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MENTIONS, MEETINGS, EVENTS & REMINDERS

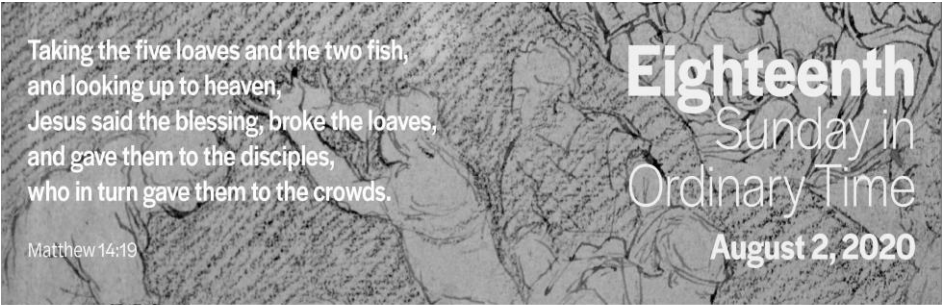
Installation & Confirmation: On Saturday, Aug. 8th, at the 4:30 p.m. Mass, Fr. David's installation as pastor of St. Dominic Church & the sacrament of Confirmation will be celebrated, with dinner to follow in the gym. Archbishop Kurtz will be the celebrant. The 4:30 Mass will be reserved solely for the Confirmation candidates and their guests. However, the Mass will be live-streamed to the gym, and limited seating will be available. So, if you want to attend the live-streaming of Fr. David's installation & Confirmation, please sign up for mass just as you have been. Those who sign-up for the 4:30 p.m. mass are also invited to the meal.

Masses: Just a reminder to call ahead (Monday through Thursday) if you plan to attend Mass this coming weekend, space is limited due to social distancing requirements. Please contact us in one of the two ways, by calling 859-336-3569 or by email at stdom@bellsouth.net. Please state your mass preference, along with the names of the people in your household that will be attending. Seating charts are finalized on Thursday afternoons. Peace to you all!

Crusade for Children: For those who wish to contribute to Crusade for Children, but didn't have a chance to give on the original collection date of June 6/7, a second collection date has been set for this weekend, Aug. 1/2. Contributions may be dropped in the collection plate in the back of church before Mass or mailed to the parish office. If giving by check, please make your check payable to St. Dominic Church, with the word "Crusade" in the memo line. - Since 1955, the Archdiocese of Louisville has contributed millions of dollars to the Crusade for Children. This community-wide effort changes the lives of children with special needs, and many families in the Archdiocese have benefited directly from the Crusade as have our schools, which receive grants to assist students with diverse learning needs. Thank you for your generosity.

PRAYER AND HUMILITY

Arm yourself with prayer rather than a sword; wear humility rather than fine clothes. —St. Dominic



Taking the five loaves and the two fish,
and looking up to heaven,
Jesus said the blessing, broke the loaves,
and gave them to the disciples,
who in turn gave them to the crowds.

Matthew 14:19

Eighteenth
Sunday in
Ordinary Time
August 2, 2020

LONGING FOR SPIRITUAL WELL-BEING

The word of God serves up a tremendous feast for us today. Isaiah beckons all who hunger and thirst to come to the Lord for satisfaction. The psalmist cries out, “The hand of the Lord feeds us; he answers all our needs.” Saint Paul tells us that nothing can separate us from the love of God. Finally, in the Gospel, we hear the story of the miraculous feeding of over five thousand people from a mere five loaves and two fish. Most of us have our material needs met on a day-to-day basis. These scriptures, nevertheless, have much to say to the contemporary believer. We must ask ourselves, “Where are my deepest hungers? Where are my thirsts?” After material needs are satisfied and, in some cases, over-satisfied, many people still experience a deep longing for spiritual balance and well-being. As the loaves and fish are multiplied in today’s Gospel, perhaps our prayer can be a longing for the satisfaction of the deepest needs that only God can fill.

ADMITTING OUR HELPLESSNESS

Jesus’ disciples, after a long day of preaching and healing, find themselves confronted with thousands of hungry people who need to be fed. They themselves were no doubt hungry and thirsty. In desperation, they turn to the Lord and ask him to tell the people to go to the towns and villages to buy food. Jesus tells them to give the people food themselves. They admit that they can come up with only five loaves and two fish, hardly enough to feed even themselves. It was only after the disciples admitted their total helplessness in the situation that the miracle of the multiplication of the loaves and fish occurred. Where is the lesson for us? It is in admitting our helplessness in life’s most difficult moments that a miracle may perhaps be waiting for us.

