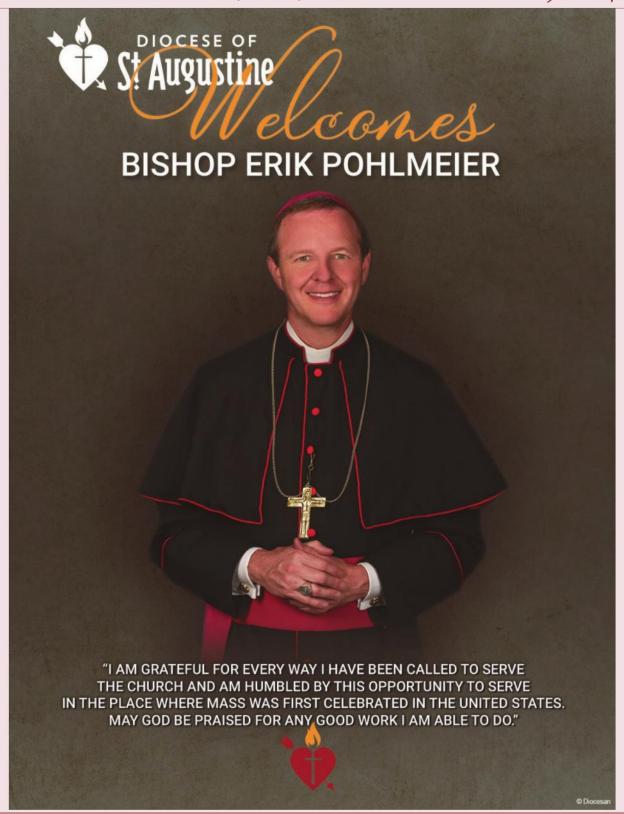


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Article from: Rome, Saint John Lateran, 3 May 2022, Feast of the Apostles Philip and James





Message of His Holiness Pope Francis for the second World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly "In old age they will still bear fruit" (Psalm 92:15)

Dear Friends,

"In old age they will still bear fruit" (Ps 92:15). These words of the Psalmist are glad tidings, a true "gospel" that we can proclaim to all on this second World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly. They run counter to what the world thinks about this stage of life, but also to the attitude of grim resignation shown by some of us elderly people, who harbour few expectations for the future.

Many people are afraid of old age. They consider it a sort of disease with which any contact is best avoided. The elderly, they think, are none of their concern and should be set apart, perhaps in homes or places where they can be cared for, lest we have to deal with their problems. This is the mindset of the "throw-away culture", which leads us to think that we are somehow different from the poor and vulnerable in our midst, untouched by their frailties and separated from "them" and their troubles. The Scriptures see things differently. A long life – so the Bible teaches – is a blessing, and the elderly are not outcasts to be shunned but living signs of the goodness of God who bestows life in abundance. Blessed is the house where an older person lives! Blessed is the family that honours the elderly!

Old age is not a time of life easily understood even by those of us who are already experiencing it. Even though it eventually comes with the passage of time, no one prepares us for old age, and at times it seems to take us by surprise. The more developed societies expend large sums on this stage of life without really helping people to understand and appreciate it; they offer healthcare plans to the elderly but not plans for living this age to the full. This makes it hard to look to the future and discern what direction to take. On the one hand, we are tempted to ward off old age by hiding our wrinkles and pretending to be forever young, while on the other, we imagine that the only thing we can do is bide our time, thinking glumly that we cannot "still bring forth fruit".

Retirement and grown children make many of the things that used to occupy our time and energy no longer so pressing. The recognition that our strength is ebbing or the onset of sickness can undermine our certainties. The fast pace of the world – with which we struggle to keep up – seems to leave us no alternative but to implicitly accept the idea that we are useless. We can resonate with the heartfelt prayer of the Psalmist: "Do not cast me off in the time of old age; forsake me not when my strength is spent" (71:9).

Yet that same psalm – which meditates on how the Lord has been present at every stage of our lives – urges us to persevere in hope. Along with old age and white hairs, God continues to give us the gift of life and to keep us from being overcome by evil. If we trust in him, we will find the strength to praise him still (cf. vv. 14-20). We will come to see that growing old is more than the natural decline of the body or the inevitable passage of time, but the gift of a long life. Aging is not a condemnation, but a blessing!

