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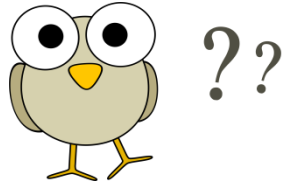
**This weekend's
"Remember the Bible" ?:**

In what verse does Paul glorify his weakness?
Find the answer in the bulletin. ☺



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Dear Padre

JULY 30, 2017

Is it a sin to purchase goods and services from a business that financially supports morally objectionable behavior?

This question requires us to back up a bit and ask two more fundamental questions: "What is sin?" and "To what degree am I allowed to participate in an objective evil?" A moral action has three necessary components: the object, the intention, and the circumstances. These are the what, the why, and the context. For something to be sinful, all three of these components must be taken into account. I must know what I am doing is sinful, I must fully intend it, and there must not be any mitigating circumstances that lessen my degree of culpability. Sin, in other words, requires knowledge that the action is sinful, the will to perform it, and circumstances that do not unduly inhibit my knowledge and freedom to act. To purchase goods and services from a business that supports morally objectionable behavior is sinful if we are conscious that the business supports such behavior, if we intend to purchase the product as a way of showing our support of this morally objectionable behavior, and if there are no mitigating circumstances inhibiting our knowledge and freedom of action.

As a general rule, we should avoid purchasing goods and services from such businesses. We should not, for example, buy products from companies that fund grave objective moral evils such as embryonic stem research, contraception, abortion, assisted suicide, capital punishment, or euthanasia. Specific cases must also take into account the distinction between grave and less serious matters.

Fr. Dennis J. Billy, CSsR
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Monday
 July 31
 St. Ignatius of Loyola, Priest
 Ex 32:15-24, 30-34
 Mt 13:31-35

Tuesday
 August 1
 St. Alphonsus Liguori, Bishop of the Church
 Ex 33:7-11;
 34:5b-9, 28
 Mt 13:36-43

Wednesday
 August 2
 Weekday
 Ex 34:29-35
 Mt 13:44-46

Thursday
 August 3
 Weekday
 Ex 40:16-21, 34-38
 Mt 13:47-53

Friday
 August 4
 St. John Vianney, Priest
 Lv 23:1, 4-11,
 15-16, 27, 34b-37
 Mt 13:54-58

Saturday
 August 5
 Weekday
 Lv 25:1, 8-17
 Mt 14:1-12

Sunday
 August 6
 Transfiguration of the Lord
 Dn 7:9-10, 13-14
 2 Pt 1:16-19
 Mt 17:1-9

Good News!

July 30, 2017
 Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time (A)
 1 Kgs 3:5, 7-12, Rom 8:28-30, Mt 13:44-52 or 13:44-46

The richly decorated portrait *The Vision of Saint Helena* by Paolo Veronese is immediately impressive. Helena, a woman of humble origins, became the wife of Constantius Chlorus (Rome's emperor from 293-306). An innkeeper's daughter in an outback town, her beauty caught the eye of the most powerful man on earth. She went from rags to riches.

Here she wears lush, Eastern fabrics with woven prints and royal colors. The gold and blue details of her dress and the valour of her crimson cape broached under her chin denote the wealth her position afforded. She rests on a high-back leather throne; an elegant textile wall covering provides a background from floor to ceiling.

The softly flowing fabrics and her serene posture exude calm and focus our attention on her tranquil face and spirit of contemplation. No matter the power, wealth, and beauty of the world surrounding her, Helena has forsaken all to pursue the true treasure she possesses as a Christian and values more than the rest. Helena traveled from Rome to Jerusalem to bring back the relics of Christ's passion. These reminders of Jesus' love for sinners became the most important treasures of Christendom.

Veronese wants to convince us that through prayer we come to understand our treasure is not found in wealth but in the glorious vestment of baptismal faith. As adopted sons and daughters of the king, we become like St. Helena: poor commoners raised to royalty! Thank God for his gift of life in Christ and allow your heart to follow the inspirations he shares with you.

For Reflection

Saint Helena left the comfort of her home to search for the cross of Christ. What are you searching for? What are you willing to give up for it?

Fr. Mark Haydu, LC

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July 30, 2017 – Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time



REGULAR MASS TIMES: Saturday 6:00 p.m., Sunday 7:30 a.m., Sunday 9:00 a.m. **Confessions:** Saturday 5:00 – 5:45 p.m., or by Appointment **Daily Masses:** Tue. – Fri. 7:30 a.m. (Monday is Father's day off.)
The Prayer Garden is available 24/7/365



Boy Scouts are selling their **7x16 Carry-On Cargo Trailer for \$3200.** You may contact Melissa Parks at 361-649-9019 or melissa_parks_iii@yahoo.com for information. We have more pictures on file here at the office for anyone that would like to see them.

2017 144th Annual Picnic will be September 10th
We are accepting live & silent auction & country store items...
Remember we will need cakes for the Cake Walk that weekend.
2017 Picnic Raffle tickets are in the Narthex ...



You may pick some up to buy/sell! Picnic Flyers are in the Narthex, Please take some to put in your place of business or businesses you frequent.

