



"The seed sown among thorns is the one who hears the word, but then worldly anxiety and the lure of riches choke the word and it bears no fruit. But the seed sown on rich soil is the one who hears the word

and understand it, who indeed bears fruit and yields a hundred or sixty or thirtyfold." - Mt 13:22-23

Readings for the Week of July 13, 2008

Sunday: Is 55:10-11/Rom 8:18-23/
Mt 13:1-23 or 13:1-9
Monday: Is 1:10-17/Mt 10:34-11:1
Tuesday: Is 7:1-9/Mt 11:20-24
Wednesday: Is 10:5-7, 13b-16/Mt 11:25-27
Thursday: Is 26:7-9, 12, 16-19/Mt 11:28-30
Friday: Is 38:1-6, 21-22, 7-8/Mt 12:1-8
Saturday: Mi 2:1-5/Mt 12:14-21
Next Sunday: Wis 12:13, 16-19/Rom 8:26-27/
Mt 13:24-43 or 13:24-30

Today's readings are about being chosen and sent. The prophet Amos was chosen by the Lord and sent to use his talents for the people of God. The Gospel recounts the story of the sending of the twelve. In the second reading, St. Paul reminds us that we, too, are chosen. For what have I been chosen? To whom have I been sent?

QUESTIONS OF THE WEEK

Adults: What are some practices that will compost rich soil in my spiritual life?

Children: Who are the people who have planted the seed of God's love in my heart?

Youth Group

High School Harbor Cruise: Monday, July 28th. Join hundreds of high school youth from around the archdiocese for a fun evening of music and dancing aboard the Provincetown II out of Boston Harbor. We will leave St. Ann parking lot at 5:30 PM and return at midnight. Cost of this trip is \$25.00 which includes transportation and cruise. All students entering grades 9 - 12 are welcome.

Holy Family Drama Club's production of "Cinderella": Saturday and Sunday August 2nd and 3rd, 7:30 PM. An updated version of the timeless classic including several Rogers and Hammerstein songs will be performed by 40 of our parish youth and adults. Tickets are \$10 for adults, \$5 for students and seniors.

Canobie Lake Park: Thursday, August 7th. All students entering grades 6 - 12 are welcome to join us for an evening of fun at Canobie Lake Park in Salem, NH. Cost of this trip is \$25.00 per person which includes bus transportation, admission to the park and all rides. We will leave St. Ann parking lot at 4:30 PM and return at 11 PM. Feel free to bring a brown bag dinner to eat on the bus.

Job Opening

Holy Family Parish will be creating a new, part-time secretarial position to assist in our Faith Formation Program. This position will become available in August. Interested persons should be well-organized, possess good people skills, be well-versed in computer and office-related technology and be willing to work an occasionally flexible schedule. Please direct all inquires to our parish business manager, John Rosetti at 978-281-4820.

Health Care Ministry

Often overlooked in our ailing health care system is the spiritual component which impacts the physical, mental and emotional state of a person. Body, mind and spirit need to work together and be in balance for total well being no matter what age.

Holy Family is one of only a few parishes in the Archdiocese of Boston to provide regular, ongoing spiritual care for those confined to home especially the elderly and terminally ill. Our current volunteers, trained as Eucharistic Ministers and Pastoral Visitors, reach between 60 and 75 homebound and over 150 nursing home residents monthly. They also minister to patients at Addison Gilbert Hospital, several senior housing complexes in Rockport and Gloucester and Day by Day Senior Care at Blackburn Circle.

These volunteers are commissioned to go forth at our Eucharistic Celebrations from daily and Sunday Masses. They give generously of their time by bringing Holy Communion to our 'shut-ins'. They serve as Jesus' 'vessels' by ministry in the form of care, compassion and a listening presence. They witness to all, Jesus in our midst. Yes, they preach by what they do.

The question one may ask or wonder is why would a financially struggling parish keep a Health Care Minister on staff?

Our faithful elderly need not feel isolated nor abandoned by their faith community. They are continually reminded of God's caring, healing presence in Eucharist and pastoral visits in the midst of aging problems, situations and end of life. Our homebound actively participate in the life of the parish first and foremost through their prayer ministry. No doubt, too, since ministry is mutual, they freely share their gifts with those who visit them. They do, indeed, enrich the life of the parish and bless each one of us. They are treasures not to be overlooked.

As coordinator of this team ministry, it is my role to identify and assess spiritual needs of our elderly/homebound; train, support, assign and supervise volunteers; serve as liaison with our co-pastors; schedule Masses, the Sacrament of Anointing (Healing of the Sick) and Communion services at various facilities; assist families with funeral planning, wakes and internments when appropriate; offer bereavement follow-up and referrals to ongoing community support groups.

I am grateful to our co-pastors and staff for their commitment in this parish outreach ministry, for the support of our parish community, for our gifted volunteers on the team, and most of all, for the people we serve who allow us into their lives. It is a privilege for me to serve in this capacity.