For this reason, we ought to take care of ourselves and remain active in our later years. This is also true from a spiritual standpoint: we ought to cultivate our interior life through the assiduous reading of the word of God, daily prayer, reception of the sacraments and participation in the liturgy. In addition to our relationship with God, we should also cultivate our relationships with others: first of all by showing affectionate concern for our families, our children and grandchildren, but also for the poor and those who suffer, by drawing near to them with practical assistance and our prayers. These things will help us not to feel like mere bystanders, sitting on our porches or looking out from our windows, as life goes on all around us. Instead, we should learn to discern

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everywhere the presence of the Lord. Like "green olive trees in the house of God" (cf. Ps 52:10), we can become a blessing for those who live next to us.

Old age is no time to give up and lower the sails, but a season of enduring fruitfulness: a new mission awaits us and bids us look to the future. "The special sensibility that those of us who are elderly have for the concerns, thoughts and the affections that make us human should once again become the vocation of many. It would be a sign of our love for the younger generations". This would be our own contribution to the revolution of tenderness, a spiritual and non-violent revolution in which I encourage you, dear grandparents and elderly persons, to take an active role.

Our world is passing through a time of trial and testing, beginning with the sudden, violent outbreak of the pandemic, and then by a war that is harming peace and development on a global scale. Nor is it a coincidence that war is returning to Europe at a time when the generation that experienced it in the last century is dying out. These great crises risk anaesthetizing us to the reality of other "epidemics" and other widespread forms of violence that menace the human family and our common home.

All this points to the need for a profound change, a conversion, that disarms hearts and leads us to see others as our brothers or sisters. We grandparents and elderly people have a great responsibility: to teach the women and men of our time to regard others with the same understanding and loving gaze with which we regard our own grandchildren. We ourselves have grown in humanity by caring for others, and now we can be teachers of a way of life that is peaceful and attentive to those in greatest need. This attitude may be mistaken for weakness or resignation, yet it will be the meek, not the aggressive and the abusive, who will inherit the earth (cf. Mt 5:5).

One fruit that we are called to bring forth is protecting the world. "Our grandparents held us in their arms and carried us on their knees"; now is the time for us to carry on our own knees – with practical assistance or with prayer alone – not only our own grandchildren but also the many frightened grandchildren whom we have not yet met and who may be fleeing from war or suffering its effects. Let us hold in our hearts – like Saint Joseph, who was a loving and attentive father – the little ones of Ukraine, of Afghanistan, of South Sudan...

Many of us have come to a sage and humble realization of what our world very much needs: the recognition that we are not saved alone, and that happiness is a bread we break together. Let us bear witness to this before those who wrongly think that they can find personal fulfilment and success in conflict. Everyone, even the weakest among us, can do this. The very fact that we allow ourselves to be cared for – often by people who come from other countries – is itself a way of saying that living together in peace is not only possible, but necessary.

Dear grandparents, dear elderly persons, we are called to be artisans of the revolution of tenderness in our world! Let us do so by learning to make ever more frequent and better use of the most valuable instrument at our disposal and, indeed, the one best suited to our age: prayer. "Let us too become, as it were, poets of prayer: let us develop a taste for finding our own words, let us once again take up those taught by the word of God". Our trustful prayer can do a great deal: it can accompany the cry of pain of those who suffer, and it can help change hearts. We can be "the enduring 'chorus' of a great spiritual sanctuary, where prayers of supplication and songs of praise sustain the community that toils and struggles in the field of life". The World Day of Grandparents and the Elderly is an opportunity to proclaim once more, with joy, that the Church wants to celebrate together with all those whom the Lord – in the words of the Bible – has "filled with days". Let us celebrate it together! I ask you to make this Day known in your parishes and communities; to seek out those elderly persons who feel most alone, at home or in residences where they live. Let us make sure that no one feels alone on this day. Expecting a visit can transform those days when we think we have nothing to look forward to; from an initial encounter, a new friendship can emerge. Visiting the elderly who live alone is a work of mercy in our time!

