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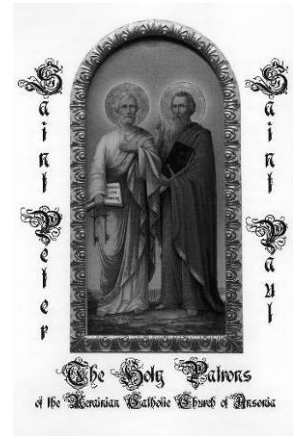
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Very Rev. Archpriest Edward Canon Young, Pastor

June 21, 2020

Third Sunday after Pentecost, The Holy Martyr Julian of Tarsus (284-305).

Epistle: *Romans 5:1-10* Gospel: *Matthew 6:22-33* Tone: 2



Leaders of the Apostles and teachers of the world, pray to the Master of all to grant peace to the world and great mercy to our souls.

DIVINE LITURGY SCHEDULE
WEEKDAYS: MONDAY–FRIDAY 9:00AM
SATURDAY: 4:00PM (Vigil Sunday-Eng.)
SUNDAY: 8:30 AM (Ukr.) & 10:00 AM (Eng.)
Confessions are heard before each Divine Liturgy:
Saturday 3:00PM to 3:30 PM
Sunday 8:00AM to 8:30AM and 9:30AM until 10:00AM
Religious Education – Saturday 10:00AM – 11:00AM
Call Alice O'Doy @203-734-3055 for more information.

Preservation – Please use the form in church vestibule, mail it to the church or bring it to Bob Jaskilka, Michael Wysowski, Jr. or Fr. Edward Young
Address or Name Change/New Phone Number – Please update your records. See Bob Jaskilka, or Michael Wysowski, Jr. to update this info. Returned checks are subject to a **\$35.00 fee**.

Bulletin Notices – Notices for the bulletin must be **in writing** by Wednesday @6PM to be included in that week's bulletin.

Parish Council meets every 3rd Wednesday of every month @7:15pm in the church hall.

Rectory Office Hours - Thursday 10AM – Noon
or by Appointment on other days

******Please Note ******
Mass Offerings, Sorokousty
Mother's Day, Father's Day
Checks must be made out to the Fr. Young not the Church ! Thank You...

Baptism Arrangement for baptism is to be made personally at the Parish Office. Please call rectory for an appointment.
Marriage – Arrangements for marriage are to be made at least **6 months prior** to the Wedding date. Please call rectory for an appointment.
Sick Calls – To arrange for Sacraments for the elderly and sick at home, please call Parish Office Fr. Young at 203-734-3895, **Please advise the rectory of any hospitalization.**
In your Estate planning – Remember Sts. Peter & Paul Church in your will.
Stewardship - "As each one has received a gift, use it to serve one another as good stewards of God's varied grace" (1 Peter 4:10). All Catholics, should give generous support—time, money, prayers, and personal service according to their circumstances—to parish and diocesan programs and to the universal Church

Special Share in the Eucharist *– Bread & Wine offered for a week, month, or year. Donations: one week - \$20.00 Donors/intentions will be listed.
Bob Jaskilka, or Michael Wysowski, Jr or Fr. Edward Young
Eternal Light *– offered to light for a week \$10.00.
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Virgin Mary's Lamp and Sacred Heart Lamp* also available for offering! Offered to light for a week is 10.00, each.
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All start on Monday to Sunday!
***Offering must be made when dates are reserved!**

A **Welcome to St. Peter and St. Paul Parish** to all who are worshipping with us today. If you are over twenty-one years of age and have not yet registered, have moved or will be moving, or have a new telephone number, **please fill out the form below**. Each household **must be registered** at St. Peter and St. Paul and every adult receives a set of stewardship envelopes. Registration also entails an annual dues to the parish. If a parishioner is not registered, it is difficult for church authorities to issue him or her a sponsor certificate, reference, or any other certification.

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(Please come down to the Basement to be properly registered after or before liturgy)

A Prayer for Father's Day: "God our Father, We give you thanks and praise for fathers young and old. We pray for young fathers, newly embracing their vocation; May they find courage and perseverance to balance work, family and faith in joy and sacrifice.

