

Trusting in Providence

Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year B)

Jesus summoned the Twelve and began to send them out two by two and gave them authority over unclean spirits. He instructed them to take nothing for the journey but a walking stick—no food, no sack, no money in their belts.

They were, however, to wear sandals but not a second tunic. [Mark 6:7-9](#)

If you felt called by God to go forth to another land to spread the Gospel message, you most likely would plan ahead and pack all that you needed for the journey. You would bring extra clothing, money, and various other provisions. But in the Gospel above, Jesus instructs the Twelve to go forth on a mission with nothing but a walking stick. He instructs them to rely upon divine providence for the physical necessities of daily living while on their journey. Though there was nothing wrong with planning ahead and taking care of their physical needs, Jesus' instruction was given to teach the Twelve a more important spiritual lesson. In their mission of preaching the Gospel, curing the sick and casting out demons, they had to learn to rely upon the power of God and not on their natural abilities. Therefore, by learning to rely upon providence for things like food, clothing and shelter, they were more prepared to also rely upon divine providence in their apostolic mission.

As you ponder this passage, try to imagine what might have gone through the minds of the Twelve as they traveled. Imagine them walking for many miles and arriving at a town as the sun began to set. Since they had no money or food, they would have been tempted to fear and worry. They could not rent a room for the night. They could not buy anything to eat. This was a test of their trust in God.

Imagine further that these same Apostles suddenly encountered God's providence. To their surprise, they were offered free lodging for the night and a meal. The next day, the same thing happened. As they trusted, journeyed, preached, healed and drove out demons, they found that they had what they needed every day and every night. This experience of God's providence would certainly have affected their personal faith. But it also would have affected their ministry. As they witnessed God providing for their physical needs, they would also have grown in their trust in grace to more fruitfully fulfill their mission.

Just as the Twelve had to learn to rely upon the providence of God in all things, so God wants the same for you. He might not call you to go forth on a mission without any physical provisions, but He does want you to learn to trust Him always. Perhaps that means donating more than a tithe of your money to the poor or to the mission of the Church as a way of showing you trust God with your money. Perhaps it means buying less for yourself and learning to live more simply. Or perhaps it means taking a step in faith by speaking to a friend about the Gospel, engaging in an apostolic ministry at Church, or stepping out in faith in some other way while you learn to put your trust in God. Trust in God means you overcome fear and worry as you journey through life and fulfill the mission God has given to you.

Reflect, today, upon the fact that God wants you to learn to trust Him in all things and to especially trust that He will use you to share the Gospel with others. If you find this fearful, that is a good interior discovery. It means that you have found the fear holding you back. Whatever that may be, step forward in faith and conquer that fear. God will provide for you, giving you what you need to wonderfully fulfill His divine mission in your life.

My providential Lord, You always provide for us in every way. You know our every need and always meet those needs. Please help me to trust in You in every way and to learn to rely upon Your providential grace. Please use me as You will and work powerfully through me so that my life produces an abundance of good fruit for Your Kingdom. Jesus, I trust in You.

Mary, Queen of Heaven Parish

July 14, 2024

Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time



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Holy Mass and Sacraments Schedule

Sunday Mass: 10:30 am

12:30 pm English Mass

Reconciliation: Sundays at 10:00 am

Baptism and Holy Matrimony:

The family should be registered and active at Mary, Queen of Heaven Parish for a least three months prior to Baptism or Holy Matrimony. Couples are engaged to marry need to contact Fr. Ishida at least four months prior to the wedding date for marriage preparation.

Anointing of the Sick:

Please contact Father Ishida.

Parish Office:

Please email or leave voice message.

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welcome
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Fifteenth Sunday of Ordinary Time, Cycle B
Lectionary #104

1st Reading: *Amos 7:12-15*

The prophet Amos is sent from Bethel.

