

**Mass Intentions**  
**27 June - 5 July 2020**

27 June 2020 – Saturday - St. Cyril of Alexandria, Bishop & Doctor of the Church

4.30 pm: Betty Rivera (Sick) *by Dave Smith*

28 June 2020 - Sunday - Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

8.30 am:+ Gilbert Mahler *by Frank & Kathleen Geosits*

11.00 am:

29 June 2020 - Monday - St. Peter and Paul, Apostles

8.30 am:

30 June 2020 –Tuesday - Weekday

8.30 am:

1 July 2020 - Wednesday - St. Junipero Serra, Priest

8.30 am:

2 July 2020 –Thursday - Weekday

6.30 pm:

3 July 2020 –Friday - St. Thomas, Apostle

8.30 am:

4 July 2020 – Saturday - Blessed Virgin Mary - Independence Day

8.30 am:

4.30 pm:

5 July 2020 - Sunday - Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

8.30 am:

11.00 am:+ Vincent M. Annunziata *by Linda English*



*With Prayers & Blessings of Easter*

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**28 June 2020**

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## 13TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

**Take  
up  
the  
Cross**



**And  
Follow  
ME**

**Regular Mass with Social – Distancing**  
**Saturday: 4.30 pm — Holy Cross Church**  
**Sunday: 8.30 am — St. Patrick's Church**  
**11.00 am — Holy Cross Church**

*Let us all Stay Safe, Clean & Healthy*

## Finding Solitude

All human beings are alone. No other person will completely feel like we do, think like we do, act like we do. Each of us is unique, and our aloneness is the other side of our uniqueness. The question is whether we let our aloneness become loneliness or whether we allow it to lead us into solitude. Loneliness is painful; solitude is peaceful. Loneliness makes us cling to others in desperation; solitude allows us to respect others in their uniqueness and create community.

Letting our aloneness grow into solitude and not into loneliness is a lifelong struggle. It requires conscious choices about whom to be with, what to study, how to pray, and when to ask for counsel. But wise choices will help us to find the solitude where our hearts can grow in love.

## Choosing the Blessings

It is an ongoing temptation to think of ourselves as living under a curse. The loss of a friend, an illness, an accident, a natural disaster, a war, or any failure can make us quickly think that we are no good and are being punished. This temptation to think of our lives as full of curses is even greater when all media present us day after day with stories about human misery.

**“For God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world, but to save the world through him.” (Jn3:17).** Jesus came to bless us, not to curse us. But we must choose to receive that blessing and hand it on to others. Blessings and curses are always placed in front of us. We are free to choose. God says, Choose the Blessing!

## LITURGY OF WORD

**First Reading:** 2Kgs 4:8-11, 14-16a

**Second Reading:** Rom 6:3-4, 8-11

**Gospel Reading:** Mt 10:37-42



In the first reading, we see, the welcome given to the prophet Elijah by an elderly, childless woman and her husband who lived in Shunem. The woman recognized the holiness of Elisha. She showed him reverence and hospitality by inviting him to dine with her and her husband and by arranging an upper room of their house so that Elisha might stay with them when he visited the area. In response, Elisha promised her, *“This time next year you will be fondling a baby son.”* **The promise was fulfilled by God.** The second reading, taken from Paul’s letter to the Romans, explains why those who care for the followers of Jesus are caring for Jesus himself, and those who show hospitality to any one of them are eligible for a reward.

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## PRAY FOR THE SICK

J. Gottesmann, W. Rieger, K. Eschenberg, J. Feeley, R. Knack, Ron Rhodes JR, Dan Buddenhagen, Brenda Long, Mary Ann, Eileem Ohman, Madeleine Wootan, Olga Viruet, Anita Robertson, Linda Roche, Gloria Grunn, Marcia Bauer, Frank M Geosits Jr, Baby Alexian, Shirley Rangaves and all sick and needy.

To submit a name please call the Rectory

