

A reflection from the Pastor

“So they picked them [fragments] up and filled twelve large baskets with scraps left over from the meal of five barley loaves,” from today’s gospel of the miracle of the loaves.

At first glance, we might question the scale of this miracle. But if we do, it ceases to be a miracle. Jesus in feeding the large crowd, helped to strengthen not only their faith, but also the disciples’ faith. It was Philip who was put to the test, asking where they could get enough to feed them. But it was Andrew who pulled the small boy forward and said he had two fish and five loaves. In essence, he was working with his faith, taking what was given and making it work for the Lord.

In reality, this is what we are called to do every day of our lives. To take the blessings that God has given us, no matter how great or how small, and make it stretch to build his kingdom. And when we do that, God even gives us leftovers, as is evident from the gospel story.

What will you seek to multiply this week? In recent days it has been called ‘paying forward’ – good deeds, benefits. Either way, we should approach it as continuing God’s generosity, which can not be outdone.

May you have a blessed week. Fr. Ty

Liturgy / Mass Schedule and Intentions

The Sacrament of Penance is celebrated twenty minutes prior to each daily Mass.

Tuesday, 28th	8:00 a.m. – Irene R. Garcia + by Lupe & Francis Rivera
Friday, 31st	8:00 a.m. - Mary A. & Paul Lerma + S. Ignatius of Loyola by Mary L. Moya
Saturday, 1st	5:15 -5:45 p.m. Penance 5:40 p.m. Rosary – leader: Lupe Olguin 6:00 p.m. Mass – Souls in Purgatory
Sunday, 2nd	7:30 a.m. Santissima Rosario
<i>18th Sunday</i>	8:00 a.m. Mass – Pro Populo
<i>Ordinary Time</i>	10:00 a.m. Mass – David & Olivia Musquiz
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<i>2nd Col: Building Fund</i>	by Gracie & Ismael Perez

Readings for Sunday August 2nd



First: Exodus 16:2-4
Second: Ephesians 4:17, 20-24

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**St. Patrick's Parish Turkey Dinner –
Sunday, September 27th**

Yes, it's beginning to be that time again, we only have 71 days. We have begun the remote preparation for this annual fundraiser and celebration of the parish.

Please think about ways you might be able to help:

- Volunteer to serve inside/outside/cook/setup
- Donate to the Raffle Prizes
- Donate Auction prizes
- Donate to the purchase of turkeys/trimmings
- Make items (craft/cloth/etc.) for country store
- Make cakes for the cake walk
- Work at a booth

There will be a sign up sheet at the entrance of the church to sign up to donate raffle ticket prizes.

Thank you for your generosity.

Liturgical Assignments for the week ahead

Saturday 1st 6 p.m.

Lector Lisa Canales
Cup Ministers Paulette Brandl, Jeanette West
Altar Servers Gabriella & Madeline Canales
Ushers A. Reyes Sr., A. Garcia, B. Hernandez, H. Cardona

Sunday 2nd, 8 a.m.

Lector Martina Aguayo
Cup Ministers Juanita Canales, Juanita Madrigal
Altar Servers Mauricio Ledezma, Evan Andrade, April Chapa
Ushers H. DeLuna, T. Cabral, E. Ledezma, A. Esalante

Sunday 2nd, 10 a.m.

Lector Maribel Gonzalez
Cup Ministers Gracie and Ismael Perez
Altar Servers Anaylsa Gonzalez, Angelica & Michael Valenzuela
Ushers J. Canales Jr., D. Hybner, A. Rodriguez, A. Reyes

Saint of the Week

Saint Ignatius of Loyola, priest



Born to the Spanish nobility. Youngest of twelve. Soldier, entering the army in 1517. Wounded in the leg by a cannonball at the siege of Pampeluna on 20 May 1521, an injury that left him partially crippled for life. During his recuperation the only books he had access to were *The Golden Legend*, a collection of biographies of the saints, and the *Life of Christ* by Ludolph the Carthusian. These books, and the time spent in contemplation, changed him.

On his recovery he took a vow of chastity, hung his sword before the altar of the Virgin of Montserrat, and donned a pilgrim's robes. He lived in a cave from 1522 to 1523, contemplating the way to live a Christian life. Pilgrim to Rome and the Holy Land in 1523, where he worked to convert Muslims. In 1528 he began studying theology in Barcelona and Alcala in Spain, and Paris, France receiving his degree on 14 March 1534. His meditations, prayers, visions and insights led to forming the *Constitutions* of the *Society of Jesus* on 15 August 1534; it received papal approval in 1541. His health suffered in later years, and he was nearly blind at death.

The Jesuits today have over 500 universities and colleges, 30,000 members, and teach over 200,000 students each year.

Patron of soldiers and retreats.

St. Ignatius of Loyola, *pray for us.*

Last Sunday's Collection:

General: \$ 1528.35

Parish Pictorial Directory

As you know, the fiftieth anniversary of St. Patrick's begins September 15, 2009. One of the ways we are celebrating is to produce a picture directory of families. The picture setting is free, you will receive a free 8 X 10 portrait and a free directory book. Any additional pictures will be left to you to purchase.

Please take a moment to sign up for your portrait setting:

- After All Sunday Masses

Scheduled Dates for Pictures:

Tues – Sat. August 25 – August 29

Tues – Friday: 3:00 – 9:20 p.m. appointments

Saturday: 10:00 – 5:00 p.m. appointments

What's your Catholic IQ -Faith Quiz

Answer from last week:

Is a divorce the same as an annulment?

b. No

A marriage being declared null is not the same as a divorce. A divorce states that two people, a bride and a groom, who had been validly married, are no longer married. A declaration of nullity means that something that was necessary and indispensable for a valid marriage has not come into existence in the relationship.

This week's question:

Holy orders is a sacrament for?

- a. nuns
- b. priests, bishops, and deacons
- c. laypeople
- d. all of these

Answer coming next week

Around the Diocese . . .

Aug. 2 St. Anthony – Palacios Shrimporee
Shrimp, Beef, or Chicken \$7 a plate

Aug. 2 St. Joseph – Yoakum Parish Picnic
Stew/Sausage & Trimmings \$7 a plate

Aug. 7 & 8 Holy Family Knights of Columbus
Fishing Tournament – Pt. O'Connor
For more info contact Bryan Ellis at
361 – 578-0877 Proceeds benefit
Nazareth Academy, Victoria

Aug. 9 St. Michael Weimar
Fried Chicken and Stew - \$7 a plate

Aug. 15 St. Mary's, Praha Picnic
Stew and Fried Chicken \$7 a plate

Aug. 16 St. Andrew- Hillje Festival
BBQ Prime Beef & Sausage \$7 a plate

Sept. 27 St. Patrick's – Bloomington
Turkey Dinner