

THE THIRTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

14 August 2016

Welcome! Please enter the nave quietly and reverently as there may be people already in prayer and contemplation.

Thank you for worshiping with us today. Your presence is important to all of us. If you are just passing through, we wish you Godspeed on your travels and hope that you will join us whenever you return. If you live in this area and are new to this parish, we welcome you and invite you to make Saint Bartholomew your church home. If you are a long-time member who has been gone for a while, welcome home---we've missed you! And if you are a member of this parish who generally shows up every week, thank you for your commitment to our parish family---well done, good and faithful servant!

About Today's Lessons

In today's liturgy, we are confronted with some of Jesus' hardest words. As he traveled toward Jerusalem, certain of the great crisis that lay ahead, Jesus set forth the serious nature of discipleship. He referred to his approaching death as his "baptism." He revealed that faithfulness to God would produce opposition and division.

Again, we hear from Isaiah in one of his best passages. In order to reach his audience he presents a parable about a vineyard that refuses to produce grapes and gets the audience's agreement that it should be destroyed. Then he tells the people that Judah is God's vineyard and has been unfruitful.

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As we gather in Eucharist, we are indeed surrounded by the witness of those in ages past whose faith in God led them to hard and tough decisions. In Christ and with each other the joys and the hard disciplines of faith are united. We recall Christ's death and resurrection and our own incorporation into his dying and rising, which began in us in baptism.

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In case of a pastoral emergency, please call the church and leave a message. Messages are checked daily, and someone will get back with you. Please tell the office of any pastoral emergency as soon as possible. Fr. Stephen Secaur may be contacted directly at 440-541-8359 or by email at FrStephen.saintbartohio@gmail.com.

LOOKING AHEAD:

August 15: 6:00 p.m. Finance Meeting - 6:30 p.m. Vestry Meeting.

August 20: St. Bart's Day Picnic. Saturday, on the front lawn from 12:00 - 3:00 p.m. Community Welcome!

NAME YOUR FAVORITE TUNE!

We are taking request during the summer for your favorite hymns, to be sung during the 10:30 am service. If you are vacationing or otherwise unavailable, please note that with your request, so that we don't sing your favorite when you are not here. There are slips on the library table for your convenience; please return them to Dorothea's box or email your request to dkingsbury@kingsburylaw.com.

**Please consider singing with the choir - we would love to have you.
All welcome - No try-outs - No pay - but we have a good time!**

NOTE:

The church will be furnishing funds to buy yarn for knitters when supplies run low. This is an important ministry of Christian outreach and shawl ministry workers should not have to fund their work themselves. When yarn runs low, speak to JACK or JOANNA for funds.

The vestry is getting serious about establishing Sunday School for all ages--including adults. First we need volunteer teachers. "If we build it, they will come" is the theme. We will use lectionary based curriculum and classes will run from 9:30 to 10:15 am each Sunday. Please step up and volunteer to teach. It will be rewarding and will aid in building up the congregation.

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*The lamp on the altar is dedicated
to the glory of God by Mary & Nancy Nicholls in
memory of Andrew Nicholls.*

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Celebrant: The Rev Stephen Secaur
Eucharistic Ministers: Jo Ann Buckley (8:00) and Richard Wise (10:30)
Lectors: Hal Buckley (8:00) Joanna Rini and Tom Robinson (10:30)
Greeter: Vinnie Christie
Ushers : Matt and West Matthews
Teller: Matt Matthews
Organist: Aleksandr Leybkind

Strengthen the faithful, arouse the careless, and restore the penitent. Grant us all things necessary for our common life, and bring us all to be of one heart and mind within your holy Church; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

*We have refrigerator magnets to give to anyone who comes to worship with us on Sunday mornings.
Each family in the Parish is entitled to one, as well!
Yours is available in the dish on the Library table.*

Worship through the Week

A guide for Prayer and Study at Home

We pray for those who are infirm, and for the continued healing of:

Richard and Mary, Ben and Dorothy, Frank and Tiffany, Betty, Rob, Mary Ann, Fr. Gary, Fr. Jim, Paul, Liam, Anastasia, Jean, Diane, Steve, Dolores, Susan, Kevin, Tim, Pat, Lauren, Mary Ellen, Monica, Sue, Carole, Jenna, Julee, Jan, Rick, Pete, Judy, Shirley, Alec, Gail, Mila, Vinnie, Kim, Brian, Linda, Leslie, Patrick, Dee, Brooke,...

