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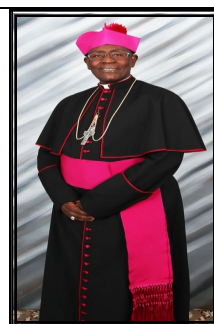
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**SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME – YEAR A
JULY 30, 2023**

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Please call prior to final arrangements.

MASS SCHEDULES

Weekend

Saturdays: 4:00 p.m.

Sundays: 7:00 a.m. & 9:30 a.m.

CONFESSION: Saturdays: 4:30 p.m.
or by Appointment

Weekday

Tuesdays & Thursdays: 12:15 p.m.

Wednesdays & Fridays 7:00 a.m.

HOLY HOUR

**EXPOSITION AND ADORATION
OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT
FRIDAYS IMMEDIATELY
AFTER THE 7:00 AM MASS**



“TOGETHER BUILDING THE KINGDOM OF GOD.”

17TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - YEAR A

INTRODUCTION TO THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

FIRST READING: 1 Kings 3:5, 7-12

God appeared to Solomon in a dream and offered him whatever he desired. The King requested wisdom to govern Israel well. The Lord granted the request.

SECOND READING: Romans 8:28-30

All things work for good for people who love God. The Lord God knows, predestines, justifies and glorifies people and calls them to share Christ's love.

GOSPEL READING: Matthew 13:44-52 or 13:44-46

Jesus said that the reign of heaven is like a buried treasure and a fine pearl. Those who find it sell all they have to attain it. God is like a householder who brings forth good things, new and old.

What do we treasure? Material success, good health, a comfortable life? Today's readings offer a different perspective. In the first reading, we hear what Solomon asks when God gives him the opportunity to ask for anything at all. Hint: it's not health or wealth. Saint Paul tells the Romans how blessed we all are to have been called by God. In the Gospel, Jesus tells His disciples that the kingdom of heaven is like buried treasure or a priceless pearl, worth more than all we have. May the examples we hear today teach and inspire us.

Daily Scripture Readings For The Week Of July 30, 2023

31 - Monday St. Ignatius of Loyola, Priest

Ex 32:15-24, 30-34; Ps 106:19-23; Mt 13:31-35

01 - Tuesday St. Alphonsus Liguori, Bishop and Doctor of the Church

Ex 33:7-11; 34:5b-9, 28; Ps 103:6-13; Mt 13:36-43

02 - Wednesday St. Eusebius of Vercelli, Bishop and St. Peter Julian Eymard, Priest

Ex 34:29-35; Ps 99:5-7, 9; Mt 13:44-46

03 - Thursday St. Lydia

Ex 40:16-21, 34-38; Ps 84:3-6a, 8a, 11; Mt 13:47-53

04 - Friday St. John Vianney, Priest

Lv 23:1, 4-11, 15-16, 27, 34b-37; Ps 81:3-6, 10-11; Mt 13:54-58

05 - Saturday Dedication of the Basilica of St. Mary Major

Lv 25:1, 8-17; Ps 67:2-3, 5, 7-8; Mt 14:1-12

06 - Sunday The Transfiguration of the Lord

Dn 7:9-10, 13-14; Ps 97:1-2, 5-6, 9; 2 Pt 1:16-19; Mt 17:1-9

MASS INTENTION

4:00 p.m.: Saturday July 29, 2023
NO MASS

9:00 a.m.: Sunday July 30, 2023
- B'day Blessing Lucy Bough rb Family
- B'day Blessing Aesha Duval rb Family

12:15 p.m.: Tuesday August 01, 2023
- B'day Blessing Mary St. Aime rb Office Staff

7:00 a.m.: Wednesday August 02, 2023
- 12th Anniv. of Priesthood of Fr. Thabang Izrael Nkadimeng rb Gaston Family

12:15 p.m.: Thursday August 03, 2023
- B'day Blessing Mary St. Aime

7:00 a.m.: Friday August 04, 2023
- +Deacon Norbert Xavier rb Family

ANNOUNCEMENTS

THIS WEEK'S SANCTUARY CANDLE

ST. JOACHIM CHURCH: Spl. Int. Parishioners Prior, Present, and Future

ST. ANN CHAPEL: Thanksgiving Fr. Thabang Izrael Nkadimeng rb Gaston Family

SHRINE: Thanksgiving Edson O'Neale rb Mother

ALTAR FLOWERS: St. Ann's Parish Family

▪ **Church Maintenance:** Abundant blessings and thanks to our Altar Society Group "E" that cleaned and prepared the Lord's house for church services this past Saturday. Group "A" is scheduled to clean on Saturday, August 05, 2023. Please think and pray about giving just one hour each month to this ministry.

▪ **Thank You:** St. Ann's Parish Family extends gratitude to Maxwell Lynch for his generous availability towards the grooming of the floral planters surrounding the Joachim Church.