Let us ask Our Lady, Mother of Tender Love, to make all of us artisans of the revolution of tenderness, so that together we can set the world free from the spectre of loneliness and the demon of war.

To all of you, and to your loved ones, I send my blessing and the assurance of my closeness and affection. And I ask you, please, not to forget to pray for me!

OUR CATHOLIC FAITH IN ACTION!

SUNDAY SCHOOL NOTES: Mark Your Calendars

We are planning new and exciting things for the CCF Sunday School program this coming school year and look forward to meeting and greeting our families at a special welcoming fun session for all our families, including our Catholic School & Homeschool families, on August 14th at 10:45am (after the 9:30am Mass), includes light breakfast goodies and an ICE CREAM SOCIAL!

All Families with school-age children (age 4 and above) INVITED!





Online Registration is now open for CCF Sunday School.

The online link is posted in the E-Newsletter and on the moving banner on our website: holyfaithcatholicchurch.org or call the office for assistance.

The form includes registration for Sacramental preparation for the First Sacraments of Reconciliation and First Communion and for Confirmation, and the CYM youth group for both Catholic and public school children.

Sacramental preparation sessions for these sacraments are two-year programs beginning in first and ninth grades respectively.

Please sign-up now and do not wait for opening day. The first day of classes is AUGUST 21.

We can't wait to have our families join us again!

MIGRANT MINISTRY BACK-TO-SCHOOL PROGRAM

It has been a long time tradition at Holy Faith to support our Migrant brothers and sisters through the Fall Back-To-School Backpack Program. Year after year, parishioners would donate backpacks for all children, filled with school supplies so they would have what they needed to get a great start in the new school year, and the families are always most grateful.

This year the School Board is providing some basic school supplies and backpacks to the migrant families, so additional backpacks will not be needed.

So, in the spirit of giving to those in need, and in keeping with our vision of building together a community of compassion in Christ, we would like to continue our support of our migrant families in a different way this year.

Since many of the migrant workers have been out of work and unable to travel to their usual work locations, mostly due to covid and lack of available work, it would be very helpful and truly appreciated if **donations of Walmart gift cards** in any amount were donated, instead of the backpacks. This will help the families provide back-to-school clothing, shoes and food, which is what is needed most at this time.

White envelopes will be provided in the vestibule of the church, with "Migrant Education" written on them to place the gift card donations. Please put your name on the envelope and place in the collection basket, to be distributed to the families through Migrant Education before school begins. Again, Thank you for your support and love for migrant families.

May God continue to bless you as you bless others!

CALENDAR & PARISH INFORMATION

Happy Birthday Fr. Jose

July 30, 2022

May the Lord continue to Bless you in your service to Him and to Holy Faith Parish.

Mass Celebrations 8am; 9:30am;11:15am & 6pm Celebrating all Grandparents, Seniors and Elders MONDAY, July 25

- 7:00am & 9:30am Masses: Church
- Cursillo Men's Team Meeting (6:00 PM): Conference Rm 1
- ESMP Group Meeting (7:00PM): Mtg Room 9

TUESDAY, July 26

- 7:00am & 9:30am Masses: Church
- **HoFa Crafts Ministry** Group (10:00 AM) FJMP Parish Life Center Section A
- SCC "A Father Who Keeps His Promise" (1:00 PM): Mtg Rm 7
- Band of Brothers (7:00PM): Ministry Center - Lobby WEDNESDAY, July 27
- 7:00am & 9:30am Masses: Church
- Choir Practice (6:30 PM): Ministry Center Music Room bi-weekly (check emails)
- **Knights of Columbus 4th Degree** Assm 1817 (6:30 PM): Conference Rm 1

THURSDAY, July 28

- 7:00am & 9:30am Masses: Church
- **People of Praise Prayer Group** (Praise & Worship) (7:00 PM): Church

FRIDAY, July 29

- **Bulletin Deadline for August 14,** 2022 Send email with details to bulletin@holyfaithchurch.org
- 7:00am & 9:30am Masses: Church SATURDAY, July 30

Happy Birthday, Fr. Fose

- 9:00am Morning Mass: Church
- Confessions (9:30am & 3:00pm):
- **Vigil Mass Celebration** (5:00 PM): Church

SUNDAY, July 31

Mass Celebrations 8am; 9:30am;11:15am & 6pm

- FMDOSA Filipino American Mass Celebration (4:00 PM): Church
- FMDOSA Filipino American Fellowship Potluck (5:00 PM): FJMP Parish Life Center B/C/K

Mass is where you can find your way back to God. God is waiting for you. See you Sunday!

