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"Making new Christians, and making all Christians new"







IN THE BEGINNING

It's the beginning of a new month at Redeemer

JULY 2020

Dear Redeemer Family,

In this issue of *In the Beginning*, please think about three especially important things:

- 1. While we are happily (and gratefully) able to worship together in-person, with a limited attendance, we must all face the reality that we are many, many days away from being able to worship as a larger parish family. In these days, it is way too easy to despair. So, wherever you are when you get this in the mail, stop and say a quick prayer like this: "Father in Heaven, I thank You that You are not bound by time or space, and I thank You that I am never alone or away from those I love, even when I'm falling apart and feel like the end is nigh!" Seriously, pray this prayer, and pray it often. God's power works best in moments of weakness (2 Cor. 12:9).
- 2. Stress and anxiety are very high (have you been caught going the wrong way down the new one-way lanes at Publix!?!). First, it was COVID, then there was a rumor of "killer" hornets going wild followed by the news that hurricane season officially began. And now racism and violence are ubiquitous.



3. Many people tell me, "I think it's time to pray, Father." Many also say to me, or to other members of the clergy, "How can you act so happy right now?" Well, nobody is feeling particularly happy-go-lucky right now, even if we're smiling! Christians aren't supposed to be all grins all the time, but we are called to be thankful no matter what is going on. So, in these days when it seems almost impossible to be "happy" and "faithful." remember that God still steps in through prayer, Sacraments, and reconciliation, reminding us that He did (!) the impossible on our behalf: "Christ died for sins once for all, the just for the unjust, so that he might bring us to God, having been put to death in the flesh, but made alive in the spirit" (1 Pet. 3:18). And this gives us real, living hope to face the days ahead. I believe it was Lewis who said often, "The cross comes before the crown." There is no other way, I'm afraid. Let's keep walking the way of the cross together, and as the Prayer Book puts it, "May [we] find it none other than the way of life and peace" (collect for Monday in Holy Week).

We have many ways you can take your place with upcoming events: our Episcopal Thrift House re-opens 14 July; Day 4 Hope happens 18 July and needs you; Vacation Bible School is virtual this year, running 3-7 August and needs volunteers; our Altar Guild welcomes your help; and our Caritas Food Pantry is in need of hands to help on Wednesday mornings.

Also, don't forget we have something online for everyone: Sunday mass is live-streamed, the Daily Office is read M-Sa, and "Faith Formation" is offered nightly M-F. There are daytime adult offerings, and opportunities for children, families, and youth. Stay connected at redeemersarasota.org, and please don't forget to be generous, as you are able.

Your servant,



CW+, Priest-in-Charge

P.S. Are you hurting, lonely, and just want to talk confidentially? Call any of the clergy via the parish office, 941 955 4263. P.P.S. Invite all your friends to join you at Redeemer (even if it's online!).

Of Note in July

Worshipping

- Weekdays: Morning Prayer is live-streamed on Facebook Live at 10 AM (9 AM in Spanish), and Evening Prayer is live-streamed at 5:15 PM (8 PM in Spanish). You do not need to join Facebook to watch Facebook Live. Simply go to Redeemer's Facebook Page.
- Sunday: Masses offered include a Contemporary Mass at 5:30 PM on Saturdays; Said Mass, Rite One at 7:30 AM; Sung Mass, Rite II at 9 AM; Sung Mass, Rite One at 11 AM; and 1 PM in Spanish on Sundays. The Sunday Masses at 9 and 11 AM require pre-registrations, which can be done on the website or via the parish office. Mass is live-streamed at 9 AM on Sunday, and is posted to redeemersarasota.org/sermons-and-video/. The Mass is also available via Redeemer's YouTube channel, Redeemer Sarasota, and Facebook Live. Children's Chapel is broadcast Sundays at 5:45 PM.

Serving and Sharing

- **Episcopal Thrift House -** 14 July, our ETH reopens, T-Sa, 10 AM—1 PM.
- Day 4 Hope 18 July. Sign up to volunteer online.
- **VBS** 3-7 August. Serving grades K-5th, youth (6-12th grade) and adult volunteers are needed. Sign up online.
- Redeemer's "Economic Crisis Fund," can provide immediate financial assistance to those facing hardship caused by COVID-19. Your clergy continue to be available and may be reached twenty-four hours a day by calling (941) 955-4263.
- Our Christian counseling partners, Samaritan Counseling Services, are standing by. Please call (941) 926-2959. In addition to their on-campus location, Samaritan has other locations where you can receive counseling.

