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Mass Schedule

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday 8:30 a.m.
 Saturday 5:00 p.m.
 Sunday 9:00 a.m. (Children's Liturgy of the Word)
 11:00 a.m.

Confessions

Saturday 3:30 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. or by appointment

Office Hours

Monday to Friday, 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

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July 7, 2024 - Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time



Our readings today remind us that, even in our weakest and toughest moments, God has a plan. In our Second Reading, St. Paul describes a "thorn" that had been given to him. He believed this thorn to be the thing that kept him grounded as he said, "to beat me, to keep me from being too elated." At first, he asked the Lord to remove this cross, but the Lord replied, "My grace is sufficient for you, for power is made perfect in weakness." Through this explanation, St. Paul resolved to believe, "I am content with weaknesses, insults, hardships, persecutions and constraints, for the sake of Christ; for when I am weak, then I am strong."

We all bear crosses in this life, whether they seem to be little thorns or sharp daggers. The easiest thing to do, as St. Paul did, is to pray for the cross to be taken. It would be great if all of our struggles just magically faded away! But listen to the Lord's words, "My grace is sufficient for you, for power is made perfect in weakness."

Stop and reflect on your cross. Instead of wishing it to go away, look at it as an opportunity to grow and to allow God to work in your life. God permitted this cross in your life for a reason. Do not let the opportunity for Christ to work on your heart pass you by.

Today, recall that God loves us more than we could ever imagine. There is not a moment that goes by that He does not have us in mind. He has a specific plan for our lives. Therefore, may we encounter life's challenges with confidence in Christ.

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Parish Calendar

Monday, July 8

8:30 a.m. - Special Intention -
Mass of Thanksgiving for Msgr. Pizzacalla

Tuesday, July 9

8:30 a.m. - Robert Barber †

Wednesday, July 10

8:30 a.m. - Maurice Purcell †

Thursday, July 11 - No Mass

Friday, July 12

8:30 a.m. - Special Intention

Saturday, July 13

5:00 p.m. (Livestream) - Pierette & Georges Cote †

Sunday, July 14

9:00 a.m. - Mass for the People

11:00 a.m. - Sandra Moccia †
Arnold Hendricks † | Fr. Lawrence Dugo †
Special Intention



St. Julia
COUNCIL

Catholic Women's League Corner: July 6 / 7

- ◆ Prayer shawl gathering: Wednesday July 10:th, 2 pm Burgoyne Woods. Bring your chair, water and insect repellent in addition to your knitting/crocheting supplies.
- ◆ Thank-you to all parishioners whose support of our initiatives made possible our 2024 donations to so many worthwhile community organizations.

Are You Being Called?

"My grace is sufficient for you."

Consider a calling to the priesthood
or consecrated life.

God's grace is all you need.

Talk to your priest or reach out
to Fr. Greg at the church office,

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Let's put ourselves in the hands of our loving God
and pray together that He will bless all of us and our families
during the wonderful months of summer.