We pray for our own Fathers around the world whose children are lost or suffering; May they know that the God of compassion walks with them in their sorrow. We pray for men who are not fathers but still mentor and guide us with fatherly love and advice. We remember fathers, grandfather, and great grandfathers who are no longer with us but who live forever in our memory and nourish us with their love. Amen"

*Bread and Wine Offering - God's Blessings on Richard & Mary Ellen Koalchic
by Mary Ellen Koalchic*

06/20	Saturday	Liturgies closed to the Public	Pro Populo (For All Parishioners) - За Всix Парафіян
06/21	Sunday	↑	God's Blessing on All Fathers Living & Deceased
06/22	Monday		No Liturgy
06/23	Tuesday		No Liturgy
06/24	Wednesday		Feast of the Nativity of St. John the Baptist Deceased of the Fetzko, Brenia & Harney families
06/25	Thursday		+Msgr. George Binkowski req. by Ed & Alice O'Doy
06/26	Friday	↓	The Intention of Thomas Lillis & Andrew Koalchic families
06/27	Saturday		Pro Populo (For All Parishioners) - За Всix Парафіян
06/28	Sunday Church Open	10:00 AM Public Liturgy	God's Blessing Richard & Mary Ellen Koalchic 55 th Wedding Anniversary req. by family

ETERNAL LIGHT		<i>None Offered</i>	
BLESSED VIRGIN MARY LAMP		<i>None Offered</i>	
SACRED HEART of JESUS LAMP		<i>None Offered</i>	
Bread and Wine Offering Reserved Dates 7/6-7/12/20 8/3-8/9/20 9/7-9/13/20 10/5-10/11/20 11/2-11/8/20 11/9/20-11/15/20 12/7-12/13/20 12/14/20-12/20/20 12/21/20-12/27/20		Eternal Light Offering Reserved Dates 8/3/-8/9/2020 7/13/20-7/19/20 9/7/20-9/3/20 9/21-9/27/20 10/5/20-10/11/20 10/12/20-10/18/20 11/2/20-11/8/20 11/9/20-11/15/20 11/23/-11/29/20 12/14/20-12/20/20 12/21/-12/27/20	
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2020 & Past Church Dues (Blue Book) (Kollekta)

During Lent & every Saturday & Sunday dues current & past will be collected in the church hall after the 4:00 PM Vigil and 8:30 AM & 10AM Sunday Liturgies.

Please bring your dues book to the church hall dues will not be collected in the rectory Back on January 25, 2005 the Parish Council voted to increase the yearly dues to \$75.00 per member. This is the first increase since 1998. The number of upcoming projects that are needed to keep the church building in good repairs, such as painting, doors, walls, fixing the roof, warranted this increase.

Do not place dues in your weekly envelope offering !

Please remember - this is not our church but YOUR church!

Please fulfill your responsibility to your Church!!

Responding to the outbreak of the global pandemic virus COVID-19, Public Services: All weekday and Sunday services will be celebrated temporarily without the participation of the assembly of the faithful. Our clergy will continue to celebrate and pray for you and with you vicariously. У зв'язку з пандемією вірусу COVID-19, Усі щоденні та недільні богослужіння тимчасово служитимуться в наших церквах без фізичної присутності громади вірних. Священники продовжуватимуть молитися за Вас і заочно з Вами

Glory be to Jesus Christ! Dear parishioners of St Peter and St Paul Ukrainian Greek Catholic Church according to the directives of Ukrainian Catholic Bishops of the USA all services will be done privately until further notice. The Divine Liturgy will be celebrated by the parish priest for all parishioners but without presence of the faithful. Sundays Fr. Edward is now live streaming Divine Liturgy from his Facebook page Edward Young Sunday Liturgy 10:00 AM, note Eparchy Stamford Site has information concerning Liturgies. Also on the **Feast of the Nativity of St. John the Baptist** Wednesday June 24 at 10:00 AM Divine Liturgy will be Live streamed. If you and your family are not able to see Divine Liturgy online you must take time read the Holy Bible and pray at home as a family. Please call me on my cell or email whenever you need a priest. Confessions can be scheduled by appointment. Church will be open daily for prayer 8:00 AM to 9:00 AM each day of the Monday through Friday for prayer. May Almighty God Bless and Keep you all Safe and in Good Health. **God Save and Protect!**

St. Peter & St. Paul Ukrainian Catholic Church will open for Sunday Liturgy for the Faithful the same Sunday as the other two Catholic Parishes in Ansonia will be opened. This will be last Sunday on June.

