

# Dear Padre,

I read this is the liturgical year of Mark, that next year will be the year of Matthew, and the following year, Luke. Then it starts over with Mark again. Why doesn't John have a year?

The purpose in a three-year cycle of readings at Mass was primarily a pastoral one. "The treasures of the Bible are to be opened up more lavishly, so that richer fare may be provided for the faithful at the table of God's word. In this way a more representative portion of the holy Scriptures will be read to the people in the course of a prescribed number of years" (Constitution on the Sacred Liturgy [*Sacrosanctum Concilium*], 51).

All of Scripture is the word of God, but "Christ, present in his word, proclaims the Gospel" (*General Instruction of the Roman Missal*, 29). Moreover, Christ reveals himself to us from four different Gospel perspectives. For some people, John's version—often deeply symbolic and theological—can be pastorally challenging.

The semicontinuous reading of the three synoptic Gospels (Matthew, Mark, Luke) "provides a presentation of each Gospel's distinctive doctrine as well as a development of the Lord's life and preaching" (*Lectionary for Mass*, 1970; 16,1). Nevertheless, John's Gospel appears in all three cycles. For example, five readings from chapter six on the bread of life are inserted in Year B, when Mark's short Gospel is proclaimed. John's Gospel is also read during Easter and scattered throughout the seasons of Advent, Christmas, and Lent.

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## Calendar

Monday  
JULY 19  
Weekday

Ex 14:5–18  
Mt 12:38–42

Tuesday  
JULY 20  
Weekday

Ex 14:21–15:1  
Mt 12:46–50

Wednesday  
JULY 21  
Weekday

Ex 16:1–5, 9–15  
Mt 13:1–9

Thursday  
JULY 22

St. Mary Magdalene  
Sg 3:1–4b or  
2 Cor 5:14–17  
Jn 20:1–2, 11–18

Friday  
JULY 23  
Weekday

Ex 20:1–17  
Mt 13:18–23

Saturday  
JULY 24  
Weekday

Ex 24:3–8  
Mt 13:24–30

Sunday  
JULY 25

Seventeenth Sunday in  
Ordinary Time  
2 Kgs 4:42–44  
Eph 4:1–6  
Jn 6:1–15

Do you have a  
question for  
the Padre?

Go to [DearPadre.org](http://DearPadre.org)  
to share your question  
and to learn more  
about Dear Padre.

## A WORD FROM Pope Francis

For leadership there is only one road: service. There is no other way. If you have many qualities—the ability to communicate, etc.—but you are not a servant, your leadership will fail, it is useless, it has not power to gather [people] together.

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AND RESIDENCES OF ROME, MAY 12, 2014





**16<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY IN  
ORDINARY TIMES  
JULY 18, 2021**



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St. Ann Mass Schedule & intentions

July 17th Sat 5 pm Int donor

July 18<sup>th</sup> Sun 9 am Parish

July 18<sup>th</sup> 6pm Int donor

**SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION**

**Both before Mass and by Appointment**

Mon 8am Int donor

Wednesday Int donor

Thurs 8am Vermont Saucier

Fri 8am Gregory

July 24<sup>th</sup> Sat 5 pm Parish

July 25<sup>th</sup> Sun 9 am Int donor

July 25<sup>th</sup> 6pm Int donor

**Our Lady of Chartres Mass Schedule.**

Sun 7:30 am Int donor

From Father David's Desk...

Dear Parishioners and Friends,

# Follow the Leader

**T**his is not simply the name of a **childhood game**. It is actually an essential directive for living. We learn so many things in life because we followed someone. That is how we learned to read, to play a musical instrument, to speak another language, or to understand social behavior.

Many nations at the time of Jeremiah represented their kings as shepherds, leading the people to verdant pastures and restful waters. We see this in the art they left behind. However, many of the kings of Jeremiah's day were not good leaders—not attentive shepherds, nor faithful to God, who had entrusted the people to their care. Consequently, God stepped in to be their shepherd. This is the image of the divine shepherd found in the responsorial psalm. Jesus also characterized religious leaders as shepherds. He was distraught that the people were “like sheep without a shepherd” (Mark 6:34).

Is this situation different today? Many are eager to follow a leader, but which one? Ours is a multicultural, pluralistic, international society with innumerable viewpoints. Voices cry out from many corners, demanding to be heard. But which voice should we heed? Which worldly leaders should we follow? It's apparent that our leaders, both civic and religious, disagree on certain matters. What are we to do? The issue is not “with whom do I agree?” but rather “whose point of view makes me a better person? More

compassionate? More understanding? More selfless? More *Christ like*?” Are we following the right leader?

