



PRINCE of PEACE

CATHOLIC PARISH

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MEETINGS

Baptism

Instruction is required for all parents seeking baptism of their child. Please contact the Rectory.

Care of the Sick

Please advise us of parishioners who are sick that we may keep them in prayer. We would also like to bring the Eucharist to those who cannot celebrate Mass with us in church.

Confidential Prayer Line

To add intentions call Ellen Calamari at 978-660-3818 or the Rectory at 978-464-2871.

Marriage

Interviews, instruction and Pre-Cana are required. Please contact the Rectory at least one year in advance.

Programs

- Adult Bible Study

Please contact the Rectory for class schedule.

- Alcoholics Anonymous Meeting

Wednesdays at 8:00 pm in the Parish Hall.

- Reconciliation/Confession

Saturday 3:45 pm at the church, or by appointment.

COMMITTEE MEMBERS

Development Committee
978-464-2871

Finance Council
Chairperson: Gerald Gates (978) 464-5636

Education Committee
(978) 464-2871

Liturgical Committee
(978) 464-2871

Evangelization & Outreach Committee
(978) 464-2871

SCHEDULE/MASSES

Monday—Friday 8:30 am

Saturday 4:30 pm

Sunday 8:30 & 10:30 am

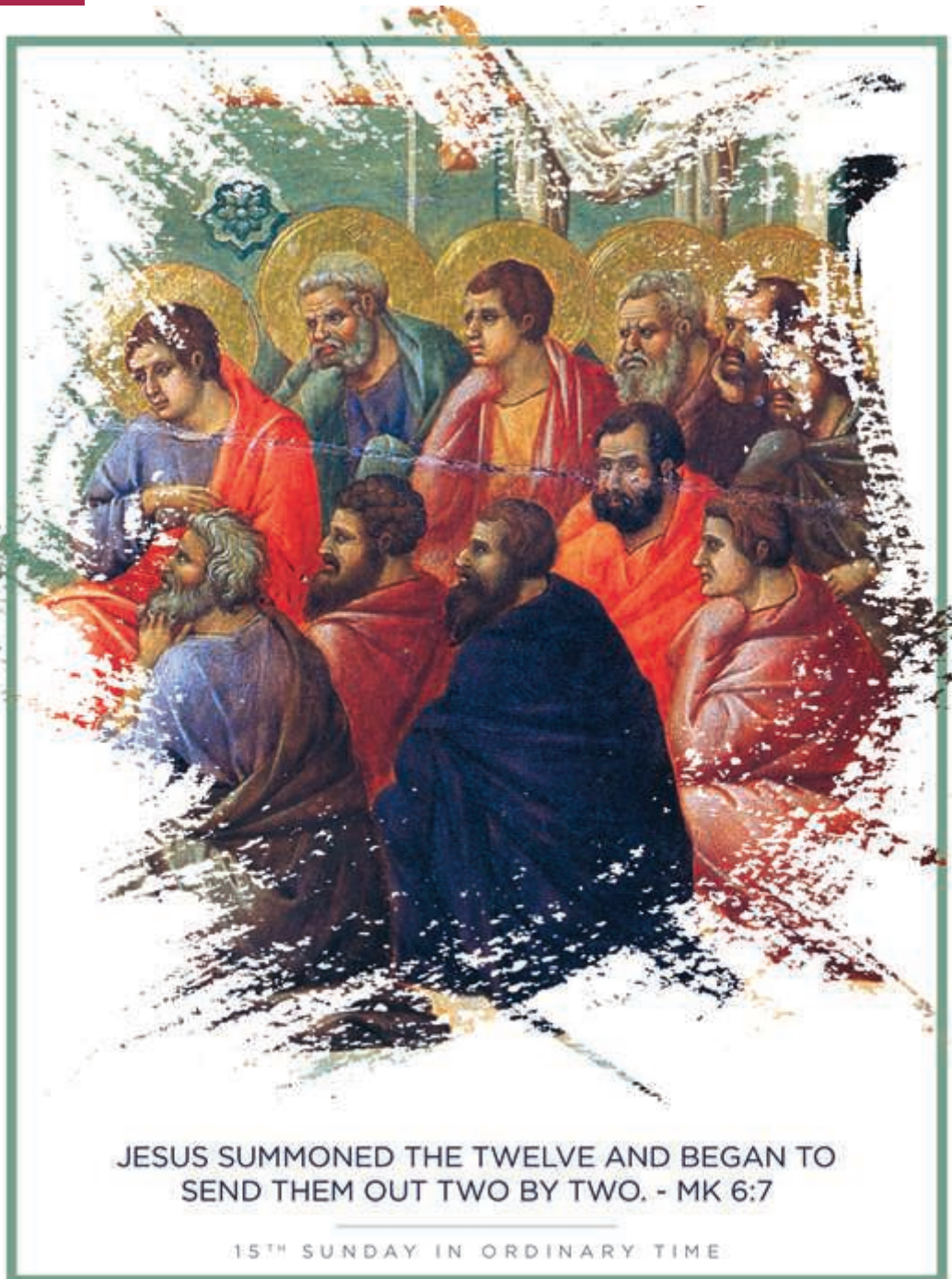
Holy Days/Feast Day 8:30 am & 7:00 pm

Rev. H. Edward Chalmers, Pastor

STAFF

Parish Secretary, Paula Greeley

Religious Education Coordinator, Sharon Bushway



JESUS SUMMONED THE TWELVE AND BEGAN TO SEND THEM OUT TWO BY TWO. - MK 6:7

15TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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Your talents are welcome. We encourage you to call a ministry chairperson to find out more about our on-going programs.

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Mass  for the
Intentions *Week*

Saturday, July 10th

3:45 PM Confessions

4:30 PM Albert St. John, requested by the
Leroux Family

Sunday, July 11th

8:30 AM Unrequested

10:30 AM Unrequested

Monday, July 12th

8:30 AM Souls in Purgatory

Tuesday, July 13th

8:30 AM Unrequested

Wednesday, July 14th

8:30 AM For the Intentions on our Prayer Line
and in our Prayer Intention Book

Thursday, July 15th

8:30 AM Unrequested

Friday, July 16th

8:30 AM Unrequested

Saturday, July 17th

3:45 PM Confessions

4:30 PM Roland Laprade, requested by the
Greeley Family

Sunday, July 18th

8:30 AM Unrequested

10:30 AM Unrequested