DEAR PARISHIONERS: DURING THIS TIME THAT THE CHURCH BUILDING IS CLOSED TO PUBLIC WORSHIP. WE ASK THAT YOU CONTINUE TO REMEMBER THE NEEDS OF YOUR PARISH. PLEASE EITHER SEND YOUR DONATION BY MAIL WITH YOUR ENVELOPES OR YOU CAN USE THE PARISH WEBSITE (WWW.STSPPUCC.ORG) TO MAKE YOUR DONATION PLEASE INCLUDE YOUR ENVELOPE NUMBER ON YOUR PAYPAL DONATION. THANK VERY MUCH FOR YOUR KIND GENEROSITY. FATHER EDWARD YOUNG
One-Time Online Donation To make a One-Time online donation please use the following Donation Link.

THIRD SUNDAY OF PENTECOST
Epistle - Romans 5: 1-10 ~ Gospel - Matthew 6: 22-33

In the Gospel reading this morning, St. Matthew records for us the teaching of Jesus: *“The lamp of the body is the eye.”* The “eye” that Jesus is talking about seems to correspond to the soul when He says, *“Do not worry about your soul, what you will eat or what you will drink, for your soul is more than food.”*

The Lord spoke of the health of our souls in terms of vision: *“The eye is the lamp of the body. So, if your eye is sound, your whole body will be full of light; but if your eye is evil, your whole body will be full of darkness. If then the light in you is darkness, how great is the darkness!”* Christ taught that, if our spiritual vision is clear and focused, we will see ourselves and our problems in light of God's kingdom. Then we will be able to serve our one true Master and gain strength for being at peace, regardless of the circumstances of our lives.

The lamp of the body is the soul – that part of us that is eternal and that part of us where our love is centered, and where we choose what we will love. The soul is more than food and drink, the Lord tells us, because the soul is made, going to the Hebrew, as a living nephesh, a living throat, made by nature to eat and drink God Himself in the mystery of His Holy Eucharist, by which we become partakers of the divine nature. We were made in the Image of God. The Image of God is Christ Himself. Made in the Image of Christ, we were made to become like Him. And, since God is love, that means that we were made to become love, like God is. We were made to become lovers of God. And, we become like God only as we come to love God with all our heart, soul, strength and mind.

St John writes in his first epistle: *“He who says that he walks in the light but hates his brother, is still in darkness.”* You see how the light that God is, is love, and the darkness that is alien to God is hatred, enmity, anger.

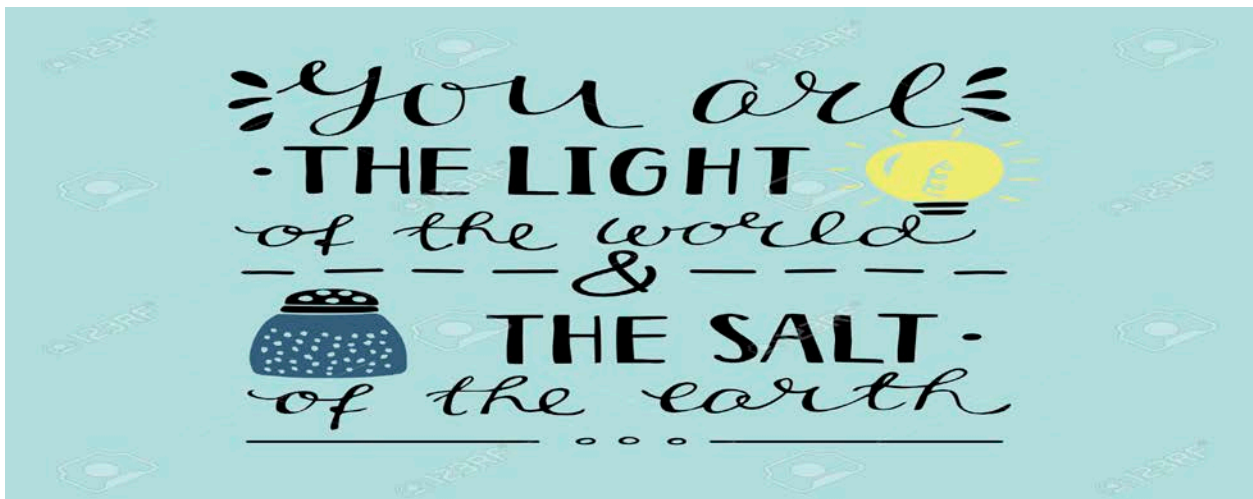
So, when we give ourselves in love to God, our soul is filled with the love of God. And, filled with the love of God, our soul is filled with light, the uncreated light of God. This light of God, says St. John, is the life of men. It is the light of God, the love of God that is Jesus Christ who illumines everyone as He comes into the world in the mystery of His Incarnation. And if our soul, the eye of the body, is illumined in the love of God, in Jesus Christ, then the life that the soul gives to the body is full of light, full of the love of God, and the whole body, the whole being of man, becomes light, it becomes the embodiment of the love of God, it becomes a living temple of the living God; it becomes the Church.