*I will raise up shepherds for them who will shepherd them so that they need no longer fear or be terrified; none shall be missing.*

JEREMIAH 23:4

## For Reflection

- Our Shepherd never pits us against each other but brings us together. Is this reflected in the way we live in society?
- Our Shepherd cares for all, not just those whom society has privileged. Do we?

**WITH PRAYERS**

**FR. DAVID**

<p><b>ST. ANN STEWARDSHIP: Identifiable 57</b> \$2,191.00 loose: \$287.00 <b>Total: \$2,478.00</b> Children: \$11.25 Ach: \$5.00 <b>OLC STEWARDSHIP: Identifiable 12 \$106.</b> Loose: 129.00 <b>Total: \$235.00</b></p>
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**Anniversary Mass Registration:** Please fill out a registration form for those celebrating 25,30,35,40,45,50,55,60,65,70,+ years of marriage. There will be a special mass celebrated on Nov. 7, 2021 at Nativity Cathedral where a certificate will be presented. Contact Fr. David for information.

**Feast of St. Ann:** July 26<sup>th</sup>. Our Parish will celebrate after the 5pm mass on Saturday July 24<sup>th</sup> and the 9am mass on Sunday July 25<sup>th</sup> with coffee and donuts in the Parish Hall. Please join us.

**Church Repairs** for storm damage will be done in August due to the drawdown and continues rain.



MASS	LECTOR	SERVERS	USHERS
Sat July 17 <sup>th</sup> 5pm	Mike West		
Sun July 18 <sup>th</sup> OLC 7:30 am	Sandra Ammons		Terry Mitchel
Sun July 18 <sup>th</sup> 9 am	Kim wood		
Sun July 18 <sup>th</sup> 6pm	Judith Martinez		
Sat July 24 <sup>th</sup> 5pm	Mike West		
Sun July 25 <sup>th</sup> OLC 7:30 am	Sandra Ammons		Terry Mitchel
Sun July 25 <sup>th</sup> 9 am	Beau Underwood		
Sun July 25 <sup>th</sup> 6pm	Kathleen Cuevas		

**Celebration Draw Down July 31<sup>st</sup>:** Tickets are on sale. See Father to purchase a ticket. One ticket (\$100) admits two people to the meal from 6-7:30pm, a band from 7:30-11:30 with the drawing at 8pm. Please join us! Thanks.

**Sympathy:** Fr. David and the parish community offer our prayers to the family of Allen Lizana who passed away. Remember that Allen Lizana and his grieving family are in our prayers. Thanks

**2<sup>nd</sup> Collection:** July 24 & 25 for Lizana Light.

**Sacraments:** If you or a family member received a sacraments between 2014-2020 please check with Fr. David to be sure it is in the record books. Bring any document that you have concerning the sacrament.

**Catholic School Subsidys:**

**St. Vincent:** Jackglyn Mitchell, \$1000, Keileigh Smith, \$1000, Alden Smith, \$1000,

**St. Patrick:** Brooklyn Mitchell, \$1200,

**St. Stanislaus:** Austin Scarceng, \$1200, Carson Leverett, \$1200, Keegan Leverett, \$1200,

**Sacred Heart:** Wyatt Underwood, \$1000, Our

**Lady of Fatima:** Lindsey McGough, \$1000, Our

**Lady Academy:** Addyson Geil, \$1200, Blacce Geil, \$1200, Kennedy Leverett, \$1200

**Bible Study and prayer group:** Those who would like to join let Fr. David or Ruth know. Thanks. For more information, please contact **Ruth.**

**PRAYER REQUESTS Those who are ill:**

Leslie Cuevas, Lee James, Jerry Malley, Ezekiel Rutherford, Dalwin Cuevas, Colby Cagle, Andrew Fillengame; Breanna Ladner, Andrew, Sharon Somora, Nancy Ladner, Chris (Dube) McGill, Paul Ladner, Dianne Dearman, Marie Cuevas, Sharon Smith, Kathy, Marlene Moran, Teresa McAllister, Kendra Necaie, John &, Susan Parish, Courtney Stewart, Kathy Robison, and, Joseph and Megan Colbi Capuano, Bill & Brenda Peterson, Christine Constantine, Anthony Moran, Jill Ladner, Stephany Bass, and Brandi Moran, Verda Crabtree, Lynn & Linda Bangs, John O'Neal, Terri, Loretta Ladner and Matt Dubission; Addie Threadgill; Cindy Ladner; Amanda Mayberry; Robin Cuevas Emmie Tubbs, Wally Clifford, T.J Moran, Robin Shamplo, Glinda Gardman.

**MASS FOR FAMILY & FRIENDS:** You can have Masses offered for the deceased as well as for living family and friends. Mass cards and envelopes are available at the office, each Mass card is \$ 10.00 dollars. Thanks