

Offertory: July 8, 2018
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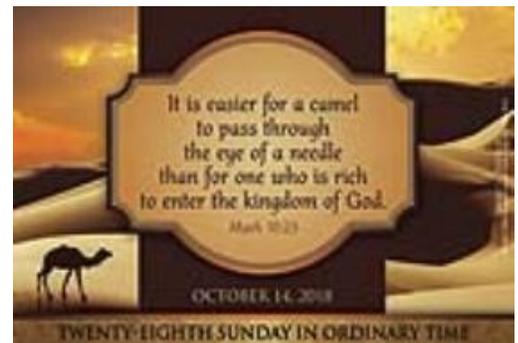
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MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, Oct. 13, OLM 4:00 PM For all the Souls in Purgatory, requested by Karen Shaw
Sunday, Oct. 14, OLM 8:30 AM For the Souls in Purgatory, requested by John Nappi, Jr.
Sunday, Oct. 14, OLV 10:30 AM For a Special Intention, requested by John Nappi, Jr.
Sunday, Oct. 14, COS 12:30 PM For my special intention, requested by Karen Shaw
Saturday, Oct. 20, OLM 4:00 PM For Terry Kauffman, requested by Friends of the Missions
Sunday, Oct. 21, OLM 8:30 AM For the Supporters of the Tanzanian well, requested by Friends of the Missions
Sunday, Oct. 21, OLV 10:30 AM For the Souls in Purgatory, requested by John Nappi, Jr.
Sunday, Oct. 21, COS 12:30 PM For a Special Intention, requested by John Nappi, Jr.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS

Oct. 17: Cursillo Ultreya, at the Cagney's, 7 PM
Oct. 18: Finance Council Meeting, 6:30PM, OLV
Oct. 19: Adoration, 3 PM, OLV
Oct. 20 & 21: Special Collection: World Mission Sunday
Oct. 27 & 28: Special Collection: Priest Benefit Fund
Nov. 1: Special Collection: All Saints Day - Holy Day of Obligation
- Mass at OLM 5:30PM and OLV 7:30PM



CALLING ALL MISSION VOICES!

Next Sunday, WORLD MISSION SUNDAY, we are called to be part of the Church's missionary efforts, supporting mission priests, religious Sisters and Brothers, and lay catechists who provide loving service to those most in need. As Catholics around the world — here at home and in the Missions— gather at the Eucharist around the table of the Lord, let us... PRAY for the Church's worldwide missionary work OFFER financial HELP through The Society for the PROPAGATION OF THE FAITH for vulnerable communities throughout Asia, Africa, Latin America and the Pacific Islands.

Weekly Intention: For the grace this week to live with detachment and abandonment toward God. 

"We are all meant to shine, as children do. And, as we let our own light shine, we unconsciously give other people permission to do the same. As we are liberated from our fear, our presence automatically liberates others."
~Nelson Mandela



Notes to Heaven, a regional Music Workshop that began back in May 2018 will be offered at Christ the King Church in Rutland on Tuesday, October 30 from 5:30 pm - 8:00 pm (doors open at 5:00 pm). There is no cost to attend. A light meal/refreshments will be provided. For more information please contact Josh Perry, 802-658-6110 x 1460

Deliver a meal with a smile. The Valley Cares Meals on Wheels program is seeking volunteer drivers for the Newfane and Townshend routes. There are usually 8-10 patrons on each route so it takes around an hour to pick up the meals at Valley Cares and deliver. Just one day a week is a big help! Please contact Amanda at Valley Cares by calling 802-365-7190.

Worldwide Marriage Encounter

Have faith that God can increase the blessings in your marriage by attending a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend. The next Weekends are Dec 7-9, 2018 in Isle La Motte, VT and Mar 15-17, 2019 in Isle La Motte, VT. For more information, call Gary & Lynn Root at 802-456-8114 or visit them at <https://wwmext.org>.

From Fr. Fred *Why does God love us? What can we give Him in return? The great Cistercian Abbot, St. Bernard of Clairvaux, says that “when God loves, all he desires is to be loved in return.” He uses the same analogy that Jesus used, that of a Bridegroom and his bride.*

“Love is sufficient of itself, it gives pleasure by itself and because of itself. It is its own merit, its own reward. Love looks for no cause outside itself, no effect beyond itself. Its profit lies in its practice. I love because I love, I love that I may love. Love is a great thing so long as it continually returns to its fountainhead, flows back to its source, always drawing from there the water which constantly replenishes it. Of all the movements, sensations and feelings of the soul, love is the only one in which the creature can respond to the Creator and make some sort of similar return however unequal though it be. For when God loves, all he desires is to be loved in return; the sole purpose of his love is to be loved, in the knowledge that those who love him are made happy by their love of him.

The Bridegroom’s love, or rather the love which is the Bridegroom, asks in return nothing but faithful love. Let the beloved, then, love in return. Should not a bride love, and above all, Love’s bride? Could it be that Love not be loved?

Rightly then does she give up all other feelings and give herself wholly to love alone; in giving love back, all she can do is respond to love. And when she has poured out her whole being in love, what is that in comparison with the unceasing torrent of that original source? Clearly, lover and Love, soul and Word, bride and Bridegroom, creature and Creator do not flow with the same volume; one might as well equate a thirsty man with the fountain.

What then of the bride’s hope, her aching desire, her passionate love, her confident assurance? Is all this to wilt just because she cannot match stride for stride with her giant, any more than she can vie with honey for sweetness, rival the lamb for gentleness, show herself as white as the lily, burn as bright as the sun, be equal in love with him who is Love? No. It is true that the creature loves less because she is less. But if she loves with her whole being, nothing is lacking where everything is given. To love so ardently then is to share the marriage bond; she cannot love so much and not be totally loved, and it is in the perfect union of two hearts that complete and perfected marriage consists. Or are we to doubt that the soul is loved by the Word first and with a greater love?”

Quote of the week:

“It is not dutiful observance that keeps us from sin, but something far greater. It is love.”

~Thomas Merton

Just for Fun:

“What did the snail say when he went for a ride on the back of a turtle?”

“I don’t know. What?”

“WHEEEEEEE!”

