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Good News!

July 12, 2020

Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time (A)

Is 55:10-11; Rom 8:18-23; Mt 13:1-23 or 13:1-9

Have you ever explained something so carefully and at length, and yet the other person misses your point? This seems to be the situation in today's Gospel. The scene Jesus first described was a familiar one. The people listening to him might have sown seed in this manner themselves. So, what was the point?

First it is important to recall that a parable is a story with a double meaning. One meaning is literal, the other is metaphoric. The literal meaning of this parable is obvious. So, what's the point? It is in the second part of the passage that Jesus explains the metaphoric meaning. He tells his disciples that the seeds represent those who hear the word of the kingdom. Then the reality of life intervenes and each seed (the one who hears the word) must decide how to deal with that reality. One might think: Very interesting story. I know just what the seed is going through.

We are now ready to ask: What's the real point of the story? The metaphoric meaning of the parable should pose several questions for each of us: What yield do I produce? Do I appreciate what it means to be a disciple; or is that privilege far from my consciousness? Am I grounded in my faith, or am I religiously rootless? Do I live according to the standards of Jesus, or do the allure and riches of the world entrap me? That's the point of the story.

—Sr. Dianne Bergant, CSA

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Ordinary
Time*

July 12, 2020

A sower went out to sow.
Some seed fell on the path . . . some fell on rocky ground.
. . . Some seed fell among thorns.
. . . But some fell on rich soil, and produced fruit.

Matthew 13:3, 4, 5, 7, 8

MISSION STATEMENT

"We, the Catholic Community of St. Barnabas Parish, are a people formed by Christ, called in Baptism and united in the Eucharist; we continue the mission of the Church in the world through Prayer, Apostolic Works, Evangelization, and Christian Stewardship."

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OFFICE # 562-424-8595

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Mon-Fri: 9:00am-4:00pm

Sat: 9:00am-4:00pm

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FOR PRIVATE PRAYER FROM
7:30AM-12:00PM. PLEASE
ADHERE TO SOCIAL
DISTANCING PRECAUTIONS
& YOU MUST WEAR A MASK.**

NEW MASS / EVENT SCHEDULE

Monday - Saturday	8:00 am	Mass (w/live-stream)
Wednesday	8:00 am	School Mass
Wednesday	8:30 am	Perpetual Help Novena
Saturday (Vigil)	5:00 pm	Mass
Sunday	7:00 am 9:00 am 11:00 am 5:00 pm	Mass Mass (w/live-stream) Mass Mass
Thursday	7:00pm- 8:30pm	Online Bible Study (via zoom)
First Tuesday of the month	7:00pm-8:00pm	Reflection Talk (via zoom)
First Friday of the month	8:30am-10:00am	Adoration

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6/28 Collection:	\$ 2,716.00
7/5 Collection:	\$ 1,895.00

Faith-Direct Bi-Weekly Contribution:	\$ 7,225.10 Period: 6/1 – 6/15
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July 6—12

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June 27—July 18

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MARK YOUR CALENDAR

- 7/15 TAX DAY (extended date)
- 7/15 Confessions: RCIA Candidates/7p
- 7/18 Sacraments: RCIA/11a
- 7/20 Confessions: Confirmation Students/7p
- 7/25 CONFIRMATION: 10a & 12p

WEEKLY MASS INTENTIONS**Sunday, July 12th**

Anita Magpantay; Adi Joya; Flor Ynciendo; John & Ginger Gillette; +Fermin & Socorro Ynciendo; +John Fox; +Jose & +Consuelo Gustilo; +Mauro & +Felicidad Rovillos; +Regor & Felma Rovillos; +Oscar & Vangie Rovillos; +Cesar & Nora Rovillos; +Marciano Salazar; +Beatriz Gonzalez

Monday, July 13th

Benigno Monteverde; +Alejandro Cerame; +Steven Leonard Felix; +Rosario & +Calixto Perez-Ceniga; +Veronedia Herrera

Tuesday, July 14th

Benny Wanta; Mandy Alberto; Benigno Monteverde; +Grace Cavada

Wednesday, July 15th

The Kubeck and Glavinic Families; Benigno Monteverde; Rey & Marina Nufable; +Vincent Jalique; +Edilberto Vega