MIRACLES OF MULTIPLICATION

Many believers admit that when faced with life-threatening illness, all that can be done in many instances is to throw one’s hands up in total helplessness and, in desperation, call upon God. The miracle that can occur is often not a cure of the illness. The miracle may be the strength and courage given by God to move through the pain and grief with hearts of faith. Remember what Saint Paul tells us today. “For I am convinced that neither death, nor life ... nor any other creature will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.” When we know deep hunger for meaning and direction, when we are at our lowest, let us heed the words of the prophet Isaiah, and come to the Lord, that we may have life. If five loaves and two fish can be multiplied miraculously to feed thousands, then surely the compassion and love of Christ Jesus can be multiplied again and again for those whose hearts hunger and thirst for healing and wholeness.

TODAY’S READINGS

Isaiah 55:1–3
Psalm 145:8–9, 15–18
Romans 8:35, 37–39
Matthew 14:13–21

Miracle of the Loaves and Fishes, undated.
Attributed to Federico Walsperger, Spanish, 1628–1689,
after Jacopo Robusti, called Titian, Venetian, 1512–1596,
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WEEKEND MASSES:

Saturday 4:30 p.m., Sunday 8:30 a.m. & 10:30 a.m., Spanish Mass 2:00 p.m.

WEEKDAY MASSES: See Mass Schedule & Intentions section of bulletin

CONFESSIONS: Tuesdays & Thursdays at 5:00 p.m.

SUNDAY, AUGUST 2, 2020

18TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

WEEKEND LITURGY

First Reading: All you who thirst, come to the water! You without money, come to the feast! (Isaiah 55:1-3).

Psalm: The hand of the Lord feeds us; he answers all our needs (Psalm 145).

Second Reading — Nothing can separate us from the love of God in Christ (Romans 8:35, 37-39).

Gospel: All ate until satisfied; they collected twelve baskets of what was left over (Matthew 14:13-21).

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READINGS FOR THE UPCOMING WEEK

Monday: Jer 28:1-17; Ps 119:29, 43, 79, 80, 95, 102; Mt 14:22-36

Tuesday: Jer 30:1-2, 12-15, 18-22; Ps 102:16-21, 29, 22-23; Mt 14:22-36

Wednesday: Jer 31:1-7; Jer 31:10-12ab, 13; Mt 15:21-28

Thursday: Dn 7:9-10, 13-14; Ps 97:1-2, 5-6, 9; 2 Pt 1:16-19; Mt 17:1-9

Friday: Na 2:1, 3; 3:1-3, 6-7; Dt 32:35cd-36ab, 39abcd, 41; Mt 16:24-28

Saturday: Hb 1:12 — 2:4; Ps 9:8-13; Mt 17:14-20

Sunday: 1 Kgs 19:9a, 11-13a; Ps 85:9-14; Rom 9:1-5; Mt 14:22-33

MASS SCHEDULE & INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK (Aug. 3-9)

Monday 8:30 AM: Bob Goodlett

Tuesday 5:30 PM: Kenny & Barbara Corbett

Wednesday: NO MASS

Thursday 5:30 PM: Sidney Medley

Friday 8:30 AM: Gerald & Barbara Fogle

Saturday 8:30 AM: Wilburn Kelty

4:30 PM: For the Parish

Sunday 8:30 AM: Eugene Graves

10:30 AM: Betty Lou Montgomery

2:00 PM (Spanish Mass): Presider's Intention

LITURGICAL ROLES

Weekday Lectors: (Mon.) Julee Jones, (Tues.) Mary Lynne Fenwick, (Wed.)

NO MASS, (Thurs.) Ione Pinkston, (Fri.) Mary Ann Hale, (Sat.) Hamilton

Simms. **Weekend Liturgical Roles** for August have been sent via email.

ST. D PRAYER LIST:

Coronavirus Pandemic, World Peace, Healthcare Workers, Victims of Abuse, U.S. Military, Unborn & Elderly, Addictions, Glenn Mattingly, Kyle Logsdon, Sr. Mary Louise Yurik, Jeannie Hatchett, Lames Thomas, Ashton Kelly, Katie Haydon, Edwin Thompson, Jane Rudd Volz, Dennis Newton, Lucille Spalding, Marcie Abell, Mary Devine, Roberta Williams, Jerry Craig, Larry Smith, Tom Miller, Margaret Faye Martin, Charlotte Disponett, Carolyn Greene, Marian & Wade Elliott, Sue Carter, Michael & Jennifer Jarboe, Debbie Hamilton, Buddy & Charlotte Smith, Wheatley Hamilton, Frank Peters, Corbin Noel, Dorothy Mattingly, Colin Walker, Cassie Robinson, Olivia Montgomery, Audrey Edelen, Marilyn Watkins, Sueanna Graves, Helen Parrot, Christy Caldwell & Nancy Hardin. Our church always prays for and cares for our sick sisters and brothers at home, in hospitals, and in nursing homes. You are always in our hearts, minds and prayers as we celebrate the Eucharist at St. Dominic. If any who are sick want to ask in faith for the church's prayers, please do not hesitate to contact our parish office at 336-3569.