

Mass Intentions**Saturday, August 1**

4:00 PM Thanksgiving for
Alfred Abou-Hamad and Family

Sunday, August 2

9:00 AM Open Hearts Memorial Guild
11:30 AM Jolyon Rodrigues
5:00 PM For the Parishioners

Monday, August 3

12:10 AM Margaret O’Gorman

Tuesday, August 4

12:10 PM Sean Morgan

Wednesday, August 5

12:10 PM For speedy recovery for Jim FitzGerald

Thursday, August 6

12:10 PM Louise FitzGerald

Friday, August 7

12:10 PM Sanctuary Fund

Saturday, August 8


4:00 PM Michael & Josephine Manfra

Sunday, August 9

9:00 AM Margaret O’Gorman
11:30 AM Thanksgiving for
Mary Saadeh and Family
5:00 PM For the Parishioners

Parish Support**LAST WEEK’S REGULAR COLLECTION****\$1,987****SECOND COLLECTION****Church in Central and Eastern Europe \$784****Thank You**

CATHOLIC RELIEF SERVICES Next week’s second collection is for Catholic Relief Services, to support emergency relief, human development, and peace initiatives in 99 countries around the world, where nearly half the population lives on less than \$2 a day. For more information please visit www.usccb.org/crscollection.



So they said to him, “Sir, give us this bread always.” Jesus said to them, “I am the bread of life; whoever comes to me will never hunger, and whoever believes in me will never thirst.” -
Jn 6:34-35

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REFLECTION**18th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

Twenty years ago, Marianne Wilson saw a need; thousands of people with critical illnesses were going hungry in her area of Southern California, and she just wasn't going to stand for it. She began cooking healthy meals and delivering them to men, women and children dying from HIV/AIDS, cancer, and other diseases at no cost to the recipients. Today, the organization is known as Project Angel Food, and every year produces over 400,000 meals and delivers them to more than 1,600 people. On its Web site, it says, "We act out of a sense of urgency because hunger and illness do not wait."

It had been barely twenty-four hours since the miracle of the loaves and fishes; thousands had found nourishment. Jesus and his disciples had crossed the Sea of Galilee to Capernaum, and still many in the crowd from the day before found him, wanting another miracle. But Jesus offered them and us a greater miracle; if we are only to believe in the Son of God, we will never hunger again. Our faith is our work; this work will be generously rewarded.

In the Lord's Prayer we pray "Give us this day our daily bread." Fully understanding today's Gospel reading from John enables us to comprehend the dual meaning of this petition: our bodies will hunger, please provide nourishment, and our souls hunger, please provide through our faith the bread of life that is faith in Jesus Christ. The Catechism of the Catholic Church teaches us that "the drama of hunger in the world calls Christians who pray sincerely to exercise responsibility toward their brethren, both in their personal behavior and in their solidarity with the human family" (CCC 2831).

**REFLECTIONS FROM
FATHER CHARLES SHEEHY**

The little girl's name was Gonxha Bojaxhiu, a name that means nothing to us unless we are Albanian. When she was twelve she wanted to become a religious sister. In her teens she wanted no part of it.

When Gonxha (Agnes) was eighteen she became a Sister of Loretto. The world knows her today as Blessed Mother Teresa of Jesus. Once professed she was sent to Calcutta in India. She taught high school girls for nineteen years. In 1929 she founded her Missionaries of Charity.

Calcutta, as many big cities, had some squalid, thickly populated areas, where people were the poorest of the poor. As is often the case, the city also had some very wealthy areas. Sister Teresa was allowed to leave her order and devote herself to the poor.

When Sister Teresa was teaching, it would seem that most of her students were from families quite well off. Some of the girls were from poor families, and these students were accepted even though unable to pay. The poverty Sister Teresa would face was really desperate.

In what would seem a totally hopeless world, Teresa had a happy surprise.

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SPECIAL EDITION — 25 YEARS

This week *The Pilot* features an 80-page special edition celebrating Cardinal Sean's 25th Anniversary of his Episcopal ordination. Copies are available at the back of the church.

SISTERS/DAUGHTERS OF CHARITY

On the weekend of July 31 to August 2, the Sisters and Daughters of Charity will be celebrating the Bicentennial of the Foundation of the Sisters of Charity in Emmitsburg, MD July 31, 1809. There will be many celebrations being conducted throughout the country during the year to honor this special anniversary, but this particular event will be especially meaningful because it will take place on the very grounds where it all began 200 years ago. Please join us in prayer that this special occasion will be a blessing to all those engaged in works of charity including the education of the young and in all the works of the Church.

A PRAYER FOR PRIESTS

In this Year for Priests, O Father, we ask your blessing on those You have called to priestly ministry. Show them Your love and give them Your strength.

May they, above all, be faithful and passionate followers and friends of Your beloved Son, Jesus.

May they be prayerful like Jesus, hearts burning within them and set upon You above all.

May they celebrate the Mass with reverence and love and grow in devotion to the Eucharist.

May they be compassionate like Jesus toward all who seek peace and forgiveness.

May they be teachers like Jesus, on fire with Your Word.

May they be prophets like Jesus, proclaiming Your Kingdom to all.

May they entrust themselves into the care of Mary, Mother of Priests.

May they inspire and guide many men to answer a call to the priesthood.

St. John Vianney, beloved priest of God, pray for us and for all your brother priests.

Amen.

THANK YOU

On behalf of the Church in Central and Eastern Europe, thank you! Because of your generous gifts, the Church will be able to build, fix and maintain structures, educate clergy and seminarians, assist children in orphanages, publish Catholic newspapers, and so much more. Your gifts will allow the Church in Central and Eastern Europe to continue to flourish and to strengthen and share its belief in the power of the Spirit of Love. To see how your gifts are making a difference, you can visit

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