Growing

Adults:

Fearless Formation is offered M-F, 6:30 PM, via Facebook Live, on a variety of topics, including Summer Concerts each

- SASS: Single Adult Sunday School meets Monday, 29 July, 6:30 PM, via Zoom. For logon info, contact the parish office.
- Youth:

Youth Minister Christoph Stephenson-Moe is holding Zoom gatherings for middle and high school youth.

Women:

Heart to Heart Women's Bible Study meets Wednesdays at 10:30 AM, via Zoom, with a new study: Becoming Sage, led by its author, parishioner Michelle Van Loon. For log-on info, contact Jane Thompson at jane@sarasotapeace.com.

Daughters of the King meets via Zoom on Mondays, 10:30 AM.

Men:

Businessmen's Bible Study meets weekly via Zoom, 7-8 AM. All men are welcome, and for log-on credentials, contact Russ Ryan, russryan@gmail.com.

Saturday Morning Prayer Group meets weekly via Zoom, 8:30—9:30 AM. All men are welcome, and for log-on info, contact Russ Ryan, russryan@gmail.com.

Children and Families:

Weekly Offerings: Moms-Talk Tuesdays, is a way for moms to connect on Tuesday evenings via Zoom, at 8 PM. Text Jacki Boedecker for log-on credentials at 941.320.7550. Mission Mondays, Worship Wednesdays, Growing Thursdays, and Family-Time Fridays are all offered weekly for families and children, Nursery—grade 5. Check the eblasts for info.

Milestones

Deaths:

"May Light perpetual shine upon them"

Kenneth G. Rimmer Rev. Franklin K. Robinson

M. Elaine Robbins

Katherine R. Porter

Joining the parish:

Littlepage Lawrence Hannah

Transfer Out:

Lynn W. Hepner to Christ Church, Chattanooga, TN

Marriages:

Ashley Marshall & Ernie Cave III

July Birthdays

- 1 Dennis Beckman, Gail Landry, Jane Letchworth, Barbara Lyons
- 2 Deborah Burg, Stephen Culp, Pat Halliday, Michal Wadsworth, Linda Yancey
- Harrison Ayres, Liz Berg, Joan Greene, Chloe Hill, James Machan, Marty Meade, Rick Miller, Todd Morton, Skailar Sandow, Diane Schmidt, Jeff Trefry, Marian Wallace, Malacy Wilson
- Suzanne Arch, Taylor Collins, Jose Fuste, Allison Lerario, Cerita Purmort, Terry Simes, Michelle Van Loon
- Stan Abshier, Rose Gillett, Kevin Hritz, Antonio Leal-Olmedo, Cristiano Lozano, Melissa Marchiony, Eleuterio Pineda, Josie Timmerman
- Isabel Crooks, Raul Gonzalez-Ascenscio, Jason Hughes, Alex Lochead, Hayden Menzies
- David Fitzgerald, Grey Fitzgerald, Lynn Holladay, Jeff Kimmel, Esa Lerario, Spenser Menke, Kate Peterson, Jane Swartzentruber, Andrew Yow
- Sophie Caragiulo, Taylor Collins, Vance Freeman, MaryPage Hill, Kimberly Strom, Juan Villaveces
- Scott Ames, Jiraiya Boulton, Priscilla Brown, Carolyn Daniel, Amanda Lyden, Chip Pfautz, Erin Sepanski
- 10 Jackson Barry, Natalia Bermudez, Fr. Mario Castro, Mackenzie Johnson, Robyn Marinelli, Brady McClung, Linda Radhe, Jeff Reynolds, Cheri Ziegler
- 11 Rosemary Chase, Carolyn Cooper, Pamela Day, Freda Harris, Parker Michel, Paula Prewitt, Liza Strong, Dennis Thompson
- 12 David Bewley, Mary Fergeson, Randy Fieber, Anne Leete, Elizabeth Lindsay, Aubrey Marable, Kristen Skipper, Kristen Spoor
- 13 John Folvig, Ched Gladding, Santiago Torres
- 14 Erika Cardona, Anit Legare, Sandy Rath, Paul van Deventer
- 15 Alan Cruz Lopez, Patti Fige, Crystal Shore, Laurel Vandawalker
- 16 Andy Carlson, Ann Dowie
- 17 David Arch, Evelyn Chilson, Allan Haeffner, Angel Herrera, Mira Heydt, Louise Lamere, Cindy Mihevic, Mackenzie Ryan, Eric Suescun, Viola von Lazar, Bryan Wietzke, Gus Wilson
- 18 Alfred Corning, Harris Dunlap, Daniel Hernandez, Earl Hierstedt, Carol Lilly, Ed Lindsay
- 19 Malena Benavides, Cecilia Casco, JC Garcia
- 20 Carlin Godfrey, Richard Kyllonen, Kathy Manchester, Jan Walker
- 21 Nancy Goltz, Camilla Green, Jessica McClung, Carol Otte, Morgan Poland, Eduardo Socha Cavada, David Whip
- 22 Magdalena Alvarez, Karlah Benzan, Kate Goodwin, Hap Haskins, James Harper, Griffin Merritt, Peyton Strand, Deborah Walk

