



Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

July 27, 2025

MASS INTENTIONS

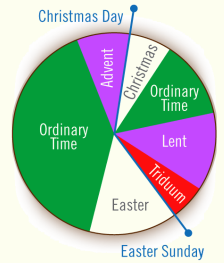
July 27....Jim Shaw

Aug 03....Dick Lane

DO YOU HAVE MASS INTENTIONS?

We have envelopes at back of the church.

Ask an usher.



A Word from Fr. Jim: Sunday, July 27, 2025

Many of us have likely struggled with understanding the ways in which God answers prayer. This is a common experience, and the good news today is that our Sacred Scriptures show us that this is a deeply human experience throughout all of time. Those who have put their trust in God have felt this longing or frustration or confusion again and again.

Some of us feel like we have to bargain with God in order to receive his favors. But we don't have to convince God to be generous to us----that is the very thing God wants to do! Jesus tells the parable in today's gospel about a person who goes to a friend late at night asking for bread because of an unexpected visitor to whom he has little to offer in the way of hospitality. Through persistence even more than friendship- and even the shame that would beset the non-giver- the person gives whatever is asked. If that is true of humans, how much more is that true of God.

In the opening lines of the gospel, Jesus teaches his disciples to pray, showing them how to begin by centering on God's holiness, God's realm, and God's bountiful gifts of daily food and forgiveness. By accepting these unearned and abundant gifts, disciples are transformed into people who are increasingly giving and forgiving, like God. The persistence needed is not to keep imploring God so as to change God's mind, but to keep on faithfully praying so as to be changed into an icon of divine generosity.

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Sunday 10:30am—English

12pm—Spanish

Please see calendar at
stpatrickmtsterling.com
for midweek masses.

Religious Ed (Fall thru Spring)

Sundays 9-10:15am

Anointing of the Sick & Visits:

Please call the office if you know of
someone in need of a pastoral visit.

Marriage Prep: Notify priest 6+mo. in adv.

Baptism: by appointment

New or Returning to Our Parish?

Need to update info?

Ask an usher for the parish
registration form. Complete
and return to the church
office or put in the collection
plate.

DO YOU GET THE FLOCKNOTES?

Keep in touch with our parish
through text

Text SJSPSA to
84576

OR go to this
QR code:





On August 3rd Ashraf and Samia Saed a Catholic couple from the Holy Land will be visiting our Parish Hall to market Olive Wood carved religious articles made by the Christian Artisans in the Holy Land.

www.holylandart.org
Checks and credit cards welcome.

**Pray the Rosary
Wednesdays @
4pm**



**CONGRATULATIONS to
Maynard
Reinhardt!**

We will be celebrating his new journey to seminary during 10:30 mass Sunday August 3rd.



AUGUST requests:
Cereal, canned fruit, condiments, & canned soup.
A box has been placed in back of church for collection.

Birthdays (July 27th— Aug 2nd)

07/27...Dimia Madrid
07/28...Baron Woodard
07/31...Ester Perez
08/02...Ismael Lopez



*Share Your
Faith in Christ*



The church is in need of a Director of Religious Education for the fall. Could that be YOU? Contact any admin or council member if interested.

“For they speak of Christ, not that they may preach Christ, but that they may reject Christ; and they speak of the law, not that they may establish the law, but that they may proclaim things contrary to it.”

- St. Ignatius (1491-1556),
- Jesuit, Patron of Soldiers, Educators,
- Feast Day July 31

