OUR LADY OF AFRICA PARISH

615 E. OAKWOOD BLVD. CHICAGO, IL 60653-2309, PHONE: 773-624-5375 FOURTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - JULY 3, 2022



Served by: The *Society of the Divine Word...* Popularly known as the Divine Word Missionaries *Pastor: Fr. Bob Kelly, SVD, Fr. Carl Gales, SVD, Brother Alu Aisi, SVD, Frater Manie Manuel, SVD, Frater Andrew Wang, SVD, Frater Zachary Smith, SVD Senior Deacon Mervin Johnson, Deacon Ivan Lazcano, Deacon Michael Foggie Fr. Tracy O'Sullivan, O.Carm., Fr. Mark Weber, SVD, Weekend Assistants*

Welcome to Our Lady of Africa Parish.

We are Blessed with your presence here today. We have been walking with Jesus on the Road to Emmaus. All of us are missionary disciples walking with Jesus telling the story to him about what happened in Jerusalem. It is in the Gospel of Luke 24: 13-35. And, as they told the story, they were unable to recognize Jesus. When they invited Jesus to share a meal with them, they recognized him in "the breaking of the bread." Let us recognize Jesus in one another as we gather to celebrate Mass at Our Lady of Africa today and every Sunday. The Eucharist is the "summit and source of our lives as Christians." (Vatican II)

Office Hours

Monday to Friday: 9:00 AM-3:30 PM

Contact: Shirley McKinney **Phone:** 773-624-5375 **Fax:** 773-624-8393

Email:

ourladyofafricachicago@gmail.com

Saturday Vigil: 4:00 PM Our Lady of Africa Parish, 615 E. Oakwood Blvd, 60653

Sunday Mass: 9:00AM and

11:30AM Facebook Livestream 11:30 AM Mass and YouTube after 6:00 PM

at:





Weekday Masses: Monday-Friday 8:00 PM Tolton Heritage Center Rectory

Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession)

Saturday 3:00PM -- 3:30PM

Holy Days: 10:30 AM: TBD

French Community Mass: 6:00PM

First Sunday of Month

Fr. Joseph Mukuna, SCJ

Ghanaian Community Mass: 1:30PM First and Second Sunday of Month Fr. David Ahiahornu

Igbo Community Mass: 2:30 PM Third and Fourth Sunday of Month Fr. Stan Chu IIo

Weekly Bible Study: Wednesday at 11AM (See Parish Events for Dates)

Fr. Clements/Fr. Smith Parish Hall with

Fr. Tracy O'Sullivan, O.Carm

Bible Study

Tuesday at 6-7 PM Use Conference Call & Code

Food Pantry

Every Thursday at 4058 S. Michigan Ave, and every Fourth Saturday of month at 44 E. 41st. Hours for both are: 10:00 AM until 12:00 noon.







Reflection from Fr. Tracy O'Sullivan...

Fourteenth Sunday of Ordinary Time-C Lk: 10:1-11

Dear Friends,

Jesus was very clear. The selected seventy-two were to proclaim the arrival of the kingdom of God. This message was forthright and simple. God is acting. God is responding to the evil in all its expression's in human life. The healing that Jesus tasked the disciples with is the beginning of the final transformation of reality in peace, wholeness and integrity. Justice will prevail over a sinful and broken world, over each and every person.

The disciples' task was what we call today evangelization. Their first and foremost responsibility was to let the message of Jesus flow from a heart of deep personal conviction. To do this they must travel lightly and strip themselves of the false values and deceptions of the world. Our world today, like the world in Jesus' time, has no acceptance for God who acts against the sinfulness of the day. The integrity of the disciples' presence and commitment was the most important part of the proclamation of the kingdom. It had to consume their whole being first of all.

Centuries later, Francis of Assisi captured the depth of this mystery. He said we must preach the gospel at all times and use words only when necessary. Such a person has been described as a witness whose life speaks so profoundly that one cannot hear what they say.

For over forty years, the Popes, from Paul VI to Francis, have been insistent on the utter importance of the mission of evangelization, the proclamation the Good News.

Pope Francis' *The Joy of the Gospel* is a canticle of wonder on the topic of evangelization as the self-defining task of the People of God. In *the Joy of the Gospel*, Francis brings a brilliance and power to the fundamental task of the People of God, to proclaim the Gospel. By baptism, all are called to holiness. All are called to be missionary disciples.

Francis envisions a new day for the Church. All this renewal will flow from a refocusing on the mission of evangelization. The Pontiff says, "I dream of a 'missionary option,' that is, a missionary impulse capable of transforming everything, so that the Church's customs, ways of doing things, times and schedules, language and structures can be suitably channeled for the evangelization of today's world rather than for her self-preservation" (#27).

The main characteristics of the evangelizing mission Francis calls us to are:

It is the fundamental task of the Church. It is also the essential ministry of the parish and the individual disciple of Christ.

The evangelization involves not just the personal transformation but of all reality in its social, economic, political and cultural expressions.

The proclamation must always center on the saving love and mercy revealed in Christ crucified and Christ risen.

