



July 7, 2024

Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

“A prophet is not without honor except in his native place and among his own kin and in his own house.” (Mk 6:4)

July 7, 2024 Fourteenth Sunday Ordinary Time

Recently I watched a bunch of YouTube videos on how to optimize willpower in the face of weakness. The message was: do not accept your weakness. Crush it. Dominate it. In one video, however, at the end of a rant by a willpower coach, the muscular stoic admitted, “You’ll never actually get what you want, no matter how hard you try.” Amazingly, he admitted that willpower alone is not sufficient for us weak-willed humans.

What does God want us to do with our weaknesses, if crushing them with willpower won’t work? For example, what should I do with my tendency to arrogance and self-isolation? Or my procrastination? Or my intellectual and physical limitations? Or my selfishness?

The counter-intuitive answer is clear in this week’s words from St Paul, “I will rather boast most gladly of my weaknesses in order that the power of Christ may dwell in me (2 Cor. 12:9).” Boast of our weaknesses? Paul isn’t promoting weak-mindedness or laziness. Rather, he perceives that Jesus loves us not despite our weaknesses but because of them. Boasting of our weakness means claiming human will is not all we have. It means turning to God whenever we feel weak, which—let’s face it—is almost all the time. When we do, we learn to love our weaknesses, because it’s there that we meet the strength of Christ. This week, I challenge us to find ways to boast not in willpower but in weakness.

~ Fr John Muir

Prayers of Protection for Our Men and Woman in the Service In continued prayerful support of our men and women in the military, please call the rectory with name, rank, and branch of service and location (if allowed) of your loved ones who are serving our country.

- Christopher Bruzzone, SPC, Army Combat Medic
- 1LT Daniel Realini, US Army
- Tom Harold Purple, US Army
- Adam J Helmers, US Navy
- Gregory M Grogan, PO1, USCG-R
- Michael Obregon, CPL, USMC
- Luigi Lorenzo, 2nd Lieutenant US Airforce
- Enrico Enriquez US Army
- Jacob Arnold, Sergeant, US Army
- Ben Soto, US Airforce
- Ken Soto, US Air National Guard
- James Raphael R. Cepriano, US Navy
- John Lorenzo R. Cepriano, US Navy
- Dominic Galarza, US Army
- Michael Laemmlein, US Navy
- Matthew A. Martinez, 1st Lieutenant US Army
- Katie Kramer, Staff Sergeant, Nebraska National Guard
- Timothy Joseph Summit, US Air Force



St. Dunstan Parish Prayer

God, our Father, we are all your children. Jesus, our Brother, you taught us to love. Holy Spirit, by Your Light, may our parish family grow. St. Dunstan, pray for us. Amen.

ARCHDIOCESAN ANNUAL APPEAL

Thank you to all who have donated to this year’s annual appeal. Our assessment this year is \$108,872. To date we have received \$67,295; which is 62% of our goal. Once again, we thank you! If you have not yet contributed to this year’s appeal, please consider doing so. There are envelopes in the church pews or you can donate directly online at www.sfarch.org/aaa/

“Our mission as a Church and as people of the Catholic faith continues, and the needs are ongoing, so I ask you to participate in this year’s Annual Appeal. Your contribution is a tangible expression of your commitment to bring Christ to others.” -Archbishop Salvatore Cordileone

– Fr. Dwight Longenecker: On Being a Catholic Playwright
Thursday, July 11, 2024, 6:00p-8:30p
Holy Family Convent, 4350 Geary Blvd., SF
Contact: Maggie Gallagher | mgallagher@bxvi.org
Registration: [Click Here](#)

An Anglican convert, Fr. Dwight Longenecker is a priest, a pastor, a husband, a father, an author of (at least) 20 books, and one of the most beloved Catholic apologists today. But did you know he is also a playwright? The Benedict XVI Institute’s Retreat for Artists and Art Lovers on June 21-23 at St. Patrick Seminary featured a staged reading of his freshly written new play “Aconite and Church Lace: A (Not Very) Divine Comedy.” He will talk about his experience and art generally at this in-person event at Holy Family Convent.

Please register above for this free event. Donations can be made.

St. Dunstan Liturgy Committee would like to ask each parishioner to consider volunteering to be a Lector and/or Eucharistic Minister. We are happy and able to work around your schedule to find the Mass that is most convenient for you to aid with. We publish the schedule every other month so you know your dates of service in advance and can plan accordingly. For all new volunteers, a training session(s) will be scheduled, to prepare you for your ministry.

