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St. Jerome Church

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**The Sixteenth Sunday in
Ordinary Time
July 19, 2020**

Mass Schedule

Saturday evening 5:00 PM

Sunday 9:30 AM

Tuesdays and First Fridays 7:30 PM

Reconciliation by appointment

Pregnancy assistance services (nationwide) 1-800-848-LOVE

Suicide Prevention Hotline (nationwide) 1-800-273-8255, (local) 513-281-CARE

Baptisms and Weddings: Call the Rectory (513) 231-7042

How to register at St. Jerome's: New member registration packets are under the table to the right as you leave church. Fill out the registration form and return that form by dropping it in the collection basket, or mailing it to the Rectory at 5858 Kellogg Avenue, Cincinnati, Ohio, 45230. If you have any questions, please call the Rectory at 231-7042

Mass Schedule

| Date | Time | Intention | Petitioner |
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| Sat 7/18 | 5:00 PM | Jon Markley | Eileen and Cliff Wollering |
| Sun 7/19 | 9:30 AM | Jim Van Pelt | George and Mary Sue Kamphaus |
| Tue 7/21 | 7:30 PM | The Intentions of the McArtor Family | Janine McArtor |
| Sat 7/25 | 5:00 PM | Jim Van Pelt | Frank and Pat Volmering |
| Sun 7/26 | 9:30 AM | Joanne Ruther | Ron and Sandy Kienzle |
| Tue 7/28 | 7:30 PM | Eric Yates | Audrey Dwyer |

Minister Assignments for July 25th and 26th, 2020

| Date/Time | Lector | Communion Minister | Servers | Ushers |
|--------------------------|--------------|--------------------|-------------|----------------|
| Saturday 7/25 5:00 PM | Mike Wheeler | None | Charlie Hoh | Ron Hermann |
| Sunday 7/26 9:30 AM | Norm Klotz | None | Kim Leist | Aaron Robinson |

What's happening?

Saturday 7/25 5:00 PM Holy Land Carvers will sell wood carvings after Mass*
 Sunday 7/26 9:30 AM Holy Land Carvers will sell wood carvings after Mass*

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| <u>Collections July 11th and 12th, 2020</u> \$925.00 | <u>Giving Tree</u> Resurrection.....\$147.00 St. Vincent DePaul.....\$142.00 Fr. Michael Omongot.....\$142.00 |
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Prayer of Spiritual Communion for Those Who Cannot Attend Mass

My Jesus, I believe that You are present in the most Blessed Sacrament. I love You above all things and I desire to receive You into my soul. Since I cannot now receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace You as if You were already there, and unite myself wholly to You. Never permit me to be separated from You. Amen.

By the decree of Archbishop Dennis Schnurr of the Archdiocese of Cincinnati, we are not obligated to attend Sunday Mass until further notice. No decision has been reached on when the dispensation will be reversed. If you are uncomfortable to be around others or if you are vulnerable to illness, please consider staying home or attending a weekday Mass. If you are ill, you must stay home to avoid affecting others.

*Representatives from the Holy Land will be selling religious olive wood carvings from Israel after Mass on Saturday and Sunday July 25 and 26. You can use them or give them as gifts.

