

Readings For Sunday, July 13, 2025

First Reading: Deuteronomy 30:10-14
Psalm: 69:14, 17, 30-31, 33-34, 36, 37
Second Reading: Colossians 1:15-20
Gospel: Luke 10:25-37

Mass Schedule & Offerings

- Monday, July 7**
9:00 a.m. Mass ~ Adoration following
†Ray & Olive Selesky (Ray & Margaret Selesky)
- Tuesday, July 8**
9:00 a.m. Mass ~ Adoration following
†Brian Crevier (Angie Pokorzynski)
- Wednesday, July 9**
5:00 p.m. Mass ~ Adoration 9-5 p.m.
†Jim Kennard (Randy, Teresa, & Family)
- Thursday, July 10**
9:00 a.m. Mass ~ Adoration at 8 a.m.
†Stasia Hubert (Lucille & Bob Davis)

15th Sunday in Ordinary Time

- Saturday, July 12**
3:30 p.m. Rosary ~ 4:00 p.m. Mass – Hillman
Smith Family – Living- Jeff, Carla, Carissa, Alexa,
Jessica, & Alyla (Carla Cordonnier – Smith)
- Sunday, July 13**
8:30 a.m. Rosary ~ 9:00 a.m. Mass – Hillman
The People

Prayers For Clergy & Religious
Sun: Rev. John Ladd
Mon: Deceased Priests
Tues: Rev. Scott Lawler
Wed: Rev. Basil Lek
Thurs: Rev. Donald Libby
Fri: Rev. Michael Linguar
Sat: Most Reverend Bishop Walsh

Standing In Need of Prayer

Claudette Colombo, Kevin Struzik, Myles Richardson,
Chris Mutz, Dominic Tillman, Eric Tillman, Bonnie Benac,
Sam Vicari, Margaret Barton, Brenda Sabol, Jack Stevens,
Mary Ann Ferasin, Diane Marchlewski, Raelynn Burger,
D.J. Normile, Justin Dahal, Patricia Plohocky, Caster
Family, JanMarie, Jo Dusseau, Sandy Dubie, Emerick
Dubie, Kendra Sherman, Jennifer Dubie, Christoffer
Simpson, Jasmine Mouseau, Peggy Lange, Dennis
Pietrykowski, Grace Franzoni, Dawn & Jagger Franzoni,
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Platevoet, Tina Montgomery, Pat Cronk, Geno Franzoni,
John Schultz, Hailie Tondreau, Tammy Kelly, Scott
VanPamel, Virginia Nash, Sophia Nash, Tyler Lockhart,
Michele Klotz, Don Faulhaver, Judy Edmunds, Elsie Sauer,
David Lautner, John Minaudo, Janet Demeulenaere, Kay
Lumsden, Brittany Campbell, Ruth Rabeau, Geri
LaFleche, Jane Hardies, Gary Witkowski, Ann Neuman

Prayer Chain

Our prayer chain can be reached by calling or texting
Judy Elkie ~ 989-590-8411.

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Faith Matters

The 72 disciples Jesus sends out in today's gospel were more than just missionaries; they were also exorcists. He gave them power over demons, devils, evil spirits, fallen angels. Are you a little uncomfortable at passages like this? If you do not really believe there are such things, you must think you are smarter than Jesus, because Jesus told us that they were real. Jesus told us that he had actually met Satan and defeated him. And as today's gospel proclaims, that he was there when Satan fell from heaven, saw him fall, suddenly, like lightning! Was Jesus lying? Was Jesus hallucinating? Today many Bishop's and Priests deny the reality of Satan and evil in the world. This is why he has gained so much ground. Do we really think we are more experts on Heaven and Hell, and demons than Jesus is? CS Lewis, and his classic book the Screwtape letters, says that Satan is equally pleased by two errors: obsessive interested in him, and the denial of his existence. Life is spiritual warfare, and the two easiest ways to lose a battle are to vastly overestimate or vastly underestimate your enemy. As an exorcist I can tell you clearly today the second error is 1000 times more common than the first one. Why do so many people doubt the existence of demons? Because now we know science? What scientific discovery has disproved the existence of evil spirits, for that matter, what discovery ever made by any scientist and any science at any time has ever disproved a single doctrine of Christianity? The so-called war between science and religion is a fake war, a lie, a myth. There is not a single casualty of that so-called war. Since today's gospel speaks of the devil and exorcism, it is an opportunity to talk about the subject, which you were probably here very rarely, or never in a homily. There are different levels of demonic activity in the world, infiltration, obsession, oppression, possession, and the most common in the everyday work of evil through temptation. To be sure, possession is very rare, no baptized soul, in a state of grace believing Christian can be possessed by the devil against his or her will. But temptation is very common. Demonic possession requires exorcism. Every Catholic diocese now has a trained Exorcist, but the church will not use this power until it examines each case carefully, including psychological, and medical evaluations. Obsession and oppression are the middle area, where the evil spirit does not have control of the will, but of the imagination and feelings. There is a very large gray, and uncertain area between natural psychological depression and oppression by an evil spirit. Temptation is not only the most common. It is an everyday reality, in fact, every Christian, like Christ, himself, is tempted by the devil, and his evil spirit accomplices. Whenever we are aware of being tempted, we should immediately pray, and turn our thoughts over to God. Temptation almost always begins with a thought. Saint Paul tells us to “take every thought captive in obedience to Christ” (2 Cor. 10:5). The thought that refutes temptations is the thought that we know by faith to be true — namely, that God alone is our Good and our joy in that obedience to His will is always rewarded and disobedience punished. When the 72 missionaries returned to Jesus. They were thrilled that they had the power even to cast out demons, but this was accomplished only in “Jesus Name” because Jesus gave them that power and has Jesus tells His missionaries and us today, something much bigger than the triumph over demons is happening, it is happening in the battlefield of our souls. Christ says, “rejoice because your names are written in heaven.” My dear family, that is our supreme triumph and mission and the supreme defeat of the devil. (Peter Kreft - Reflections on the Mass readings) - Fr. Siler emphasis added.

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Jesus and His Mother meet.
- 7th Station: Reflect
She watches Him Fall again.
- 12th Station: Reflect
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6:00 p.m. Fraternal
7:00p.m. Business

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Luke 10:20

14th Sunday in Ordinary Time

July 6, 2025