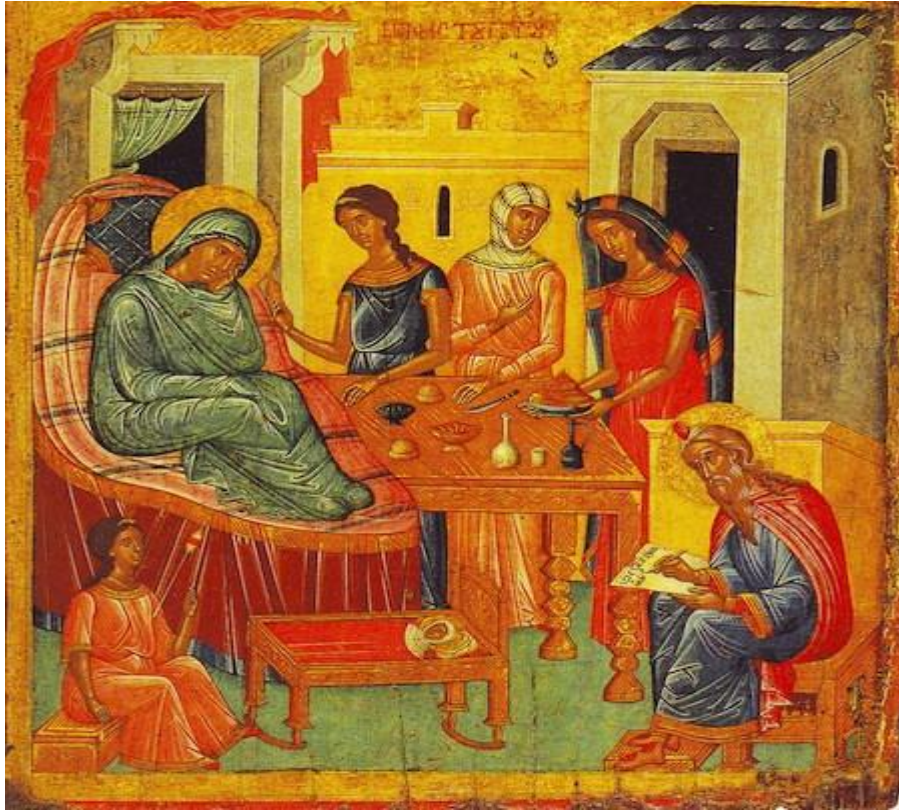
We know this beautiful truth of the Gospel because Christ Himself has told us. And, He has demonstrated His love for us by dying for us on the Cross. He has revealed the truth of the report of His ineffable glory in His Holy Resurrection, and in the lives of His saints who loved Him, and in whom He loves to dwell. He who is calling out to us is the Image of God in whom we were made. And, He is calling to the center of our being, to the eye, to our soul that is the lamp of our body.