▪ **High School Enrollment:** St. Joseph Catholic High School is currently accepting enrollment for the 2023 —2024 school year. Scholarships are available, on merit. For further information kindly contact Ms. Miranda Maynard at 340-643-5284. Thank you.

▪ **An Online Course For Learning How To Manage Fertility Naturally In Context Of The Catholic Faith.** Based on the Sympto-Thermal method, the course incorporates a unique blend of scientific insights, relationship frameworks and Catholic Theology. From 19 July - 31 August you can register for the course at 50% off to celebrate Natural Fertility Awareness Week. Use **NFPWEEK** coupon code to claim your discount. www.smartloving.org/fertility.

▪ **Private Viewing of the New Movie: Sound Of Freedom:** Don't miss the "Sound Of Freedom" movie viewing hosted by the Diocesan Council of Catholic Women. Join us on Sunday, August 6, 2023, at 3:00 pm at the Caribbean Cinemas, St. Thomas, and St. Croix. Tickets cost \$5.00 at the Parish offices and the Chancery office. Please consider donating to support the event. An inspiring film about rescuing trafficked children. Let's unite as Catholics to protect God's children. Call 340-774-3166 (Office) or 340-642-7052 (Mobile).

▪ **St. Joseph's Church Concert:** The 7th annual concert in honor of Our Blessed Mother will be held on Sunday, October 8, 2023, at 3pm in the Hospitality Lounge at St. Joseph Church. All those interested in participating please contact Joanna Jn-Baptiste at 340-473-6737. Thank you!

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION PROGRAM

2022 — 2023

Religious Education Classes are on Summer break until further notice.

Registration for the 2023-2024 year is in progress from July 1 to August 26, 2023. For registration, the students' birth and baptismal certificates are needed. Thank you.

CHRISTIAN STEWARDSHIP:

What are the rewards of Stewardship? We seek no "rewards" for our stewardship; we do it with the joy of serving God. Stewardship is the responsibility of the Christian life, making our prayers, worship, study of scriptures, Christian action truly sincere.

Our whole life is a partnership with God. We cannot "give" anything to God, but we can fulfill our stewardship to God by using our gifts wisely and sharing with others.

*Your giving is the key to the success of church plans and programs. To help us meet our obligations, please pray about **TITHING** and becoming **GOOD STEWARDS**.*



The Transfiguration of Our Lord

"This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased; listen to him." Who is Jesus Christ? Is he the central person in your life? Only YOU can answer these questions for yourself. And when you do, Jesus gently says, "Rise, and do not be afraid."

The Transfiguration of Christ is the culminating point of His public life, as His Baptism is its starting point, and His Ascension its end. Moreover, this glorious event has been related in detail by St. Matthew (17:1-6), St. Mark (9:2-8), and St. Luke (9:28-36), while St. Peter (II Peter 1:16-18) and St. John (1:14), two of the privileged witnesses, make allusion to it. About a week after His sojourn in Caesarea Philippi, Jesus took with him Peter, James and John and led them up a high mountain apart, where He was transfigured before their ravished eyes. This dazzling brightness which emanated from His whole Body was produced by an interior shining of His Divinity. False Judaism had rejected the Messiah, and now true Judaism, represented by Moses and Elijah, the Law and the Prophets, recognized and adored Him, while for the second time God the Father proclaimed Him His only-begotten and well-beloved Son. By this glorious manifestation the Divine Master, who had just foretold His Passion to the Apostles (Matthew 15:21), and who spoke with Moses and Elijah of the trials which awaited Him at Jerusalem, strengthened the faith of his three friends and prepared them for the terrible struggle of which they were to be witnesses in Gethsemane, by giving them a foretaste of the glory and heavenly delights to which we attain by suffering.

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PRAYER CORNER

HURRICANE SEASON PRAYER

God our Father, all the elements of nature obey your command. Keep us safe from the dangers of hurricanes, floods, earthquakes, natural disasters and all acts of terrorism. May we be secure in your protection and always feel the presence of your love, as you turn our fear into praise of your goodness. Bless our families, bring peace to all nations and protect us from the Coronavirus and all other sicknesses. We ask this through our Lord Jesus Christ Your Son, who lives and reigns with You in unity with the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever. Amen!

FATIMA PRAYER

My God, I believe, I adore, I hope and I love Thee! I ask forgiveness for those who do not believe, do not adore, do not hope and do not love Thee. Amen!



CONGRATULATIONS! Today, we celebrate the 200th Anniversary of St. Ann's Chapel and, the 53rd Anniversary of St. Ann's as a Parish. We thank all those who have contributed to make this event a spirit filled one from 1823 to 2023.

We thank all the Committee Members who worked diligently to make this event a fruitful one. **THANK YOU! THANK YOU! THANK YOU!**

OUR LADY OF BARRENSPOT SHRINE
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*Please feel free to visit,
meditate and pray.*

Please pray for the members of our Parish who are sick or suffering...

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