If you would like to sponsor an item for the **Bucket Game** you may contact Karen Franz 550-5183 or the office. Prizes have been determined & monetary donations are needed. There is a sign-up sheet in the Narthex. (Answer to question on the back of the bulletin: 2 Corinthians 12:9)

Mass Intentions for the Week

- Tues. – Weston Bowers (†) Darrell & Lindsey Bowers Family
- Wed. – Debbie Kuchler (†) Frank & Sonja Miori
- Thurs. – Judy Massey (SI) Fred & Magdalena Henning
- Fri. – All Parishioners (SI)
- Sat. 6:00 p.m.– Abel Zubieta (SI) Mary Kolodziejczyk & Sara Perry
- Sun. 7:30 a.m. – James Philip John (†) Randy & Kathy Davis
- Sun. 9:00 a.m. – Lacy Schroller (SI) Sara Perry & Mary Kolodziejczyk



The Beautiful Altar flowers were donated by Darrell, Lindsey, Weldon, Will & Worth in memory of Weston Bowers.

Please inform the office if you know of a St. Joseph parishioner in the hospital or that is homebound for Father Barnabas to visit.
Remember to write your prayer requests on the note cards in the corner of the Narthex and place them in the slot of the corner table.

Cristina Diaz	Jeremy Kurtz	Clayton Schroller	Kent Gabrysch
Norma John	Amanda Repka	Sally Amador	Jason Repka
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D.G. Dixon	Cort Bullock	Zayda Cedillo	

🎵 Happy Birthday & Anniversary ❤️

Next Weekend's Ministry Schedule

ALTAR SERVERS

- Sat. Reed & Autumn Kallus, Kara Burger
- Sun. 7:30 N Koehl, M or C Nuñez, T Veselka
- Sun: 9:00 Jacob & Kaleb Repka, Carson Kolb

CANTOR: C Baker

EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS

(The Minister listed first serves the body of Christ)

- Sat. D Zuck, K Franz, D Martin
- Sun. 7:30: N John, K Davis, D Veselka
- Sun. 9:00: H Kolb, M Kolb, D Witte

LECTORS

- Sat. E Zuck
- Sun. 7:30: J Zacek
- Sun: 9:00 A Repka

USHERS

- Sat. R Hairell, T Moorman, R Stuart, Volunteer
- Sun. 7:30: J. Koch, C. Horelka, D. Zacek, M Maraggia
- Sun. 9:00: S Griffin, F & V Bueno, Volunteer

Church Giving Report

CCD Program	\$50.00
Prayer Garden	\$70.00
2017 Picnic Fund	\$410.00
Picnic Raffle	\$110.00
Picnic Placemat Ads	\$600.00
Picnic Bucket Drawing	\$100.00
Scholarship Fund	\$0
Pledges - Building & Parking Lot	\$305.00
Weekly Building Fund	\$330.00
Weekly Offering	\$1,477.00
Weekly Loose/Restricted	\$539.00
Total	\$3,991.00

Received of 2017 Picnic \$12K Goal \$7,821.00

2017 DSA St. Joseph Goal \$30,093.00

2017 DSA 2nd Collection (total) (\$2,541.75)

2017 DSA St. Joseph Goal balance \$27,551.25

Thank you to everyone for your generous donations.

Upcoming Events Calendar

- Aug 1 – Parish Council Pre-Picnic Meeting – 7:00 p.m.**
- Aug 3 – Teacher/Aide CCD Informational/Welcome Meeting 6:30 p.m.**
- Aug 4 – First Friday Adoration - All are Welcome! 8:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.**
- Aug 5 & 6 – St. Anthony of Padua – 53rd Annual Shrimporee Festival – Saturday Golf Scramble – Sunday - Palacios Recreation Center - Shrimp or BBQ (Beef or chicken) \$10/plate, Live Auction, etc**
- Aug 13 – Teacher/Aide CCD Informational/Welcome Meeting 6:00 p.m.**
- Aug 16 – Safe Environment/CPC Class for new Diocese Volunteers – 6:30 p.m.**
- Aug 20 – St. Andrew Parish Festival – Hillje, BBQ, homemade sausage 11:00 a.m. Auction, etc**

St. Joseph Parish is offering RCIA Classes for Adults who would like to be Catholics or be accepted into the Catholic Faith: Adult Catholics who may have been baptized, but have not received Communion and Confirmation into the Catholic faith and would like to do so, are also welcome. Classes will begin in September. Contact Father Barnabas or Stephanie Charbula for more information.

CCD Teacher & Aide Meeting - A welcome and information meeting will be held on two separate days, you only need to attend one. Please make EVERY effort to attend one of these.

Thursday, August 3 6:30-7:30PM CCD Hall

Sunday, August 13 6-7PM CCD Hall

CCD Opening Mass Wednesday, August 23rd 6:30PM for ALL Students, Parents and teachers followed by a meet and greet with the teachers in the CCD Hall. Attendance will be taken. *Parents/guardian MUST ATTEND MASS with students younger than 6th grade.

Upcoming Second Collections –

- Aug 13 – Goes towards St. Joseph's obligation to the Diocesan Service Appeal**
- Sept 10 – Black & Indian Missions, Catholic Communications & Catholic Univ. of America**

Message of the Week: When someone makes a mistake, don't forget about all the good they have done. <http://www.dailyinspirationalquotes.in/>