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OUR LADY OF THE LAKE
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15th Sunday in Ordinary Time

July 12, 2015

Pastor: Rev. Anthony Alphonse ~ Diocese of Austin

A Gospel reflection from Fr. Alphonse:

In today's Gospel Jesus begins His ministry by organizing a mission throughout the province. Before, the apostles accompanied Jesus, but now He sends them ahead of Him.

Jesus is an educator. He not only teaches His followers. He has them participate in His mission. His apostles must also proclaim their faith and perform healings as the Master does. By doing this, they concretize what they have discovered of the kingdom of God. The disciples should be the first ones to believe what they themselves proclaim: *God makes himself present. Because of this, they must live day by day, trusting in the Father's providence, not frightened but always conscious of God's mission and power.*

Oil was used at the time as a remedy, but Jesus gives it a new meaning: *more than just well-being, the healings will also be the sign of spiritual healing, the reconciliation of man with God.* Jesus' concern for forming communities of believers is already present. He sends His disciples out two by two so that the message will not be from one person only, but an expression of a group united in the one mission. Jesus tells them to stay under one roof with one family so that this may be a center radiating the faith.



Jesus summoned the Twelve..... and gave them authority over unclean spirits.....

Mass Intentions

Sat. 7/11 OLOL	4:00 pm	Jesse Castaneda Sr. †
	5:30 pm	Paul Kie Tomchesson †
Sun. 7/12	9:00 am	All Parishioners
Mon. 7/13	NO MASS	
Tues. 7/14	NO MASS	
Wed. 7/15	NO MASS	
Thurs. 7/16	NO MASS	
Fri. 7/17	NO MASS	
Sat. 7/18 OLOL	4:00 pm	Craig Dozier †
	5:30 pm	Robert Watson †
Sun. 7/19	9:00 am	All Parishioners

As for me, in justice I shall behold your face; I shall be filled with the vision of your glory.

*St. Charles Altar Flowers
 donated this weekend in
 loving memory
 of my mother
 Macell Mangold
 Judy Breaux*



We welcome Rev. Anthony Nwudah as our celebrant for the masses this weekend.

*The sparrow finds a home,
 and the swallow a nest for
 her young; by your
 altars, O Lord of hosts,
 my King and my God.
 Blessed are they who
 dwell in your house, for
 ever singing your praise.*



**Thank you God for the rain,
 Thank you God for everything....**

St. Charles Prayer Blanket Ministry (better known as St. Charles Needlers) wishes to thank all who donated sewing machines, fabric and notions. This translated into over 500 lap quilts which were donated to Linus Connection (for children), Highland Lakes Pregnancy Resource Center (for babies), Oars (Older Adult Rural Services) (for adults) and Catholic Charities (a mix) in McAllen, TX.

To help our funding, we are holding two separate raffles for the two full size quilts, each hand-stitched by Miss Barron, that were donated to us. We had them machine stitched by Anita Howell. Tickets will be available in the next two weeks and through the summer at \$5.00 each or 3 for \$10.00. Quilt winners will be announced at the St. Charles Borromeo Garage Sale on October 3.

Thank you for your support. For more information, call June Schuh at [325-388-3789](tel:325-388-3789).



Weekend Masses
 Saturday 4:00 pm at Our Lady of the Lake,
 Sunrise Beach
 Saturday 5:30 pm at St. Charles, Kingsland
 *Sunday 9:00 am at St. Charles, Kingsland
 (*The rosary will be prayed every Sunday
 at 8:30 a.m. Please join us each Sunday
 for this special prayer before the Mass.)
Weekday Masses at St. Charles
 6:00 pm Tuesday
 8:00 am Wednesday - Friday
Reconciliation
 Before Masses and by appointment
The Sacrament of Baptism
 on the 3rd Saturday of the month immedi-
 following the 5:30 pm Mass at St. Charles.
 If you have questions or need to schedule a
 Baptism please contact the office.
Office Hours
 Tuesday and Thursday
 9:00 am till noon



Don't forget our "Share the Harvest Food Wagon" When you are out doing your grocery shopping please consider picking up an extra item or two and bring when you come to Mass. God Bless You.



