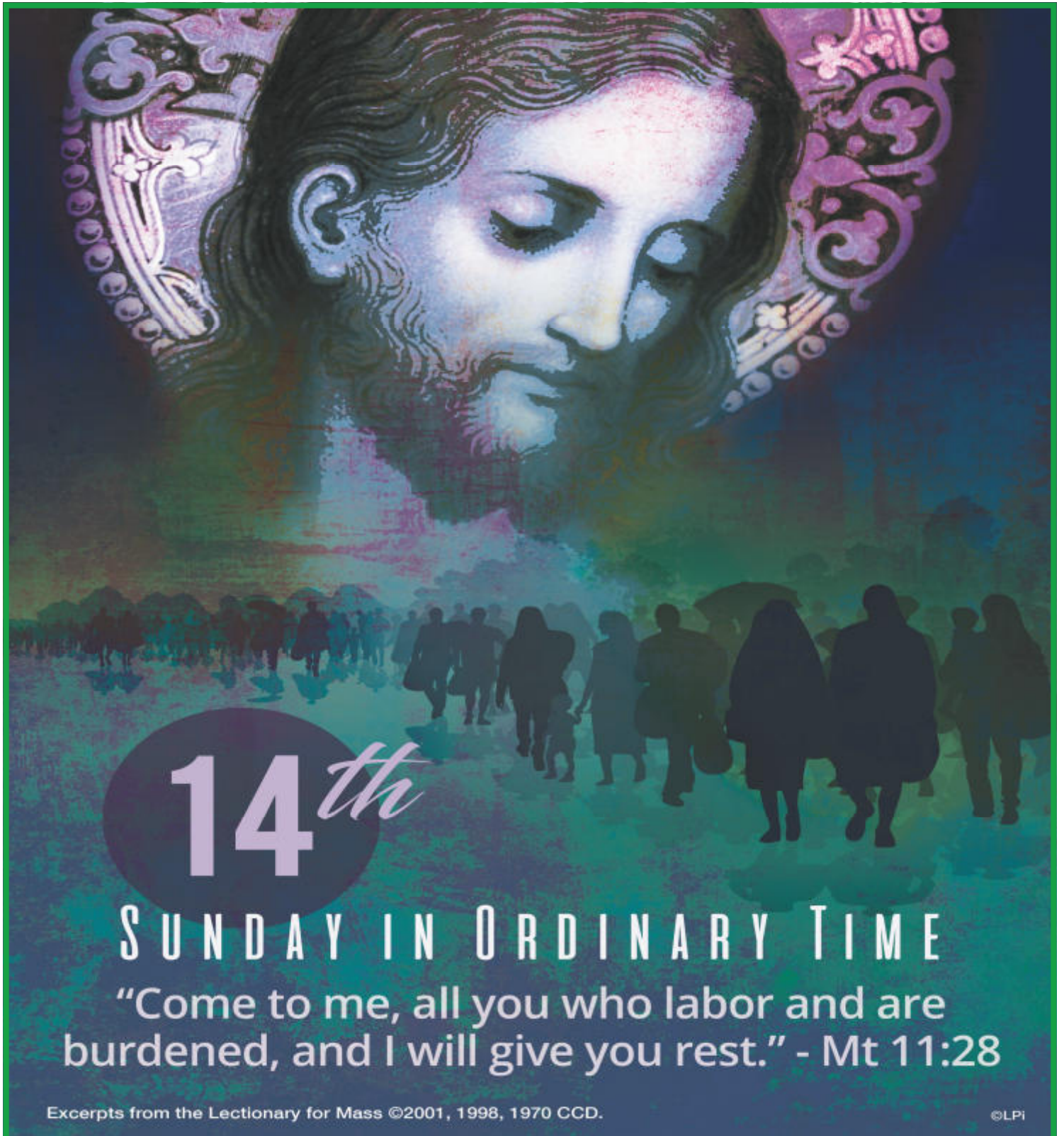




# *Saint Matthew Church* **The PULSE**

July 5, 2020

Detroit, Michigan



**14<sup>th</sup>**

**SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

**“Come to me, all you who labor and are  
burdened, and I will give you rest.” - Mt 11:28**

## Readings for the Week of July 5, 2020

Sunday: Zec 9:9-10/Ps 145:1-2, 8-9, 10-11, 13-14  
[cf. 1]/Rom 8:9, 11-13/Mt 11:25-30  
Monday: Hos 2:16, 17b-18, 21-22/Ps 145:2-3, 4-5, 6-7,  
8-9 [8a]/Mt 9:18-26  
Tuesday: Hos 8:4-7, 11-13/Ps 115:3-4, 5-6, 7ab-8, 9-10  
[9a]/Mt 9:32-38  
Wednesday: Hos 10:1-3, 7-8, 12/Ps 105:2-3, 4-5, 6-7 [4b]/  
Mt 10:1-7  
Thursday: Hos 11:1-4, 8e-9/Ps 80:2ac and 3b, 15-16  
[4b]/Mt 10:7-15  
Friday: Hos 14:2-10/Ps 51:3-4, 8-9, 12-13, 14 and 17  
[17b]/Mt 10:16-23  
Saturday: Is 6:1-8/Ps 93:1ab, 1cd-2, 5 [1a]/Mt 10:24-33  
Next Sunday: Is 55:10-11/Ps 65:10, 11, 12-13, 14  
[Lk 8:8]/Rom 8:18-23/Mt 13:1-23 or 13:1-9



### **14th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

We are all familiar with the refrain, “You have put on Christ. In him you have been baptized. Alleluia, alleluia!” In Baptism, we “put on” Christ. In putting on Christ, we put on all that Christ is and represents: hope, faith, and love. We are no longer bound to the sins and failures of the flesh, that part of us that resists God and relies exclusively on human means. It also means that we are not in debt to our past, complete with its sins, failures, regrets, fears, and unfulfilled dreams. There is always hope. In putting on Christ, we put on God’s vision for the world, for all of His children and for us. We have been given a road map to guide our paths and a blueprint to follow for our life’s journey.

There is no need for regret, and we are not tethered to our past. Is there anything in your past that you regret? Any decision or memory that continues to haunt you? We have all made mistakes, and we have this uncanny ability to continue beating ourselves up over things we can no longer do anything about, except learn from them. To put on Christ means that I can now bring God’s unconditional love to my hurtful memories and sinful choices. With each new moment and every new choice, I can start clean and live in freedom.

