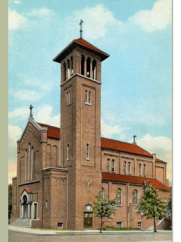


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Jesus said,
“Take my yoke upon you and learn from me,
for I am meek and humble of heart;
and you will find rest for yourselves.”

Matthew 11:29

FOURTEENTH SUNDAY
IN ORDINARY TIME

We live in an age and a society that has never been more educated or had a higher standard of living, yet never have we carried as much debt. Many are living beyond their means. We have so many resources and time-saving devices at our hands, yet our lives are more complex than ever. While many people may not engage in extreme manual labor we rarely escape our jobs. Many are connected through phones and constantly receive calls, texts, and emails. Others spend hours in traffic on their daily commutes or pack on the frequent flyer miles.

We spend hours binge-watching our favorite shows. Many children are accustomed to being in front of a screen all the time and no longer know how to play creatively. The statistics for those who continue to leave the Church and all forms of organized religion also continue to rise.

While there is no such thing as a “good old days” to return to, there was something to be said for sleeping soundly after putting in a good day’s work, and for a family gathering around the table for a shared meal. For many, this model for eucharist rarely exists. Jesus knows and feels our pains, and

calls out, “Come to me, all you who labor and are burdened, and I will give you rest.”

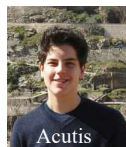
IT’S NOT ROCKET SCIENCE

So how do we declutter? Downsize? Devote ourselves again to Christ and live out our gospel calling? Sign up for a liturgical ministry, or volunteer to help with a religion program. Join a small faith group. Volunteer at a food pantry or Habitat for Humanity. Become involved as an individual, or a family. Meanwhile, back at the house, make a commitment to go through one drawer a day, and take things to your local St. Vinnie’s or secondhand store. Remember meal and bedtime prayers. Find a minute to read the daily scriptures. Take many baby steps. It’s not rocket science. It is a continual commitment to bring ourselves as we are, and to respond to Jesus’ call to “Come.”

Today’s Readings: Zec 9:9–10; Ps 145:1–2, 8–9, 10–11, 13–14; Rom 8:9, 11–13; Mt 11:25–30

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Computer-Programming Teenager Will Be Beatified



Venerable Carlo Acutis, an Italian teenager and computer programmer who died in 2006, will be beatified October 10 in Assisi, Italy.

“The joy we have awaited finally has a date,”

Archbishop Domenico Sorrentino of Assisi said in a statement June 13.

The beatification will occur at the Basilica of Saint Francis in Assisi. Acutis is buried in the Church of St. Mary Major in Assisi.

Leukemia took his life at the age of 15, and he offered his suffering for the pope and for the Church. He was born in London on May 3, 1991 to Italian parents. He was seen as a pious child, attending daily Mass, making confessions daily, and often praying the rosary.

In 2019, Antonia Salzano, Acutis’ mother, told CNA Newsroom: “Carlo really had Jesus in his heart, really the pureness ... When you are really pure of heart, you really touch people’s hearts,” she said.

The beatification date came the same week as the feast of Corpus Christi. Acutis was

devoted to the Eucharist and Eucharistic miracles.

The miracle paving the way for beatification came in 2013 in the healing of a Brazilian child who suffered from a rare congenital anatomic anomaly of the pancreas.

“Carlo really had Jesus in his heart, really the pureness ... When you are really pure of heart, you really touch people’s hearts,” Carlo’s mother.

The Medical Council of the Congregation for Saints’ Causes gave a positive opinion of the miracle last November. Pope Francis approved it in February.

Acutis was gifted with using computers.

In *Christus vivit*, the apostolic exhortation published following the 2018 Synod of Bishops on young people, Pope Francis offered him as a model of holiness in a digital age.

“In these recent months of solitude and distancing, we have been experiencing the most positive aspect of the internet — a communication technology for which Carlo had a special talent. “

... The love of God can turn a great crisis into a great grace.”

- Article courtesy of the Catholic News Agency. June 12, 2020. Edited for reuse by St. Francis Xavier Parish.

Masses for the Week

- JULY 4 SATURDAY**
4:00 P.M. **For the People**
- JULY 5 SUNDAY**
8:00 A.M. **Stephanie Eddy†**
(Jim & Maryann McWilliams & Irene Smith)
- 10:00 A.M. **Marilyn Neidhardt†**
(Joan & Wayne Lemasters)
- JULY 6 MONDAY**
8:00 A.M. **Theresa Dalinar†**
(Jim & Diana Barker)
- JULY 7 TUESDAY**
8:00 A.M. **Dennis Romanoski†**
(Jerry & Lottie Durbin)
- JULY 8 WEDNESDAY**
8:00 A.M. **Karen Amedro†**
(Tina Minor)
- JULY 9 THURSDAY**
8:00 A.M. **Stephanie Bee**
(Mom & Dad)
- JULY 10 FRIDAY**
8:00 A.M. **Bill Termin†**
(Termin Family)
- JULY 11 SATURDAY**
4:00 P.M. **Rose Marie Ebert†**
(Bob & Patty Shutler)
- JULY 12 SUNDAY**
8:00 A.M. **For the People**
10:00 A.M. **Frank Curia†**
(Curia Family)

Daily Mass Intentions will become available beginning July 15.