And we offer our thanksgivings for your many blessings upon us especially for:

The offering for August 7th was \$1,301.00 and the attendance was 50.

The birthdays of : ...

The anniversary of : Richard and Elizabeth York, ...

We pray for those serving in the Armed Forces...

Lt. Colonel Dan Knaup, Corporal Jason Thompson, Major David Marcinski, Sgt. Mark Ditchman, Pvt 2nd Class Kyle Lewis, Col. Howard Pearce, Quartermaster Mike Thoumire, Staff Sgt. Paul Workman, Seaman Kyle Knowlton, Senior Airman Rebecca Voigt, Pvt. Jack Rolf, Lance Corporal Anthony Worst.

We also bless thy holy Name for all thy servants departed this life in thy faith and fear, especially:

Margaret Olson, Will Brotherton, Al DeMarco, ...

and those who have died this week in the service of their country.

Outreach – Giving Tree: For the month of **August** we will be collecting personal products, such as: **paper towel, toilet paper, napkins, tissues, etc.** Thanks so much for the outpouring of gifts to the Giving Tree.

The Shawl Ministry: Prayer Shawls are always available in the library area. Please feel free to take one for yourself or friends. Sign the book so that we may now where our love and prayers go. The Shawl Ministry meets on the first and third Wednesday of every month at 7:00 pm. Join us if you like to knit or crochet. We are always in need of yarn donations if you happen to be cleaning out your stash or someone else's!!! Thank you for your loyal support of this ministry. Liz York: 440 946 3374.

If there is an enclosure (envelope or separate sheet) in the announcement folder, and you do not plan to use it at this time, please leave it on the table in back, instead of the trash. We can save a lot of paper that way. Thanks!

THIS WEEK AT A GLANCE

15	Monday	6:00 pm	SAINT MARY THE VIRGIN, MOTHER OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST
		6:30 pm	Finance Meeting Vestry Meeting
16	Tuesday	9:00 am	Office Open - Franco Mayfield Village Senior's Card Club
		1:00 pm	
17	Wednesday	9:00 am	Samuel Johnson, 1772, Timothy Cutler, 1765, Priests
		7:00 pm	Office open - Franco Prayer Shawl Ministry
18	Thursday		William Porcher DuBose, Priest, 1918
		8:00 am 9:00 am 1:00 pm 1:00 pm	TMCC Office Open - Boyd Office open - Franco Mayfield Village Senior's Card Club
19	Friday	9:00 am	Morning prayer
20	Saturday	12:00 - 3:00 pm	Bernard, Abbot of Clairvaux, 1153
			St. Bart's Picnic
21	Sunday		THE FOURTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
		8:00 am 9:15 am 9:00 am 10:30 am	Holy Eucharist, Rite I Choir Practice Bible Study Holy Eucharist, Rite II

This Week's Readings

From the Daily Office for the week of August 15th through August 21st, 2016

Monday: Psalm 106:1-18; 106: 19-48 Judges 17:1-13; Acts 7:44-8:1a; John 5:19-29	Friday: Psalm 140, 142, 141, 143:1-11 Job 2:1-13; Acts 9:1-9; John 6:27-40
Tuesday: Psalm 120, 121, 122, 123; 124, 125, 126, 127 Judges 18:1-15; Acts 8:1-13; John 5:30-47	Saturday: Psalm 137:1-6, 144; 104 Job 3:1-26; Acts 9:10-19a; John 6:41-51
Wednesday: Psalm 119:145-176; 128, 129, 130 Judges 18:16-31; Acts 8:14-25; John 6:1-15	Sunday: Psalm 118, 145 Judges 16:15-31; 2 Cor. 13:1-11; Mark 5:25-34
Thursday: Psalm 131, 132, 133, 134, 135 Job 1:1-22; Acts 8:26-40; John 6:16-27	

How to use the Daily Office: For each day, the Psalms are split into AM (morning) and PM (evening) readings by the "&" You may read them this way or together at one time. Optional readings are in [brackets]. Below the Psalms you have an Old Testament, New Testament, and Gospel reading for each day. The entire Bible can be read in two years following this format from the Book of Common Prayer.