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ABUNDANT.

— LUKE 10:2 —

FOURTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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"The Uptown Church with the down home message"

SUNDAY, JULY 6, 2025

Worship & Meditation

Readings for the week of July 6, 2025

Sunday:

Is 66:10-14c/Ps 66:1-3, 4-5, 6-7, 16, 20 (1)/
Gal 6:14-18/Lk 10:1-12, 17-20 or 10:1-9

Monday:

Gn 28:10-22a/Ps 91:1-2, 3-4, 14-15ab/
Mt 9:18-26

Tuesday:

Gn 32:23-33/Ps 17:1b, 2-3, 6-7ab, 8b and
15/Mt 9:32-38

Wednesday:

Gn 41:55-57; 42:5-7a, 17-24a/
Ps 33:2-3, 10-11, 18-19/Mt 10:1-7

Thursday:

Gn 44:18-21, 23b-29; 45:1-5/
Ps 105:16-17, 18-19, 20-21/Mt 10:7-15

Friday:

Gn 46:1-7, 28-30/Ps 37:3-4, 18-19, 27-28,
39-40/Mt 10:16-23

Saturday:

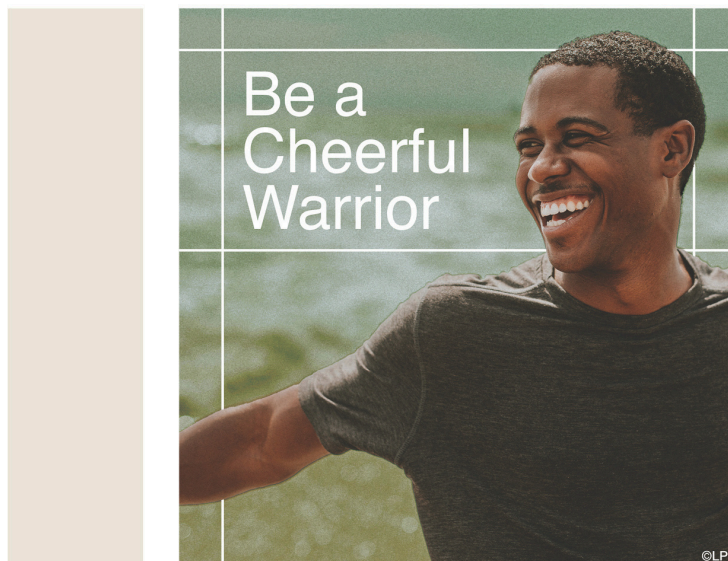
Gn 49:29-32; 50:15-26a/
Ps 105:1-2, 3-4, 6-7/Mt 10:24-33

Next Sunday:

Dt 30:10-14/Ps 69:14, 17, 30-31, 33-34, 36,
37 (see 33)/Col 1:15-20/Lk 10:25-37



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Gospel Meditation

Encourage Deeper Understanding of Scripture

In the days after the awful 2020 killing of George Floyd, a Catholic friend remarked, “Racism is today’s great evil. We should put all our energy into fighting it.” I admired her intuition that the church must stand firmly against evil. Amen, I thought. At the same time, something felt wrong. As months went by, I saw her steadily slide into bitterness and anger. Soon, despondency. She spoke of giving up the fight. Don’t we too wonder how to fight evil without losing our joy or energy?

Jesus’ words this week help. He says, **“Rejoice not that you have power over demons, but that your names are written in heaven” (Luke 10:20).** Notice the asymmetry in where he wants our focus: on the latter, not the former. Should we confidently embrace our God-given power to overcome evil? Absolutely. But even more so, we should emphasize the positive element of our relationship to God. It is tempting but dangerous to define ourselves by what we oppose. It is better to define ourselves by—to rejoice in—what we celebrate: in Jesus, God has written our names in heaven. This sustains our battles.

This week, our marching orders are: fight evil. But more deeply, rejoice that God knows and loves us personally, individually. We allow this joyful knowledge to undergird our fight against the darkness of our day. Then we enjoy long-term stability to be cheerful warriors, who never forget the reason for the contests we are called to fight and win: love.

— Father John Muir

Weekday Mass

Wednesdays - 8 a.m.

Sunday Masses

Saturday (Vigil) 4:00 p.m.

Sunday 8:00 a.m.