- 23 Laura Matejka, Maureen Williams
- 24 Jim Armstrong, Uriel Diaz, M-A Salisbury, Lynn Savage, Lila Sharrer
- 25 Liv Ferguson, Vin Foderingham, Austin Younkman, Tyler Younkman
- 26 Frances Bermudez, Thomas Breen, Michael Brown, Edward Mihevic, Nathaniel Suescan, Kristin Voigt
- 27 Neil De Lorenzo, Richard Duckworth, Tiffany Echols, Ginny Knapp, Reese Kubisiak, Carrie-Lee Major, Lacy Meister, Bob Morris, Ron Skipper
- 28 Pierce Davidson, Blake Kimmel, Amy Meehan, Sean Pettey, Heather Pettey, Evan Pulliam, Bo Wells
- 29 Giselle Jacob, Melissa Kubisiak, Joni Lucas, Todd Menke, Luana Moralez, Natalie Pearson, Francesca Sutherland, Val Taylor, Heather Younkman-Ivery
- 30 Irelynn Ettinger, Sierra Grade, John Landry, Rob Lewis, **Taylor Watts**
- 31 Sally Jaret, Harriet Stieff, Lisa Vandawalker, Meg van Deventer

July Anniversaries

- 1 Liz & Morgan Bentley, Cecile & Warren Collmer, Stephanie & Jerry Kempton, Ellen & Stan Niemi, Terry & Bill Stocker
- 3 Laurel & Bob Dove, Jane & Marty Meade, Jean & Bill Short
- 4 Martha & Bruce Marsette
- 5 Terry & Charles Feid
- 6 Judy & Steve Altier, Peggy & Steve Feix, Maria & Edwin Mosquera, Barbara & Tip Murray
- 9 Donna & David Liberman, Wilhelmine & Martin Rometsch
- 10 Nancy & Cliff Pinder
- 11 Toi & Sandy Estes, Janet & John Smiljanic
- 12 Barbara & Barry Bell, Nancy & Erich Grade, Mary & Bob Hills
- 14 Maria & Jorge Ramirez
- 15 Gloria & Kraig Koach
- 16 Alexis & Alex Lochead, Deborah & Fr. Everett Walk
- 18 Isa Moeller & Cliff Hund, Jody & John Maxwell, Linda Leparulo & Bruce Mickelson
- 19 Tiffany & Eric Zampol
- 21 Elda & Andrew Longueuil, Diana & William Michel
- 22 Sherri & Larry Brunner, Madelyn & Brad Sams, LeAnn & Scott Yow
- 24 Connie & Bohdan Bulawka, Anne & Howard Hanson, Joanne & Jim Nims
- 25 Carmen & Dale Adcock, Penell & Don Skinner
- 26 Gene Gumbert & George Hutter, Allison & Jamie Lerario, Natalie & James Torrance
- 28 Janis & Timothy Eastwood
- 29 Ann & Fr. Claude Ely, Kathy & Jim Powers
- 30 Anne & Michael Garlington