WELCOME NEWCOMERS OR VISITORS: Newcomers or visitors wishing to become members of St. Charles or Our Lady of the Lake, please fill out a membership form located in the back of church and give the form to one of the greeters/ushers.

LAST WEEK'S COLLECTIONS

St. Charles	\$ 3730
Poor Fund	\$ 534
Our Lady of the Lake	\$1608
Poor Fund	\$ 222

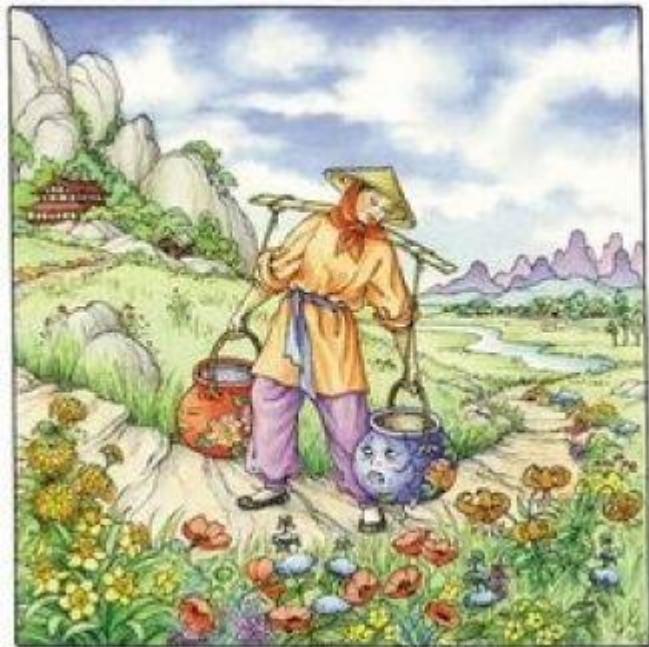
We give back to the Lord only what He has first given us – we come into this world with nothing; we shall leave with nothing. Freely we have received of the Lord's blessings; let us graciously return to him the first and the best that we have.

Send bulletin announcements by **5:00 PM** on **MONDAY** to stcharles@nctv.com. You **must** put in the subject line of email **"bulletin announcement"**. This will help us and it will ensure your important information is not overlooked.

Please drop any notes to Fr. Alphonse or reimbursement forms, mass intentions, flower requests, etc. in the secure locking mailbox that has been placed on the wall by the rectory office door.



IN CASE OF DIRE EMERGENCY OR DEATH ONLY ~ THE CHURCH
 EMERGENCY CONTACT NUMBER IS 512-756-9003



THE CRACKED POT..... An elderly Chinese woman had two large pots, each hung on the ends of a pole which she carried across her neck.

One of the pots had a crack in it while the other pot was perfect and always delivered a full portion of water. At the end of the long walk from the stream to the house, the cracked pot arrived only half full.

For a full two years this went on daily, with the woman bringing home only one and a half pots of water.

Of course, the perfect pot was proud of its accomplishments. But the poor cracked pot was ashamed of its own imperfection, and miserable that it could only do half of what it had been made to do.

After two years of feeling like a complete failure, the cracked pot spoke to the woman one day by the stream. "I am ashamed of myself, because this crack in my side causes water to leak out all the way back to your house."

The old woman smiled, "My dear, sweet, cracked pot, did you notice that there are flowers on your side of the path, but not on the other pot's side?" "That's because I have always known about your flaw, so I planted flower seeds on your side of the path, and every day while we walk back, you water them." "For two years I have been able to pick these beautiful flowers to decorate the table."

"Without you being just the way you are, there would not be this beauty to grace the house."

