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14th Sunday in Ordinary Time ~ July 6, 2025



Holy Mass:

Mon.—Sat. 8:00 a.m.

Saturday Vigil:

5:30 p.m. (Sunday Obligation)

Sunday: 8:00 a.m., 10:30 a.m., 5:30 p.m.

Reconciliation:

Mon.-Sat. 7:15 a.m.-7:55 a.m.

Saturday 4:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Baptisms: 2nd Saturday of the Month
10:30 am

Baptism Prep.: By appointment

Funerals: Fridays at 11:00 a.m.

Marriages: 6 months in advance

Communion for the Sick: Please call the office.

Adoration: Thursdays, 1:00 p.m.—6:45 p.m.

Office Hours:

Monday: 1:00 p.m. - 4:30 p.m.

Tuesday - Friday: 9:30 a.m. - 11:30 a.m., 1:00 p.m. - 4:30 p.m.

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PARISH GIFT SHOP

Our Parish Gift Shop is Now Open! **Hours:** After Saturday Vigil 5:30 pm Mass. After Sunday 8am and 10:30 Masses. In Matthias Hall. Open during office hours.

Daily Rosary: 7:15 a.m. lead by the members of the Altar & Rosary Society.

Divine Mercy Chaplet : The chaplet is prayed after 8:00 a.m. Mass every day.

St. Anthony Devotion: Every Tuesday after Mass.

St. Maximilian Kolbe Devotion: Every Wednesday after Mass.

Mother of Perpetual Help Group: Meets every first Wednesday of the Month at 5:30 p.m. in the Church with Mass at 6:00 p.m. ***July 9th this month only.**

Cenacle of Marian Movement of Priests: Meets every first Thursday after Mass. They for our Priests through the powerful help of Our Blessed Mother.

St. Paul's Bible Study: Every Thursday after 8:00 a.m. Mass in the Library.

First Friday & Saturdays Every First Friday and First Saturday of the month we have Adoration, prayer and Benediction after morning Mass.

Second Friday—Divine Mercy Mass: Every Second Friday we have a Divine Mercy Mass at 8:00 am, followed with Adoration, prayer and Benediction.

Readings for the week of July 6, 2025

Sunday: Is 66:10-14/Ps 66:1-7,16,20/Gal 6:14-18/
Lk 10:1-12,17-20 or 10:1-9
Monday: Gn 28:10-22/Ps 91:1-4,14-15/Mt 9:18-26
Tuesday: Gn 32:23-33/Ps 17:1-3,6-8,15/Mt 9:32-38
Wednesday: Gn 41:55-57;42:5-7,17-24/Ps 33:2-3,10-11,18-19 /Mt 10:1-7
Thursday: Gn 44:18-21,23-29;45:1-5/Ps 105:16-21/
Mt 10:7-15
Friday: Gn 46:1-7,28-30/Ps 37:3-4,18-19,27-28,39-40/
Mt 10:16-23
Saturday: Gn 49:29-32;50:15-26/Ps 105:1-4,6-7/
Mt 10:24-33
Next Sunday: Dt 30:10-14/Ps 69:14,17,30-31,33-34,36-37 or Ps 19:8-11/Col 1:15-20/Lk 10:25-37

From the Pastor's Desk

Peace and all God's blessings.

In the chapter of the Gospel immediately preceding today's passage, St. Luke describes Jesus sending out the Twelve on a mission. This time, it's *seventy-two* – six times as many!

Luke puts this passage into his Gospel particularly for the sake of his own community. No way could they see themselves as the Twelve, but they could identify with the more non-descript *seventy-two*. As we listen today to Jesus talking to the *seventy-two*, we can hear him talking to us. We're not the Twelve; we're not the hierarchy; but we are more numerous *seventy-two*.

What strikes me as I reflect on today's Gospel is the way it starts, and the way it ends.

Jesus begins his advice with the observation: *The harvest is rich*. He ends it with his instruction to the seventy-two to proclaim: *The kingdom of God is very near to you*.

Why it strikes me is because it *invites* me.

As I look out at my world – a very different world from the one into which I was ordained 14 years ago – I can be tempted at times to lament the way that the world has changed, and to be disheartened by what I see to have gone wrong with it.

Perhaps that is not the way that Jesus sees it: *The harvest is rich ... The kingdom of God is very near to you*. Jesus' way is an invitation to look differently, to look more deeply. What's wrong with me that I sometimes don't, see? I need the eyes of Jesus – a sharper sensitivity to goodness, a greater sense of wonder, and a more ready response of appreciation and gratitude. I would love to keep growing that way.

It's not the whole story, of course. There are *wolves* out there – and he *sends* us out into the midst of them. In confronting them, we are not to be tigers, but *lambs*. Which means that, when we engage with the world's injustice, we face opposition or conflict without violence and with respect for human dignity, even of opponents. That is hard... but it's easier in our neck of the woods where the wolves are, thankfully, not lethal!

What does Jesus want us to do in this ambiguous world? In this glorious mixture of good and bad? Well, he's clear enough (or should we say vague enough?). *Let your first words be "Peace to this house!"* and then, *"Cure those in it who are sick."*

In addition to physical sickness, is there anyone in our world who does not carry emotional wounds of some kind or other? Those often unrecognized wounds that lead some to quiet despair, and others to destructiveness and violence, and the rest to somewhere in-between.