Anna Maturro, Chaplain NACC

Coordinator of Pastoral Health Care Ministry

THE ARISE CORNER



While we are soaking up the sun and fun on Cape Ann, Holy Family's ARISE Team is busy planning for our first season of ARISE Together In Christ, the new spiritual renewal program that is sweeping the Archdiocese of Boston. ARISE offers us opportunity for new friendships, stronger faith, and a deeper relationship with God through prayer and reflection on the Scriptures - all happening in small-group settings. Please take an ARISE prayer bookmark from the back of church to tuck into the pages of your favorite summer reading. Contact Mary Lou and Del Whorowski at 978-546-3141 for more information on getting involved.

Learn more: Information sessions will be held after all Masses at St. Ann, July 19th & 20th, St. Joachim Aug. 3rd, and St. Anthony Aug. 10th.

FIFTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



Holy Family Parish gratefully acknowledges the following donations in memory of:

Terry L. Carpenter

Phil & Christine Loiacano

Noah Thomas

Drozewski

Marie & Anthony Giambanco

Wayne McShay

Maryanne Koeller

Anne Pramas

Mary Ciaramitaro
Peter & J.J. Pramas

Angela Rivers

Phil & Christine Loiacano

Rosalie Ventimiglia

Phil & Christine Loiacano

Host & Wine

The Host & Wine for July was donated in loving memory of: **The Knuuttunen Family**
Isaac, Pauline, Peter, Donna, Donald, Paul and Peter

From **Cynthia & Paula**



Holy Family Prayer Group

The Holy Family Prayer Group meets **Thursdays at 7pm in St. Joachim Church, Rockport**. For all interested, the Rosary is said at 6:30pm. Questions? Call Louise 978-281-3645.

Eucharistic Adoration

Mondays
7 – 9pm (St. Joachim Church)
7:30pm – Chaplet of Divine Mercy
8pm – Rosary

Thursdays
9:30am – 12:30pm

To sign up or for more info,
call Angela 978-283-5701.



Rosary

The Rosary is being said Wednesday nights at 5pm in the Mother of Grace Club (48 Washington St., Glou.). All are welcome!

Contributions Made Easy

Save time, simplify your life, and support our parish! We're keeping up with the times by offering our parishioners a new way to help our ministry. Our new Electronic Giving program is an automated program that will allow you to make contributions without having to lift a pen to write a check or reach into your wallet for cash!

Here is how it works: You authorize a specified amount of money to be electronically transferred directly from your checking, savings or credit card account to the parish. You also specify the frequency of the transfer.

It is fast, safe and easy! In fact, it is less risky than checks, as it cannot be lost, stolen, or destroyed. The electronic transfer will cost you NOTHING and you save the cost of the check. You will receive a donation statement for your tax records, and your bank statements will provide you with a record of transfer as additional proof of your contributions.

Additional information and sign up sheets can be found at each worship site. You can also call our office (978-281-4820) or visit our website (www.holyfamilycapeann.org).

Women's Guild

Holy Family Parish Women's Guild will be selling cookbooks after Mass at all 3 worship sites. If you can help out please call Bea. The Guild will also have a table at the Side Walk Bazaar, July 31st – Aug. 2nd. We need volunteers from the Guild to man the table and to donate baked goods. Call Bea if you can help. Our first meeting for the New Year will be Tuesday, Aug. 5th in the parish hall at 7pm. New members are welcome. Dues for 2008-2009 (\$10.00) will be collected. Call Bea (978-283-2691) or Hilary (283-1159) if you have any questions. Hope your summer is full of fun and sun! See you in August.



Vacation Bible School

VBS will take place July 21st through the 25th for Pre-K to Grade 5 (ages 4-11) from 9:30-noon. We will meet in St. Ann Church. "God's Big Back Yard" is the theme and it is all about serving. Each day the children will be challenged to serve family, friends, neighbors,

our community and then, of course, Jesus! Registrations can be found at the back of each church. Register now!!! The deadline for registration is July 10th. Send all registrations to our parish office.

Youth Group Yard Sale

Yard Sale Donations Sought

Holy Family Youth Group is planning its third mission trip to Cevicos, Dominican Republic in February, 2009. We will be holding a yard sale on Saturday, July 19th to help raise funds for the trip. Any and all donations of household items, books, jewelry, clothing etc. would be appreciated. Donations may be dropped off at St. Ann School between 6pm and 8pm on Monday, June 30th or any Tuesday, Wednesday or Thursday, 6-8pm from July 1st -17th and Friday, July 18th. Donations will only be accepted on these evenings. We will be happy to make arrangements to pick up your donations as well. E-mail dalves@hollyfamilycapeann.org or philomena978@aol.com, or call the office at 978-281-4820 to schedule a pick-up.

Project Bread

Summer Food Service Program Food That's In When School Is out

Children who have access to nutritious meals throughout the summer return to school in the fall ready to learn. The Summer Food Service Program (SFSP) helps make this possible. The Summer Food Service Program in your community allows children and youth age 18 and under to enjoy the same healthy food they get in school at a site in your neighborhood all summer long – for free!

