Monday

AUGUST 15
Assumption of the
Blessed Virgin
Mary

Rv 11:19a; 12:1–6a, 10ab 1 Cor 15:20–27

Tuesday

Lk 1:39-56

AUGUST 16 Weekday Ez 28:1–10 Mt 19:23–30

#### Wednesday

AUGUST 17 Weekday Ez 34:1–11 Mt 20:1–16

#### **Thursday**

AUGUST 18 Weekday Ez 36:23–28 Mt 22:1–14

#### Friday

AUGUST 19 *Weekday* Ez 37:1–14 Mt 22:34–40

#### Saturday

AUGUST 20 St. Bernard Ez 43:1–7a Mt 23:1–12

#### Sunday

AUGUST 21 Twenty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time Is 66:18–21 Heb 12:5–7, 11–13 Lk 13:22–30

# August 14, 2016 + Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time (C) Jer 38:4-6, 8-10 + Heb 12:1-4 + Lk 12:49-53

hen I was young, one of my favorite pictures of Jesus was one of his blessing little children. How calm and peaceful Jesus seemed, and his eyes were full of love. In later years, I have been drawn to other images and art of Jesus holding, healing, and granting mercy to his beloved children. That image of Jesus is so comforting that I tend to forget that Jesus also disturbed the peace, questioned authority, and demanded complete obedience and loyalty. For first-century Christians, following Jesus often meant leaving family and friends, civil disobedience (not considering Caesar as a god),

The Christ who sows division is uncomfortable, but Christians in every century have had to speak

and reimagining religious traditions.

out against evil and sin, especially when their culture's or country's practices lead people away from rather than toward God. Even here in the United States, Catholics have found themselves defending the dignity of all human life and economic and social justice for the poor, even when it meant challenging the prevailing culture and political climate. It's rarely easy to speak truth to power or popularity, and we have to guard against those who think they are always right or somehow above God. Jesus himself recognized that he would not always be popular, so he lifted up the two great commandments to love God and neighbor as the measure of how we should act even when those actions divide us.

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## Twentieth Sunday In Ordinary Time

August 14, 2016



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EUCHARISTIC ADORATION
Every Friday Adoration from 8:30 a.m.
to 9:30 a.m
SACRAMENT OF
RECONCILIATION
Both Before Mass and by Appointment.

Mass Schedule for this Week
Our Lady of Chartres Mass Schedule
Sun 7:30 am Our Parish Family
St. Ann Mass Schedule & Intentions
Sat 5:00 pm Our Parish Family
Sun 9am Our Parish Family

Mon 8 am Thomas Holquist Tue 8 am + Stacey L. Hunt Wed 6pm John Holquist Thu 8am +Paul McGill Fri 8am Tootie (spec int)

#### From Father Khoa's Desk...

#### Dear Parishioners and Friends,

Most of us look forward to those times when we can have peace of mind and freedom from stress and anxiety at home and at work. While that is our hope and dream, the readings for this Sunday promise anything but peace and tranquility for those who are faithful to the call of God. In the Gospel we find Jesus himself telling us that he did not come to bring peace to the world but division! He insists that this division will be experienced even within families where "a father will be divided against his son ... a mother against her daughter." We know that in fact this sometimes happens, and not simply because of faith and discipleship, but because of the effects of sin and selfishness.

If there is anything we can say about Jesus and his teaching in the Gospel, we can surely say that he was real and his teaching quite practical. As the Son of God, he knew that all of us are called to live by the promises of God. In other words, we are people of the covenant and we are to live in this world as people of faith and citizens of God's kingdom. Faith enables us to face reality as it truly is with the realization that this world is not permanent and lasting. While we are sojourners and pilgrims, we have been invited by the Lord to help influence this world by the quality of our lives, giving witness to values of the kingdom of God. Jesus announces to his disciples, "I have come to set the earth on fire, and how I wish it were already blazing!"

The fire that Jesus tells us about is meant to burn away our unrealistic attachment to this world and its set of false values. Such a fire may be upsetting to us, quite challenging, and rightfully so. At times we need to be shaken up and forced out of our complacency and usual way of dealing with life. Jesus reminds us that there is an urgency about his call for us to become engaged in the transformation of the world. The Gospel message is really a direct challenge for us to reflect on our baptismal commitment and to consider practically how we might revitalize our Catholic faith. Hopefully this challenge provides us with the occasion and motivation to look at concrete ways by which we can become "intentional disciples" in our parish faith community. To prepare for commitment, let us spend this week asking the Holy Spirit to set us "on fire" so that we will step forward and sign up to help further the Lord's kingdom.