How do we *cure* the world's *sickness*? Remember that these weren't the *Twelve*, these were the indefinite *seventy-two*. Jesus is not speaking here to the Pope or bishops, or even us priests, but to all of us in one way or another. He makes it clear that we don't need to have much – *no purse, no haversack, no sandals*, no PhD, no special oratorical skill, no sacramental ordination. We can bring only ourselves, and that's enough. But for us to proclaim: *Peace to this house!* we need to be people of peace. And **people of real inner peace are the most effective bearers of genuine peace and reconciliation.**

I believe that for us to be people of peace, true reconcilers – wherever we are – we need to be closely in tune with Jesus. I don't think that we are much use as *laborers in the harvest* unless we're people of prayer, people who really pray – not experts, but prepared to have a go and to hang in there. And I think that one of the fruits of such prayer is that our inner vision grows stronger, we see ever more clearly the *richness* in the *harvest* and the breath-taking nearness of *the kingdom of God*.

Each of us should feel the urgency to act on the call from God to "go forth" as ambassadors of Jesus Christ. We are not only to announce but also to live the reality of the kingdom of God with all its demands and rewards, both in this life and in the next.

In Christ,
Fr. James Phan, OFM Conv.

JUNE 2025: PLATE COLLECTION & AMA

- **SUNDAY:** \$ 31,098.92
- **AMA** Received to date: \$ 26,189.53 / GOAL: \$ 27,000.00 (\$ 810.00 Variance)

Thank you everyone for your generosity!





Saturday, July 5th

8:00 am Int. of Militia Immaculata members (M.I.)

5:30 pm †Bel & Gilda Martin (Family)

Sunday, July 6th

8:00 am †Darrin Avila (Dorothy Avila)

10:30 am †Fausto Regusci (Knights of Columbus)

5:30 pm †Eldora Amaral Enos & Jim Enos (Mary Goulart)

Monday, July 7th

8:00 am Int. of the members of the Altar & Rosary Society (A&RS)

Tuesday, July 8th

8:00 am †Dr. Ken Bagwell (K of C)

Wednesday, July 9th

8:00 am †Fausto Regusci (K of C)

Thursday, July 10th

8:00 am Blessings & healing for granddaughters Kennan Ka & Hazel Curtis (Epi Banez)

Friday, July 11th

8:00 am In honor of St. Benedict and St. Scholastica (Arlene Gee)

Saturday, July 12th

8:00 am †Happy repose of the soul of Carlito D. Untalan (Rebecca Untalan)

5:30 pm ††Manuel & Tilda Domingos (Mary Goulart)

Sunday, July 13th

8:00 am †Joe Fernandes (Phil & Jennifer Hanf)

10:30 am †Pope Francis (K of C)

5:30 pm Living & deceased members of St. Paul's

Prayer List

MILITARY: Lieutenant Colonel Chris Valine USAF, Lieutenant Ashley Valine, USCG, MSgt. Robert James Gassman, II 101st US Army, Capt. Chris Mount USMC, Maj. Grace Anderson USAF, CPO Nicholas M. Cabansag USN, LT. Jason Walsh USN, AA. Nicholas Garza, USN

SICK: Annie Delgado, Frank Spane, Pauline Leon Moreno, Beverly Lloyd, Cynthia Toscas, Dorothy Avila, Richard Como, Judy Hughes, Dr. Joseph Castro, Paul Mahlmann & Family, Vincent Debarini & Family, Leo Shiffrar, Nona Henn, Harold Crawford, Marie Ellen Ragusa, Joshua Vincent Ray, Olivia Catherine Ray, Kevin Wayne Outram, Rosemary Olmedo,

Prayer List (continued)

SICK: John Byers, Magdalena Corona, Sue Regusci, Eileen Wagner, Luis Ramirez, Joseph Henschel, Alexia Sandoval & Family, Abraham Nicholas Noriega, Bert Heredia, Christina Sheerin, Manuel Garza, Emma Glifonea, Joseph Arranaga

RIP: +Tyler Steven Halweg, +Wayne Toscas

Announcements

OCIA (Order of Christian Initiation for Adults)

For all those interested in becoming Catholic or completing the reception of the Sacraments of Initiation: Baptism, First Communion, Confirmation—the **2025-2026 OCIA Class** will begin on **August 6th Wednesday, 7:00 pm.**

For more information please call 805-773-2219, ext. 102 or email: admin@stpaulspismobeach.com.

ALTAR & ROSARY SOCIETY

The A&RS will take a **Meeting recess** during **June, July, & August.** Our work continues over the summer in serving the Church's and Altar needs. Happy Summer to all!

*Next **Meeting** is **Tues., Sept. 16, 2025.**

KNIGHTS of COLUMBUS:



1. Officer Installation: All are invited to our Officer Installation ceremony on **Tuesday, July 8th at 5PM** in the church and followed by a potluck dinner in the Hall. The Knights will provide lasagna and garlic bread. Attendees are asked to provide a side dish or dessert.

2. Summer BBQ Takeout:

We will be selling tickets to our **Summer BBQ takeout** on **Saturday, August 2nd** from **2 PM - 5 PM** in the back lot. **Meal includes:** BBQ Pulled Pork Sandwich, Gary's famous beans, chips, and a drink. Tickets are \$15 and \$5 for kids under 12. Proceeds are used to support our parish and community.

3. Patriotic Rosary: Come pray the Rosary for our Nation with the Knights every 2nd Wednesday after Mass.

MILITIA IMMACULATA

St. Maximillian Kolbe devotion every Wednesday after 8am Mass.



St. Maximillian Kolbe Quote:

"However, we will obtain most graces when, plunged in inner and outer darkness, full of sorrow, exhausted from work, suffering, without consolation, persecuted at every step, in the midst of continual failures, abandoned by all, mocked, ridiculed, alone... like Jesus on the Cross, we endeavor to pray for all, to attract everyone by any means (as Jesus did at the last moment even with the thief) to God through the Immaculata and join them with Him as intimately as possible." (KW 1248)



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