At Holy Faith our mission is that everyone come to know, love and serve God in union with Christ Jesus and his Spirit-filled Catholic Church. In doing so we are committed to our vision to build together a community of compassion in Christ.

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PICK OF THE WEEK

July 24, 2022

SAINT IGNATIUS OF LOYOLA: SOLDIER FOR CHRIST

At the end of this week, we celebrate the feast of St. Ignatius of Loyola, the "Soldier for Christ." While Martin Luther's interior troubles plunged Europe into a maelstrom of controversy, Ignatius of Loyola set out on an extraordinary interior pilgrimage of grace. Taught directly by God, Ignatius offered the Church a new spirituality of devoted service to Christ and founded a religious order dedicated to evangelization, the Jesuits.



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Interested in becoming Catholic?

No obligation. Inquire about the journey. Contact Mark, R.C.I.A. Coordinator, 376-4506 ext. 104.

LITURGY FOR THE WEEK

of July 24 2022 Mass Times: Sat, July 23: 5:00pm Vigil Sun: 8am, 9:30am*, 11:15am, 6pm *9:30am Mass Livestreamed

Monday - Friday 7 & 9:30am Saturday 9:00am Mass **Saturday Confessions:** 9:30am-10:45am & 3-4:30pm The Holy Rosary is prayed Every Weekday at 9am &





Lord, hear our prayers for the sick of our and for all those in need o f our

prayers, for all suffering with covid symptoms, Fr. Julien, Alfonso P, Alfred B, Alicia P, Alice N, Alissa P, Amos R, Ann J, Ann L, Ana K, Andy B, Angela R, Angie K, Ann A, Annie L, Ava J. Š, Barbara F, Barbara R, Bavoo K, Beatriz H, Bebe L, Becky B, Bella R, Benedicto D, Bernardo B, Betty H, Betty Lynn B, Beverly T, Billy, Blaine R, Bob S, Bobbi L, Bradley S, Brandon B, Brenda, Brian I, Carolyn K, Catherine W, Cathy T, Chandler H, Charlie Z, Chavel B, Cheryl T, Chris P, Christopher A, Christopher E, Christopher G, Christopher VA, Chuck F, Cindy E, Claire G, Chris S, Claude M, Connie D, Coralia G, Craig R, Cristen C, Dan S, Daniela, Danna P-F, Chuck F, Delia A, Denny N, Devon D, Diane C, Diane R, Diego R (3 yrs old), Donnie S, Don M, Donna T, Doreen E, Dorothy C, Edwina A, Eileen McC, Eleanor C, Eleanor F, Elizabeth D, Frank S, Gary R, Gary Z, Georgie A, Geraldo D, Gilbert M, Greg S, Hilary H, Ivan G-V, Jan T, Janet M, Janet S, Jason L, Jaylina F, Jerome L, Jerry B, Jhf, Jill G, Jim B, Jim Ď, Joan P, Joanna C, Jodi F, Joe R, Joey R, John D, John G, John P, Joke, Joanna & Mary C, Jordan T, Joseph S, Joy & Kristienne R, Juan Carlos D, Jun G, Karen B, Katherine M, Kevin B, Kristen J, Leif O, Lewis, Linda C, Linda L, Lino S, Lisa, Lois H, Lorena Y, Lori, Lorraine C, Lorraine H, Lou G, Lou H, Louis M, Louis R, Lucy Q, Manuel, Margaret Rose H, Marianne K, Marilou, Mark B, Mark F, Martha C, Martha G, Martin A, Mary A, Mary N, Maryuri S, Maureen G, Melanie P, Michael D, Michael J, Michael R, Michael S, Mike G, Milagros D, Millie R, Minde R, Monica Saturday: Jer 26:11-16, 24; Ps 69:15- V, Myra F, Nicholas G, Nicole L Fam Owen, V.L. Patrick family, Patricia Marie, Paula A, Paula H, Pauline L, Phil P, Rachel S, Raul G, Ray C, Richard D, Richard L, Richard P, Rick N, RJ, Robin B, Robin F, Robert W, Roberta R, Ron R, Rosalea, Rose G, Ryan E, Sally H, Samantha H, Shirley T, Sonia F & Fam, Stacy M, Stephen C, Stephen H, Steve F, Sue C, Suellen F, Susan H, Sylvia G, Teresa B, Teresa N, Thomas B, TM, Tom L, Toni-Marie C, Tony A, Veronica H, William P & Yesica.

