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Most Rev. Jerome Feudjio, Bishop



FIFTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME – YEAR A JULY 16, 2023

Pastor: Rev. Fr. Louis Kemayou

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Rev. Dr. Denis Griffith

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SACRISTAN: Mr. Aldon Rogers

ASSISTANT SACRISTANS: Mrs. Patricia Browne, Mrs. Patricia Griffith

MAINTENANCE: Mr. Michael Matthews

SACRAMENTS

BAPTISM: 3rd Sunday of each month. Call for

appointment

MARRIAGE: Call four (4) months before any

arrangements are made.

ANOINTING OF THE SICK: Call anytime

FUNERAL: Tuesdays through Fridays Please call prior to final arrangements.

MASS SCHEDULES

ONLINE GIVING OR DONATION

CAN BE MADE THROUGH OUR

WEBSITE AT: www.saintannvi.com

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 SACRMENT
FRIDAYS IMMEDIATELY
AFTER THE 7:00 AM MASS



"TOGETHER BUILDING THE KINGDOM OF GOD."

15TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - YEAR A

INTRODUCTION TO THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

FIRST READING: Isaiah 55:10-11

Just as rain and snow come down from heaven and do not return until the whole earth is watered and fruitful, so shall the word of the Lord go out to do God's will and accomplish God's purpose.

SECOND READING: Romans 8:18-23

Paul told the Romans that the whole created world eagerly awaits the revelation of God's children. The world will be set free and take part in the wondrous freedom of God's children.

GOSPEL READING: Matthew 13:1-23 or 13:1-9

Jesus told the parable of the sower. When the disciples questioned Him about it, He explained how those who hear the word and understand it will bear fruit and yield a hundred or sixty or thirtyfold.

On this day in the middle of summer, our readings take us outside and into nature. In both the first reading and the Gospel, we hear of seeds and their potential within. Isaiah's focus is on the rain that nourishes the earth, enabling the seeds planted there to bear fruit. Jesus' focus is on soil where seeds can either fail or be fruitful. Both Isaiah and Jesus explain that the seed represents God's word, which can be fertile and fruitful. Let us listen to God's word today, imagining it as a seed that will take root in us, grow in us, and bear fruit in us, yielding a rich harvest for the kingdom.

Daily Scripture Readings For The Week Of July 16, 2023

17 - Monday The Blessed Martyrs of Compiegne

Ex 1:8-14, 22; Ps 124:1-8; Mt 10:34—11:1

<u>18- Tuesday</u> St. Camillus de Lellis, Priest (USA)

Ex 2:1-15a; Ps 69:3, 14, 30-31, 33-34; Mt 11:20-24 **19 - Wednesday** St. Arsenius, Monk

Ex 3:1-6, 9-12; Ps 103:1-4, 6-7; Mt 11:25-27 **20- Thursday St. Apollinaris**,

Bishop and Martyr

Ex 3:13-20; Ps 105:1, 5, 8-9, 24-27; Mt 11:28-30

<u>21 - Friday</u> St. Lawrence of Brindisi, Priest and Doctor of the Church

Ex 11:10—12:14; Ps 116:12--13, 15-18; Mt 12:1-8

<u>22 Saturday</u> St. Mary Magdalene Sg 3:1-4a **OR** 2 Cor 5:14-17; Ps 63:2-6, 8-9; Jn 20:1-2, 11-18

23 - Sunday 16th Sunday In O.T. Wis 12:13, 16-19; Ps 86:5-6, 9 -10, 15-16; Rom 8:26-27; Mt 13:24-43 **OR** 13:24-30

MASS INTENTION

4:00 p.m.: <u>Saturday July 15, 2023</u>

- Wed. Anniv. Michael and Juliana Moreau rb Family

7:00 a.m.: Sunday July 16, 2023

- B'day Blessing Anthony Charles rb Family

- B'day Blessing Raphaela Albany

9:30 a.m.: - Wed. Anniv. Jeremy and Asher Joseph rb Family - For the repose of the soul of Deacon Norbert Xavier rb Family

12:15 p.m..: Tuesday July 18, 2023

- For the repose of the soul of Edward Browne rb Family

- B'day Blessing George Thomas rb Family

7:00 a.m.: Wednesday July 19, 2023

- Spl. Int. Simphiwe Cele

12:15 p. m.: <u>Thursday July 20, 2023</u>

- For the repose of the soul of Sr. Benedicta

7:00 a.m.: Friday July 21, 2023

- All Priests in the Diocese

ANNOUNCEMENTS

THIS WEEK'S SANCTUARY CANDLE

ST. JOACHIM CHURCH: Wed. Anniv. Craig and

Susan Wells

ST. ANN CHAPEL: B'day Blessing Susan Wells

SHRINE: B'day Blessing Craig Wells, Sr.

ALTAR FLOWERS: B'day Blessing Raphaela Albany rb Family



Congratulations to Fr. Thabang Izrael Nkadimeng on his 12th Anniversary of Priestly Ordination. July 23, 2011 - July 23, 2023.