Ministers of the Word or Lectors, Otherwise known as the reader, the lector reads the lesson from Sacred Scripture, except the Gospel, in mass and for other sacred celebrations. Lectors need a good, strong voice to proclaim before the congregation. If you are interested in donating your time, please call Deacon Ric Cepriano at 650-826-4314 or email [Ann at the Parish office at secretary@saintdunstanchurch.org](mailto:Ann@theParishofficeatsecretary@saintdunstanchurch.org)

Weekly Mass Intentions - July 7 - 13, 2024	
Sunday	7:00 am For Parish
Monday	6:30 am The Munoz Family (liv/dec) 8:00 am Jim Dags 5:10 pm Faustino & Beatriz Viray
Tuesday	6:30 am Edward Phipps 8:00 am Andy & Kyle Enanoria 5:10 pm Annabelle Semira
Wednesday	6:30 am Dennis Ilagan 8:00 am Bob Keefe 5:10 pm The Yeo Family (liv/dec)
Thursday	6:30 am Patricia Copenhaver 8:00 am Ignacio Acenes 5:10 pm Ramona Tamaresis
Friday	6:30 am Connie Aranda (dec) & Aranda Family (living) 8:00 am Rev. Joseph Grech & Mary Grech 5:10 pm Suzanne Poulsen
Saturday	8:00 am Dale Poulsen Family (living) 5:00 pm Dr. Ernesto Fontecha
We Pray for the Deceased Members of our Parish Family <i>Néstor Palma</i>	

Thank you to our Lectors and Eucharistic Ministers For Serving at this Weekend's Masses.

7/6 Saturday
5:00 PM **H Cook**, G Tantillo, F Gutierrez, E Lumanlan, L Pascual

7/7 Sunday
7:00 AM **G Miranda**, S Bosso, I Chan
10:00 AM **G Magoolahan**, Lorna V., T Dizon, A Doctolero, K Atkinson
11:30 AM **L Roxas**, G Simpao, L Simpao, J Lazaro, K Tsh

Many thanks to our ushers and greeters at this weekend's mass. If you're interested in helping, please contact Ann at the rectory.

PRAYER – FOR EVERYDAY AND EVERYBODY
Prayer for Truth

Dear Lord, Your prophets were those who spoke Your Truth. Help me to be a speaker of truth as well, one who reminds of Your love, encourages the lowly, and points ever more deeply to You. Amen.



Regular Collection June 29-30:
To be announced next week

Online Collection June 29-30: \$1,532.00
Little Sisters of the Poor Appeal: \$4,915.00


Thank you for ALL your support !

July 2024 Second Collections
July 21: Parish Maintenance & Development Fund

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: 14th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Tuesday: St. Augustine Zhao Rong, Priest, and Companions, Martyrs
Thursday: St. Benedict, Abbot
Saturday: St. Henry
Next Sunday: 15th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Parishioners, you are cordially invited to attend a mass and reception in celebration of the 60th Anniversary of the Ordination of Fr. Alwyn Furtado, C.S.Sp. Mass will be celebrated on Sunday, July 7 at 11:30 am and reception will follow immediately after in the Parish Center.



We pray for the sick members of our parish family and for those who care for them:

Susan Silvera-Dunn, Nafal Jweinat, Emily Marshall, Mary Spiteri, Annie O'Sullivan, Wilma & Heather Aragon, Vonnie Spencer, Maria Teresa Rosario, Kathy Montiel, Ida Marinaro, Letty Santa Cruz, Mike Phipps, Karen Neal, Joel Rivera, Diane Vanoncini, Eric B. Garcia, Peggy Winkenbach, Jr, Barbara Cappel, Irene Aubright, Christine Monahan, Paul Leung, Arthur Starrh, Margaret Armstrong, Valentino Regal, Christine Regal, Matilda An, Carolina Cedia Orantes, Lori Coustier, Carole Weldon, Rosa Mallare, Doug Wright, Joan Walsh, Conchita Chao, Lucrecia Merida, Joshua Liu, Andrew de los Reyes, Marchita Obregon, Carmel Richard, Frank Richard, Fiona Selig, Geronimo De Los Reyes, Fernando S. De Los Reyes, Cruz David Lagomarsino, Dave Marquez, Denise Fricano, Terry Marquez, Dominic Cannuli, Rosemarie Regal, Yolanda Viteri, Flordeliz Sanchez Ledesma, Luke Skall, Willie Manalang, Consuelo Robel, Gary Wilson, Baby Leon Regal, Michael Regal, Sharon Alejo, Rolando Lopez, Olivia and Grace Hallermann, Meaghan Douglas, Cynthia Aclaro, Antonio Borlat, Dawn Rossi, Kathy Wilson, Rolando Lopez, Fr. Brendan Hally, Claro Zulueta, Marcelina Gatchalian, Harry Aubright, Barbara Vas, Charlie Silva, Imelda Arceo, Samuel Williams, Baby Winston Regal, Carlos Yegros Ocanipos, Dorice Mallia, Gladys Tordaro, Sylan Joanne Newsom, Alicia Abell, Ralph Sternick, Virginia Victoria Rivera, Nancy Christensen