



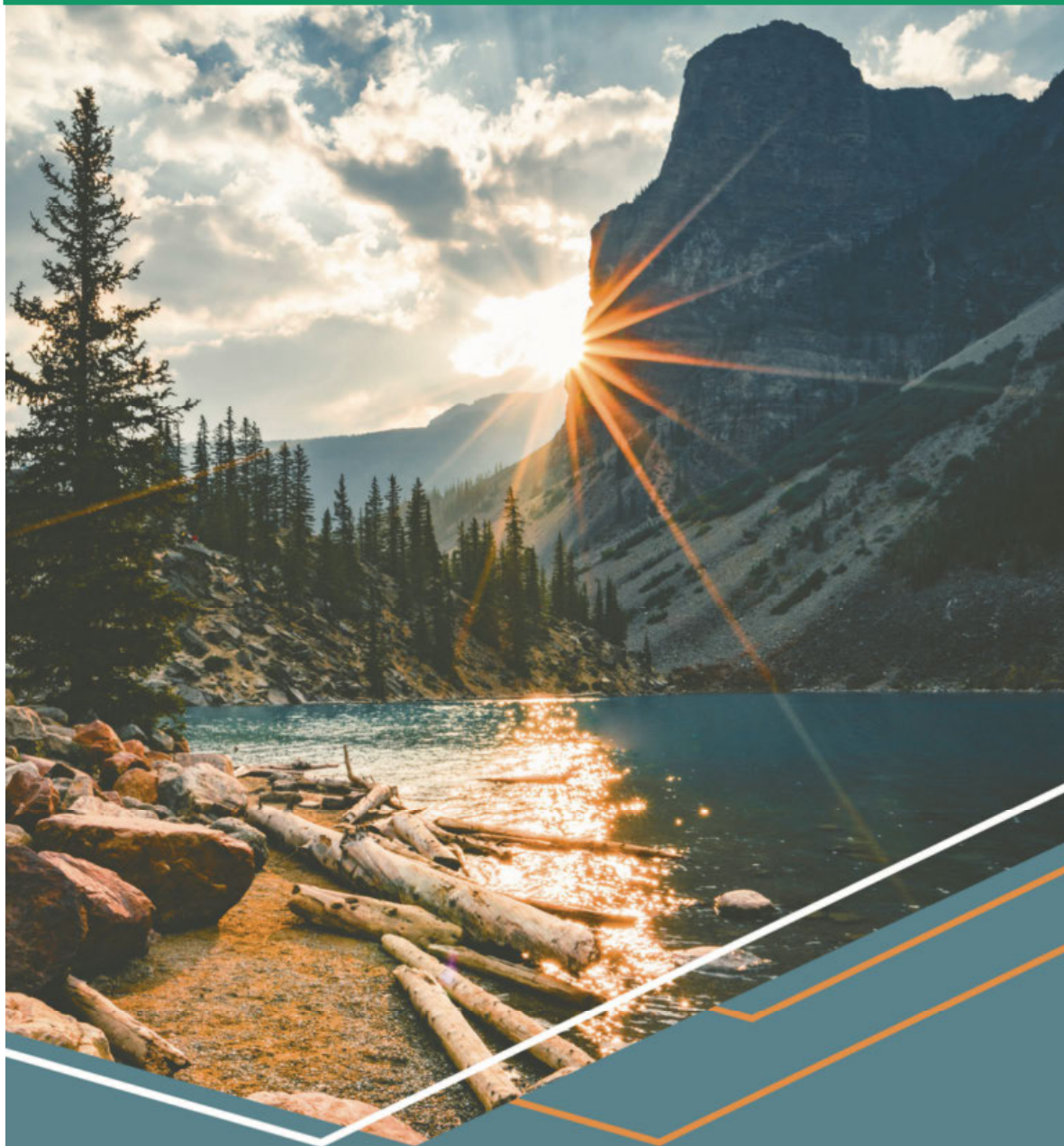
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9:30 a.m.
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16th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

“The righteous will shine like the sun in the kingdom
of their Father.” - Mt 13:43a

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JULY 23, 2023

ON THE WAY.....

May the grace and peace of the Holy Spirit be with us forever.

Deacon and Mrs. Coleman, three other parishioners, and I are attending the thirteen National Black Catholic Congress (NBCC) this weekend at National Harbor in Maryland. Valerie Washington, the executive director of the NBCC sent the following letter to welcome us to Congress.

As we prepare for the Congress XIII gathering in July 2023, we want to acknowledge the difficulties we have all experienced, to some extent, over the past few years. Some have experienced personal losses, and there are many members of our community who are no longer with us, but have moved on to intercede on our behalf in the next life. In addition to inflicting many losses, the upheaval of the COVID pandemic made planning for this event incredibly difficult leaving us to wonder whether we could or should contract with a venue for our gathering.

Finally, as Catholic Christians, we simply had to put our trust in God...to do anything else would be fruitless! At that point planning became much easier. Things we saw as obstacles became opportunities, and prayer has produced progress in ways that we could never have foreseen, the fruits of which will be, we believe, the best Congress gathering yet.

