
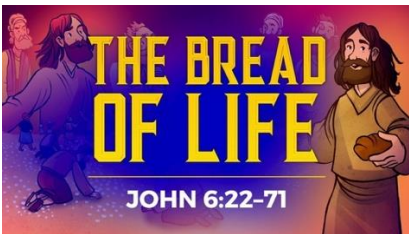


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Sixteenth Week in Ordinary Time (3)

Date July	Place	Time	Liturgy	Intention/Donor
SAT 20	SHJ	5pm	Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time 	Most Neglected Souls in Purgatory <i>Jules Hubert</i>
SUN 21	SJM	9am		Robert Raymond [RIP] <i>Jo Vanattan</i>
	SFA	11am		Needs and Intentions of Our Parish Family
TUE 23	SFA	9am	Ferial	Joyce Brooks [RIP] <i>Kateri Bamford</i>
WED 24	SFA	9am	For Forgiveness of Sins (1296) Exposition & Benediction	Florence Crawford [RIP] <i>Kateri Bamford</i>
	SJM	3pm	LW&C	
THR 25	SFA	9am	St. James Major	Peter Hendrick & Family <i>Veronica Hendrick</i>
FRI 26	SJM	10am	LW&C	
SAT 27	SHJ	5pm	Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time 	Needs and Intentions of Our Parish Family
SUN 28	SJM	9am		Fennel Family [RIP] <i>Jo Vanattan</i>
	SFA	11am		Most Neglected Souls in Purgatory <i>Jules Hubert</i>

Lay Ministers

Date	Sacred Heart	St. James
Sat, Jul 20 Sun, Jul 21	Lector – T. O’ Shea	Lector – C. Caswell-Towns Usher – M. Kerby
Date	Sacred Heart	St. James
Sat, Jul 27 Sun, Jul 28	Lector – A. Bourgeois	Lector – A. Kostya Usher – B. Kerby

Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time: In my homily this weekend I shall mention the encyclical *Quas Primas* from Pope Pius XI, promulgated in 1925. I have summarised the salient points below and would encourage you to read the actual document which can be found online at https://www.vatican.va/content/pius-xi/en/encyclicals/documents/hf_p-xi_enc_11121925_quas-primas.pdf

1. Christ's Sovereignty

- Jesus Christ is declared King of the universe.
- His reign is not just spiritual but has implications for political, social, and economic life.

2. The Feast of Christ the King

- Instituted to remind the world of Christ's authority over all.
- Intended to counter secularism and remind people of their duty to God.

3. Secularism and Its Dangers

- Critiques the growing secularism and its impact on society.
- Warns against the exclusion of God from public life and the consequent moral decay.

4. Call to Return to Christian Principles

- Advocates for a return to Christian values in personal and public life.
- Emphasizes the need for justice, charity, and the common good.

5. Role of the Catholic Church

- Asserts the Church's role in guiding moral and social matters.
- Calls on Catholics to promote Christ's teachings in society.

6. Impact on Social and Economic Issues

- Highlights the need for economic systems to be just and equitable.
- Encourages respect for human dignity and the protection of workers' rights.

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Relevance to Contemporary Social Problems in the Western World

1. Rise of Secularism

- Increasing marginalization of religion in public life.
- Need for reintegration of faith-based values to address moral and ethical issues.

2. Moral Decay and Ethical Crises

- Growing concerns about ethical behavior in politics, business, and personal conduct.
- Emphasis on the need for a moral compass rooted in Christian teachings.

3. Economic Inequality

- Widening gap between the rich and the poor.
- Importance of economic justice and fair distribution of resources.

4. Social Justice and Human Dignity

- Issues of racism, discrimination, and social exclusion.
- Call for respect for all human beings and the promotion of social justice.

5. Political Fragmentation and Polarization

- Deepening political divides and lack of common ground.
- Encouragement of dialogue and unity based on shared Christian values.

6. Environmental Concerns

- Growing awareness of environmental degradation and climate change.
- Advocacy for stewardship of creation as part of our duty to God and future generations.

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Movie Time Changer: After watching the following movie on *YouTube*, I thought that it might interest you, too. **Time Changer** is a 2002 Christian science fiction film directed by Rich Christiano. The story follows Russell Carlisle, a Bible professor in 1890 who has written a manuscript suggesting that morality can be taught without referencing Jesus Christ. To show him the error in his thinking, a colleague uses a secret time machine to send Carlisle over 100 years into the future, to the early 21st century. There, Carlisle is shocked by the moral decay and realizes the importance of explicitly linking morality to Christ's teachings. The movie explores themes of faith, morality, and the impact of secularism on society.

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Knights of Columbus: The Knights of Columbus have their General Meeting on the 3rd Thursday of each month in the Parish rectory at 7.00 pm. New members are always welcome to attend.

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