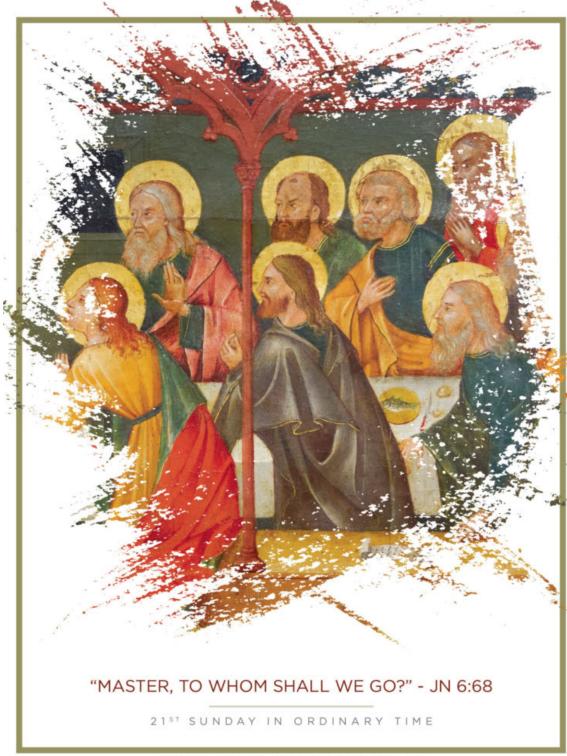


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August 25, 2024

Twenty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time

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Vision Statement:

We will be a parish who lives the message and mission of Jesus.

FAMILY HOT DOG GRILL-OUT & POTLUCK

Sunday, August 31 6:00–8:30 pm





OLW parishioners, families and guests are welcome to join the OLW Men's Group ("That Man is You") for a Family Hot Dog Grill-out and Potluck in the Gathering Place Courtyard on **Saturday, August 31, from 6:00–8:30pm** – immediately following 5:00 pm Mass.

TMIY WILL SUPPLY: Hot dogs, brats, buns, condiments, plates, utensils, cups, napkins, water and ice (we're also happy to place other foods on the grill as able)

POTLUCK PORTION: Attendees are requested to bring enough apps/sides/desserts for 12 servings. If your last name begins

with the letters...

- **A-H**: Bring appetizers (chips, dips, cheese/crackers, etc.)
- **I-P**: Bring side dishes (corn, beans, salads, etc.)
- **Q-Z**: Bring desserts (cookies, brownies, watermelon, etc.)

BEVERAGES: BYO (there will not be extras). Drop off your coolers in the Gathering Place before Mass.

LIVE MUSIC: Provided by members of the "Brown Liquor Guitar Group"





NO CHARGE to attend (donations accepted to defray costs)

RSVP BY TUESDAY, AUGUST 27 so we can purchase enough food for everyone.

Email Brad Morrison or Dave Woods at mensgroup@olwparish.org.



LEGACY PLANNING

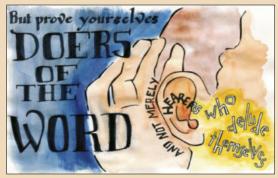
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If you would like more information on how to make a QCD gift to *Our Lady of the Wayside*, please contact Patrick Fitzgerald, Our Lady of the Wayside's Operations Director, at (847) 253-5353 x229 or by email at **operations@olwparish.org**.

Bible Study In Person & Online / Friday Morning 9:30



Join us for lively discussion of next Sunday's readings:

Deuteronomy 4:1-8 James 1:7-27 Mark 7:1-23

Join us in the Cabrini Room of the Parish Center or email **biblestudy@olwparish.org** for a sign-in code.

To Whom Shall We Go?

By Colleen Jurkiewicz Dorman



A friend of mine, who is a far better Christian than I can ever hope to be, once shared with me that her family sneers at her belief system and lifestyle.