SFSP sites are located throughout many cities and towns in Mass. No registration or identification is needed. Often, there are activities to participate in at the sites, making the Summer Food Service Program a nutritious, safe, fun way for children and youth to get healthy meals when school is out!

For more information on where and when meals will be served this summer in your community, call Project Bread's Food Source Hotline at 1-800-645-8333 or visit www.meals4kids.org in July and August.



Mass Intentions

July 12 – July 20, 2008

- Saturday, July 12, 2008**
 4 p.m. (St. Ann).....**Paola & Francesco Ciaramitaro & Leonardo & Giuseppa Ciaramitaro**
 From Vincenza Ciaramitaro, Maria Canavo & Families
- 5:30 p.m. (St. Anthony).....**Joseph Bertolino**
 From Children
- Sunday July 13, 2008**
 7:30 a.m. (St. Joachim).....**Pro Populo**
- 8 a.m. (St. Ann).....**Ralph Martin**
 From Wife & Children
- 9 a.m. (St. Joachim).....**Gioacchino & Gradia Ventimiglia**
 From Son, Wife & Grandchildren
- 10 a.m. (St. Ann) **Enrico Strescino and Sons. Richard & Donald**
 From Family
- 11 a.m. (St. Anthony).....**John Jordan "J.J." Nicastro.**
 From Family
- Monday, July 14, 2008**
 9 a.m. (St. Joachim).....**Mary C. Downey**
 From Catherine Maytum
- Tuesday, July 15, 2008**
 9 a.m. (St. Joachim)
- Wednesday, July 16, 2008**
 9 a.m. (St. Joachim)
- Thursday, July 17, 2008**
 9 a.m. (St. Joachim)
- Friday, July 18, 2008**
 9 a.m. (St. Joachim)
- Saturday, July 19, 2008**
 4 p.m. (St. Ann).....**Francesca DiMercurio**
 From Daughter
- 5:30 p.m. (St. Anthony).....**Joseph "Joe Popcorn" Ciaramitaro**
 From Wife & Children
- Sunday July 20, 2008**
 7:30 a.m. (St. Joachim).....**Pro Populo**
- 8 a.m. (St. Ann)**Gaetano Onorio and Gabriele & Orsola Ferrante**
 From Family
- 9 a.m. (St. Joachim).....**Shirley Melanson**
 From Richard Melanson
- 10 a.m. (St. Ann).....**Deceased Members of the Oliver and Harris Families**
 From Family
- 11 a.m. (St. Anthony).....**Francesco P. Brancaleone**
 From Wife & Children



**Nursing Home
 Mass Schedule**

Seacoast – Monday, July 14th - 3pm
 Den Mar - Monday, July 21st - 3:30pm
 Golden Living Center - Monday, July 28th - 3pm

Bulletin Deadline

Please have all items for submission to next week's bulletin in our office by noon on TUESDAY. Items submitted after that time will be considered for the following week.

Last Weekend's Collection

Mass	Attendance	Collection
4 pm	190	1,436.26
5:30 pm	178	960.07
7:30 am	102	807.00
8 am	225	1,782.80
9 am	172	1,269.45
10am	310	1,575.08
11 am	277	1,326.48
	1,454	

Weekly Offertory:	\$9,157.14
Office Offertory:	737.00
Total Offertory:	\$9,894.14
July 2007 average collection	\$10,148.76
St. Ann School Collection:	\$2,916.10

Thank you for your generous support!

**Black & Native
 American Collection**

This weekend the Church is asking your support of the National Collection for Black and Indian Missions in the United States. The need for Evangelization programs is so important to our Church in this changing world. Please be generous. Thank you for whatever you can give and God bless you.

Little Sisters of the Poor

Next weekend, the Little Sisters will be visiting our Parish during all St. Anthony and St. Joachim Masses (Aug. 2nd & 3rd at St. Ann). One of the Sisters will say a few words after Communion and then they will stand at the doors of the Church to receive your offering. The Little Sisters are an international Religious Congregation whose only mission in the Church is to care for the elderly poor in homes where love, respect and compassionate care until death are offered to the elderly. The Little Sisters have been serving the elderly poor of Massachusetts for the past 138 years. They do not receive help from the diocese, but count on God through the goodness of the people to sustain this mission in the Church and our Diocese. The Little Sisters are grateful to each of you for whatever you are able to do for them.

Catholic Appeal

We still have \$6,617.00 to raise before we reach our parish goal of \$35,500. Thank you to the 154 families at Holy Family that have already contributed. If you have not yet given, please consider a gift today and help us meet our goal. The Appeal is to our Archdiocese what the weekly offertory is to our parish. If you have not yet made your gift, please consider making a pledge this weekend. You can pick up information packets with pledge forms in the back of the church to be mailed in, or for more information please visit www.BostonCatholicAppeal.com or call 617-779-3700. Every gift matters. Thank you!



Holy Family Parish Registration

If you wish to register as a member of Holy Family Parish, please print the following information and deposit in the offertory.

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

Comments: _____

We look forward to hearing from you