If our souls are not healthy, we will never find the peace that truly satisfies us as God’s children who bear His image and likeness. You were created in the love of God. You were made for the love of God. The very principle of your being is the love of God. Come to the light, the uncreated light of God. Come to the love of God that is your true life. Take up your cross, take up your love and give it to the Lord Jesus by doing His holy commandments. And let your life in this world be adorned in the love of God, your life transfigured into a journey to the Royal Doors of the Kingdom of Heaven, and your death into the pouring out of your soul in love for God, the receiving of Christ’s Heavenly Spirit, and the partaking of the divine nature unto life eternal in the grace of Our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God the Father and the communion of the Holy Spirit. (*Excerpts from the homilies of St. Herman’s parish*)

We continue the Apostles’ Fast, the prescribed fasting period of the Church, lasting from the day after the Sunday of All Saints, June 8, to the 29th of June, the feast of the Apostles Peter and Paul. The Feast of Ss. Peter and Paul is a Holy Day of Obligation! The spiritual benefit derived from the Apostles’ Fast is great. Saint Leo the Great noted that, *“After the extended feast of Pentecost, the fast is particularly needed in order to cleanse our mind by ascetic labors, and to make us worthy of the gifts of the Holy Spirit.”* Saint Leo also reminds us, *“In the Apostolic canons inspired by God Himself, the Church fathers have, at the inspiration of the Holy Spirit, established first and foremost that all virtuous labors begin with fasting.”*

CATECHISM - CHRIST OUR PASCHA - TODAY’S GOSPEL LESSON : LOVE OF GOD: Page 26, Section 50; Page 49, Section 124; Page 51, Section 129; Page 90, Section 251; Page 139, Section 406; Page 247, Section 759-760





Nativity of the Holy Glorious Prophet, Forerunner and Baptist, John

The Nativity of the Holy Forerunner and Baptist of the Lord, John: The Gospel (Luke. 1: 5) relates that the righteous parents of Saint John the Baptist, the Priest Zachariah and Elizabeth (September 5), lived in the ancient city of Hebron. They reached old age without having children, since Elizabeth was barren. Once, Saint Zachariah was serving in the Temple at Jerusalem and saw the Archangel Gabriel, standing on the right side of the altar of incense. He predicted that Saint Zachariah would father a son, who would announce the Savior, the Messiah, awaited by the Old Testament Church. Zachariah was troubled, and fear fell upon him. He had doubts that in old age it was possible to have a son, and he asked for a sign. It was given to him, and it was also a chastisement for his unbelief. Zachariah was struck speechless until the time of the fulfillment of the archangel's words. Saint Elizabeth came to be with child, and fearing derision at being pregnant so late in life, she kept it secret for five months. Then her relative, the Virgin Mary, came to share with Elizabeth Her own joy. Elizabeth, "filled with the Holy Spirit," was the first to greet the Virgin Mary as the Mother of God. Saint John leaped in his mother's womb at the visit of the Most Holy Virgin Mary and the Son of God incarnate within Her.

Soon Saint Elizabeth gave birth to a son, and all the relatives and acquaintances rejoiced together with her. On the eighth day, in accordance with the Law of Moses, he was circumcised and was called John. Everyone was amazed, since no one in the family had this name. When they asked Saint Zachariah about this, he motioned for a tablet and wrote on it: "His name is John." Immediately his tongue was loosed, and Saint Zachariah glorified God. He also prophesied about the Coming into the world of the Messiah, and of his own son John, the Forerunner of the Lord (Luke. 1: 68-79). After the Nativity of our Lord Jesus Christ and the worship of the shepherds and the Magi, wicked king Herod gave orders to kill all male infants. Hearing about this, Saint Elizabeth fled into the wilderness and hid in a cave. Saint Zachariah was at Jerusalem and was doing his priestly service in the Temple. Herod sent soldiers to him to find out the abode of the infant John and his mother. Zachariah answered that their whereabouts were unknown to him, and he was killed right there in the Temple. Righteous Elizabeth continued to live in the wilderness with her son and she died there. The child John, protected by an angel, dwelt in the wilderness until the time when he came preaching repentance, and was accounted worthy to baptize the Lord.