Imagine adults when the disciples were preaching and baptizing. They came to baptism not really knowing who they were, with pasts that were broken, seeking to live the joy of the Gospel they heard spoken to them and wanting the love they saw witnessed in the lives of those who believed. What tremendous celebrations their baptisms must have been! They could now have the support of a community, full participation in the sacraments of the church, focus for their disordered lives, consolation, healing, and an understanding of what life is really all about.

Our lives are meant to be celebrations of the Spirit we have received in Baptism. How does that joy get expressed in and through you? When we truly understand that we have put on Christ, our burdens can become much lighter. It is odd that so many Christians look like they are carrying the weight of the world on their shoulders. Wouldn’t it be wonderful if those weights could be lifted and joy experienced!



### **Prayer for Safe Travels**

*Dear Lord, I pray for our family trip.  
Protect our children from sickness,  
accidents, and harm.  
Let this trip be enjoyable and  
a great bonding experience for us as a family.  
Help us build memories that will fill  
our hearts and last a lifetime.  
Be with us as we drive to and from our destination.  
Let your glory be within us,  
and shine through us to others we meet  
during this journey.  
Help our actions be a reflection  
of the goodness of your love.  
In Jesus’ name. Amen.*

### **July 9 ~ Augustine Zhao Rong and Companions**

Christianity arrived in China by way of Syria in the 600s. Depending on China’s relations with the outside world, Christianity over the centuries was free to grow or was forced to operate secretly.

The 120 martyrs in this group died between 1648 and 1930. Most of them (87) were born in China and were children, parents, catechists or laborers, ranging from nine years of age to 72. This group includes four Chinese diocesan priests.

The 33 foreign-born martyrs were mostly priests or women religious, especially from the Order of Preachers, the Paris Foreign Mission Society, the Friars Minor, Jesuits, Salesians and Franciscan Missionaries of Mary.

Augustine Zhao Rong was a Chinese soldier who accompanied Bishop John Gabriel Taurin Dufresse (Paris Foreign Mission Society) to his martyrdom in Beijing. Augustine was baptized and not long after was ordained as a diocesan priest. He was martyred in 1815.