# May God bless all of us! ...Fr. Khoa

#### ST. ANN STEWARDSHIP: \*\*

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# OL OF CHARTRES STEWARDSHIP: Identifiable: \$585.00; Loose: \$159.00; Total: \$744.00.

\*\*Amount needed weekly \$2,908.84. Thank you for your generosity.

**Bible Study:** We will study **Memory**, beginning **August 16.** Please join us. Classes are on **Tues at 9am and Wed at 6:30pm**. For more information, please contact **Ruth and Henrietta.** 

Parish Council: meets next Sat Aug 20.

<u>Church Cleaning:</u> Julie and Kesha will clean the church on Aug 14 & 21. Thank you.

MASS	LECTOR	EUCHARISTIC MIN.	SERVERS	USHERS	GIFT B.
Sat Aug 13 5pm	Richard Dunlap	Ellen West, Lenell King, Doris Snowden	Austin Scarengoas	Doug August	Patricia Lizana
Aug 147:30am	Sandra Ammons	Daniel Squillante	(OLC)	Terry Mitchell	(OLC)
Sun Aug 14 9am	Beverly Saucier	Kim Wood, Carolyn Brewer, Marlow Ladner	Carson Carter	Robert Bill Burke	Jason & Lisa Necaise Family
Sat Aug 20 5pm	Kathleen Cuevas	Rita Acosta, Mike Mays, Diane Mays	Austin Scarengoas	Doug August	Helen O'Neal & Glora Armand
Aug 21 7:30am	Sandra Ammons	Daniel Squillante	(OLC)	Terry Mitchell	(OLC)
Sun Aug 21 9am	Kim Wood	Marlow Ladner, Carolyn Brewer, Derek Trosclair	Conner Will	Robert David	David Crabtree Family

#### ST. ANN ACTIVITIES.

<u>CCD</u>: CCD will start on **September 11**. We need three teachers to teach CCD this coming year. Please contact Robert Lizana the DRE. Thank you.

**RCIA:** RCIA classes will begin On **Sept 14**.

<u>Catholic Students</u> of our parish to receive subsidy are: Sarah Thomas, Kennedy + Car + Keegan Leverette, Jacob Estrada, Tucker + Ella Enroth, C. + C. + L Broom, Austin Scarengoas, Will Dreher, L & V Jeanfreau, and Nick Quintini. Please contact me this week if your children/grandchildren are not on the list.

#### Donations during the summer

During the summer, please remember that the Parish operates year round including summer time. Please don't forget that your weekly offering is always very important to keep normal operations steady. Thank you in advance for your generosity.

<u>VISITATION OF THE SICK:</u> Please keep the parish office informed so we may minister to those who are ill at home, in the hospital, or in a nursing facility. For those wishing to receive the Eucharist contact the parish office, 832-2560.

Garage Sale: will be on October 2 and 9. Please contact **Beverly** and **Loretta**. Thank you.

#### SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION MARRIAGE

Church regulations require at least six months of preparation for a wedding. Our advice is to call well in advance of that time if you wish to reserve a wedding date and receive info: one's own parish clergy are expected to supervise your Catholic prenuptial preparation and to officiate at the wedding.

**Bereavement Committee:** Please contact **Sharon Leimer** at 539-9928. Lasagna, green salad, rolls, and deserts will be provided for the funeral reception upon request. Thank you.

#### PRAYER REQUESTS Those who are ill:

Leslie Cuevas, William DeMello, Dcn Jack Hunter, Lee James, Darlene Billingsley, Victoria Moran, Jerry Malley, Vivian Clifford, Ezekiel Rutherford, John Moran, Jerry Rutland, Elizabeth Necaise, Regina Franke, Dalwin Cuevas, Colby Cagle, Debbie Bowen, Larry Shruff, Andrew Fillengame, Melissa Peterson, Madison Phelps, Breanna Ladner, Curtis (Cubby) Ladner, Gerald Barrilleaux, and Greg West.

WE WELCOME NEW MEMBERS † PLEASE FILL OUT A NEW MEMBER REGISTRATION FORM AND SUBMIT TO PARISH OFFICE FR. KHOA WOULD BE HAPPY TO VISIT WITH YOU AND HELP YOU ASSESS YOUR SPIRITUAL NEEDS.