Sunday (Gospel Mass) 10:00 a.m.

Livestreaming available on our Facebook and YouTube

Baptisms: 4th Sunday of the month except during Lenten Season

Weddings: Contact the rectory six months prior to desired wedding date

Confessions: One-half hour before Sunday Mass

Prayer Line: 508.924.5792 - Mondays, Wednesdays, Fridays
at Noon

Bible Study: 508.924.5792 - Thursdays at 6pm

Saturday, July 5, 2025

4pm

For: The People of the Parish

Sunday, July 6, 2025

8 am

For: The People of the Parish

10 am Gospel Mass

For: The People of the Parish

Wednesday, July 9, 2025

8am

For: The People of the Parish

REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

The Repose of the soul of the Holy Father and for:

Our Parish Family Sick and Shut In: Leonard Anderson, Evangeline Thompson Antoine, Diane Austin, Nathaniel Banks, Joseph Bates, Jr., Barbara Blanchard, Loyce Bradshaw, Charles Braneon, Lorraine Burke, Barbara Butler, Virginia Butler, Augustine Cain, Dominique Carter, Jessie Caston, Sr., Jessie Caston, III, Ginny Clark, Bernadine Coco, Joyce Coleman, Keith Coleman, Santiago Cooper, Myrna Daniels, Lamar Davis, Beverly Dapremont, Souleymane Diop, Mr. & Mrs. Donald Dix, Bonnie Easton, Cameron Fritz, Gilda Griffin, Godfrey Harris, Linda Harris, Wanda Haydel, Tammi Lynn Howard, Hubert Jarrow, Jr., Ruth Jerome, Jaylen Johnson, Tommy Johnson, Anna Jones, Evelyn Johnson, Kaylen Johnson, Ruth Kennedy, Felicia Meyers, Edgries Moon, Keith Newton, Donna Phillips, Omar Phillips, Thomas Phillips, Joyce Randolph, Deja Rawles, Ralph Rhea, Sr., Scott Rivera, Kim Roby, Matilda Romero, Janice Sawyer, Lula Mae Schexnayder, Carrie M. Shedd, Scott Schryver, Jane Silva, Cindy Sims, Enjoli Sims, Kaila Sims, Kira Sims, Alma M. Smith, Bill Starr, Marquerite Stepter, Glenda Stewart, Annie Stoot, Eugene Stoot, Diane Sims Tillman, Perry Tillman, III, Sherman Todd, Betty Williams, Jace Williams, Nedra Wicker and Mandi Young

FOOD FOR THOUGHT

How am I willing to labor
this week to add to Jesus'
harvest?

PROCLAIMER SCHEDULE

Saturday, July 12, 2025

4pm J. Robinson

Sunday, July 13, 2025

8am T. Rattler

10am D. Spears

Announcer: T. Thomas

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- **PARISH COUNCIL** will meet on Monday, July 7th at 6:30pm in the Rectory.
- **MEN'S MINISTRY** will meet on Tuesday, July 8th at 6:30pm in the Cottage.

Welcome

Our New Parochial Vicar

Fr. Linus Abah James

Effective July 1st, Fr. Linus is now in residency. We welcome him to our Parish community and ask God's blessing upon him in his ministry. May God guide him, enlighten him and protect him throughout his priestly journey as he serves God's people.

Welcome!!

PEW RALLY Support the continuing restoration effort by adopting a pew. Here is your chance to assist in the restoration of our church and commemorate someone special in your life. Your donation of \$1,500 will cover the cost of refinishing a pew. A memorial plaque will be placed on each adopted pew recognizing your gift. The adoption gift can be made in 1, 2 or 3 payments and can be split by two donors. Begin your adoption gift by scanning the QR code or following the email address listed in the bulletin. Thank you for considering a gift to restore our church to its original luster.



Pew Rally QR Code

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PARISH CALENDAR

JULY

7 Parish Council Meeting 6:30p
8 Men's Ministry 6:30p

COLLECTION TEAMS

JULY

6 Team 1
20 Team 3
13 Team 2
27 Team 1

If you are experiencing an emotional crisis, are thinking about suicide, or are concerned about a friend, call the National Suicide

Prevention Lifeline Immediately:

1-800-273-8255

This is a 24-hour hotline



PARISH SUPPORT


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