Beatified in groups at various times, these 120 martyrs were canonized in Rome on October 1, 2000.



### **A Family Perspective**

**by Bud Ozar**

Today’s Gospel is about missionaries. As Jesus received a mission today, parents accept the mission of raising a family. Parents are not alone in this exhausting and difficult mission. Today Jesus tells us “Come to me and I will give you rest.”

## St. Matthew Parish ~ Happenings

**Friday, July 3 - Rectory Office is Closed, Re-opens on Monday, July 6**

**Saturday, July 4, 4:30 pm Mass - Remembrance of Independence Day**

### Lenten Almsgiving ~ Rice Bowls

*God of abundance,  
We have ended our Lenten journey,  
and we have remembered our brothers and sisters  
around the world who are hungry,  
who don't have the opportunity to dream,  
and who need our support.  
We pray that our Lenten sacrifices may be offered  
in solidarity and as a promise of commitment  
to our one human family  
As good stewards of your many gifts,  
may we always answer Jesus' call to reach out  
beyond ourselves and to share your abundance.  
Amen.*

Your donations to the Lenten almsgiving effort this year totaled **\$630.00**. Thank you for your generosity in this difficult year of the COVID-19 pandemic.

### Theology of the New Evangelization Sacred Heart Major Seminary's Institute for Lay Ministry

Join the faculty of Sacred Heart Major Seminary on a journey exploring the foundational teachings and principles of the New Evangelization and Missionary Discipleship. This **FREE** non-credit course is being offering online using the seminary's learning management system, Canvas. Upon signing up for the course, students will receive a username and password for accessing the online class.

The online class will give the students the freedom to engage with the material and complete course tasks around their own schedule. The class consists of six modules which can be completed according to the individual's own pace. Each module will be hosted by Dr. Matthew Gerlach, Dean of the Institute for Lay Ministry at Sacred Heart and taught by one of the faculty members. Each module will include the following:

- Lecture video
- Supplemental reading material
- Online discussion forum
- Personal assessment quiz

The goal of the class is to eliminate rigor or stress and to expose any Catholic who wants to learn more about the New Evangelization and Missionary Discipleship done at your own pace and guided by six professors from Sacred Heart. This is an opportunity to grow a deeper relationship and time with the Lord. Please visit: [shms.edu/ne](http://shms.edu/ne) and register today.

**HAPPY 4TH OF JULY, EVERYONE!**

## CSA Minute ~ Sharing Christ



The CSA gives us an opportunity to live out our discipleship in Christ through the many benefits our annual appeal provides. These ministries, programs, and services meet the spiritual and physical needs of parishes and countless people throughout the Archdiocese. Our support demonstrates our own Catholic faith as we strive to grow in our love of Jesus as His missionary disciples.

When we embrace the CSA for carrying out the Spiritual and Corporal Works of Mercy, we witness Christ, and in turn, we open doors so others may also develop a deeper relationship with Him. We also extend our personal involvement in our local Church beyond our home parishes.

The CSA enables Archbishop Vigneron, his auxiliary bishops, the clergy, religious men and women, and the lay faithful to carry out Christ's ministry of mercy and love throughout south-east Michigan and beyond — works no one individual or parish could possibly do alone.

### Archdiocesan SCAM E-Mail Alert

**From:** The Department of Process, Date and Technology

**Re:** Email Scam Alert

Please be advised that there is another email scam circulating, this time the scammers are sending emails that appear to come from Archbishop Vigneron. **Please warn your staff and parishioners to NOT respond to this request for money from the Archbishop.**

Continue to educate your staff and parishioners to the possibility of phishing scams. If you receive a request for money, iTunes, etc. you should always contact that individual to verify its legitimacy.

### 14TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



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### WEEKEND/WEEKDAY MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday	4:30 p.m.
Sunday	10:00 a.m.
Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday	9:00 a.m.
Reconciliation	By Appointment
Holydays	9:00 a.m. 7:00 p.m.

**In your prayers...**

*Please remember those in our parish and in our families who are sick or in need of our prayers.*

Chuck Schuster	David Beaupre
Lolita Dorado	Kenneth Beaupre
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