



Society of African Missions

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Fr. Michael Moran, SMA.

If you invite one of our priests out to perform a sacramental function please make sure he is informed.
 201-567-0450 x 218

Mass Schedule

Sundays

8:00 am; 10:00 am; 12 noon

Weekdays & Holy Days

8:00 am; 9:30 am; 11:45 am

Confessions

Saturdays 4:30 pm to 5:00 pm

Bereavement & Visit to the Sick

Contact Fr. Anbu Kumar
 201-567-0450 Ext 204

Our Lady of Perpetual Help

Rosary

Every Wednesday at 11:00 am

Followed by Mass, Adoration and Benediction at 5:30 pm

The Little Way of St. Therese of Lisieux

2nd Sundays after 12 pm Mass

Bible Reflection Group

Thursdays: 7:30 pm in the hall

Perpetual Mass Association

Office open Monday-Friday from 8:00 am to 3:00 pm

S.M.A. Vocation Office

Fr. Julien Esse, SMA
 201- 894-8611

Sunday Collection: \$1,442.00

Thank you for your support.

THIRTEENTH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME

Masses for the week of JULY 01—JULY 07, 2018

Date	Time	Intention	Requested by:
Sun.-Sat.	8:00	Liv & Dec Benefactors of SMA	
Sun. JULY 01	10:00	Mark, Lillian & Neal (RIP)	Veronica McDonagh
	12:00	Isabel (Liv) & Manuel+	Lena & Paul Balatbat
Mon. JULY 02	9:30	Spec. Int. Masilamani & Uthiramaray (41 st Wedding Ann.)	Victor Family
	11:45	Mona Cafferty+	Duggan Family
Tue. JULY 03	9:30	Our Service men & women	Neary Family
	11:45	Estrellita Padilla+	Betty Tancio
Wed. JULY 04	9:30	Louis Vierno+	
	11:45	Thomas Lee (Birthday) (Living)	Thomas & Jessica Lee Family
Thurs. JULY 05	9:30	Kathleen Barbour+	Neary Family
	11:45	Yoon Sun Kim+	Ingoo Yoon
Fri. JULY 06	9:30	Robert Donnan+	Susan Murphy
	11:45	Special Intentions Neill & Forgrave Families	
Sat. JULY 07	9:30	Special Intentions Neill & Forgrave Families	
	11:45	Special Intentions Stoever & Mongiello Families	



HAPPY 4TH OF JULY

We pray for all men and women who sacrifice and serve this nation.

Today's Readings

First Reading Wisdom 1:13-15; 2:23-24

Death is not of God's making, nor does God rejoice in the destruction of the living.

Second Reading 2 Corinthians 8:7. 9. 13-15

As you are rich in every respect, may you abound in charity, remembering that Jesus became poor so that we might become rich.

Gospel Mark 5:21-43

Jesus brings good health to a woman who, for twelve years, has suffered from a haemorrhage, and restores to life a young girl, just twelve years old.

“You can’t take it with you”

“For you know the gracious act of our Lord Jesus Christ, that though he was rich, for your sake he became poor, so that by his poverty you might become rich.” 2 Corinthians 8:9

It is very sad to hear in the news of the rich and successful celebrities just ending their lives. What went wrong? Clearly they thought their happiness lay in possessions, power and prestige. Obviously not. None of these things brought them the love and peace they desperately needed. As Joe Worthington, one of our current Lay Missionaries, recently said about his own experience in mission, “Material possessions and wealth bring only temporary satisfaction but when you give of yourself the peace and contentment bring true and lasting happiness. I found that the things I owned were what was weighing me down, but as I freed myself from all that, I found a contentment that I had never experienced before.”

In the second reading Jesus, Son of God, loves us so much, He gives it all away to share fully in our humanity. He becomes poor, so we might share fully in his divinity and become rich. Looking at Jesus’ example, how does it apply to us?

Having plenty is not a crime. Having the means and knowing of a brother or sister in dire need and doing nothing, is wrong. When you have been blessed with an abundance, and share from your abundance to feed the hungry, clothe the naked, house the homeless, or visit the lonely, you will experience peace and joy.

In the second reading today, sharing and equality are encouraged and promoted. Wouldn’t the world look different if we all shared resources, assisting those in need, locally or globally? There will always be people richer or poorer than ourselves. We are called to look inside our hearts and see what we can do to help others. Sometimes, it will be a little thing that is necessary; sometimes we are called to make a bigger sacrifice. The action of sharing is very freeing. It is what you give away that comes back to you a hundredfold—in love, joy, peace and satisfaction in having helped someone or having done the right thing.

You know the saying, “You can’t take it with you.” When God calls us home, the only thing we bring with us into eternity is all the loving acts we made during our life on earth. Those loving acts are infinite. As Liberians say, “Love never dies.”

-Theresa Hicks

Summary of the readings

-Is there a God; and if so, can God possibly be interested in me? Today’s Gospel, with its double miracle, answers that question.

-Out of compassion, not compulsion, Jesus brings healing to a hemorrhaging woman and life to a dead child.

-These miracles are signs of almighty power but, still more, of tender care for every human being. They also hint at God’s eternal care for God’s creatures.

CHAPEL RENOVATION

The work in our Chapel still in progress. In a few days the pad kneelers will be replaced.

We apologize for any inconvenience.

Please consider making a donation for our Chapel.

.SAVE THE DATES:

INDEPENDENCE DAY, Wednesday, July 4th. Join us for the celebration.

SMA GALA NIGHT, Friday, September 21. See flyers for details.