

## July 31, 2022

# **Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

#### Collection July 24, 2022

Collection \$ 910.00 Attendance 30

### August 7, 2022

Lector: Charlotte Phillips Commentator: John Balconi Ushers: Hathaway/Stanley

Lawn Care: Bill T

## Readings for August 7, 2022

Reading 1: Wisdom 18:6-9
Reading 2: Hebrews 11:1-2, 8-19
Gospel: Luke 12:32-48

<u>Information about St. Edwards</u>- Daily readings, the bulletin, homilies, and other information can be found on our webpage at: <a href="https://stedwardpulaski.org">https://stedwardpulaski.org</a>

<u>Prayer List</u> - Tim Kimbleton, Carol Luttrell, John Balconi, , Brenda Lessard, Jody Riffey, Stephen Petrowski, Christine Scarpinato, Michael Linkous, Megan Talbert, Rosanna Vallo, Pete Beller, Jim Trowbridge, Ruth Malinowski, George Marunich, Archie Kemp, and Father Bernie. If you know of anyone who needs to be added or deleted from the prayer list, please let the Stanleys know.

<u>Items to Discard</u>-If you want any of the items we are discarding, you need to get them today!!!

Joan Jennings Funeral Mass-Joan passed away last weekend and her funeral was on Friday. Thanks to all who helped make it special for her and her family. We greatly appreciate your time and help.

<u>Lawn Care</u>- If anyone can help with lawn care, please sign up on the sheet in the Hall.

## **August Birthdays**

**Graycee Epperley** Aug. 3 **Austin Epperley** Aug. 5 Wesley Young Aug. 7 Jody Riffey Aug. 9 Jack McCann Aug. 11 Tim Kimbleton Aug. 19 Aug. 26 Rick Yost Aug. 29 Mickey Balconi



#### **August Anniversaries**

Marty White & Marsha DuBose Aug. 11 Stan & Gabriella Stanley Aug. 29



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#### **Daily Prayer This Week**

This week we can ask, in the variety of ways and situations each day, that our eyes might be opened to see Jesus as he really is - glorified, with the Father, and ready to renew our faith and trust in him.

As we begin our day, and at brief times throughout our day, we can pull our consciousness together by letting the themes of this week's reading guide us. One day, we might ask to keep our eyes fixed on Jesus as we go through a day full of strong wind and waves. We can ask again and again, as things get tougher and more challenging.

Another day, we might focus on what comes out of our mouths. Is there cynicism, judgments, distortions of the truth, divisive and self-serving manipulation, yelling and hurtful put-downs? Do I practice using my voice to give praise to God by affirming others, forgiving them, by telling the truth, by defending the poor and the voiceless, by giving God thanks? Another day, I might be conscious of those I regard as "dogs," those I disdain or think of as "the enemy." I might ask for the grace to open my heart to whatever faith in God they have, however different from mine. I might ask for a sense of solidarity with them, not because it is my desire or inclination, but because it is God's desire for me.

How can I heal and reconcile, at least in my heart, what needs healing: racism, sexism, anti-Semitism, negative stereotypes towards those I see as "foreigners"? How can I be relieved of my hostility against the poor or being judgmental about sinners? Later in the week, we can get in touch with the call of Jesus to deny ourselves. This is not self-denial for its own sake. This is the dying to self that comes from loving in the self-sacrificing way that Jesus did.

Who in my family, friends, relative, co-workers and members of my parish or congregation needs my self-denying love? How have I focused

on "gaining the world" and lost some of my true self in the process? Is there some way this week that I can taste discovering my true self in

giving some time, some compassion, some love, some special care to someone who needs this from me?

And throughout the week, perhaps at a special time of powerlessness or some time when I feel that I don't have the energy or gifts to do the "more," to move a mountain, I can ask for faith the size of a mustard seed. And, each night I can give thanks to God for being generous to me all week, for this simple focus on our relationship every day.