Fr. Tracy O'Sullivan, O.Carm



Your continued donations to support Our Lady of Africa Parish can be given by going to the following link:

https://donate.holyangelschicago.com/give

Scan QR Codes

Facebook

an QR Codes

YouTube

Online Giving







Donation offerings are mailed to the following address:
Our Lady of Africa Parish
615 E Oakwood
Chicago, IL 60653

Website for Our Lady of Africa





Father Tracy's Blog Praying Alone Together

Please remember the following in your prayers for healing:

Argentry Mitchell Catherine Cosby Helen Brooms Jim Henkel Janet McFarland Mary Berry Alice Thompson



Mass Intention & Repose Souls

- +Ella Crossley
- +Simone Green
- +Deacon Dexter Gary Watson
- +Cletonia Dickens
- +Tamara Hudson & Arthemise Washington Request From Taliva Tillman

July 3 – Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

A Vocation View: "The harvest is rich but the workers are few; therefore ask the harvest-master to send workers to his harvest." Pray for vocations. Depend on God's providence.

DIVINE WORD MISSIONARIES and SISTER SERVANTS OF THE HOLY SPIRIT 800-553-3321

Words of Wisdom for this 14th Sunday in Ordinary Time

God will love you, of course, even though you do not love Him, but remember, if you give Him only half your heart, He can make you only 50% happy.

Wisdom from Fulton Sheen

Parish Up Coming Events

07/04 - Happy 1 Year Anniversary OLOA

- Happy Independent Day

07/04 & 07/05 - The Office will be closed and will re-open on 7/6

07/06 - No In Person Bible Study

07/07 - Weekly Food Pantry—Tolton Center
10:00 AM—12:00 Noon

Funeral Services:



Funeral Services for:

- +Mrs. Semone Green was held on Saturday, July 2nd. Please keep Mr. Charles Green and Family in Prayer.
- + Mrs. Ella Crossley will be on Saturday, July 9th. Keep Mrs. Ella Crossley and Family in Prayer
- +Passing of Mrs. Cletonia Dickens -Services Pending: Please keep Mrs. Cletonia Dickens and Family in prayer.

The Prayer of Our Lady of Africa

Our Lady of Africa, mother of the human family, Be mindful of your African children, at home or dispersed on other continents.

You who are full of grace,

look upon all those who do not know Jesus, the Son sent by the Father. May his light draw them and make them receptive to the gift of Faith.

You, who are one with Christ
In suffering and in glory,
Be mindful of those assailed by trials,
That they may discover
His liberating Passover, and live by it in hope.

You who turned to Jesus
When the wine of joy ran out
Be mindful of peoples in distress,
That justice and peace may prevail
In a united world where Charity reigns.

You who, in the midst of the Apostles, Received the breath of the Spirit Be mindful of the apostles of today. May they announce the Word with assurance And proclaim it by their lives. May young people hear the call of Christ And follow him with joy.

Our Lady of Africa, Queen of the universe,

Be mindful of humanity on the way. May Christ your Son, gather all peoples In the unity of his Spirit To the glory of the Father For ages to come.

Amen.

Sacrament of Reconciliation on Saturday: 3:00PM-3:30PM



Sick & Shut-in



Ophelia Adams Curtis Albright Dorla Allen Patrice Anderson Jessie Andrews James Barker Donald Barner Louise Bates Myra Baugh David Berry Mary Berry Helen Brooms Christine Brown Barbara McGee-Berry Patricia Brown Roscoe Burns Michael Burt Dean Brazier James Brazier Calicott Family Marilyn Campbell Esperanza Carr Russell Carter Lillian Cherry Michael A. Člark Lydia Clark Willie B. Clay Catherine Cosby Mary Crawford Sr. Eleanor Doidge Cecelia Douglas Judith Easter Deborah Edmundson Elsie Freeman Wanda Finney Ola Mae Forde Nazaree Fuller Tvrone Fuller Rosemary Gardner Frederick Gibson Florence Glenn Andre D. Golden Mable Grav Bettie Green Eleanor Griffin Barbara Golden

Anna Marie Hamp-Vircy Spight-Harris Marjorie Heard Lorraine Henderson Justin HendersonJim Henkel Barbara Edwards-Hill Kelly Robin Hill Velma Hill Hugh Hodges Rita Holland Sandra Houston **Doris Humphries** Nolan Humphries George James Janet James Thelma Jackson Leslie Jackson Mildred Jackson Trudy Jackson Majorbelle James Therese Jessie Cindy Jirsa Annette Lee Susan Larry McKeever Denise Lawson Gloria Leonard Lugenia Lewis Jan Johnson Pamela Jones Betty Lumpkins Lenda Mason Anastacia Mebane Donna Perisee-**McFarlane** Gail McGruder McShan Family Janet McFarland Donald McKinney, Jr. Bernadine McNeal Deborah Mitchell Argentry Mitchell Geraldine Moore Jeff Moore

Michael Moore Maria Jossev Owen Gregory Papesh Minnette Penman Allen Peoples Sr. Jamie Phelps, O.P. Marionette Phelps Jean Porter Deborah Powell Louise Ray Tvna Rule Phyllis Shackelford Alfrances Sharpe Beverly Sims Shirley Simmons Emma Stewart Margaret Stewart Alonzo Studstill Janice Taylor Alice Thompson Cynthia Thompson Renee Trotter Audrey Tuggle Joanne Wallace Joyce Wallace Tandra Watson Rachel Watson Mrs. P. Wells Doris Whitaker Ervn Whitaker Rita White Yvonne Whitenier Arlene G. Williams Dorothy Williams Evelyn Williams Naiya Williams Michael Williams Patricia Williams Sheila Williams Euphrasia Mutinda Sunnette Varnado Smith

Take a moment to remember our sick & shut-in members by calling and keeping them in your prayers.

Please notify the office when a name need to be added to or removed from the Prayer List.

Thank you.