She believes in fairy tales they tell her. She's looking for simple solutions from a kind-faced man in the sky because she doesn't want to grapple with

complicated answers to complicated problems.

Religion, they argue, is the easy way out.

As she spoke about this, her voice became unsteady. Not with anger, but with emotion. "I would never call this life easy," she said. "If I was looking for something that was easy, I wouldn't choose Catholicism."

What was unspoken was *why* she has chosen Catholicism. I know the answer, but only because I know her. I knew her before she chose it wholeheartedly, and I know her now, and I see the difference. I see that these words are written so clearly across the days of her life: "Master, to whom shall we go?"

Once the truth is known in your soul, you see, it can never be unknown.

Following Christ is not about easy answers and simple teachings. Sure, it all sounds very basic: love one another as I have loved you. What could be more straightforward?

But what does that mean? What does that look like in daily, modern life, in a world full of the fallen, whose flaws have given us rough edges and weakened wills?

I'll tell you what it looks like — it looks like a struggle. It looks like failure and mess and confusion and losing your way and finding it again, all because you remembered that within you there is a compass pointing due north. It's a constant state of wandering in the dark, following a Voice that asks you to go where you're afraid to go. And you follow the Voice not because it's the only voice there is and not because it's the voice that says what you want to hear, but because it's the only one that speaks the truth, and the truth pulls on you in a way you can't quite resist.

When Christ asks, "Do you also want to leave?" he is not gaslighting us. It's a genuine question. We are free to go. We are not prisoners.

But we have heard the words of everlasting life, and now we can only have peace if we follow where they lead.

"As for me and my household, we will serve the Lord." — Joshua 24:15

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Or use the QR Code below.



MINISTERS OF THE LITURGY:

5:00 pm Saturday, August 31 2024

Presider: Fr. Gilbert Mashurano & Deacon Jerry Brennan

7:30 am Sunday, September 1, 2024

Presider: Father Arthur Marat

9:30 am Sunday, September 1, 2024 Presider: Father Gilbert Mashurano

11:30 am Sunday, September 1, 2024

Presider: Father Arthur Marat

6:00 pm Sunday, September 1, 2024 Presider: Father Gilbert Mashurano

GOSPEL MEDITATION:

August 25, 2024

21st Sunday in Ordinary Time

The famous Russian novelist Fyodor Dostoyevsky said, "Love in action is a harsh and dreadful thing." In the Gospel reading this week, Jesus does something harsh and dreadful — he watches his own disciples abandon him. What could possibly be loving about that?

Well, we notice the context is Jesus' teaching about eating and drinking his body and blood. His followers hear this and say, "This teaching is difficult; who can accept it?" (John 6:60). We shouldn't imagine we'd do anything different, because not even the ones who stay, like Peter, seem to understand what Jesus is saying. Then we hear this devastating line, "Because of this many of his disciples turned back and no longer went about with him" (John 6:66). Besides the night of the Last Supper, only now do Jesus' disciples abandon him. And, painfully, Jesus just lets them go.

The best way to make sense out of this is love. Jesus is God's love in action. He wants to become one with those whom He loves. He wants to love them as His own body. Yes, the oneness manifested in the Eucharist sounds harsh and dreadful because it is rooted in love which is willing to risk abandonment and separation to attain its goal: to be one body with the beloved. It is both terrifying and wonderful that Jesus will risk losing us in order to be one with us. Our response? Lord, we cannot grasp a love so great, but please help us never to abandon it, either.