Religious Education Teachers Needed

If anyone is interested in helping to teach Religious Education this year, please email Sharon Bushway at sharonbushway@verizon.net or contact the rectory. Teachers are needed for First through 10th Grades.

If anyone is interested in serving as an **Altar Server, Eucharistic Minister, or Lector**, please contact Fr. Ed or email the office at princeofpeace@verizon.net.

Teach Children to be Safe at Home

We consider our homes to be safe places for our children. But being home alone can pose risks for children. Here are a few tips to teach kids that will help keep them safe when you are not with them at home: Never answer the door if alone. Do not invite anyone in the house without the permission of a parent or babysitter. Don't tell anyone on the phone that your parents are not home. Instead tell them that your parents can't come to the phone, and take a message. For more tips, please visit www.kidsafe.com. For particular help, you may call Judith Audette, Director of Office for Healing and Prevention at 508-929-4363.

Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

July 11th, 2021

Dear Friends,

In the Second Reading for the Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time from St. Paul's Letter to the Ephesians, he writes, "Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ who has blessed us in Christ with every spiritual blessing in the heavens, as he chose us in him before the foundation of the world to be holy and without blemish before him. In love, he destined us for adoption to himself through Jesus Christ, in accord with the favor of his will, for the praise and the glory of his grace that he granted us in the beloved. In him we have redemption by his blood, the forgiveness of transgressions, in accord with the riches of his grace that he lavished upon us. In wisdom and insight, he has made known to us the mystery of his will in accord with his favor that he set forth in him as a plan for the fullness of times, to sum up all things in Christ, in heaven and on earth."

As we reflect upon these inspiring words of St. Paul, may we believe that we are adopted sons and daughters of the Eternal Father through the gracious sacrifice of Jesus made manifest through our baptism. It was the divine will of the Father that Jesus' sacrifice would reconcile humanity with Himself.