You wanted to know, so we looked it up

Mustard Seed →



Mustard Tree

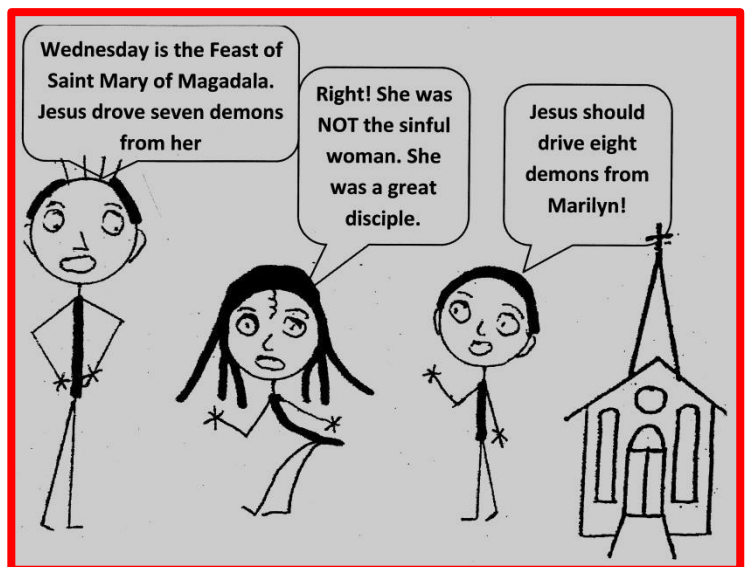
Sunday's Gospel reading is from Matthew 13. Jesus tells us the Parable of the Mustard Seed: *"The kingdom of heaven is like a mustard seed that a person took and sowed in a field. It is the smallest of all the seeds, yet when full-grown it is the largest of plants. It becomes a large bush, and the 'birds of the sky come and dwell in its branches.'"*

"Here, the person (sower) is Jesus Christ and the field, the world. The grain of mustard seed is the preaching of the Gospel and the Church, which from very small beginnings will spread throughout the world. The parable clearly refers to the universal scope and spread of the Kingdom of God: the Church, which embraces all mankind of every kind and condition, in every latitude and in all ages, is forever developing in spite of obstacles, thanks to God's promise and aid" (*St. Matthew's Gospel*, University of Navarre).

Jesus also tells us about faith the size of a mustard seed: *"If you have faith the size of a mustard seed, you would say to [this] mulberry tree, 'Be uprooted and planted in the sea,' and it would obey you"* (Luke 17:6).

From these words of our Savior, we are assured that even a little faith is very powerful and that the Kingdom of Heaven cannot be restrained. Although secular forces are trying to eliminate Christianity, our hope in the Lord remains unshaken; after all, he told us that "the gates of hell will not prevail against the Church" (Matthew 16:18).

O clement, O loving, O sweet Mother Mary, we, your children of every nation, turn to you in this pandemic. Our troubles are numerous; our fears are great. Grant that we might deposit them at your feet, take refuge in your Immaculate Heart, and obtain peace, healing, rescue, And timely help in all our needs. You are our Mother. Pray for us to your Son. Amen.



We've had some good Catholic friends who have left the Church saying that they “are



not being fed.” Now we're not sure exactly what that means but we think it might mean that they aren't being entertained. Our friends have gone off to megachurches with their loud rock bands, hour-long sermons filled with intense feel-good messages, and fellowship with coffee and doughnuts. Most of these churches tend to believe several of the fallacies spread by liberal Protestantism. There are few calls to repentance or

obedience to God's Commands and the Bible is open to almost any interpretation people care to give it.

One of the most dangerous of their teachings is called “Sola fide” meaning that faith alone will save you and that once you have “accepted Christ as your personal lord and Savior,” you are saved forever and your place in heaven is assured. They claim that good works (works of charity and obedience to the Law) are unnecessary. Some even believe that baptism is unnecessary.

We cannot find any Holy Scripture that supports their claims but we can find several that refute them. For example, St. James wrote “*What good is it, my brothers, if someone says he has faith but does not have works? Can that faith save him? If a brother or sister has nothing to wear and has no food for the day, and one of you says to them, ‘Go in peace, keep warm, and eat well,’ but you do not give them the necessities of the body, what good is it? So also faith of itself, if it does not have works, is dead*” (James 2:14-17).

For two-thousand years Catholic scholars have studied the scriptures, the teachings of the Apostles who knew Jesus, and the great thinkers throughout the centuries. It seems to us that when we practice the basics of our faith we are being fed the “finest wheat” and the living words of Jesus Christ.

Please notice our “Christmas in July” Giving Tree. Please take one or more envelopes, put some money in them, and drop them into the collection basket. Red envelopes will go to the poor people of Father Bob's Resurrection Parish; green to our own St. Vincent DePaul Society; and white ones to Fr. Michael Omongot in Tororo, Uganda.



Governor DeWine's ordinance making masks mandatory in public places throughout Hamilton County does not exempt churches. Therefore, **face coverings are required here at St. Jerome.**