Fourth Week After Pentecost

Monday

Romans 9:18-33; Matthew 11 :2-15

Tuesday

Romans 10:11-11:2; Matthew 11:16-20

Wednesday Feast of St. John

Romans 13: 11-14: 4 Luke 1:5-25,57-68 & 76-80

Thursday

Romans 11:13-24; Matthew 11:27-30

Friday

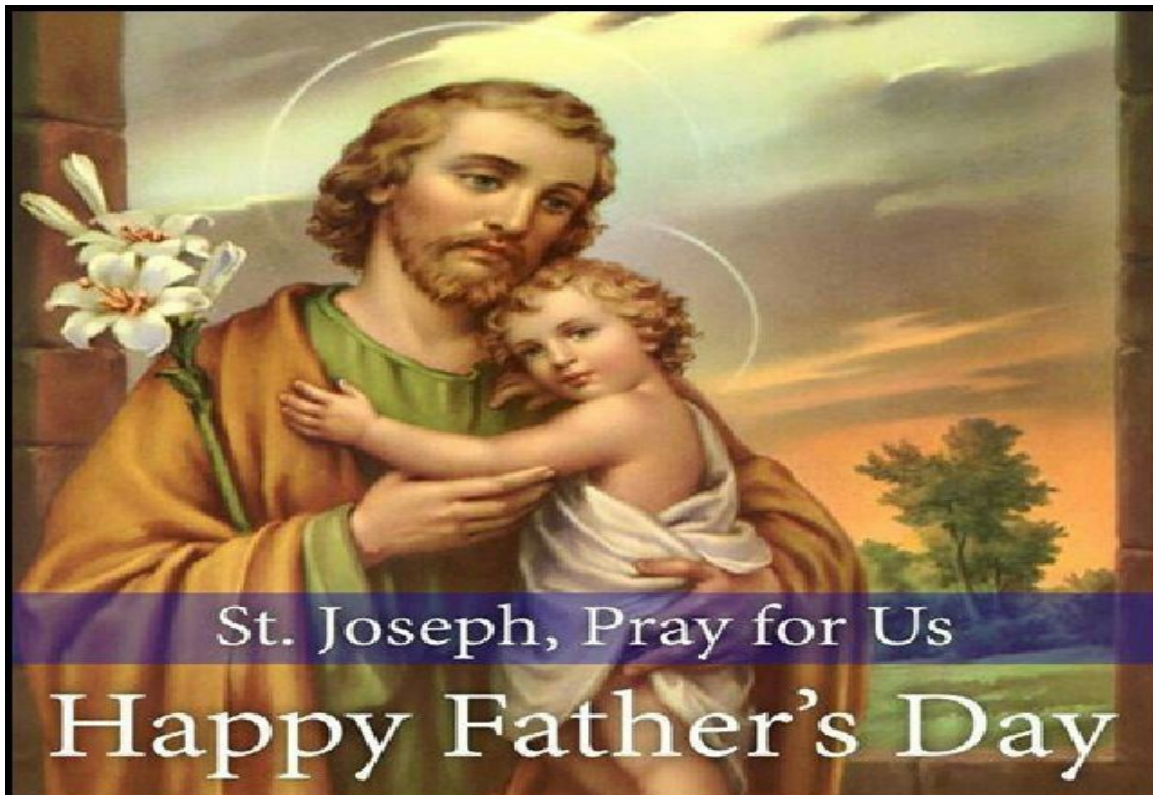
Romans 11:25-36; Matthew 12:1-8

Saturday

Romans 6:11-17; Matthew 8:14-23

Fourth Sunday After Pentecost All
Saints of Rus' - Ukraine

Romans 6:18-23; 8:28-39; Matthew
8:5-13; 5:1-16



Heavenly Father, you entrusted your Son Jesus,
the child of Mary, to the care of Joseph, an earthly father.
Bless all fathers as they care for their families.

Give them strength and wisdom,
tenderness and patience;
support them in the work they have to do,
protecting those who look to them,
as we look to You for love and salvation,
through Jesus Christ our rock and defender,
in union with the Holy Spirit, one God forever and ever.
St Joseph, Pray for all our Fathers, Amen

Most gracious Heavenly Father, We thank you for our earthly fathers, those to whom you have entrusted the responsibility to provide loving protection of their families and guidance of their children. We thank you, also, for our priests and bishops, whose spiritual fatherhood is so vital to the faith of your people.

May our earthly fathers imitate the manly courage of Abraham, Jesse and Joseph, and all the holy fathers of the past in providing wise counsel to the children you have given to their care. And may our spiritual fathers be guided by the examples of Saints Peter and Paul, all the Apostles and their saintly successors. Give them valiant faith in the face of confusion and conflict, hope in time of trouble and sorrow, and steadfast love for you, for their families, and for all your people throughout the world. Assist all fathers of families, all spiritual fathers, and all Christian men, that through your Grace they may steadily grow in holiness and in knowledge and understanding of your Truth. May they generously impart this knowledge to those who rely on them.

