

July 16, 2017

Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time (A)

From the Desk of Rev. Msgr. Hugh J. Corrigan:

“The seed sown among thorns is the one who hears the word, but then worldly anxiety and the lure of riches choke the word and it bears no fruit.” Whenever I read this parable, I substitute “ Japanese knotweed” for thorns. As you know, the rectory garden (not the convent garden) is plagued by this invasive weed. It literally chokes any plant that it can reach, twisting itself around the plant right up to the top, often killing it. I spend half my time in the garden trying to uproot it. It always comes back because its roots can be as deep as three feet. It is a perfect metaphor for how difficult it is to nourish the word of God in our hearts. Going to church every Sunday is necessary (but not sufficient) to control the weeds of worldly anxieties and the lure of riches. Like my knotweed, you may, with much effort, control them but you can’t eliminate them. Since my time as pastor will end on June 30, 2018, I fear that the new pastor will not have the energy or the will to fight the knotweed. He will probably eliminate the garden altogether. I might form a garden club in our parish to take care of both gardens. Anyone interested in joining?

Our Spanish Choir is in Europe visiting the shrines and churches, in Fatima, Lourdes, Santiago de Compostela, Avila, Madrid and Burgos. We wish them a safe and enriching journey.

The property of Our Lady of the Rosary has been sold to the Charter School of Educational Excellence. They are presently located at 260 Warburton Avenue and will use the new property to expand their school.

Collection : the collection for last Sunday, July 9, 2017 was \$3,235.00
Second collection today is our monthly collection for the Property Insurance

Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time: We may no longer live in a society dominated by agriculture the way the ancient Israel was, but in the middle of summer we can still relate to stories about planting and growing seeds. As we gather for worship today, let us open our hearts to the images and stories we will hear, so that the seeds of God’s love may take root in our lives.

Pope Francis: There is great need to feed Christian hope, which gives us a new view capable of discovering and seeing the good! .”

**Registration for 2017-2018:
Begins Monday, June 26, 2017 through Saturday, August 19, 2017
Monday’s, Thursday’s and Saturday’s ONLY**

To register you must submit \$25.00 deposit per child this will be deducted from your registration fee. If you are new to the program you need to submit a Birth Certificate along with a

Baptismal Certificate and a photo of your child.

Registration for one is \$95.00

Registration for two is \$160.00

Registration for three is \$195.00

Registration for four is \$185.00

If your child will be receiving Communion this year the fee for Holy Communion is \$75.00 per child.

If your child will be receiving Confirmation this year the fee for Confirmation is \$95.00 per child.

Classes will be held on Saturdays from 9:30 am to 11:00 am. Classes will start on September 9, 2017

Parish Membership: All adult Catholics should be registered. We want to know and serve you and hope that you will become an active member of our parish community. Please notify the rectory of any changes in address, or if you are leaving the Parish. It is necessary to be a registered member of our parish for a minimum of 3 months in order for us to testify to your ability to be a sponsor for Baptism/Confirmation, witness to a Catholic marriage, or provide recommendation for a position at work or character reference.

**Mass Schedule for the week of
July 16, 2017 to July 23, 2017**

Mass are daily at 8:15 and 12:05 in English and in Spanish on Thursdays at 7:30pm

Below are the Special Intentions for this week

Sunday July 16, 2017

7:30 for the Parishioners

9:00 Arnlfo Flores Matute

11:00 Joseph M Clemente

Rosa Flores

Elizabeth Areizaga & Family

Saturday July 22, 2017:

5:00 Angelita Motta

7:30 Venessa Trujill & Pedro Garzon

Maria Gaspar

Holga Maria Trujill

Sunday July 23, 2017

7:30 for the Parishioners

9:00 Ana Delia Valencia & Mauro A Jumenez

11:00 Selma & Louise Peoples

Eva Valencia Cesar

Daughter