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# ST. FRANCIS OF ASSISI PARISH

JULY 24, 2022 - THE SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME



**Knock and the door will be opened to you. For everyone who asks, receives...**



Mon. - St. James



Tues. - Ss. Joachim and Anne



Fri. -Ss. Martha, Mary and Lazarus



Sat. - St. Peter Chrysologus



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For any questions, please contact [DFF@stfrancisparish.com](mailto:DFF@stfrancisparish.com)

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**St. Francis Homecoming Gala 2022  
August 27, 2022 at the Hilton on Arden West**

**THANK YOU, FROM BETH:**



**THANK YOU, THANK YOU** for all the lovely cards, gifts, and kind words. But mostly, thank you for being fellow pilgrims with me on the journey of faith. It's been such a joy! As St. Clare said, 'May you always be with God wherever you may be, and may God be

with you always.' Let us pray for each other as this new chapter opens for all of us.

**New officers were elected at the June Parish Pastoral Council meeting ...**



**DARRIN GREER  
WAS ELECTED  
CHAIR**



**EMER MCKENNA  
WAS ELECTED  
VICE CHAIR**



**EDWARD CONDON  
WAS ELECTED  
SECRETARY**

Officers serve one year term and must be re-elected in June of 2023.

**WEEKLY READINGS**

- Sun: Gen 18:20-32; Ps 138:1-3, 6-8; Col 2:12-14; Lk 11:1-13
- Mon: 2 Cor 4:7-15; Ps 126:1bc-6; Mt 20:20-28
- Tue: Jer 14:17-22; Ps 79:8, 9, 11, 13; Mt 13:36-43
- Wed: Jer 15:10, 16-21; Ps 59:2-4, 10-11, 17-18; Mt 13:44-46
- Thu: Jer 18:1-6; Ps 146:1b-6ab; Mt 13:47-53
- Fri: Jer 26:1-9; Ps 69:5, 8-10, 14; Jn 11:19-27 or Lk 10:38-42
- Sat: Jer 26:11-16, 24; Ps 69:15-16, 30-31, 33-34; Mt 14:1-12
- Sun: Eccl 1:2; 2:21-23; Ps 90:3-6, 12-14, 17; Col 3:1-5, 9-11; Lk 12:13-21

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**MAY 2022**

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## Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

O God, protector of those who hope in you,  
without whom nothing has firm foundation,  
nothing is holy,  
bestow in abundance your mercy upon us  
and grant that, with you as our ruler and guide,  
we may use the good things that pass  
in such a way as to hold fast even now  
to those that ever endure.  
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,  
who lives and reigns with you  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
God, for ever and ever.



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FROM BRO. MARK SCHROEDER, OFM  
[FranciscansForJustice.org](http://FranciscansForJustice.org) | FACEBOOK: Franciscans for Justice

**“And I tell you, ask and you will receive;  
seek and you will find; knock and the door  
will be opened to you. For everyone who  
asks, receives; and the one who seeks, finds;  
and to the one who knocks, the door will be  
opened” (Lk 11:9-10)**

Theologian Karl Rahner, although a Jesuit, ends this reflection referring to a concept coined by St. Francis of Assisi: “Perfect Joy.”

‘To ask for something in Jesus’ name does not mean that we invoke him verbally and then desire whatever our turbulent, divided heart or our appetite, our wretched mania for everything and anything, happens to hanker for. No, asking in Jesus’ name means entering into him, living by him, being one with him in love and faith. If he is in us by faith, in love, in grace, in his Spirit, then our petition arises from the center of our being, which is himself, and if all our petition and desire is gathered up and fused in him and his Spirit, then the Father hears us. Then our petition becomes simple and straightforward, harmonious, sober, and unpretentious.

‘Then what St. Paul says in the letter to the Romans applies to us: we do not know how to pray as we ought, but the Spirit himself intercedes for us, praying the one prayer, “Abba! Father!” He longs for that from which the Spirit and Jesus himself have proceeded: he longs for God, he asks God for God, on our behalf he asks of God. Everything is included and contained in this prayer. ... [If we pray in this way] we shall see that God really answers our prayer, in one way or another. Then we shall no longer feel this “one way or the other” is a feeble excuse offered by the pious, and the gospel, for unanswered prayer.

‘No. Our prayer is answered, but precisely because it is prayer in Jesus’ name; and what we ultimately pray for is for the Lord to grow in our lives, to fill our existence with himself, to triumph, to gather into one our scattered life, the thousand and one desires of which we are made. ... To pray in Jesus’ name is to have one’s prayer answered, to receive God and God’s blessing, and then, even amid tears, even in pain, even in indignance, even when it seems that one has still not been heard, the heart rests in God, and that is—while we are still here on pilgrimage, far from the Lord—perfect joy.’