As you, our Heavenly Father, so loved the world, sending your only Son to be our Savior and Redeemer, we ask you to help all men to imitate His fatherly gentleness and mercy toward those who are weak; His humility, perfect obedience to your Will, and fearless witness to your Truth. May their lives be examples to all of heroic faithfulness to you. We ask your blessing on all those to whom you have entrusted fatherhood. May your Holy Spirit constantly inspire them with justice and mercy, wisdom and strength, fidelity and self-giving love. May they receive your Grace abundantly in this earthly life, and may they look forward to eternal joy in your presence in the life to come.

We ask this through Jesus Christ, your Son and Our Lord, AMEN.

God our Father, we give you thanks and praise for fathers young and old. We pray for young fathers, newly embracing their vocation; may they find courage and perseverance to balance work, family and faith in joy and sacrifice. We pray for fathers around the world whose children are lost or suffering; may they know that the God of compassion walks with them in their sorrow. We pray for men who are not fathers but still mentor and guide us with fatherly love and advice. We remember fathers, grandfather, and great grandfathers who are no longer with us but who live forever in our memory and nourish us with their love. Amen

MEN ON A MISSION by *Joseph Mc Inerney*

Suppose you had a choice: your dream car with all the options and a summer home on the shore, or a life of daily toil spent with persons you truly love and who truly love you.

Which would you choose? Think twice.

The answer lies in what really makes you happy. If there is more to happiness and fulfillment than material comfort, where can we turn to find the truth about these things?

While there is always a limit to the number of things you can accumulate, or cars you can fit on your driveway, there is no limit to the amount of happiness a human heart can receive – or give. The same is true for love.

Ultimately, the human heart reaches out to the infinite and eternal love of God.

The Second Vatican Council tells us that we should look to Jesus Christ to find the meaning of human fulfillment. “Christ...in the very revelation of the mystery of the Father and of his love, fully reveals man to himself and brings to light his very high calling” (*Gaudium et Spes*, 22).

The Christian father must look to the God-man, Jesus Christ, for the meaning of human life and happiness. Turning to Christ we see a very different conception of happiness than that offered by our consumer culture.

Mission: Redemption

Christ’s role on earth can be depicted in terms of a mission. God the Father sends his only-begotten Son into the world to reconcile it to himself. In other words, the mission of Jesus is nothing less than to save the souls of all people from all time.

Christ achieves this mission through his roles as priest, prophet and king. As the perfect priest, Christ offers himself as the perfect sacrifice for the salvation of all humanity. As a prophet, he bears God’s message of reconciliation to the world, teaching about God’s love and mercy. As king, he rules the universe, exercising his authority through service and humility.

The mission of the modern-day father, like that of Christ, is the salvation of souls. The difference between them is the fact that Christ’s mission is universal, concerned with the salvation of all mankind.

The father's mission is concerned primarily with the salvation of his own family. Despite the difference in scope, the father has the same methods at his disposal to achieve this mission of salvation. Through his share in Christ's grace in the sacraments of Baptism and Matrimony, a father shares the grace of Christ's death and resurrection with his children. He is also a priest in the sense that he brings his children to the sacraments, giving them a direct share in the grace of Christ. The father is a prophet – the bearer of God's message – to his children by fulfilling his obligation to teach them the Catholic faith.


Lastly, he performs Christ's kingly function as the spiritual head of his family. This headship is always exercised in a Christian manner, rather than a worldly manner. A father's obligation to lead his family in holiness is not a call to domination, but to service.

A Father's Fulfillment

Each week at Mass when reciting the Gloria we learn that Christ alone is the holy one. In living out the vocation of fatherhood, a man is called to imitate the holiness that led Christ to give his entire self for the love of his brothers and sisters. At its root, then, fatherhood is a call to holiness. The example of Christ shows that holiness consists in the radical gift of oneself for the sake of others.

Fatherhood is the mission that allows a man to give of himself unreservedly. Thus, it is through fatherhood that most men will find their greatest happiness. To avoid fatherhood for the sake of that dream car, or that special summer home, is to cheat yourself out of one of life's most rewarding experiences. By calling men to make a gift of themselves to others, God calls fathers to a life of remarkable holiness, indescribable happiness, and true fulfillment.

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