God surely knows our flaws and imperfections...He knows our difficulties so He guides us to use what He has given; we listen to him and we follow His word and live the life He planned for us. The rules and laws He gives are perfect as He is perfect. God and only God is the way, the truth and the light.

Mary and the Saints, a day of reflection, will be held July 29 at Cedarbrake Catholic Retreat Center in Belton. Lynda Villasana will present the day, share her own stories, insights and experiences of Mary and the saints. The day will also include the chance to share your own experiences, quiet time, Mass and lunch. The cost is \$35. For more information or to register, contact Cedarbrake at [\(254\) 780-2436](tel:2547802436) or cedarbrake@austindiocese.org.

Even the person of faith can get discouraged. Sometimes our efforts seem to accomplish nothing. But God promises that present disappointments are nothing compared to His glory. If we strive to serve him, He will see that there is an abundant spiritual harvest in our lives. (PT)

We read and we can only imagine how discouraged the Apostles must have gotten when the people didn't accept Jesus. They preached. They gave examples. They lived their faith. They wondered why everyone wasn't a saint.

Today we worry about our world. We worry about the Church losing ground. We worry about evil winning. Why doesn't someone do something? Why isn't everyone a saint? God help us....

But the Church tells us that we are responsible. Don't blame others; look to self. We have the grace of God: bear fruit.

The Church teaches we are not doomed to be rocky ground or brambles or a footpath. By the grace of God, we can choose to be good seed ground...

PRAY FOR GOD'S GRACE....

If we are worried about the world, about Church, about sins; let's look to ourselves. Let's be the good seed ground. If we ask, the Lord can bear abundant fruit in us.

God's grace is not wanting; it is always there. We must always seek God's grace to help us grow. (APT)



Wisdom of the Saints... "Whether, therefore, we receive what we ask for, or do not receive it, let us still continue steadfast in prayer. For to fail in obtaining the desires of our heart, when God so wills it, is not worse than to receive it; for we know not as He does, what is profitable to us."
 ~St. John Chrysostom



Reminder to all parishioners to start saving your no longer needed items for the Ladies and Men's Club Garage Sale being held October 2nd & 3rd.

Wisdom of the Saints... "You must ask God to give you power to fight against the sin of pride which is your greatest enemy – the root of all that is evil, and the failure of all that is good. For God resists the proud."
 ~St. Vincent de Paul

"Humility is the mother of all virtues; purity, charity and obedience. It is in being humble that our love becomes real, devoted and ardent. If you are humble nothing will touch you, neither praise nor disgrace, because you know what you are. If you are blamed you will not be discouraged. If they call you a saint you will not put yourself on a pedestal."



Blessed Teresa of Calcutta

Jesus sent them out two-by-two... He instructed them to take nothing for the journey but a walking stick no food, no sack, no money in their belts.....

Wisdom of the saints....

"You cannot be half a saint; you must be a whole saint or no saint at all."
 ~St. Therese of Lisieux



CATHOLIC CORNER: (a gentle reminder of facts we've learned but perhaps have forgotten or not thought about in a long time)

We enter a Catholic Church quietly and reverently.... We settle into our pew. Our mind and heart and soul joins with the Lord. We place our self in the presence of God and say to Him... "Lord, here I am; give me whatever you wish." If He gives me something, then I am happy and thank Him. If He does not give me anything, then I thank Him nonetheless, knowing, as I do, that I deserve nothing. Then I begin to tell Him of all that concerns me, my joys, my thoughts, my distress, and I listen to Him"... as I wait for Mass to begin.
 (Shepherds of Christ – St. Catherine Laboure)

Our Lady of the Lake... Our Lady of the Lake... Our Lady of the Lake...

OLL Library is open before mass. Make your selection, sign, date and put your telephone # down in the spiral.

Contact person: Nancy Winkler 325-388-3296

Rosary will be prayed at Our Lady of the Lake before Mass on Saturday at 3:30 pm, please join us.



Our Lady of the Lake has Altar flower sponsors August 22. All other dates are available at this time. Forms can be found at the entrance of Church.

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