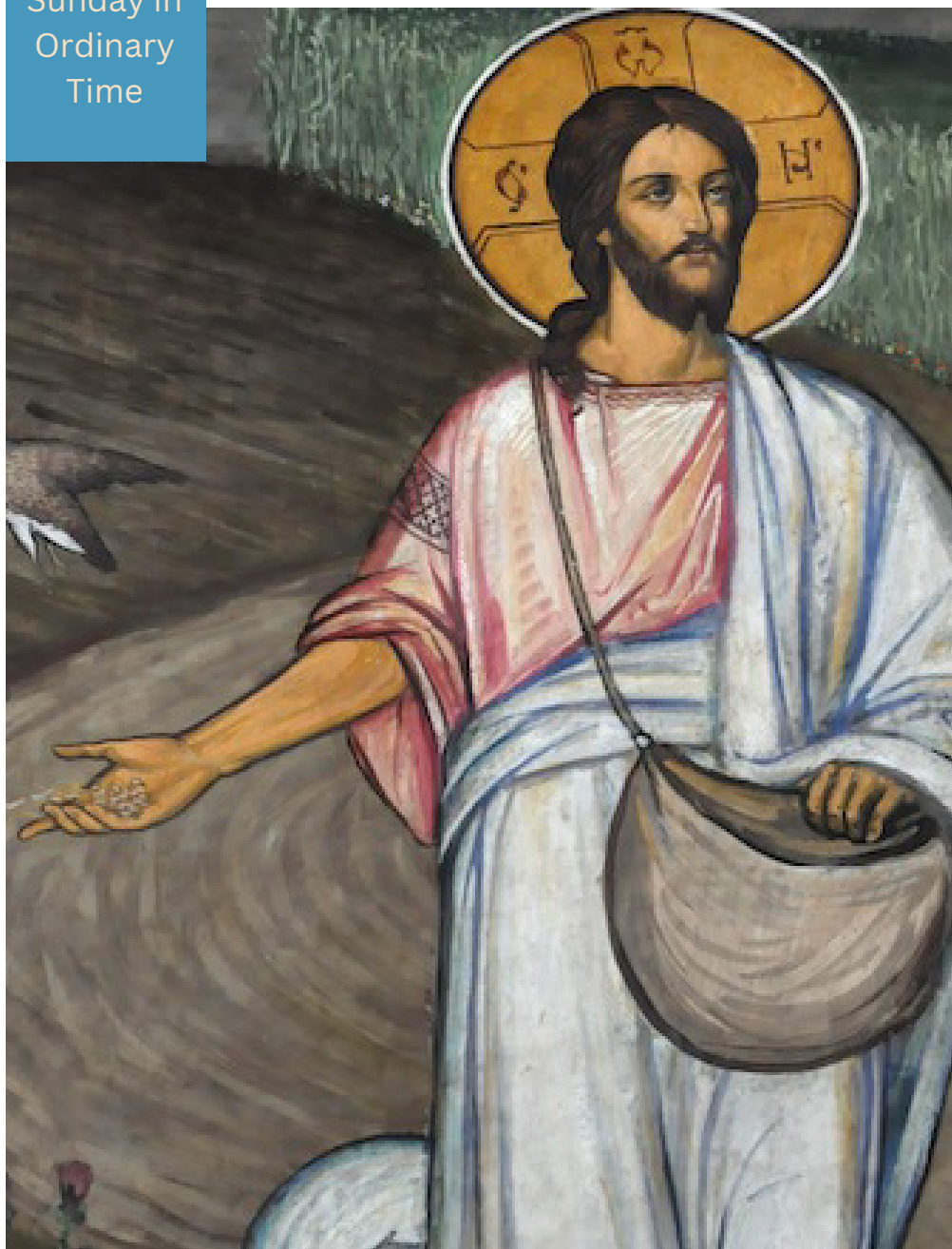


July
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2026

Fifteenth
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Welcome!