## Act of Spiritual Communion

My Jesus,  
I believe that You  
are present in the  
Most Holy Sacrament.  
I love You above all things,  
and I desire to receive You into  
my soul. Since I cannot at this  
moment receive You sacramentally,  
come at least spiritually into my  
heart. I embrace You as if You were  
already there and unite myself wholly  
to You. Never permit me to be  
separated from You. Amen.

## PEACE PRAYER OF ST. FRANCIS



*While this prayer has always  
been attributed to St. Francis,  
the author is actually unknown.  
The prayer does wonderfully  
represent the spirit of St. Francis  
and the Franciscan Orders.*

Lord, make me an  
instrument of your **peace**;  
where there is hatred,  
let me sow **love**;  
where there is injury, **pardon**;  
where there is doubt, **faith**;  
where there is despair, **hope**;  
where there is darkness, **light**;  
and where there is sadness, **joy**.

O Divine Master,  
grant that I may not  
so much seek  
to be consoled, as to **console**;  
to be understood, as to **understand**;  
to be loved, as to **love**;  
for it is in giving that we **receive**,  
it is in pardoning that we are **pardoned**,  
and it is in dying that we are  
**born to eternal life**.

Amen.



## The Memorare Prayer

Remember, O most gracious Virgin  
Mary, that never was it known  
that anyone who fled to your  
protection, implored your help  
or sought your intercession  
was left unaided.

Inspired with this confidence,  
I fly unto you, O Virgin of Virgins,  
my Mother. To you I come, before  
you I stand, sinful and sorrowful.

O Mother of the Word Incarnate,  
despise not my petitions,  
but in your mercy  
hear and answer me.  
Amen.



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## THE POPE TWEETS

JULY 17, 2022

I am near the suffering Ukrainian people. How is it possible not to understand that war only creates destruction and death, driving people apart, killing truth and dialogue? Let us PrayTogether that negotiations might begin again.

*Franciscus*  
twitter.com/pontifex



factual about them except that they existed. Even the names “Joachim” and “Anne” come from a legendary source written more than a century after Jesus died.

The heroism and holiness of these people however, is inferred from the whole family atmosphere around Mary in the Scriptures. Whether we rely on the legends about Mary’s childhood or make guesses from the information in the Bible, we see in her a fulfillment of many generations of prayerful persons, herself steeped in the religious traditions of her people.

The strong character of Mary in making decisions, her continuous practice of prayer, her devotion to the laws of her faith, her steadiness at moments of crisis, and her devotion to her relatives—all indicate a close-knit, loving family that looked forward to the next generation even while retaining the best of the past.

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**PLEASE NOTE FOR ALL MASSES:**  
For the safety of all we will continue with our mask policy. Social Distancing will be observed. Hand sanitizing will be offered prior to receiving Communion. Limited seating!

### WEEKEND MASS SCHEDULE

- **Saturday Vigil Mass at 5:15pm – Mass in the church**
- **Sunday at 7:30am – Mass in the church**
- **Sunday at 9:30am Mass in the church**  
*The 9:30am Mass will be livestreamed as usual*  
*(<https://bit.ly/37XEfk3>).*

### WEEKDAY MASS SCHEDULE:

**Monday, Weds and Fri at 12:10pm**, in the church.  
For the safety of all, we will continue with our mask policy for all. Social Distancing will be observed. Hand sanitizing will be offered prior to receiving Communion. Limited seating!



### CONVERSATION WITH GOD

Prayer is our focus this weekend. In the Gospel, Jesus gives his disciples, and us, the Lord’s Prayer, which we have cherished through the centuries. The first two words encompass much about our faith—unity among all Christians (Our), and a sense that we are in a deeply bonded relationship with God (Father). In Genesis, we see Abraham in conversational prayer, in his creaturely humility before his Creator, seeking mercy and compassion for the innocent. The psalm is a lyrical prayer of thanksgiving and praise for the God who answered the sincere prayers of a people who had called out for help, showing them mercy. In Luke’s Gospel, the disciples want to pray like Jesus, with the same intimacy—to experience God as Abba in the depths of their being. Do we try to talk to God? Do we listen for answers? This relationship is always a work in progress. Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co.

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# The 17th Sunday in Ordinary Time

St. Francis of Assisi Parish  
July 23-24, 2022

## Gathering:

### **Now is the Time**

Tom Kendzia

**REFRAIN**

Come to us, you who say, "I will not for-get you." Be with us, you who say,  
"Do not be a - fraid." Take hold of us, our hearts, our  
minds, our whole be - ing. Make us your own, now is the time.

