

Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

We remember in our prayers all the sick, especially the following: Jeff Gibbons. Eric Gray. Charlie McCloskey. Myles Acosta. Billy Edwards. Elayne Hayes. Vicki Robinson. Tony Olzawski. Tom Rottinghaus. Elise Sugg. Kathy Carmona. Vicki Robinson. Jacob Stephens. Fr. Ruggles, Fr. Kelly, Fr. McGrath, Fr. Rootman, Fr. Duyka, Msgr. Priest. John Fabetz. Ryan Madden. Bernardo Garcia. Jane Stone. Eric Hurley. Jim & Joann Rayl. Andrea Easter. Mary Lou Johnson, Betty Brown, Rose Kennedy, Judith Sotomayor, Judy Fazio, Marty Blahitka, Carolyn Edwards, Dominic Sosta, Joshua Larsson, Avery Boultinghouse, Wanda Stephens, Wanda Thompson, Eleana Fritz, Kathryn Allen, Jim & Geri O'Neil. We list the names of our sick Parishioners, Friends and Relatives for one month. **We remember in our prayers all those who have recently died, especially: Bill Pritchett.**

Please pray for the men and women active military service from our parish community: Pvt Randall Scheaffer US Army (Grandson of Carlos & Pat Gallardo). Lt. Col. William P Shea, (Nephew of Deacon Sam and Nancy Mullen). Colonel John Anthony Fontana, U.S. Army (Son of John & Mary Fontana). Commander Tom Moroney, Navy (Son of Roger & Shirley Moroney). Ensign Gary Buchanan & 2nd Lt. Blake Gaughan & Lcpl Mike Buchanan (Nephews of Jess & Eva Corrigan). Paul Moreno USCG (Grandson of Kathy & Dale Boman). Staff Sergeant Daniel Hodan, U.S. Army (Grandson of Ron & Barbara Eamma)

OBSTACLES

The prophet Ezekiel, Saint Paul, and the Lord Jesus share something in common in today's scripture readings. They all experience obstacles to their ministry. Ezekiel is summoned to prophesy to the Israelites, who are "[h]ard of face and obstinate of heart" (Ezekiel 2:4). Saint Paul recounts how he has been given a "thorn in the flesh" (2 Corinthians 12:7). The Lord Jesus is unable to perform many signs in his native place. The Gospel tells us that "[he] was amazed at their lack of faith" (Mark 6:6). We too sometimes encounter obstacles as we travel along the journey of faith. So often we experience weakness on this journey. Let the words of the Lord to Saint Paul encourage us today: "My grace is sufficient for you, for power is made perfect in weakness" (2 Corinthians 12:9).

ONLY HALFWAY: You can only go halfway into the darkest forest; then you are coming out the other side. — Chinese proverb

✠ Please remember Holy Spirit Parish in your Will. ✠

For free information on making a will, finding a lawyer or making a bequest to our parish, please call Mark Henry at the East Texas Catholic Foundation @ 903-534-1077 X 200 or visit www.etcflegacy.org.

Mass Times & Intentions

Sat 7/07 5:00pm Mass—James DiCarlo+ (M/M Hansen)

Sun 7/08 9:30am Mass—Holy Spirit Parishioners

Tue 7/10 9:00am Mass/Adoration—Marge & Charlie Clymer

Wed 7/11 7:45am Mass—For those affected by the fires in the West

Thurs 7/12 9:00am Mass—First Responders of the fires

Fri 7/13 9:00am Mass—Deacon John E. Dunn, Jr.+

Sat 7/14 5:00pm Mass—Nonie Gillespie+ (Bridget Rich)

Saturday Confessions are from 4:15—4:45pm

Sunday Confessions are from 8:45—9:15am

PARISH SUPPORT

Required Weekly Funds Offerings	6/30 & 7/01	Attendance
	\$ 3,961	Sat. Sun.
	\$ 4,987	64 95

One can Give without Loving...But one cannot Love without Giving

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

First Reading — They shall know that a prophet has been among them (Ezekiel 2:2-5).

Psalm — Our eyes are fixed on the Lord, pleading for his mercy (Psalm 123).

Second Reading — I am content with weaknesses and hardships for the sake of Christ (2 Corinthians 12:7-10).

Gospel — The people said: "Where did this man get all this? Is he not the carpenter, the son of Mary?" (Mark 6:1-6).

