

POST COMMUNION PRAYER
WRITTEN BY ST. THOMAS AQUINAS

I give thanks to Thee, O Lord, Most Holy, Father almighty, eternal God, that Thou hast vouchsafed, for no merit of mine own, but out of Thy pure mercy, to appease the hunger of my soul with the precious Body and Blood of Thy Son, Our Lord Jesus Christ. Humbly I implore Thee, let not this Holy Communion be to me an increase of guilt unto my punishment, but an availing plea unto pardon and salvation. Let it be to me the armor of faith and the shield of good will. May it root out from my heart all vice; may it utterly subdue my evil passions and all my unruly desires. May it perfect me in charity and patience; in humility and obedience; and in all other virtues. May it be my sure defense against the snares laid for me by my enemies, visible and invisible. May it restrain and quiet all my evil impulses, and make me ever cleave to Thee Who art the one true God. May I owe to it a happy ending of my life. And do Thou, O heavenly Father, vouchsafe one day to call me, a sinner, to that ineffable banquet, where Thou, together with Thy Son and the Holy Ghost, art to Thy saints true light, complete fulfillment, eternal joy, consummate delight, and perfect happiness. Through the same Christ our Lord. Amen.

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Sunday, July 14th, 2024

Eight Sunday after Pentecost

Introit

O God, we ponder Thy kindness within Thy temple. As Thy Name, O God, so also Thy praise reaches to the ends of the earth. Of justice Thy right hand is full. Great is the Lord and wholly to be praised in the city of our God, His holy mountain.

Glory be to the Father . . .

O God, we ponder Thy kindness . . .

Collect

Ever graciously bestow upon us, we beseech Thee, O Lord, the spirit of thinking and doing what is right, so that we, who cannot exist without Thee, may have the strength to live in accordance with Thy law.

Through our Lord . . .

Epistle

Romans 8:12-17

Brethren: We are debtors, not to the flesh, that we should live according to the flesh, for if you live according to the flesh you will die; but if by the spirit you put to death the deeds of the flesh, you will live. For whoever are led by the Spirit of God, they are the sons of God. Now you have not received a spirit of bondage so as to be again in fear, but you have received a spirit of adoption as sons, by virtue of which we cry, Abba! Father! The Spirit Himself gives testimony to our spirit that we are sons of God. But if we are sons, we are heirs also: heirs indeed of God and joint heirs with Christ.

Gradual & Alleluia

Be my rock of refuge, O God, a stronghold to give me safety. In Thee, O God, I take refuge; O Lord, let me never be put to shame.

Alleluia, alleluia. Great is the Lord and wholly to be praised in the city of our God, His holy mountain. Alleluia.

Gospel

Luke 16:1-9

At that time, Jesus spoke to His disciples this parable: There was a certain rich man who had a steward, who was reported to him as squandering his possessions. And he called him and said to him, 'What is this that I hear of you? Make an accounting of your stewardship, for you can be steward no longer.' And the steward said within himself, 'What shall I do, seeing that my master is taking away the stewardship from me? To dig I am not able; to beg I am ashamed. I know what I shall do, that when I am removed from my stewardship they may receive me into their houses.' And he summoned each of his master's debtors and said to the first, 'How much do you owe my master?' And he said, 'A hundred jars of oil.' He said to him, 'Take your bond and sit down at once and write fifty.' Then he said to another, 'How much do you owe?' He said, 'A hundred kors of wheat.' He said to him, 'Take your bond and write eighty.' And the master commended the unjust steward, in that he had acted prudently; for the children of this world, in relation to their own generation, are more prudent than the children of the light. And I say to you, make friends for yourselves with the mammon of wickedness, so that when you fail they may receive you into the everlasting dwellings.

Offertory Verse

Lowly people Thou savest, O Lord, but haughty eyes You bring low; for who is God except Thee, O Lord?

Secret

Accept, we beseech Thee, O Lord, the gifts which we bring to Thee out of Thy own bounty, so that these most holy sacramental rites may, by the power of Thy grace, sanctify us in the conduct of our present life, and lead us to everlasting joy. Through our Lord . . .

Communion Verse

Taste and see how good the Lord is; happy the man who takes refuge in Him.

Postcommunion

May the heavenly sacrament, O Lord, renew our minds and bodies, so that we may feel the benefit of the worship we perform. Through our Lord . . .

WISDOM FROM ST. FRANCIS DE SALES



"We must bear with this inconvenience of the love of our relations and friends who think there is no comparison between the satisfaction of being with them and that which is found in the course of God's service."

UPCOMING EVENTS

Today, Sunday, July 14th: *Blessing Sunday.* Blessings of religious articles will be given after Holy Mass.

Friday, August 2nd: First Friday of the Month. Devotions to the Sacred Heart and Benediction at 6.30pm, followed by Sung Mass at 7pm, St. Joseph's Church, Dyer.

Thursday, August 15th: Feast of the Assumption, High Mass at 6.30 pm.

Sunday, August 18th: Annual summer picnic. Following Holy Mass at St Michael's Byzantine Parish, 557 W 57th Ave, Merrillville, IN 46410. Please bring a dish to share. Burgers and hot dogs will be provided. \$20 suggested donation per family to cover expenses.

FAMILY SWING DANCE LESSON

Chesterton Academy of St. Nicholas is hosting a Family Swing Dance Lesson, July 16th at St. Michaels Byzantine church from 6:30pm-8:30pm.

BURSAR'S BOX

Sunday, July 7th: \$ 4, 273.00

Total for the Month of July : \$4, 273.00

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