**Cantor:** Spirit of love,

**All:** Crush the pain of hatred.

**Cantor:** Spirit of hope,

**All:** Stand before our eyes.

**Cantor:** Spirit of light,

**All:** Dance within our darkness.

**Make us your own, now is the time. (Refrain)**

**Cantor:** Spirit of peace,

**All:** Silence tongues of anger.

**Cantor:** Spirit of life,

**All:** Break the chains of death.

**Cantor:** Spirit of joy,

**All:** Overcome our sadness.

**Make us your own, now is the time. (Refrain)**

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## Gloria:

### **Mass of Renewal**

Curtis Stephen

*Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace to people of good will.  
We praise you, we bless you, we adore you, we glorify you,  
we give you thanks for your great glory, Lord God, heavenly King, O God, almighty Father.  
Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son, Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,  
you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us;  
you take away the sins of the world, receive our prayer;  
you are seated at the right hand of the Father, have mercy, have mercy on us.  
For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ,  
with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen, amen.*

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## Psalm: Psalm 138: "Lord, on the day..."

Steve Angrisano

Lord, on the day I called for help, You an-swered me, you an-swered me.

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## Gospel Acclamation:

Curtis Stephan

Al-le-lu - ia, al - le-lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. Al-le-lu - ia, al - le-lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

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# The 17th Sunday in Ordinary Time

## APOSTLE'S CREED

I believe in God, the Father almighty, Creator of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried; he descended into hell; on the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty; from there he will come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and life everlasting.

AMEN+

### Preparation of Gifts:

### *In Every Age*

*Janèt Sullivan Whitaker*

1. Long before the mountains came to be and the land and sea and stars of the night, through the endless seasons of all time, you have always been, you will always be. **(Refrain)**

REFRAIN

To Verses

In ev-'ry age, O God, you have been our ref-uge. In ev-'ry age, O God, you have been our hope,

Final Ending

God, you have been our hope, you have been our ref-uge you have been our hope.

2. Destiny is cast, and at your silent word we return to dust and scatter to the wind. A thousand years are like a single moment gone, as the light that fades at the end of day. **(Refrain)**

3. Teach us to make use of the time we have. Teach us to be patient even as we wait. Teach us to embrace our ev'ry joy and pain. To sleep peacefully, and to rise up strong. **(Refrain)**

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### Liturgy of the Eucharist:

### *Mass of Renewal*

*Curtis Stephan*

Holy, Holy, Holy Lord God of hosts.  
Heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest.  
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.  
Hosanna in the highest. Hosanna in the highest.

When we eat this bread and drink this cup,  
we proclaim your death, O Lord,  
until you come again.

Amen, Amen, Amen!

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy, have mercy on us.  
Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy, have mercy on us.  
Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, grant us, grant us peace.

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# The 17th Sunday in Ordinary Time

## Communion:

### *I Myself Am the Bread of Life*

Rory Cooney

**REFRAIN**

I my - self am the bread of life. You and I  
are the bread of life, tak - en and blessed,  
bro - ken and shared by Christ that the world might live.

This bread is spirit, gift of the Maker's love,  
And we who share it know that we can be one:  
A living sign of God in Christ. **(Refrain)**

Here is God's kingdom given to us as food.  
This is our body, this is our blood:  
A living sign of God in Christ. **(Refrain)**

Lives broken open, stories shared aloud,  
Become a banquet, a shelter for the world:  
A living sign of God in Christ. **(Refrain)**

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## Sending Forth:

### *We Are Marching/Siyahamba*

South African Folksong

We are marching in the light of God; we are marching in the light of God.  
We are marching in the light of God; we are marching in the light of God.  
We are marching, marching; we are marching, we are marching in the light of God.  
We are marching, marching; we are marching, we are marching in the light of God.

We are dancing in the light of God; we are dancing in the light of God.  
We are dancing in the light of God; we are dancing in the light of God.  
We are dancing, dancing; we are dancing, we are dancing in the light of God.  
We are dancing, dancing; we are dancing, we are dancing in the light of God.

Si-ya-hamb' e-ku-khan-yen' kwen-khos', si-ya-hamb' e-ku-kha-nyen' kwen-khos'.  
Si-ya-hamb' e-ku-khan-yen' kwen-khos', si-ya-hamb' e-ku-kha-nyen' kwen-khos'.  
Si-ya-ham-ba, ham-ba, si-ya-ham-ba, ham-ba, si-ya-hamb' e-ku-kha-nyen' kwen-khos'.  
Si-ya-ham-ba, ham-ba, si-ya-ham-ba, ham-ba, si-ya-hamb' e-ku-kha-nyen' kwen-khos'.

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**Siyahamba ekukhanyen' kwenkhos Translation: We are marching in the light of God.**

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