



August 14, 2022

**Twentieth Sunday in  
Ordinary Time**

Collection August 7, 2022

Collection	\$901.00
Catholic Virginian	\$ 25.00
Attendance	36
St. Mary's	\$4322.02

August 21, 2022

Lector: Terrie Hancock  
Commentator: Guenter Schlottmann  
Ushers: Stanley/Klima  
Lawn Care:

Readings for August 21, 2022

Reading 1: Isaiah 66:18-21  
Reading 2: Hebrews 12:5-7, 11-13  
Gospel: Luke 13:22-30

Prayer List - 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, Rick Yost, Brenda McLawhorn, and Father Bernie.  
If you know of anyone who needs to be added or deleted from this prayer list, please let the Stanleys know.

Richard Richardson--Thank you to everyone who helped make Richard's Memorial Mass and pot-luck lunch special. It is greatly appreciated.

Lawn Care- If anyone can help with lawn care the rest of this season, please sign up on the sheet in the Hall.

Church Picnic—St. Edward's church picnic will be on September 11 after Mass. Mark your calendars so you won't forget. More info forthcoming.

August Birthdays

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

August Anniversaries

Marty White/ Marsha DuBose	Aug. 11
Stan & Gabriella Stanle	Aug. 29

**Information about St. Edwards-** Daily readings, the bulletin, homilies, and other information can be found on our webpage at:

<https://stedwardpulaski.org>

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### **Daily Prayer This Week**

We pray through our everyday life this week, with this image in the background of our consciousness: Jesus offers us intimacy with him and gives us life, as shown in our relationship with him in the gospels.

Each day, we begin our day with the practice of briefly pausing, at our bedside to focus the day with a 15-30 second prayer. It is so helpful to develop this habit by simply doing it three or four days in a row. Even if we say that we are half-awake at this time, we can discover what a difference this way of beginning the day can be. With practice, it gets easier to say, "Thank you for this day, Lord. Please, be with me today, especially when I do \_\_\_\_\_ this morning and this afternoon as I \_\_\_\_\_. Give me more patience, love and trust in you." While washing up and dressing, we can expand this prayer, in a simple friend-to-friend conversation with our Lord. This kind of connecting or checking-in with our Lord at the beginning of the day lets a background connection with our Lord develop and grow, while I'm doing many things. It changes our consciousness and connects and integrates this fundamental relationship I desire with the things I'm doing, whether they are pleasant, routine or quite difficult.

Throughout the week I might be thinking of what it would mean for me to sell what I have, give it to the poor, and really follow Jesus. What is preventing me from following the Lord more completely? Are there "riches" that I know are barriers to my surrendering to God's will more freely? What seems to possess me? Recognizing our lack of freedom in this area or that is the first step in being able to ask our Lord for the grace of freedom in that area.

We might also ask the Lord to show us what he desires that we be "free for." "Freedom from" is the first part of our relationship. Then, we are free to be sent. What am I being freed for? What loving am I being freed for? What new generosity, what type of self-giving? What neighbor, in my family, or the poor of the world, am I being called to notice and serve? We might ask the Lord to reveal to us this week how we are called to be servant.

We will still do what is on our schedule, respond to all our commitments. The difference will be that we will do it more in touch with the Lord. Staying focused and connecting with our Lord throughout the day is at the heart of prayer, "Raising our minds and hearts to God." And, at the end of each day, we give thanks for this gifted presence that day.