



TWENTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME ✕ **AUGUST 16, 2026**

Weekly Calendar

8/15	Saturday Vigil Mass @ 5:00pm Intentions: Kathy Tobat
8/16	Sunday morning Mass @ 11:00am Intentions: People of the Parish
8/21	MORNING MASS @ 8:00am
8/22	Saturday Mass @ 5:00pm Intentions: Luke Jason Lewis
8/23	Sunday Mass – 11:00am Intentions: People of the Parish

Ministry Schedule

DATE	TIME	PEOPLE
SAT 8/15	5PM	Lec: D. Hering
		EuM: B. Hering
		J. Hallet
		M. Poole
SUN 8/16	11AM	Lec: J. Lattanzi
		EuM: R. Price
		H. Cogle
		B. Rumbley



Collection information for 8/8&9.

General Offertory	2109.00
2nd Collection	1278.00
Mass Stipends	.00
Poor Box	142.00
Catholic Appeal	100.00
Diocesan Collections	.00
St. Vincent De Paul	.00
Donations	.00
Total	3629.00



Sunday
Is 56: 1, 6-7; Rom 11:13-15, 29-32; Mt 15:21-28

Monday
Ez 24:15-23; Mt 19:16-22

Tuesday
Ez 28:1-10; Mt 19:23-30

Wednesday
Ez 34:1-11; Mt 20:1-16

Thursday
Ez 36:23-28; Mt 22:1-14

Friday
Ez 37:1-14; Mt 22:34-40

Saturday
Ez 43:1-7ab; Mt 23:1-12

“Blessed are they who, setting aside their own pleasure and inclination, consider things according to reason and justice before doing them.”

St. John of the Cross

PARISH NEWS

Bakeless Bake sale letters have been mailed. Please check your mailboxes. This is an important fundraiser for the Parish.

Two weekends left to sign up for the Parish Picnic. Sign-up sheets are in the back Church. Deadline to RSVP is Sunday, August 23rd. Word has it that St. Mary's Cornhole Team includes one priest, one former softball pitcher and a ringer from Jersey! OLGC needs people with strong arms and good aim!

Men of the Parish – flyers are available in the back of Church with more information on the Catholic Men of Delmarva Parish groups now forming.

St. Vincent De Paul will hold their Pit Beef sale on Thursday, August 20th in the Tractor Supply parking lot from 11:00am until sold out (usually by 1:00pm). Sandwiches are \$12.00 and include pit beef, bag of chips and a drink. Flyers for pre-orders are available in the back of Church this weekend.

Everyday Stewardship

The Jubilee Year of Mercy is now in the history books and looking back I wonder if I have been changed at all by the observance. Certainly the focus on mercy wasn't all about God's mercy toward me? Yes, I focused on my sin and the need for God's forgiveness and grace, but hopefully that changed how I live my life and how I offer mercy to others.

The mercy we receive from God is not something we are to keep bottled up or hidden from others. Jesus taught us to treat others the way we would like to be treated and to love everyone, even our enemies.

When Jesus healed the Canaanite woman I wonder what she did next. I would hope she in turn offered mercy and healing to others. Of course, I know she was imperfect just like me so I am sure in no time she was back to needing the mercy of Jesus. Her demon was gone, but there is always a new evil around every corner.

However, the fact that we are a broken people always in need of mercy does not lessen the command for us to offer mercy. Mercy is a gift like so many others that God lavishes on us with great generosity. We are called to cultivate this and share it with others as well. If we cannot do that then what was the real effect of God's mercy in our lives? If we do not allow God to change us into more generous stewards ready to offer mercy and love to all, then perhaps we are fooling ourselves that we are true disciples of Jesus at all.

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