MISSION STATEMENT

"Go, then, to all peoples everywhere and make them my disciples. Preach the gospel to all people."

MASS TIMES

Saturday Vigil Mass 4:00 PM
Sunday Mass 10:00 AM
Tuesday 8:30 AM
Wednesday 8:30 AM

ADORATION

Wednesdays 9:00 AM – 2:00 PM

RECONCILIATION

Wednesdays 9:00 AM – 3:00 PM

BAPTISM

Parents seeking Baptism for their child should contact the Pastor.

MARRIAGE

Please contact the Pastor at least 4 months prior to your desired date.

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REMINDER:

There will be no Daily Mass,
Adoration or Reconciliation in July.
If a sacramental need arises, please
call the office and we will help
facilitate.

This Sunday's Readings

First Reading Isaiah 55:10-11

Responsorial Psalm 65:10-14

Second Reading Romans 8:18-23

Gospel Reading Matthew 13:1-23

Today's Gospel marks the beginning of the third long discourse given by Jesus in the Gospel of Matthew. Over the next few weeks, the Gospel readings will consist of the entire 13th Chapter of Matthew's Gospel, a lengthy teaching discourse.

Throughout this discourse, Jesus will offer several parables to illustrate for his listeners what he means by the kingdom of heaven. He begins with the parable of the sower, which appears rather straightforward—of course seeds grow best in good soil. Seeds that miss the soil, are sown on rocky ground, or are sown among other plants will not grow. The surprise in the parable is the enormous yield of the seed that is sown on good soil.

Jesus then explains his use of parables. Jesus seems to suggest that he uses parables to teach because the meanings of parables are not self-evident. The hearer must engage in some degree of reflection in order to comprehend the message of a parable. In this way, the medium—the parable—models the point of the parable of the sower. Those who are willing to engage themselves in the effort to understand will be rewarded by the discovery of the message and will bear fruit.

To bring home the point, Jesus interprets the parable of the sower to his disciples. The different types of soil in which the seeds are sown are metaphors for the disposition with which each individual hears the teaching about the kingdom of heaven. Some will be easily swayed away from the kingdom of heaven. Some will receive it for a time but will lose it when faced with difficulties. Some will hear the word but will then permit other cares to choke it out. Yet some will receive it well, and the seed will produce abundant fruit.

--Sunday Connection, Loyola Press

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, July 11 - St. Joseph Parishioners

Sunday, July 12 - Geri Comstock+

Saturday, July 18 - St. Joseph Parishioners

We had almost 50 students attend this year's Vacation Bible School - "Passport to Peace!" It was an amazing experience, with students attending sessions at Creator's Canyon, Bible Beach, Move-It Mountain, and Snack Sahara. They learned about how to be the peacemakers that God calls us to be! Thank you to all who volunteered their time, donated supplies, or trusted us with your kiddos during this amazing week!

--Emily Busch, Director of Religious Education



Parish Calendar

July 13 - July 16

Book sorting for the Used Book Sale 9:00 AM

Friday, July 17- Sunday, July 19

Used Book Sale

Friday - Saturday 9:00 AM - 2:00 PM

Sunday 9:00 AM - 12:00 PM

Tuesday, July 21

Book Club 1:30 PM

Friday, July 24- Sunday, July 26

Used Book Sale

Friday - Saturday 9:00 AM - 2:00 PM

Sunday 9:00 AM - 12:00 PM

Sacristans/Lectors/ Eucharistic Ministers/Coffee & Donut Hosts

Saturday, July 18

Sacristans - Patrick and Rebecca C.

Lector - Tony M.

Eucharistic Ministers - Ellen S. and Renee

Sunday, July 19

Sacristans - Dave and Cathy Gay

Lector - Laurie S.

Eucharistic Ministers - Cindy, Lynne, Natalie, Connie M

Coffee and Donut Hosts - Brigitta and Sharon



Vacation Bible School 2026





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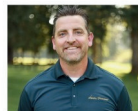
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