

HOLY FAMILY CATHOLIC PARISH

AUGUST 2025 BULLETIN

CHALLENGE FOR AUGUST

This is a "count down" to August (5-4-3-2-1-0). Here are some trivia challenges for this coming month: [5] What is the significance of the date August 5th in the life of Holy Family Parish? [4] Which federal holiday is held in August? [3] Which holy day is celebrated in August? [2] What is the derivation of the name for the month (August)? [1] In relation to World War II, what is the significance of the month of August? [See page 2 for the answers.](#)

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HOLY FAMILY PRAYER

May God bless each family present and bless our entire Holy Family Parish. Make it like the family of your Son. May our moments of sorrow give way to the seasons of joy. May the memory of harsh words fade before the warmth of a loving touch. May the tears of sorrow be replaced by the music of laughter. May resentment be banished from our families. And may forgiveness reign in our hearts today and everyday. Amen.

***** **NOTE:** See page 5 for the calendar that can be put on your desk or on your refrigerator *****

CHALLENGE FOR AUGUST

[5] Tuesday, August 5th will be the date for the national neighborhood night out (NNO). Already, NNOs are planned (6 to 8 pm) for The Lodge at Napa Junction, Alamo Court, Melvin Road, and Las Casitas Mobile Home Park. Keep your ears open for times and locations throughout American Canyon for other NNO events.

[4] Trick Question! August is the only month in the year that does not have a federal holiday.

[3] The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary is celebrated each year on August 15th (see below). August 15 was also the birthday of Fr. Pat Stephenson.

[2] The month was name in honor of Caesar Augustus, the first Roman Emperor who ruled the Roman Empire from 27BCE through 14CE.

[1] The Hiroshima bomb was dropped on August 6, 1945, the Nagasaki bomb was dropped on August 9, 1945, and August 14, 1945 is celebrated as V J Day - those are 80 years ago this month!

[0] As we finish our countdown to August, let us pray that there will be 0 (zero) uses of these nuclear weapons ever again in the future.

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Holy Family Parish continues to offer Communion for the sick and homebound. If you are interested (for yourself or others) contact the parish office.



ASSUMPTION OF MARY

The **Assumption of Mary** is one of the four Marian dogmas of the Catholic Church (see more on this later in the article). Pope Pius XII defined it on 1 November 1950 in his apostolic constitution *Munificentissimus Deus* as the Assumption of Mary, body and soul, into heaven.

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It leaves open the question of whether Mary died or whether she was raised to eternal life without bodily death. The New Testament is silent regarding the end of her life. In the late 4th century Epiphanius of Salamis wrote he could find no authorized tradition about how her life ended, and he identified three beliefs concerning her end: that she had a normal and peaceful death; that she died as a martyr; or that she did not die. Even more, in another text Epiphanius stated that Mary was possibly like Elijah because she never died but was assumed into heaven as he was.

The four Marian dogmas of the Church are:

- † Mary's own Immaculate Conception celebrated on December 8th each year
- † Mary's divine motherhood
- † Virgin birth of Jesus
- † The Assumption of Mary

These are all beliefs that we accept on faith. Catholicism is heavily based on our faith and beliefs about some things that cannot be proven by science but are accepted by dependence on revelation and faith such as the Trinity or the Real Presence of Jesus in the Eucharist.

**AUGUST
CHILDREN'S
HOLY ROSARY**

Saturday, August 2nd, 2025
2:00 PM
Holy Family Catholic Church,
American Canyon, California, 94503

DINNER DANCE

Pictures and prize winners and a compilation of funds raised to support the Pay Off the Loan project from the Dinner Dance will be in next month's bulletin. Thanks for supporting this end-of-July event.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION TEACHERS

We will have our beginning-of-the-year Religious Education teacher's meeting on August 11th at 6 pm in the CCD classroom.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CLASSES

Classes will begin right after Labor Day in September. Check your schedule or call for questions.