Thursday, July 16th

Sister Carmel Arcilla; Benigno Monteverde; +Jose & +Amelia Magpayo; +Vincent Jalique

Friday, July 17th

Larry & Terry Beauchamp; Benigno Monteverde; +Glendale & +Jeff Gance; +Jaqueline Rose Thomson; +Carmen Ramirez

Saturday, July 18th

Tristan Sacro & Raquel De Guzman; RCIA Candidates; All Names on Legacy Brick Terrace; +Rudy Espeleta

Sunday, July 19th

JunJun Tacay; Boye Family; +Philip Caioli; +Simprosa Samera; +Eileen Morales; +Pedro Rago; +Albertito Gonzalez; +Gene Tortuya; +Ernesto Palermo Sonza; +Edilberto Vega

Book your Mass Intentions via E-mail or by phone. (+ indicates deceased)

CONGRATULATIONS TO**WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES:**

Armand & Cecile Andaya 6/28 (50yrs)
 Larry & Terry Beauchamp 6/30
 John & Ginger Gillette 7/4 (50yrs)
 Rey & Marina Nufable 7/15
 Joseph & Anne Arias 7/21



Celebrating your Wedding Anniversary? Email us Names, year you're celebrating, along with your Wedding Anniversary date to:
church@stbarnabaslb.org

**MASS INTENTIONS WILL BE MENTIONED
 AT ALL MASS TIMES ON SUNDAY.**

PRAY & REMEMBER WHO HAVE DIED

Annette Ramirez-Cordero
 Susan Sarte
 Teresa Patterson
 Devin Marie Capitulo

TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — My word will achieve the end for which it was sent (Isaiah 55:10-11).

Psalms — The seed that falls on good ground will yield a fruitful harvest (Psalm 65).

Second Reading — We, who have the firstfruits of the Spirit, groan within ourselves awaiting the redemption of our bodies (Romans 8:18-23).

Gospel — Some seed fell on rich soil and produced fruit (Matthew 13:1-23 [1-9]).

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READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Is 1:10-17; Ps 50:8-9, 16bc-17, 21, 23; Mt 10:34 — 11:1
 Tuesday: Is 7:1-9; Ps 48:2-8; Mt 11:20-24
 Wednesday: Is 10:5-7, 13b-16; Ps 94:5-10, 14-15; Mt 11:25-27
 Thursday: Is 26:7-9, 12, 16-19; Ps 102:13-14ab, 15-21; Mt 11:28-30
 Friday: Is 38:1-6, 21-22, 7-8; Is 38:10-12abcd, 16; Mt 12:1-8
 Saturday: Mi 2:1-5; Ps 10:1-4, 7-8, 14; Mt 12:14-21
 Sunday: Wis 12:13, 16-19; Ps 86:5-6, 9-10, 15-16; Rom 8:26-27; Mt 13:24-43 [24-30]

NEW PRAYERS FOR HEALING...

Ken Augustine, Connie Edwards, Mary Pearson, Betty Chrysler, Delores Spak, Stanley Golanty, Elizabeth N. Gabrilillo, Florencio "Junn" Gabrilillo Jr., Cesar Giron, Romeo Giron, Arthur Giron, Marichu Cabriga, Marissa Garcia, Roseann Vetter, Myke Bommer, Elizabeth Cannata, Carolyn Espinoza, Ana Maria Onuna, Gene Henslee, Rosalin Martinez, Herminia Villalpando, Judy Desolo, Richard Hoover, Juanita Hernandez, Valentine Rodriguez, Cynthia Tan, Paul Hutton, Beryl Weekes, Len Tanguay, Laura & Francisco Dominguez, Rose L, Joel Nicart, Erickson Capitulo, Nathaniel Capitulo, Hector Gustilo, Mateo Leyva, Milagro E. Salazar, Kathy Wachter, Sue Ann E. Tumakay, Fr. Owen de Souza, Gloria Goul, Wilson Panickaveetil, William Dorsey, John Matthew Dobberpuhl, Michael Carrasco, Gerry Johnston, Mary Sabate, Virginia Barch, Joseph Smith, Anna Pineda, Melanie De Perio, Sol Reyes, Patty Demuth, Lorna E. Declines, Dolores Medina, Mario Visperas, Jesse Damian, Maria & Miguel Mejia, Michelle Angeles, Raquest Davies, Josh & Pam Batovsky, Robert Carambelas, Rebecca Vidal, Madeline Burgess, Deborah Miller, Martin Boyd, Kenneth Cheong