— Father John Muir

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Pray for those celebrating the Sacrament of Matrimony

II Douglas Bartczak & Margaret Piergalski, Friday, September 6, at 3pm II Jeffrey Reckards & Sara Girolami, Saturday, September 7, at 1pm II Adam Dubuque & Stephanie Drnek, Saturday, September 7, at 3pm I Paul Henderson and Emily McNally, Saturday, September 14, at 3pm

SACRED LITURGY:

Monday, August 26, 2024

8:30 am - Deceased Members of Our Lady of the Wayside

Tuesday, August 27, 2024

8:30 am - Isabelle Kowalski

Wednesday, August 28, 2024

8:30 am - Alfredo Frullani

Thursday, August 29, 2024

8:30 am - Eleanor Breitfuss

Friday, August 30, 2024

8:30 am - Deceased Members of Our Lady of the Wayside

Saturday, August 31, 2024

8:30 am – Deceased Members of Our Lady of the Wayside 5:00 pm – Eileen Pierucci, Philip & Rosemary Quattrocchi, Marian Alrich

Sunday, September 1, 2024

7:30 am - Deceased Members of Our Lady of the Wayside

9:30 am – Patrick A. Kennedy

11:30 am - Deceased Members of Our Lady of the Wayside

6:00 pm – For the Living and Deceased Members of Our Lady of the Wayside

READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF AUGUST 25, 2024

Sunday: Jos 24:1-2a, 15-17, 18b/Ps 34:2-3, 16-17, 18-19, 20-21, 22-23 (9a)/Eph 5:21-32 or 5:2a, 25-32/Jn 6:60-69

Monday: 2 Thes 1:1-5, 11-12/Ps 96:1-2a, 2b-3, 4-5/Mt 23:13-22

Tuesday: 2 Thes 2:1-3a, 14-17/Ps 96:10, 11-12, 13/Mt

23:23-26

Wednesday: 2 Thes 3:6-10, 16-18/Ps 128:1-2, 4-5/Mt 23:27-32 **Thursday:** 1 Cor 1:1-9/Ps 145:2-3, 4-5, 6-7/Mk 6:17-29

Friday: 1 Cor 1:17-25/Ps 33:1-2, 4-5, 10-11/Mt 25:1-13

Saturday: 1 Cor 1:26-31/Ps 33:12-13, 18-19, 20-21/Mt 25:14-30

Sunday: Dt 4:1-2, 6-8/Ps 15:2-3, 3-4, 4-5 1a/Jas 2:1-5/Jas

1:17-18, 21b-22, 27/Mk 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23



Pray for the Sick

Mark Berberick, Gloria White Bonomo, Deacon Tom Corcoran, Marie DeSanto, Donna Hames, Theresa Hansen, Baby Dominic Leoni, Valerie Lund, Mary Mader, Delores McCloy, Alice Milota, Patricia Murray, Frances Pitzer, Fr. Rich Rhinehart, Marianne Saas, Greg Schladt, Fr. John Topper, Jose Maria Yap



Pray for the Deceased

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WEEKEND EUCHARISTIC LITURGIES

Saturday Vigil: 5:00 pm

Sunday: 7:30, 9:30, 11:30 am and 6:00 pm

DAILY EUCHARISTIC LITURGIES

Monday through Saturday: 8:30 am

Daily and Saturday Vigil Masses are livestreamed on the parish YouTube and Facebook pages.

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Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Wednesdays at 9:00 am – following 8:30 am Mass.

Holy Communion for the Homebound & Hospitalized

Please contact Kathy O'Neill at the parish office.

RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults)

Adults interested in learning more about the Catholic faith in order to receive the Sacraments of Baptism, Eucharist and/or Confirmation, please call the parish office.

Pray the Rosary

Monday through Saturday at 8:00 am – preceding 8:30 am Mass

Tuesdays at 4:00 pm, at the Welcoming Mother Grotto

Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick

Homebound or ill wanting to receive this Sacrament and the Eucharist, please contact the parish office.

Sacrament of Baptism

Contact Deacon Peter LeTourneau at the parish office to schedule a baptism. A baptismal preparation session is required for your first child.

Sacrament of Marriage

Contact the parish office at least six months prior to a preferred date for necessary preparation.

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday 9:30–10:30 am. Or, contact the parish office to schedule a time.

