

Lord, help us to trust in your care and follow your path with joy. Teach us to rely on the Cross and share your love with others. Fill us with peace as we face challenges, and guide us to grow as your disciples. May we always walk with you. Amen.

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# Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time July 6, 2025

## **GOOD NEWS IS ON THE WAY**

This week, in the midst of summer, the scriptures greet us with joy, peace, mercy, and more peace! Sounds a little like Advent, doesn't it? We often associate the prophet Isaiah with that preparatory season, and our first reading rings with such words as exult, comfort, and rejoice. The Israelites had reason to rejoice, for they had returned, come home, to a rebuilt Jerusalem from their exile in Babylon.

In the Gospel, the seventy-two disciples who were sent out have their own "homecoming," returning to Jesus from spreading the Good News of the Kingdom and preparing people for the "advent" of Jesus into their cities and towns on his long road to Jerusalem. Like the exiles in Isaiah, the disciples return rejoicing.

The Good News, the Kingdom of God, is coming, even in summer. As today's psalm reminds us, "Shout joyfully to God, all the earth!"

#### TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

It's high summer now, school is out, the pace of work slows, and some people drift away. There are visitors in the churches every summer, and familiar faces are "among the missing." Some find the summer's call more appealing than the summons of the church bells. Many, however, would not dream of missing a Sunday, and so they make their way to Mass in unfamiliar places, watching the locals for clues as to when to sit or stand, where the Communion stations are. In answering the call, they keep the "sabbatical" rhythm of the Christian life: every seventh day, the Body of Christ assembles for worship.

For centuries, there was no obligation to Sunday Mass in the sense of a written law, but Christians have always yearned to be together on Sunday. In the city of Abitina, during a persecution by the Emperor Diocletian, a group of Christians were urged to stop worshiping together on Sundays. They responded, "Then take our lives, for without the Sunday we cannot live." By a curious coincidence, the appointed readings today center us on thoughts of peace. On our Independence Day, the experience of worship situates us in community and evokes a commitment from us to be advocates of peace in all aspects of our society's life.

Wednesday, July 16th, **Knights of Columbus meeting**. Dinner at 6:00, Roary at 6:45 and meeting at 7:00 pm. All Knights and any Catholic men interested are encouraged to attend.

# **TODAY'S READINGS**

**First Reading** — Rejoice and be glad for I will spread prosperity over Jerusalem like a river, and the wealth of nations like an overflowing torrent (Isaiah 66:10-14c).

**Psalm** — Let all the earth cry out to God with joy (Psalm 66).

**Second Reading** — May I never boast except in the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ (Galatians 6:14-18).

**Gospel** — Jesus sends his disciples out in pairs to bring his peace and proclaim the kingdom of God

## **READINGS FOR THE WEEK**

Monday: Genesis 28:10-22a; Ps 91:1-2,3-4,14-15ab; G Mt

9:19-26

Tuesday: Genesis 32:23-33; Ps 17; G Mt 9:32-38 Wednesday: Genesis 41:55-57;42:5-7a,17-24a; Ps 33:2-3;

G Mt 10:1-7

Thursday: Genesis 44:18-21, 23b-29,45:1-5; Ps 105:16-17;

G Mt 10:7-15

Friday: Genesis 46:1-7,28-30; Ps 37:3-4; G Mt 10:16-23 Saturday: Genesis 49:29-32; 50:15-26a; G 105:1-2,3-4,6-7;

G Mt 10:24-33

Sunday: Dt 30:10-14; Ps 69:14,17,30-31,33-34,36,37;

Parish Picnic will be held on Sunday, September 7, 2025, at 10:00 am at St Andrew. Mark your calendars and plan to join us for a joyful day of fellowship, food and fun! More information later

Mass will be at 10:00 am at St.Andrew

When donating for the parking lot please state on the check or envelope how it is to used .The cost will be \$8000.00 and we have \$2120.00 dollars at this time .

The annual spaghetti dinner is going to be September 19th this year .Volunteers will be needed .A sign- up sheet will be posted at the front of the church so anyone can plan to be here for the preparation and work schedule. Many hands make light work . Please try to make plans to help.

JULY 6<sup>TH</sup>-----

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JULY 13th -----

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JULY 20TH -----

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## WEDNESDAY LECTOR

July 2nd Peggy

July 9th Cheri

July 16th Beverly

July 23rd Peggy

July 30th Cheri

THE ANNUAL YARD SALE IS GOING TO BE AUGUST 8<sup>TH</sup> AND 9<sup>TH</sup> .YOUR DONATIONS CAN BE BROUGHT AT ANY TIME THEY CAN BE STORED IN THE BACK