PARISH & MINISTRY NEWS

HOSPITALITY VOLUNTEERS

We need essential volunteers to help us as we slowly re-open our Church. You need to be **reliable** and **committed** to volunteering for this HOSPITALITY CREW! We will not be able to stay open without your help! We are mainly looking for low-risk people 60 years or younger, who can move swiftly & diligently! ALL VOLUNTEERS will receive Personal Protective Equipment. Click the Sign-Up Genius button on our website: stbarnabaslb.org

MASS INTENTIONS

If you would like to offer a Mass for a loved one, please call or e-mail the Parish Office at: church@stbarnabaslb.org. Pay thru Faith Direct online (\$10/a Mass) or you can mail in or drop-off in our mail slot at the Office. Please request dates at least 1 week in advance to be included in the Bulletin.

PARISH OFFICE REMAINS CLOSED

The Office is still CLOSED. Office hours to receive phone calls are Monday-Saturday: 9:00am-4:00pm, and Sunday: 9:00am-2:00pm. You may certainly drop off envelopes or notes in our mail slot to the left of our Office door. Any inquiries, please call 562-424-8595 or e-mail us at: church@stbarnabaslb.org.

>>> ONLINE FAITH DIRECT <<<

St. Barnabas needs your support more than ever!

As businesses and churches re-open, we are beginning the summer season. It is during these months that we depend the most on online giving to continue our ministry.

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-Antony Gaspar, Pastor

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TOGETHER IN MISSION

This year's theme "Our Story is Alive" reminds us that our gifts to **Together in Mission** are an active demonstration of our faith and love for those in our Archdiocese who need our support.

Please make a pledge with the information that was mailed to your home, a pledge card found with the parish, or online at: ourmissionla.org/give

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time
Monday: St. Henry
Tuesday: St. Kateri Tekakwitha
Wednesday: St. Bonaventure
Thursday: Our Lady of Mount Carmel
Saturday: St. Camillus de Lellis; Blessed Virgin Mary

SAINTS OF THE WEEK

SAINT KATERI TEKAKWITHA (1656-1680)

July 14

Though the New York State Thruway runs close by the North American Martyrs' Shrine, traffic's roar never pierces the peace enveloping Auriesville—Osserson to Native Americans—in the lovely Mohawk Valley, where Kateri Tekakwitha was born barely ten years after the martyrdom of Isaac Jogues and his Jesuit and lay companions. Daughter of a Christian Algonquin mother and non-Christian Mohawk chief, Kateri's parents died in a smallpox epidemic widely blamed on the missionaries. Moreover, many Native Americans had experienced exploitation at the hands of "Christian" traders and trappers, further discrediting the faith Kateri embraced in baptism, then pledged to live even more intensely in vowed virginity. Misunderstanding led to harassment, prompting her move to a Christian village farther north along the Saint Lawrence River. Despite this, Kateri's faith remained undaunted, her selfless charity undiminished. Both before and after her death at twenty-four, this young "Lily of the Mohawks" drew countless converts to Christ by the fragrance of her goodness. Through us, does "the aroma of Christ" (2 Corinthians 2:15), attract others to the beauty of his gospel?

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ST. KATERI TEKAKWITHA



Letters from Heaven



Start with the letter in the shaded square. Draw a path from letter to letter to complete the Biblical statement. Move one square at a time, up, down, right, left and diagonally until all letters are used once. Ignore any black squares.

Jesus said, "Many prophets and righteous people longed to see what you see but did not see it, and to hear what you hear ...