LECTORS

- July 11** 4:00 p.m. **A. Wise**
- July 12** 8:00 a.m. **R. Hess**
10:00 a.m. **L. Niemiec**

REV. THAT SON NGOC NGUYEN, PASTOR

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION (CONFESSIONS):

Sat. 3:30 p.m. or any other time upon request.

SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE:

By appointment. Contact the parish office at least six months before the date of the marriage. Pre-Cana is required.

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM:

By appointment. The diocese requires instructions beforehand for parents or guardians. Contact the parish office.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION (PSR):

Sundays during the school term at 9:00 a.m. to 9:50 a.m. for Grades 1-12.

REGISTRATION AND CHURCH SUPPORT:

Parishioners should be properly registered at the parish office.

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MASS SCHEDULE:

Weekends: Saturday - 4:00 p.m.
Sunday - 8:00 a.m., 10:00 a.m.

Weekdays: Monday - Friday 8:00 a.m.

Holy Days: 8:00 a.m., 7:00 p.m.

**PRAY FOR OUR
PARISHIONERS
& FRIENDS**



Prayer Request: Toni Smith, Deanne Ferraro, Jim Ali, Joseph Grampa, Ronnie Hill, Eleanor Smith, Catherine Pellerin, Mary Coffield, Jim Conner, Thomas Sullivan, Sara Walters, Diane Young, Theresa Myer, Bobby Kleinedler, Anna Mae Veronis Holiday, Wanda DeTemple, Jane Klug.

Homebound: Semon & Phyllis Prado, Rachel Kerekes, Doris Murphy.

Nursing Home: Bill Tennant, Gary Dobbs, Helen Remke, Barbara Meyer, Ron Jaworski, Bertie Gaughenbaugh.

REMINDERS FOR MASSES

- * As more parishioners return to Mass, a renewed reminder to bring your own masks if you can. Masks are available if you forget or do not have one.
- * Please keep in mind the chairs with arms are reserved. If you need one of these chairs, let us know and we will mark it.
- * We all are longing for Mass to return to church, but the need to provide for each other's safety means calling Xavier Hall home a bit longer. Please keep sharing how we can help you remain safe comfortable.

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Online Giving:	\$524.14
Attendance	134

"Humility, which is always a virtue, is always fruitful in good works."
St. Thomas, Apostle (Feast Day July 3)

Come, Learn, and He Will Give Rest

Jesus said in today's gospel to "learn from me," and this is the most excellent advice we could ever receive. Jesus' life is the best teacher, counselor, mentor, guide, and model for our own lives that we could possibly want. If you are ever in doubt about doing the right thing and how to do it in any given situation in your life – look to Jesus. He will show you the right thing to do by his own life. Especially contemplate the cross, because the cross is the greatest teacher the world has ever known. The suffering Jesus endured on the cross is not in keeping with the soothing words of today's gospel, but the cross teaches everything we need to know about love and forgiveness and living a Christian life. We do not need to reinvent the wheel in our own spiritual lives, just follow in the Lord's footsteps. He knows where we are going. We need simply to trust Him. We really do not have to even give it much thought. As through the eyes of children, who simply trust their parents' love, Jesus loves us the same way. We can trust him with our lives too. We will be safe in his tender care.

- Excerpted from the article "Come Unto Me All Who are Weak," by Laura Kazlas. A Catholics.org.

LIFE IS THE DANCER, and you are the dance! Bring your spirit and your dancing shoes to the church parking lot Tuesday, July 7 at 7 p.m. (or Wednesday same time if it rains) where our very own parish dance instructor Lottie Durbin will lead us through an array of socially distant routines. BYO: water, snacks, children, grandparents--and a chair in case you want to sit. It's sure to be the most fun you'll ever have 10 feet apart! Remember: dance first, think later. It's the natural order.

REPAIR WORK HAS begun on the bell tower by Angelina Stone & Marble. The work is not expected to exceed \$10,000 and will include painting the fascia board, repairing stair cracks in the mortar joints, and caulking stone joints.

Additionally, we are taking advantage of the on-site man-lift to have Mansuetto Roofing replace two missing roof tiles.

WE ARE LOOKING FOR a ping pong table. If anyone has one to donate let us know!

INDEPENDENCE DAY gives us time to thank God for our spirit to live and prosper, for the birth of our nation, and to petition Him to preserve our country and rid it of its evils. It gives us time also to thank those who served and who continue to serve in the name of freedoms. We hope everyone's holiday is restful and peaceful.

MARTY AND JAY O'NEAL ask for our joyful prayers on the occasion of their 45th wedding anniversary on July 4th. *Congratulations!*

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