Each congress develops a pastoral plan to guide the Church in the United States in order to encourage and promote Black Catholics. Below find the preamble to the pastoral plan developed at the last Congress in 2017. This year those attending the Congress will develop a similar pastoral plan.

We believe the Holy Spirit, who is Lord and Giver of Life, is upon us. Because of this, we recommit ourselves to live our Baptism as Catholics, to be “authentically Black and truly Catholic” and to seek leadership in our Church on all levels. • We commit ourselves to promote the causes for canonization of the five holy women and men being considered for sainthood in our Church. • We commit ourselves to act justly by living in proximity with those who are suffering and neglected. Specifically, we seek to promote the dignity and life of every person from the unborn to natural death. We commit ourselves to dismantle racism in all forms, which is an obstacle to justice and evangelization. We also commit ourselves to address the challenges of mental illness, mass incarceration, domestic violence, and other issues that challenge the sanctity of life. • We commit ourselves to love goodness by sharing our Faith with others using creative ways, especially social media, as we evangelize in our community. We commit ourselves to support the Catholic Schools in our community. • We commit ourselves to walk humbly with our God and affirm the universal call to holiness as it is lived out in all forms of vocations in our Church – marriage, single life, consecrated women and men and clergy. • We commit ourselves to listen and respond to the needs of the youth and young adults in our community as we pass on the legacy of our Faith. • We commit to align these priorities with the outcomes of the Convocation of Catholic Leaders as “missionary disciples” called to spread the Joy of the Gospel. • We commit ourselves to apply these priorities on the local, diocesan, regional and national levels and review them on a yearly basis.

In the Most Holy Trinity,
Fr. John Edmunds, S.T

Sun 07/23	16th Sunday In Ordinary Time	
	9:30 a.m.	Mass (Presentation Hall & On-line) https://zoom.us/j/622647147 Passcode: SJSUNDAY (57935957) † for the people of St. James
Mon 07/24	7:30 a.m.	Mass (Chapel & On-line)
Tues 07/25	7:30 a.m.	Mass (Chapel & On-line) † Robert Shannon by Sister Bernadette Eaton, CSJ
Wed 07/26	7:30 a.m.	Mass (Chapel & On-line) † Herbert Eaton by Sister Bernadette Eaton, CSJ
Thurs 07/27	7:30 a.m.	Mass (Chapel & On-line)
Fri 07/28	7:30 a.m.	Mass (Chapel & On-line)
Sun 07/30	St. James Day	
	10:30 a.m.	Mass (Presentation Hall & On-line) https://zoom.us/j/622647147 Passcode: SJSUNDAY (57935957) † Van Bensett by Amy Pelletiere
	11:30 a.m.	St. James Day Picnic



**Welcome to Fr. Dennis
Berry, S.T. who is
celebrating Mass this
Sunday while Fr. John is
away.**



ST. JAMES DAY 2023!

**SUNDAY
JULY 30TH
10:30AM MASS**



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ALL ARE WELCOME!**

Live The Liturgy Inspiration of the Week

When the disciples cannot understand something, they approach Jesus, and beseech him to explain. Let us be this forthcoming when we are discerning the will of God or struggling with a decision. Let us ask him to explain in words we can understand.

Observances for the week of July 23, 2023

- Sunday:** 16th Sunday in Ordinary Time
- Monday:** St. Sharbel Makhlūf, Priest
- Tuesday:** St. James, Apostle
- Wednesday:** Sts. Joachim and Anne, Parents of the Blessed Virgin Mary
- Saturday:** Sts. Martha, Mary and Lazarus
- Next Sunday:** 17th Sunday in Ordinary Time



Saint of the week

Blessed Stanley Francis Rother spent most of his priestly life serving the Tz'utujil people of Southwest Guatemala, whom he loved. He was shot and killed by non-native guerilla forces in their attempt to terrorize the community. He is the first U.S.-born beatified martyr.

Prayer

O God, fount of all holiness, make us each walk worthily in our vocation, through the intercession of Your Saints, on whom You bestowed a great variety of graces on earth.

Having graced Your Church with the life of Your priest and martyr, Blessed Stanley Rother, grant that by his intercession this humble flock may reach where the brave shepherd has gone. Grant that Your Church may proclaim him a saint living in Your presence and interceding for us. Through Christ our Lord.

(Prayer Source: <https://archokc.org/prayers-for-blessed-stanley-rother>)



St. James has a google form for submitting prayer requests:

<https://forms.gle/ZgbVkgarRRgDmJR6A>



In Our Prayers



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 Margie Bass
 Paul Freeman
 Juanita James
 Barbara Southhall
 Dina Williams

Our Sick:

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 Aayliah Cooper

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 Patsy Cunningham
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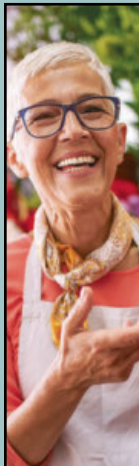
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