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Answer: *It was not seen or heard*

MONTHLY REFLECTION TALK

Mark your calendar: The next talk is Aug. 4th
TOPIC: "PRAYER LIFE"

An enrichment talk with our Priests, every **1st TUESDAY OF THE MONTH** from **7:00pm-8:00pm**. Visit our website on how to join via Zoom meeting, at: www.stbarnabaslb.org. Info will also be posted on our social media outlets. OR You can join directly thru your computer or phone by visiting this link:

<https://zoom.us/j/92139079499>

Meeting ID: 991 7414 7604 Password: 3955

SPIRITUAL COMMUNION PRAYER

My Jesus, I believe that you are present in the Most Holy Sacrament.

I love you above all things and I desire to receive you in my soul.

Since I cannot at this moment receive you sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart.

I embrace you as if you were already there and unite myself wholly to you.

Never permit me to be separated from you. Amen.

PRAYER FOR CORONAVIRUS

By: Most Reverend José H. Gomez-Archbishop of Los Angeles



Holy Virgin of Guadalupe,
 Queen of the Angels and Mother of the Americas.
 We fly to you today as your beloved children.

We ask you to intercede for us with your Son,
 as you did at the wedding in Cana.

Pray for us, loving Mother,
 and gain for our nation and world,
 and for all our families and loved ones,
 the protection of your holy angels,
 that we may be spared the worst of this illness.

For those already afflicted,
 we ask you to obtain the grace of healing and deliverance.
 Hear the cries of those who are vulnerable and fearful,
 wipe away their tears and help them to trust.

In this time of trial and testing,
 teach all of us in the Church to love one another and to be patient and kind.

Help us to bring the peace of Jesus to our land and to our hearts.

We come to you with confidence,
 knowing that you truly are our compassionate mother,
 health of the sick and cause of our joy.

Shelter us under the mantle of your protection,
 keep us in the embrace of your arms,

help us always to know the love of your Son, Jesus. Amen.

FR BERNARD'S BIBLE STUDY

EVERY THURSDAY NIGHT: 7:00PM - 8:30PM

Join Fr. Bernard's Bible Study Sessions every Thursday from 7:00pm-8:30pm. (NEW TIME) You can join thru your computer or phone by visiting this link:

<https://zoom.us/j/99174147604>

Meeting ID: 991 7414 7604 Password: 3955

For more info, visit our webpage:

<https://stbarnabaslb.org/bible-study/>

Join our Bible Study Group's Facebook page:

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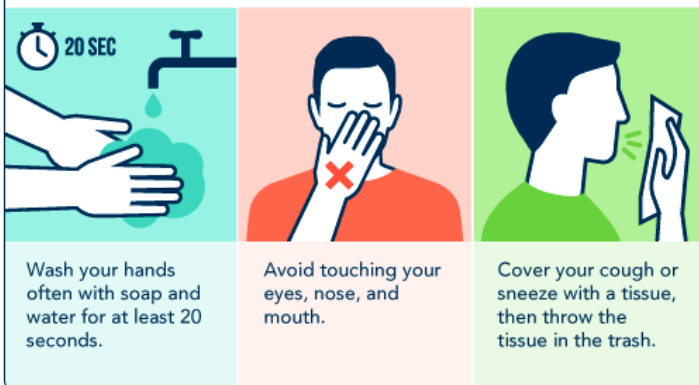
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 July 12, 2020**

You have crowned the year with your bounty,
 and your paths overflow with a rich harvest.

— Psalm 65:12

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COVID-19 PREVENTION



65 YEARS AND OLDER

High-risk individuals (e.g., people who are 65 and older, who are immuno-compromised or who have underlying health conditions) should be discouraged from attending or serving in any capacity that brings them into contact with others.

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY

If you are elderly, ill, or unable to leave your home at this time for any reason, please call **855-423-6780** between **8am-6pm** to get assistance from your local St. Vincent de Paul Society. This hotline will provide resources and serve as a call center for our homebound and elderly community who are not able to access local necessities.

Please visit: <https://lacatholics.org/hearts-serve/> for additional information. If you know of anyone who is in need of help, have them call the hotline #.

