Lord, God, Holy are You, Your saints and holy ones give you glory all days. In their holiness they are channels of Your grace for us. May St. Symphorosa be for all of us a sign of faithfulness and love. May we, like her, always remain faithful to Your Son and His message of Good News.

May our Parish, through the intercession of St. Symphorosa and her Seven Sons, be a sign of "A Family Celebrating Faith".



*There are in the end three things that last:
Faith, Hope, and Love, and the greatest of these is LOVE.*

Ignatius Battiato
Dorothy Bogumil
Fr. Ted Bojczuk
Pat Carmody
Michael Clifford
Florence Comiso
Chris Doherty
Juan Figueroa
Geri Gestaut
Carol Golab
Carol Gress
Suzann Gunter
Kathy Haars
Megan High
Dawn Hoyt
Heather Hradek
Denise M. Jandura
Rich S. Jandura
Lee Karpinski
Dennis Kline
Antoinette Kloppman
Walter Kokoszka, Sr.
Claudia Kwilosz
Norman Kwilosz
James Lapsansky
Donna Lauritzen
Domenico Lepore

John Martini
Lou Mackey
Lori McCarthy
Kathleen McAuliffe
Thomas Minnich
Christine Mosqueda
Genevieve Nagle
Ray Oracki
Baby Alexander J Pentz
Gi Gi Picciolini
Marie Pratt
Ann Robertson
Edward Robertson
Fr. John Rudnik
Joseph Rudnik
Gloria Schillings
Coltyn Schmidt
Kristyn Schmidt
James Suchy
Chalida Svatisalee
Terry Styka
James Thorpe
Mary Thorpe
Nancy Webb
Barb Ziegler
Michelle

Due to privacy laws, names may only be added to our prayer list by immediate family.
Please let us know when to remove a name.

SUPPORT OUR TROOPS

Sgt. Jaime A. Acosta, USMC	Staff Sgt. Andrew Gaca, USAF
Sgt. Ted Bartelmey	Sgt. Michael Hough, US Army
CS-1 Joel Battung	Anthony Johaniewicz, US Navy
1st Sgt. Chas. Berglund, USMC	Lance Corp. Tim Lisenko, USMC
Sgt. Naveen Bobba, USMC	Trevor Lutz, US Army
Sgt. Arthur A. Boruch, National Guard	Corporal Zachary Maderak, USMC
Hospitalman Blythe A. Cisneros, USN	Pvt 1st Class Daniel Morales, US Army
Airman Carlos Cisneros, USAF	SPC Alex Ramos
Sgt. Frank Cisneros, USMC	Staff Sgt. Abel Sandoval, USMC
Corpsman Nicholas J. Cundari-USN	WO-1 Richard Sobeske, US Army
Captain Kevin Dobbyn, US Army	Sgt. 1st Class Kristina Stuhlmacher
Sgt. John Flores, IL National Guard	1LT Zachary White, IL Army NG



The faithful all around the world are invited to join with Pope Francis for his special intention. Won't you join in? The intention for the month of July is for the Integrity of Justice.

That those who administer justice may work with integrity, and that the injustice which prevails in the world may not have the last word.

New Parishioners: Welcome to our Parish! We are so happy to have you join us.

Sacrament of the Sick and Communion Calls: Please contact our Parish Office to make arrangements.

Sacrament of Baptism: Second & Fourth Sunday at 1:00pm in Church. Parent Preparation Session: First Thursday of every other Month at 7:00pm. Please contact Maggie in our Parish Office for assistance.

Marriages: Arrangements must be made at least 6 months prior to the proposed date of your wedding. Please contact Maggie in our Parish Office for assistance.