



Society of African Missions

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Local Superior:

Fr. Anbu Kumar, SMA

Provincial Superior:

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: \$1,463.00

Thank you for your support.

SIXTEENTH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME

Masses for the week of JULY 22—JULY 28, 2018

Date	Time	Intention	Requested by:
Sun.-Sat.	8:00	Liv & Dec Benefactors of SMA	
Sun. JULY 22	10:00	Anna Lee (Liv)	Mother
	12:00	Anna & John Casucci	Their Children
Mon. JULY 23	9:30	Pio Lee (Liv)	Mother
	11:45	Michael Nunes+	Ceu Pires
Tue. JULY 24	9:30	Colleen Looby+	Emma & Family
	11:45	Jeanne Jerlinski+	Tom & Nancy Richards
Wed. JULY 25	9:30	Ralph Iacullo+, Death Anniversary	Susan & Bon Iacullo
	11:45	Laura & Virgil Costa+	Victoria Ann Costa
Thurs. JULY 26	9:30	Michael Neary+	Neary Family
	11:45	Joseph A. Mulheren, Jr+	Barbara Mulheren & Family
Fri. JULY 27	9:30	John & Edythe Sheehan+	
	11:45	Leticia Ricafrente Lawler+	Lawler Family
Sat. JULY 28	9:30	Maria R. Valdes+	Friends
	11:45	Neil Labay (Liv)	Labay Family

CHAPEL RENOVATION

Please consider making a donation for our Chapel.

A few more days and the pad kneelers replacement will be finished.

We apologize for any inconvenience.

Today's Readings

First Reading Jeremiah 23:1-6

Pastoral care is vital for everyone in this world. Shepherds are always needed.

Second Reading Ephesians 2:13-18

A divided world is brought together through the suffering of the Lord.

Gospel Mark 6:30-34

Human need prompts and provokes a compassionate response.

“The Lord is my shepherd”

The 1st reading begins with a very strong warning: “Woe to the shepherds who mislead and scatter the flock of my pasture, says the Lord . . . I myself will gather the remnant of my flock from all the lands . . . and bring them back to their meadow and they shall increase and multiply and I will appoint shepherds who will shepherd them so that they need no longer fear and tremble; and none shall be missing, says the Lord.”

Jesus said “I am the Good Shepherd.” Let’s look at the Good Shepherd and his care for the flock. He loves His sheep. Jesus says, “I know my sheep and they know me.” They have an intimate relationship where they know His voice and trust Him—“The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not want.” The Good Shepherd understands the needs of the sheep and works continually to provide protection and security. He leads them to “verdant pastures and to quiet waters where they are refreshed.” He searches out sheep when they stray and rejoices when He finds them. He protects them while they sleep. He loves His sheep so much that he “Lays down his life for them.”

In the Gospel, we see that the Apostles have returned from their mission trip and report back to Jesus. Imagine their joy and amazement in the telling of the wonderful things they could do in the Lord’s Name. This was a very busy time. “People were coming and going in great numbers so that they had no opportunity even to eat.” Jesus, invites them to “Come away by yourselves to a deserted place and rest awhile.” “So they went off in the boat by themselves to a deserted place.” Wouldn’t you know it: “People saw them leave and hastened by foot from all the towns and arrived at the place before them. When Jesus disembarked and saw the vast crowd, his heart was moved with pity for them, for they were like sheep without a shepherd; and he began to teach them many things.” He began to shepherd them.

Has the Lord appointed you to be a ‘Good Shepherd’ in your life’s vocation? Wherever He has entrusted others into your care, you are a shepherd—in your family, Church, school, community and larger world. Looking at the qualities of Jesus the Good Shepherd, we learn how he wants us to shepherd those in our care: Love them; lead by example; provide for each one; be someone they can trust (they know the shepherd [and his voice] from the caring and consistent treatment they have received); build good relationships with those you lead; be willing to make personal sacrifices for the benefit of those in your care; and be there with them through both the good times and especially during the difficult ones. So, dear shepherds, following Jesus, the Good Shepherd, you are called to protect, guide and nurture those in your care.

-Theresa Hicks

LIBERIA’S 171th INDEPENDENCE DAY

CELEBRATING OUR FAITH AND HERITAGE

SATURDAY, JULY 28, 2018

MASS: 12:30PM HERE AT ST. ANTHONY’S CHAPEL

Come and meet with the Bishops of Liberia

FOOD, MUSIC AND CULTURE AFTER THE MASS.

ALL ARE WELCOME! See flyer for details

SAVE THE DATE

**SMA GALA NIGHT, Friday,
September 21, at the Clinton Inn
of Tenafly.**

Tickets available.