(REVISED 6/20/20)

My Dear Parishioners,
 Blessings to you! Our Archbishop Jose Gomez has permitted the churches in our Archdiocese to reopen for the public celebration of Mass beginning June 3, 2020. He asked every parish to prepare a safety plan according to the Archdiocese issued guidelines and get it approved from the Regional Bishop prior to reopening of our parish. Accordingly, I formed a health care committee which discussed extensively and finalized the safety plan. Bishop Marc Trudeau, our regional bishop, has approved our plan. Therefore, we are reopening our parish beginning this Wednesday June 3, 2020. The following members are in our parish Health Care Committee:

Sahlee Balajadia: MSN-PH, RN-BC, WCC, Nurse Manager. HCG Specialty Clinics (**Committee Chair**)
Dom Salas: LVN (**Vice Chair**)
Ann Marie Sacro: Manager- Life Science & Pharmaceutical Industry
Dr. Peggy Kalowes: Ph.D., RN, CNS, FAHA
Samanth Christi: Business Manager
Olivia Baylen: Office Manager
Rev. Fr. Bernard Santiago: Associate Pastor
Rev. Fr. Antony Gaspar: Pastor

Although we are permitted to reopen the church, the state has mandated that we limit the attendees to 25% of building capacity or 100 people, whichever is lower. In our case, it will be 100 people, on a first come, first serve basis. Therefore, **we could allow only 100 parishioners at a time** to be present in the church for now until it would be revised otherwise. The daily Mass schedule remains the same at 8:00 am, but the week-end Mass schedule has been revised to allow enough time to disinfect the church after every Mass.

REVISED MASS SCHEDULE: ****UPDATED***

Saturday- 5:00 pm, (update: no longer offering 7pm)
Sunday- 7:00 am, 9:00 am, 11:00 am, and 5:00 pm (1pm cancelled)
Daily Mass: Monday-Saturday - 8:00 am
Live-streaming of Mass: Sunday 9:00 am, Daily 8:00 am

First Friday Adoration: 8:30 am – 10:00 am (sit towards the front please)

Our Lady of Perpetual Help Novena: Wednesdays immediately after the 8am Mass (sit at Tabernacle section only)

For those who wish to join us in celebrating the liturgical Mass in person, the following policies and procedures will be in effect to ensure the safety and well-being of our parishioners.

REMINDERS:

If you are sick and exhibit symptoms of COVID-19 (fever, cough, cold), or have had close contact with any individuals who have COVID-19, please stay home. This is in accordance with the state, local and Health Safety guidelines.

For those who do not feel safe coming to Church yet, our Archbishop Jose Gomez has dispensed the faithful from the obligation of attending Mass on Sunday. Therefore, if you feel unsafe and identify yourself to be at risk because of an underlying health issue, or are of ages 65 and older, we strongly encourage, for your own health, to avoid attending public celebrations of the Mass at this time. Instead, you may choose to continue attending the live streaming of Mass. The schedules are published on our St. Barnabas Website and social media (Facebook, Instagram).

ENTRY/EXIT DOORS (See Map)

Access to the church will only be through the two entrances **near the altar** facing Marron Avenue, and the entrance with the ramp facing the main parking lot. Please follow the signs and maintain social distancing to enter the church in an orderly manner.

Exit from the church will be through the doors near the Vestibule facing Marron Avenue, the doors leading to the inside parking lot, and the doors on main entrance facing Orange Ave. The only exception is that those who are exclusively depend on using the ramp to enter the church will exit through the same door.

In an emergency situation, ALL the doors will be used to exit the church.

Doors will be open for entry 30 minutes prior to the start of each mass.

Holy water container will be empty.

According to the state, local and Health Safety guidelines, we are limited to 100 communicants for each mass schedule; this will be implemented by **"First come, first serve basis."**

If maximum occupancy of 100 communicants is reached, the doors will be closed and signs on the doors will state: "Maximum Occupancy of 100 has been reached. Please join us for the next available Mass."