- Church Maintenance: Abundant blessings and thanks to our Altar Society Group "C" that cleaned and prepared the Lord's house for church services this past Saturday. Group "D" is scheduled to clean on Saturday, July 22, 2023. Please think and pray about giving just one hour each month to this ministry.
- 200th Anniversary Celebration: During the weekend of July 30, 2023, there will be one Mass only at 9:00 a.m. To celebrate the occasion, Lunch will be served after the Mass for those who sign up to participate in the fellowship ceremony in the Marian Hall where seating arrangements will be assigned. Two tents will be set up to provide Grab and Go lunch for those who so desire. Tickets will be given to those who pick up and go. A Sign-Up Sheet is available for those who are interested in the fellowship ceremony as well as those who will grab and go. Please be advised that a new shipment of T-Shirts, in various sizes, has arrived for those who requested them. The cost of the T-Shirts is \$35.00 each. Please stop by the Bookstore to make your selection.
- <u>High School Enrollment</u>: St. Joseph Catholic High School is currently accepting enrollment for the 2023 —2024 school year. Scholarships are available. For further information kindly contact Ms. Miranda Maynard at 340-643-5284. Thank you.
- Fourth African National Eucharistic Congress (ANEC): On Wednesday morning, July 19, 2023 at the 7:00 a.m. Mass, there will be a blessing of the Pilgrims/Delegates representing the Diocese of St. Thomas in the Virgin Islands at the ANEC Conference at the National Shrine in Washington, D.C.
- Wedding Anniversary: Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Michael and Juliana Moreau on your 50th Wedding Anniversary. May God continue to fill your hearts with love, goodness and blessings. May He also shower your family members with spiritual favor and guidance.
- <u>Meeting</u>: All Stewards Of Christ members are reminded of a meeting on Wednesday, July 19, 2023 at 6:30pm in the Marian Hall. See you there!

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**.

St. Mary Magdalene A Disciple Of Jesus

St. Mary, whom Jesus converted, and who witnessed His death and burial with Mary, Jesus' Mother and St. John, was called

Magdalene from the town of Magdala in Galilee. St. Clement of Alexandria and others identify her as the woman who washed Jesus' feet with her tears.

St. Mary Magdalene followed Jesus with other devout women during His Public Life. After His Resurrection, Jesus appeared first to Mary Magdalene and then to His Apostles.

It is an ancient tradition in Provence, France, that St. Mary Magdalene, Mary the sister of Lazarus, Lazarus, Martha, and some other disciples of our Lord, being expelled by the Jews, were put to sea and landed at Marseilles; and that St. Lazarus became the first Bishop of that See.

The feast of St. Mary Magdalene is celebrated by the Greeks as well as the Latins on this date. However, in the instructions given with the latest edition of the Roman Calendar, the Latin Church has stipulated that the feast is solely that of the woman to whom Christ appeared.

PRAYER: God, it was to St. Mary Magdalene before all others that Your son committed the message of Easter joy. Through her intercession may we one day contemplate Him reigning in glory. Amen

Source: Lives of the Saints/Illustrated

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!

ST. ANN CATHOLIC CHURCH FINANCIAL SUMMARY MAY 31, 2023

INCOME:

TOTAL INCOME:	\$36,069,10
Second Collections	\$11,143.55
Donations	\$ 3,575.60
Parish Collection	\$21,349.95

EXPENSES:

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Administrative	(\$ 16,775.36)
Benefits	(\$ 2,854.99)
Taxes	(\$ 3,064.48)
Office Expenses	(\$ 556.21)
Maintenance	(\$ 1,832.72)
Insurance	(\$ 2,128.33)
Utilities	(\$ 2,598.78)
Broadcasting	<u>(\$ 250.00)</u>
TOTAL EXPENSES:	(\$30,060.87)
INCOME-EXPENSE:	\$6,008.23

OUR LADY OF BARRENSPOT SHRINE Located In The Sugar Mill, Erected 1808



Please feel free to visit, meditate and pray.

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

Gavin Ajani Navarro, Maria Hall, Eugenie Samuel, Blossy Julien, Gloria Roddy, Omar Dubois, Carla D. Beharry, Kimbel President, Neil Dennie, Madonna Hall, Madonna Remy, Patrice John, Francis Charles, Eldon Serrant, Alex Albert, George John, Gloria John, Matilda Nestor, Annel Sylvestre, Julius Francis, Helen Howard, Mary Bishop, Francis (Frankie) Xavier, Charles Philip, Joseph Vigier, Ferdin Tobierre, Juditha Joseph, Anisha Hendricks, Louise L. Henry, Worrell George, Polly Joseph, Mary Vincent, James Eugene, Anne Marie Eugene, Valerie Leon, Keeyan Scotland, Vel Beaubrun, Cammie R. Daniel, Agatha Joseph, Paulina Isaac, Mary N. Elliott, Princilla Julien Eugene, Agatha Edwards, Alejandro Ayala, Anna Guiste, Kaishia Toussaint, Ruth Royer, Melanie Popo, Eugenia Johnson, Edita Emmanuel, Melvina Albert, Maureen Tyson, Elisa Harrison, Cornelia Willie, Celine Bradshaw, Uralise Eugene, Mabel Williams, Steven C. Mayers, Judith Nelson, Julien Thomas, Barbara Bretto, Cynthia Richards, Lynette Ettinoffe, Nitza Ayala, Kieran St. Ange

Please call the Office to add or remove names from this list.

Members of the Armed Forces Serving Our Country

Aliyah Brooks, Justin Joseph, Malachi Gaston, Meriano Jacobs, Marquis Joseph, Natasha Massicott-Alcala, Erica Toussaint, Herman Bardouille, Jr., Nicholas Philogene, Isaiah Jonathan Francis, Alexander Buchanan, Rashad A. Richards, Tre'Von Portor, Akeem Grenidge, Enja Gumbs, Ganesia Milligan, Marvin Del Sol, Adrian Nelson, Brianna Nelson, Shawn Pryce, Michael Matthews, Rodney A Fabio, III, Christopher Samuel, Recqiem Serrano

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CELEBRATING OUR 200th ANNIVERSARY

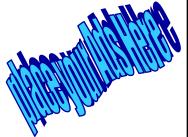




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