May we be grateful to the Eternal Father for the gift of Jesus as our Lord and Savior. Let us fall in spiritual love with the person of Jesus. In prayer, we need to invoke the power of the Holy Spirit to lead us in grace to a better understanding of Jesus' Paschal Mystery.

In a personal way, Jesus suffered, died, and rose again to lead our souls to the Eternal Father. In faith, hope, and love, we need to respond to Jesus by rejecting sin and becoming holy. In this process, may we offer our prayers, sufferings, insults, weaknesses and hardships to Jesus for our own salvation and the salvation of all souls. Then, we can become one with the Lord and the Holy Spirit in preparing souls for the Eternal Father.

Be well and be safe!

*God's love and prayers always,
Fr. Ed*

Partners In Charity Update

Thank you to all of our parishioners who have made their gift to the 2021 *Partners in Charity Appeal*. As of the end of June, our parish has raised \$31,070 toward our goal of \$36,100. If you have not had the opportunity to make a gift yet, you can go on-line at www.partners-charity.net.

Good News!

July 11, 2021

Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time (B)

Am 7:12-15; Eph 1:3-14 or 1:3-10; Mk 6:7-13

Today's readings are about unpretentious people who accomplished remarkable deeds. Amos, a shepherd from the southern kingdom of Judah who also cultivated sycamore figs, challenged the people at a northern shrine in Israel. He did not come from an illustrious family, nor was he particularly important. Yet he is the one called by God to summon the northern Israelites to repentance.

The disciples of Jesus pursued family businesses like fishing or were employed by the Romans like Matthew. They didn't come from socially prominent families, nor were they known as community leaders. But look at what they did: they cast out demons and cured the sick. Where did these people get their training? More importantly, where did they obtain their power? We find the answer to such questions in the second reading: "In him we were also chosen" (Ephesians 1:11).

The Ephesians letter assures us that God "has blessed us in Christ with every spiritual blessing in the heavens" (1:3). We don't have to worry about performing miracles; all we have to do is open ourselves to the graciousness of God. God will do the rest. Through us, God will cast out the demons of prejudice and bias that plague our world, of selfishness and spitefulness so prominent in our political rivalries, of greed and dishonesty in many of our social interactions. Through us, God will heal our country, our world, and our Church of hatred, violence, and oppression. With Amos and the Twelve we too hear: "You can do it."

Sr. Dianne Bergant, CSA

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Due to the holiday printing schedule, the finance report for the weekend of July 3-4, 2021, will be published at a later date.

PRAYER FOR TRAVEL

*God of our ancestors,
Long ago you sent Abraham on a journey of faith
To a land promised to him and his descendants.
You led the People of Israel through the desert
To a land flowing with milk and honey
Where they might live according to your covenant.
You continued to protect and guide your people
Sending Raphael to watch over Tobiah on his way
As he journeyed to fulfill his father's command.
Watch over us as we travel and keep us secure.
May your angels protect us on our journey
And lead us safely home at the end of our trip.
Let your provident hand guide us while we're gone
And upon our return may we offer you thanks
For your protection and watchfulness over our days.
Amen*

REST AND RELAXATION

For several decades now there has been a debate about the number of hours and the days of vacation afforded to Americans versus workers in most European countries. While Europeans are famous for their month-long vacations in August, workers in the United States enjoy a series of three-day weekends throughout the year, in addition to shorter vacation time. No matter which side of the discussion you come down on, the reality is that leisure time used well benefits a person both physically and psychologically. Finding the right balance between job, family, hobbies, friends, and personal time is something that each of us strives for. When is the last time you checked your balance?

REGARDING THE TENNIS COURT

Since the court is parish property, the guidelines for the Protection of Children **MUST** be adhered to. No one is allowed on the court with children who are not their own children unless they have attended the Safe Environment Training Course and have been CORI'd by the Diocese of Worcester. These rules are set down by the Bishops of the United States and monitored by the FBI for compliance. Any failure to follow these rules will shut down the tennis court. Please follow the rules for everyone's safety and for the good of all.