Safety Precautions:

The faithful are obliged to wear a face mask upon entering the church

premise, during the celebration of the Mass, and until exiting the church. Volunteers are expected to do the same.

Volunteers will be stationed at specified entrances and will screen parishioners for symptoms of fever, cough or cold.

Volunteers are to maintain 6 feet social distancing when conducting brief surveys.

Volunteers will help seat Parishioners as they walk in and fill up front pews first at designated and marked spots to respect social distancing guidelines. Please do not attempt to walk, sit, stand, or kneel at any non-designated location.

Parishioners are encouraged to respond and sing while keeping their voice at a low volume.

Procession of the gifts will be suspended. There will be no passing of the offertory basket. Instead, three stationary baskets will be placed near the designated exits for donating your offerings.

The sign of the peace is optional. If it is offered, there is to be no physical contact. A simple gesture such as a nod of the head or a non-touching hand gesture is recommended.

During the **distribution of communion**, volunteers wearing mask will ensure six-foot distancing in the communion line using floor markings along the aisle. Parishioners will receive the Body of Christ "on hand," and must step to the side to the marked position before consuming. Communion will not be given "on tongue".

Those who are with disabilities will remain at your seated places. The priest or a Eucharistic minister will bring you the Holy Communion.

The volunteers will be directing the safe exit of the faithful at the conclusion of the Mass. Please maintain social distancing and avoid gathering inside and outside of the church vicinity.

DISINFECTING/SANITIZATION OF CHURCH

Appropriate cleaning of high use areas within the church will be done before and after each service.

The pews utilized by the assembly will be wiped down with disinfectant.

Restroom facilities and door handles, push plates, and knobs will be sanitized after each service.

OTHER IMPORTANT NOTES:

-All hymnals and missalettes are removed from the pews and stored away until it is safe to place them again. The projector will be used to display the readings, liturgical responses, and prayers. The faithful are encouraged to bring their own missals or hymnals for use during the celebration of Mass. No materials will be left in the pews when the Mass is over.

-Families can sit together in the pews/rows. Please keep your children with you at all times.

-Live streaming of the daily Mass at 8:00 am, and the Sunday Mass at 9:00 am will continue.

-For people who do not wish to come to mass, Archbishop Jose Gomez has extended the dispensation until further notice.

-Parishioners who are 65 years and above are encouraged to stay home to minimize their risk.

-Bulletins are available online for download.

-The choir loft, cry room, all prayer rooms (memorial room, Divine Mercy room), and the electronic candles at all shrines are suspended until further notice. We strongly discourage touching of statues at this time.

-From Monday to Saturday, the church will be open for Mass and private prayer from 7:30 am – 12:00 pm. (NEW TIMES) The section on the Tabernacle side of the church will be designated for private prayer. Please, only sit in that section.

-On Sundays the church door will open 30 minutes prior to each Mass. And, we request you to exit the church when the Mass is concluded in order to allow us to disinfect the church and get ready for the next Mass.

-All gatherings in the church premises, including for Coffee and donuts are suspended until further notice.

-UPDATE: 6/20/20: CONFESSIONS ARE AVAILABLE ON SATURDAYS BY APPOINTMENT ONLY. CALL THE PARISH OFFICE.

-Parish Office remains CLOSED. Phone calls allowed Mon-Sat: 9am-4pm, and Sun: 9am-2pm.

These guidelines will be reviewed and updated as needed by our Health Care Committee, and will be made available to you on a timely manner. I take this opportunity to express my profound gratitude to this Committee for having diligently worked on preparing these guidelines for our parish.

With Blessings,

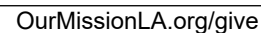
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Dear Padre

July 12, 2020

Recently my husband's union was involved in a messy strike that nearly turned violent. Does the Catholic Church support strikes like this?

I grew up in Detroit. Most of my family and extended family worked in the automobile plants there. I clearly remember long strikes when my father was out of work and our family would struggle along, sometimes wondering where we would get money for the necessities of life.