Responsorial Psalm: *Psalm 85:9-10,11-12,13-14*

A prayer for the Lord's salvation

2nd Reading: *Ephesians 1:3-14 (or Ephesians 1:3-10)*

Paul teaches that we were chosen for Christ before the creation of the world.

Gospel Reading: *Mark 6:7-13*

Jesus instructs his disciples and sends them to preach repentance.

Background on the Gospel Reading

This week's Gospel and the one for next week describe how Jesus sent the disciples to minister in his name and the disciples' return to Jesus afterward. These two passages, however, are not presented together in Mark's Gospel. Inserted between the two is the report of Herod's fears that Jesus is John the Baptist back from the dead. In Mark's Gospel, Jesus' ministry is presented in connection with the teaching of John the Baptist. Jesus' public ministry begins after John is arrested. John the Baptist prepared the way for Jesus, who preached the fulfillment of the Kingdom of God.

Mark's Gospel tells us that Jesus sent out the Twelve. These twelve were selected from among Jesus' disciples and named by Mark in chapter 3. Mark notes that these twelve are also called "apostles." The word *apostle* means "one who is sent." The number twelve is also a symbolic number, representing the twelve tribes of Israel. By naming twelve apostles, Jesus shows his mission to be in continuity with the mission of God's people, Israel.

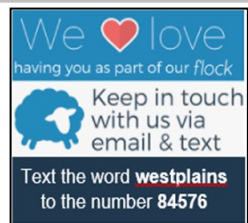
Binding Prayer for Fair and Moral Elections by Father Chad Ripperger

By the Power of the Precious Blood, with the intercession of the Blessed Virgin Mary, I petition Our Lord Jesus Christ, to bind any spirit that interferes with fair and moral elections in the United States, to go to the foot of the Cross and receive their sentence. Amen

The formation of our future priests

is a critical responsibility for our diocese, and we rely heavily on the support of generous donors like you to make this possible. The cost of educating and training a seminarian for the priesthood on average costs \$50,000 annually, and it is becoming increasingly challenging to meet these expenses without additional assistance from our faithful community. **We need your help** to ensure that our seminarians receive the resources and guidance necessary to become dedicated and faithful priests who will serve our communities for many years to come.

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MASS INTENTIONS FOR JULY

- 14 Sunday Pro Populo
- 15 Monday
- 16 Tuesday
- 17 Wednesday Dennis Kennedy †
- 18 Thursday
- 19 Friday
- 20 Saturday
- 21 Sunday Pro Populo

Mary, Queen of Heaven ... Pray for us!
St. Anne ... Pray for us!



Welcome to Mary, Queen of Heaven Parish To all visitors who are joining us for worship today. May your time with us be grace-filled and may the Lord Jesus bless you and your loved ones today and every day.

Mary, Queen of Heaven Parish

Weekend Mass Schedule:

During Lent: Low Mass Saturdays @ 7:00 am
 Sundays @ 10:30 am - confession @ 10:00 am
 12:30 pm



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That our prayers may find the heart of every priest and bishop.

A call to strengthen the Church by ensuring that a Holy Hour is prayed each day of the week for the sole intention of a specific priest or bishop—a "holy wasting" (cf. Mt. 26:10) or lavishing of prayer for his deeper conformity to Christ.

Please contact Linda Pearson if you are interested in joining her at 509-879-0753 or email sookiesue@msn.com

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With Mary, draw closer to her Son as you ponder these mysteries.

Mary, Jesus' first tabernacle, leads us to adore and follow him in all the joys, lights, and sorrows of this earth to the unending glory of reigning with him in heaven.

Pray all 20 mysteries focusing on the renewed Eucharistic fervor.

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02 REGISTRATION

For current 6th-8th grade students.
Registration Opens via Eventbrite on
May 1, 2024 at 7:00 a.m.



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03 COST

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04 ACTIVITIES

Prayers, sacraments, camp fire, singing, archery, zip lining, rock climbing, hiking, swimming, slip 'n slide, giant swing, holy mass, high ropes, adoration, catechesis and more



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