

**Announcements  
For the week of  
July 31, 2016**

**Happy Birthday to Marion Peter celebrating 81 years on July 30, 2016.**

**The Contemporary Choir would like to extend an invitation for new members. We feature Easy to sing, Modern Contemporary Gospel music. We sing every 3rd Sunday at the 11:30 Mass. Contact Wayne Davis if you are interested.**

**Our Mother of Mercy Garage Sale is August 11th-13th. We need your help to make this Garage Sale a success.**

**The Pastoral Council will not meet during the month of August.**

**Bulletin and Pulpit Announcements can be emailed. They must be approved by our Pastor, Fr. Lowell Case. Deadline for all announcements is 2:00pm on Monday. No impromptu announcements.**

**Please pray for all our Military, all the Sick and Shut-In and their families. Take home a copy of this week's bulletin for other announcements.**

**July 31, 2016**

**GOOD EVENING/MORNING PARISHIONERS, FAMILY, FRIENDS AND VISITORS!  
(PAUSE)**

**WELCOME TO OUR MOTHER OF MERCY CATHOLIC CHURCH. WE ARE IN  
THE PRESENCE OF THE LORD.**

**TODAY WE CELEBRATE THE EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME.  
KINDLY TURN TO YOUR NEIGHBOR AND EXTEND A GREETING OF WEL-  
COME. (PAUSE 20 SECONDS).**

**BE GOOD STEWARDS OF THE PARISH, GIVE GENEROUSLY IN TODAY'S  
COLLECTION.**

**TODAY'S THEME:**

**It is always good to be reminded, as we are in today's readings, of what really matters,  
for our lives do not consist of our possessions. Today let us pray that we treasure what is  
truly important in our lives—all the people to whom we are called to reveal God's mer-  
cy—and leave the rest to God.**

**OUR CELEBRANT FOR THIS MASS IS:**

**(Priest Name) Fr. Case, Fr. Aloysius**

**4:30 P.M.- Fr.**

**7:00 A.M.-Fr.**

**9:00 A.M.-Fr.**

**11:30 A.M.-Fr.**

**AFTER THE OPENING PRAYER:**

**In a rare Ordinary Time confluence, all three reading counsel us not to focus on  
things of the world. The first reading calls all such things "vanities." Saint Paul  
tells us to think of what is above, for Christ is all in all. And Jesus urges us to be  
rich in "what matters to God." as we listen to these readings today, let us try to  
hear what God is telling us about what really matters.**

**INTERCESSORY PRAYERS**  
**Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
**July 31, 2016**

**Priest:** Let us seek what is above by asking our heavenly Lord to hear our prayers for all our neighbors in need.

**Response:** Lord, hear our prayer

- For the safety of Christians everywhere from persecution of Violence, especially in Syria, Iraq, Korea, and, the Central African Republic, we pray to the Lord...
- For all those who must work endless hours just to feed their families, we pray to the Lord...
- That we may have the wisdom to see a way to end gun violence in our land, and that we have the will to do it, we pray to the Lord...
- For those who must risk everything they have for their loved ones; for refugees, immigrants, and migrant workers, that they may know God's mercy through us during this Jubilee Year of Mercy, we pray to the Lord...
- We pray in silence through Jesus, who teaches us how to love, for our own needs and the needs of all...*[pause for 10 seconds; the presider alone concludes...]*, we pray to the lord...

**Priest:** O God of all the living, hear these our prayers. Fill us at daybreak with your kindness and mercy, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

# **TO ALL MINISTERS OF HOSPITALITY**

July 31, 2016

**PLEASE WELCOME THE VISITORS**

**ALSO PASS OUT THE CHILDREN'S  
BULLETINS TO THE LITTLE ONES!**

**Make sure that you sign the sheet in the book.**

Remember to use the white bags for the collections  
Please try and refrain anyone from walking during the  
1st reading, 2nd Reading, the Gospel and the Homily.

**Remember to take the count of those present at each Mass and  
turn the count sheet in after the 11:30AM Mass**

**This is very important. Secure collection after Mass**

**NONE**