

COMMUNITY COMING EVENTS and ANNOUNCEMENTS

- 07/28 (XVII Ordinary Sunday) **Holy Mass** at 10am. Coffee hour (fellowship hour) in the church hall follows the Mass.
- 08/04 (XVIII Ordinary Sunday) **Holy Mass** at 10am. **Filipino Breakfast** (fellowship hour) in the church hall follows the Mass. No Mass intention so far!

- Our parish will be hosting a **TAG SALE** at the beginning of September 2024 on the church grounds to raise additional funds for our church. We invite you to donate any items you no longer need. Your generous contributions will help our fundraising efforts. Additionally, if you would like to assist in organizing or helping during the event, we welcome your support! For donations or to offer your help, **please contact Ana or Marilen.**
- We are excited to announce that we will be having BINGO game at our Parish BBQ in August. To make this event even more special, **we are seeking donations of items that can be used as bingo prizes.** We kindly ask that all donated items be unused. Your generous contributions will help make our event enjoyable and memorable for everyone. Thank you for your support and generosity!

CHURCH NEWS

- Upcoming birthdays & anniversaries: REV. HENRY SMOLINSKI (07/31). Happy anniversary! Happy birthday!

If you have any information for the „Church News Column”, please inform Fr. Adam by email or phone no later than Friday afternoon.

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PARISH BULLETIN

XVII SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

MASS INTENTION - 10am

For + DOMINADOR TAISA on the occasion of death anniversary (req. by Lydia Taisa)

INTROIT

C: For the Lord has chosen Zion; He prefers her for His dwelling.
“Zion is My resting place forever;”

R: “In her will I dwell, for I prefer her. I will bless her with abundant provision, her poor I will fill with bread.”

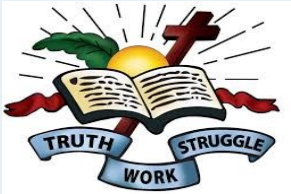
C: Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit,

R: As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.



HOLY MASS

. 10.00 am



MASS INTENTIONS

If you would like to have a Mass said for a particular intention, you must stop by the Parish Office or the sacristy in the Church before/after Sunday mass. Masses can be said for a deceased person or as a special intention for the living. You may reserve a Sunday of your choice, and your intention will be published in the parish bulletin.

We encourage you to offer a Mass on the occasion of a birthday, anniversary or

READING 1

A reading from the Second Book of Kings.

A man came from Baal-shalishah bringing to Elisha, the man of God, twenty barley loaves made from the firstfruits, and fresh grain in the ear.
Elisha said, "Give it to the people to eat."
But his servant objected, "How can I set this before a hundred people?"
Elisha insisted, "Give it to the people to eat."
"For thus says the LORD, 'They shall eat and there shall be some left over.'"
And when they had eaten, there was some left over, as the LORD had said.

2 KGS 4:42-44

The Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

PS 145

„The hand of the Lord feeds us; he answers all our needs.”

READING 2

A reading from the Letter of St. Paul to the Ephesians.

Brothers and sisters:
I, a prisoner for the Lord,
urge you to live in a manner worthy of the call you have received,
with all humility and gentleness, with patience,
bearing with one another through love,
striving to preserve the unity of the spirit through the bond of peace:
one body and one Spirit,
as you were also called to the one hope

of your call;
one Lord, one faith, one baptism;
one God and Father of all,
who is over all and through all and in all.

The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

EPH 4:1-6

GOSPEL

JN 6:1-15

A reading from the Holy Gospel according to John.

Glory be to You, Lord.

Jesus went across the Sea of Galilee. A large crowd followed him, because they saw the signs he was performing on the sick. Jesus went up on the mountain, and there he sat down with his disciples. The Jewish feast of Passover was near.
When Jesus raised his eyes and saw that a large crowd was coming to him, he said to Philip, "Where can we buy enough food for them to eat?" He said this to test him, because he himself knew what he was going to do. Philip answered him, "Two hundred days' wages worth of food would not be enough for each of them to have a little." One of his disciples, Andrew, the brother of Simon Peter, said to him, "There is a boy here who has five barley loaves and two fish; but what good are these for so many?" Jesus said, "Have the people recline." Now there was a great deal of grass in that place. So the men reclined, about five thousand in number. Then Jesus took the loaves, gave thanks, and distributed them to those who were reclining, and also as much of the fish as they wanted. When they had had their fill, he said to his disciples, "Gather the fragments left over, so that nothing will be wasted." So they collected them, and filled twelve wicker baskets with fragments from the five barley loaves that had been more than they could eat.
When the people saw the sign he had done, they said, "This is truly the Prophet, the one who is to come into the world." Since Jesus knew that they were going to come and carry him off to make him king, he withdrew again to the mountain alone.

The Gospel of the Lord. Praise be to You, Lord Jesus Christ.

GOSPEL REFLECTION

For the next five Sundays, we take a break from the year’s Gospel of Mark, the shortest of all Gospels. We insert the sixth chapter of the Gospel of John. John’s sixth chapter is called the “Bread of Life” chapter. It begins (as we hear today) with Jesus’ feeding of the thousands with five barley loaves and a couple of dried fish. It is interesting that this is the only miracle common to all four gospels, even though St. John puts his own theological touches to it (as he usually does). In John’s account of this miracle, it is Jesus Who is aware of the need of the hungry people (not His disciples, as recorded in the other gospels).