MASS INTENTIONS: July 24 to July 30 2022

SUNDAY, July 24 9:30am Michelle Kim Sims, **RIP**, by Diva McPherson MONDAY, July 25

7:00am Michelle Kim Sims, RIP, by Diva McPherson 9:30am James Bigler, RIP, by Sandra Bigler

TUESDAY, July 26

7:00am Neal Hackett, Spiritual bouquet for birthday, by Wayne & Jennifer Hackett 9:30am Dr. C. Richard Conti, RIP, by Mary Dolan

WEDNESDAY, July 27 7:00am Michelle Kim Sims, RIP, by Diva McPherson

WEDNESDAY, July 27 cont. 9:30am Frank Perri, RIP, by Kathleen & Michael Perri

THURSDAY, July 28

7:00am Michelle Kim Sims, RIP, by Diva McPherson 9:30am Matthew Louis Armas, RIP, by Rufino & Coralia Garcia

FRIDAY, July 29

7:00am Michelle Kim Sims, RIP, by Diva McPherson 9:30am Domingo Navarro, RIP, by the Navarro Family SATURDAY, July 30

9:00am Robert Wilder, RIP, by John Barli

SCRIPTURE READINGS Week of July 24 2022

Seventeenth Sunday in Ord nary Time: Gn 18:20-32; Ps 138:1-2, 2-3, 6-7, 7-8; Col 2:12-14; Lk 11:1-13 Monday: 2 Cor 4:7-15; Ps 126: 1bc- 14; Jn 11:19-27 2ab, 2cd-3, 4-5, 6; Mt 20:20-28 **Tuesday:** Jer 14:17-22; Ps; 79:8, 9, 11 & 13; Mt 13:36-43 Wednesday: Jer 15:10, 16-21; Ps 59:2-3, 4, 10-11, 17, 18; Mt 13:44-46

Thursday: Jer 18:1-6; Ps 146:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6ab; Mt 13:47-53 **Friday:** Jer 26:1-9; Ps 69:5, 8-10, 16, 30-31, 33-34; Mt 14:1-12 **Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time:** Ecc 1:2; 2:21-23; Ps 90:3-4, 5-6, 12-13, 14 & 17; Col 3:1-5, 9-11; Lk 12:13-21

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INTERCESSIONS FOR LIFE

May married couples embrace their call to

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We pray to the Lord ...

PRAYER LIST UPDATES

Please contact us to add a name to this **prayer list.** Send your request to: holyfaithoffice@holyfaithchurch.org. We continue to pray for our sick, especially for strength for them to be faithful to Christ in illness, and for the hope of healing. May God remain with them in their suffering and give them comfort in His love.

PARISH GIVING ... Thank you for your continuing support of our Ministries.

Holy Faith Catholic Church Weekly Update

Weekly Contribution Goal	\$ 26,453
Actual Offertory as of: July 10 Online Giving of \$3000 included	\$ 18,602

in the weekly offertory figures.

BASA Report from the Bishop's Office

Total Pledged 2022	\$ 115,283
Total Paid as of June 19, 2022	\$ 108,361



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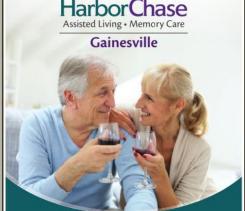
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