## 16<sup>th</sup> Sunday Ordinary Time

Sunday-July 19, 2015 16<sup>th</sup> Sunday Ordinary Time

9:30 - High Mass in memory of Elizabeth Trojan, by Cliff & Julie Brown

-Following Mass: **Catechism for Children and Fellowship Hour** at the Parish Hall with refreshments provided, everyone invited

Saturday – July 25, 2015 Feast of St James the Apostle

Sunday – July 26, 2015 17<sup>th</sup> Sunday Ordinary Time

9:30 – High Mass in memory of Elizabeth Trojan by Leon Boyk, JR.

-Following Mass: **Catechism for Children and Fellowship Hour** at the Parish Hall with refreshments provided, everyone invited

Sunday-August 2, 2015 18<sup>th</sup> Sunday Ordinary Time

9:30 – High Mass in memory of

-Following Mass: **Catechism for Children and Fellowship Hour** at the Parish Hall with refreshments provided, everyone invited

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## Bible Readings for 16<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter –Year B 1<sup>st</sup> reading from the Book of Jeremiah 23:1-6

Woe to the shepherds who mislead and scatter the flock of my pasture, says the LORD. Therefore, thus says the LORD, the God of Israel, against the shepherds who shepherd my people: You have scattered my sheep and driven them away. You have not cared for them, but I will take care to punish your evil deeds. I myself will gather the remnant of my flock from all the lands to which I have driven them and bring them back to their meadow; there they shall increase and multiply. I will appoint shepherds for them who will shepherd them so that they need no longer fear and tremble; and none shall be missing, says the LORD. Behold, the days are coming, says the LORD, when I will raise up a righteous shoot to David; as king he shall reign and govern wisely, he shall do what is just and right in the land. In his days Judah shall be saved, Israel shall dwell in security. This is the name they give him: "The LORD our justice."

#### Responsorial Psalm 23

#### R. The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want.

The LORD is my shepherd; I shall not want. In verdant pastures he gives me repose; beside restful waters he leads me; he refreshes my soul.

#### R. The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want.

He guides me in right paths for his name's sake. Even though I walk in the dark valley I fear no evil; for you are at my side with your rod and your

staff that give me courage.

### R. The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want 2<sup>nd</sup> reading: Letter to the Ephesians 2: 13-18

Brothers and sisters: In Christ Jesus you who once were far off have become near by the blood of Christ. For he is our peace, he who made both one and broke down the dividing wall of enmity, through his flesh, abolishing the law with its commandments and legal claims, that he might create in himself one new person in place of the two, thus establishing peace, and might reconcile both with God, in one body, through the cross, putting that enmity to death by it. He came and preached peace to you who were far off and peace to those who were near, for through him we both have access in one Spirit to the Father.

#### Alleluia verse from John 10:27

My sheep hear my voice, says the Lord: I know them and they follow me

#### Holy Gospel according to St Mark 6: 30-34

The apostles gathered together with Jesus and reported all they had done and taught. He said to them, "Come away by yourselves to a deserted place and rest a while." People were coming and going in great numbers, and they had no opportunity even to eat. So they went off in the boat by themselves to a deserted place. People saw them leaving and many came to know about it. They hastened there on foot from all the towns and arrived at the place before them. When he 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.

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#### **Adult Bible Study for this week:**

About Stewardship of Vocation: Jesus calls us as his disciples to a new way of life—the Christian way of life—of which stewardship is a part. But Jesus does not call us as nameless people in a faceless crowd. He calls individually, by name. Each one of us—clergy, religious, layperson, married, single, adult, child—has a personal vocation. God intends each one of us to play a unique role in carrying out the divine plan. The challenge, then, is to understand our role—our vocation—and to respond generously to this call from God. Christian vocation entails the practice of stewardship. In addition, Christ calls each of us to be stewards of our personal vocations, which we receive from God.

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# ATTEND HOLY MASS ON SUNDAYS AND HOLIDAYS PARTICIPATE IN LIFE OF YOUR CHURCH AND WORSHIP DAILY

Liturgy is "the participation of the People of God in 'the work of God'"; it is the "exercise of the priestly office of Jesus" in which God is

worshiped and adored and people are made holy. God begins the work of sanctifying people in time and space and brings that work to completion. Those who respond to God in worship and in service are given the privilege of becoming co-workers in the divine plan. Please come and join us as Community of faith for Sunday Holy Mass weekly! Feel always welcomed and at home in our Church! For those with gluten allergy Gluten free Communion is available

Our Church is a home for all believers, from all ethnic and national backgrounds. We are one family of Jesus Christ, come and join us!

#### PRAYER CIRCLE AND HOLY MASS INTENTIONS

Let us remember in our personal prayers about our sick and older parishioners and friends. If you would like to have special intentions mentioned during Mass or you would like Holy Mass celebrated for your intention, please let Father know.

<u>CATECHISM FOR CHILDREN</u> Catechism Classes for children are scheduled after Holy Mass on Sunday please bring your children and notify Fr Andrew.

<u>PARISH DONATIONS</u> We would like to share heartfelt Thanks to all who donate and help at the Parish. May God bless you for your much needed help!

**PARISH PICNIC** We are planning a our picnic in September, we are looking for volunteers to help us prepare it. Please join us for this yearly family celebration!

**COLLECTION:** July 12, 2015, \$188.00

Roof \$ 100.00 =\$4,024.00

#### PARISH CALENDAR

**August** - meeting at the cemetery to clean out, begin fall maintenance and to get ready for the picnic.

**September** – Parish Picnic / Harvest Festival / Dozynki/ with blessing of harvest wreath

October 4 - Pulaski Day Parade

#### Prayer over the people:

Lord, you care for your people even when they stray. Grant us a complete change of heart, so that we may follow you with greater fidelity. Grant this through Christ our Lord. Amen

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