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Hos 2:16, 17b-18, 21-22; Ps 145:2-9; Mt 9:18-26

Tuesday: Hos 8:4-7, 11-13; Ps 115:3-10; Mt 9:32-38

Wednesday: Hos 10:1-3, 7-8, 12; Ps 105:2-7; Mt 10:1-7

Thursday: Hos 11:1-4, 8c-9; Ps 80:2ac, 3b, 15-16; Mt 10:7-15

Friday: Hos 14:2-10; Ps 51:3-4, 8-9, 12-14, 17; Mt 10:16-23

Saturday: Is 6:1-8; Ps 93:1-2, 5; Mt 10:24-33

Sunday: Am 7:12-15; Ps 85:9-14; Eph 1:3-14 [3-10]; Mk 6:7-13

Pope's Universal Intention for July: Evangelization – Priests a their Pas-

toral Ministry: That priests, who experience fatigue and loneliness in their pastoral work, may find help and comfort in their intimacy with the Lord and in their friendship with their brother priests.

EVENTS AND NEWS

July Second Collections: 14th & 15th: "Church in Africa".

*The Welcome Committee will meet on Sun., July 8th after the 9:30am Mass in the Parish Hall. Join us.
The committee planning the Sept. 23rd Ice Cream Social will meet on Mon., July 9th at 9:00am in the Parish Hall.
If you have an interest in either of these groups but cannot attend the meeting please contact Anna Parker at 903-833-7019. Thanks, Anna Parker*

A Summer Prayer

*Long warm days...
The pace of life slows...
A time for picnics and rest in the shade...
Lord, help me to rest awhile
in the cooling shade of your presence.
Slow down my restless heart and fill me
with gentle compassion for all your people.
Amen.*

– Author unknown

Exposition is every Tuesday from 9:30am—4:00pm

"Therefore let us desire nothing else, let us wish for nothing else, let nothing else please us and cause us delight, except our Creator, Redeemer, and Savior, the one true God who is the Fullness of Good."
- St. Francis of Assisi

Religious Gift Shop

Our gift shop is located in the parish hall to the right of the kitchen, in the hallway, across from the restrooms. It is generally open after weekend Masses. We carry a large selection of medals, holy cards, religious art and rosaries (these are made by our own rosary group that get together every Friday after 9:00am Mass). If you have questions or need to place a special order, call Jean Kelly at 903-857-9868.

Leave a Lasting Legacy With A Gift from Your Retirement Plan: All IRAs, 401Ks and other retirement plans have beneficiary pages. Because leaving these plans to children can result in a large percentage going to taxes, you may want to consider naming the parish endowment fund as a beneficiary of your retirement plan. It will be a charitable gift so no taxes are due on the gift. You can even leave just a percentage of the retirement plan to the parish endowment fund. For information about changing your beneficiaries on retirement plans or other legacy planning ideas contact Mark Henry at 903-534-1077 X200, email him at mhenry@dioceseoftyler.org or go to www.etcfgacy.org.

Welcome!

All visitors to our beautiful East Texas community of Holly Lake Ranch are welcome to visit our Prayer Garden directly behind our parish hall to pray and worship with us. If you are Catholic, and have recently received the Sacrament of Reconciliation, you are also invited to share in the Holy Eucharist. If you are not a practicing Catholic, we invite you to come forward with arms crossed over your chest to receive a sacramental blessing. Pray that we all continue to grow together into the body of Christ, to which the Lord calls us.

JULY EVENTS

Sun. 8th: Welcome Committee meeting after 9:30 Mass in the Parish Hall.

Mon. 9th: Welcome Committee meeting at 9:00am in the Parish Hall regarding "Ice Cream Social."

Wed. 11th: Fundraiser Mtg. 6:00pm

Sat. 14th through Mon. 23rd: Fr. Mike will be attending a Fatima Pilgrimage. Fr. Ron Demski will be saying Mass on the two weekends Fr. Mike is gone.

Wed. 25th: *Beginning today July 25th there will be NO 7:45am Mass. From here on out the morning Mass is changing to a evening Mass at 5:00pm.*

Thurs. 19th through Fri. Aug. 3rd: Deacon Sam and Nancy will be on vacation.

FOR YOUR CHILD'S SAFETY.....

Adults and parents, PLEASE accompany your children to the restrooms. Do not leave your children unattended.

PLEASE...BE WISE...SUPERVISE

Children's Faith Formation

Those interested in evangelization or catechesis please contact Wanda Stephens, DRE @ (903) 360-6927 or by email wandajbs@gmail.com.

A hot car is lethal for children

Never forget your child in the car. The Kars4Kids Safety app connects to your car's Bluetooth and sounds an alarm every time you leave your car, making sure your child is never accidentally left behind. Try it with your pet.

Go to www.Kars4Kids.org/app.

SAVE THE DATE

**Holy Spirit 2nd Annual
International Food Festival
Saturday, Oct. 6, 2018
11:00am—2:00pm
Parish Hall**