In the past hundred years, many of the writings of the popes and the bishops' conferences have centered on the issues of work, including the issue of receiving a just wage. The Church spoke in support of child-labor laws, eight-hour workdays, organized unions, collective bargaining, and a just wage. Because of this, at times the Church has been labeled unpatriotic, socialistic, and even communist. The United States Conference of Catholic Bishops published a pastoral letter, "Economic Justice for All," which outlines the six moral principles drawn from Scripture that form the basis of the Church's social teaching. In this letter, the Church fully supports the rights of workers to form unions to secure their rights to fair wages and working conditions. Unions may also legitimately resort to strikes when this is the only available means to the justice owed the workers (EJA 104-105). The Church draws the line at violence. The strike becomes morally unacceptable when accompanied by violence (Catechism of the Catholic Church, 2435).

—Fr. Paul J. Coury, CSsR

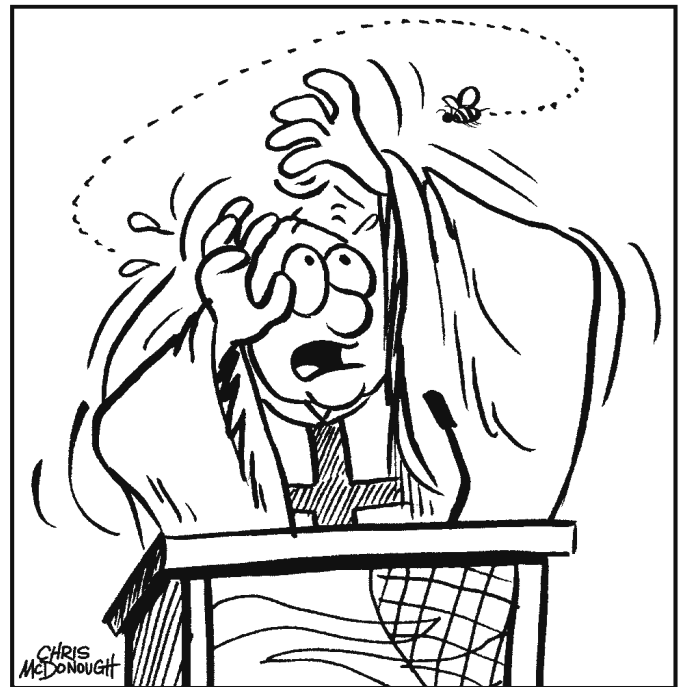
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Did you know? || Watch out for friend fatigue

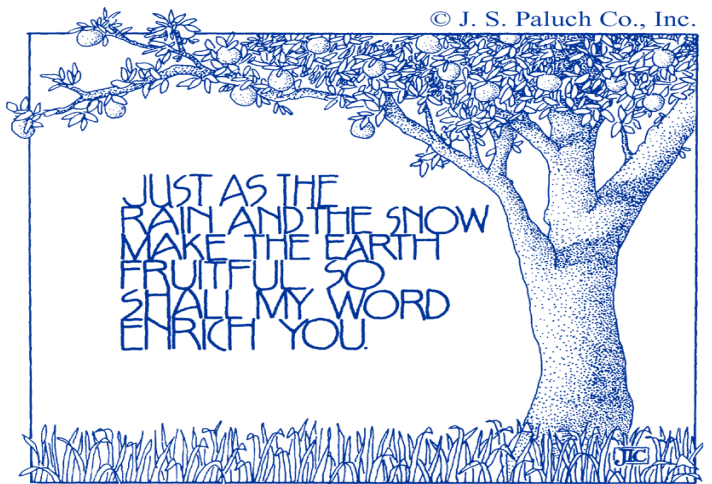
After months of staying home, parents who are opting to engage in safe playdates should be aware of "friend fatigue." Especially in the summer months, children have time for longer playdates, and often choose to spend time with their best friends whenever they can. But these playdates can be too much of a good thing. Pay attention to cues from your child that he or she needs a break — excessive fighting, bad behaviors, short tempers. Use informed judgement to determine when it's best for children to take a play break for a few days or so. For more information, get a copy of the VIRTUS® article, "Summer friends are great and all, but..." at <https://lacatholics.org/did-you-know/>.

Pastor Al™



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St. Bonaventure

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