H. F. RECYCLING



We continue the recycling program at Holy Family to raise money for our "Building Fund." The recycling company only

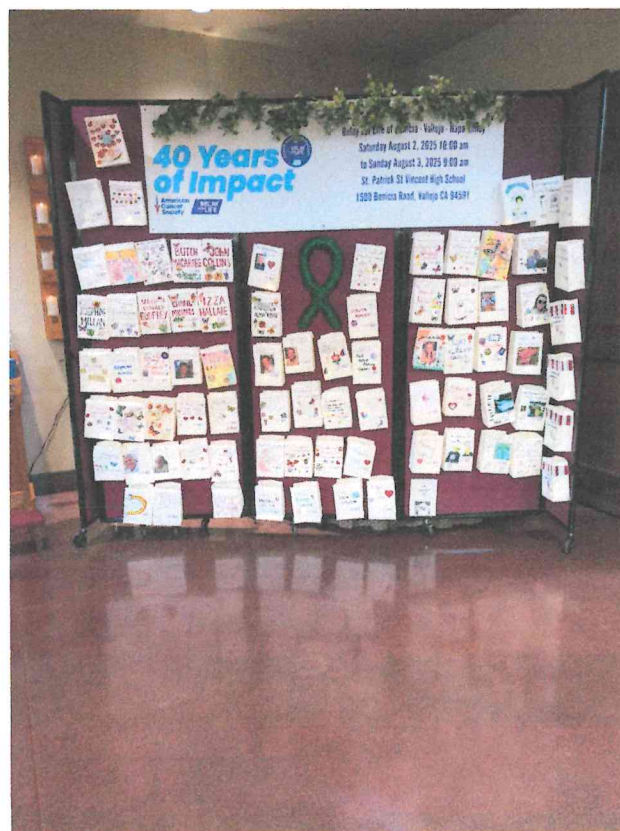
accepts plastic bottles with or without caps and aluminum cans; please no glass of any type. Place bags in the garbage bin storage area in the parking lot behind the church. If you have questions, call Gene at 925-997-9928 or Erika at 707-648-6335. Your donations are always appreciated.

Shhh

A surprise 80th birthday party is being planning on August 9th from noon to 3:00 pm for Steve Myers. Food provided, but bring your own drink if not interested in coffee or water. Live band ULOV (Ukulele Lovers Of Vallejo). 101 Dutch Flat Road, Vallejo. No gifts or cards. If anyone wishes, donations to the Holy Family "Pay Off the Loan" project to honor Steve. Come wish Steve a happy b'day and enjoy the music and company.

FINAL REMINDER

August 2nd and 3rd is the Relay for Life fund raising walk to raise money for cancer research at the St. Patrick/St. Vincent track. The event starts at 10 am on the Saturday with an opening ceremony and a survivors' walk around the track and concludes at 9 am on Sunday. Drop by and walk a lap or two any time during the 23 hour period and support the effort with a donation. A highlight of the Relay each year is the Luminary Ceremony after sunset on Saturday. Memorial bags donated by Holy Family parishioners will be used as part of the ceremony. The photo below shows the array of bags that are already in place and were blessed by Fr. Fred at a recent Mass. More bags will be available at the event itself for you to honor or remember those living with cancer or who have died from cancer. As shown in the photo below (which was taken by Carol Strausborger who was in charge of the luminary project), this is the 40th year of Relay for Life. Hope to see you there. And thanks, Carol.



PASTOR'S CORNER

My Dear Family of God,

Once again, I am grateful to God for our lives. He has blessed us so much and we give Him praise and adoration. I had a chance to celebrate my birthday on July 18 and the Seraphim Choir Kids and morning Church-goers made me happy by celebrating with me amidst food and cakes. That really brought my spirits up. I also have a chance to celebrate my 28th Priestly Ordination Anniversary on July 27, together with the married couples to renew our vows as Pilgrims of Hope.

In 2025, the Holy Roman Catholic Church is celebrating a Jubilee Year which is themed, "PILGRIMS OF HOPE," and it includes special observances for married couples. Several Dioceses are holding Jubilee Masses for married couples, including those celebrating significant anniversaries like 25th or 50th.

The California Catholic Conference has designated July 26th as **THE JUBILEE OF MARRIAGE**, encouraging couples to participate in local celebrations like ours at Holy Family and strengthening their marriages. I hope you all participate in it to bring refreshment to our marriages and lives.

Until then I wish you all fruitful celebrations for your 25 and 50 years of marriage and beyond. May God sustain us all in this journey as Pilgrims of Hope:

"PEREGRINANTES IN SPEM".

Thank you all once again for reading. I remain.

Reverend Father Frederick K.A. Kutubebi,
Pastor

LECTOR SCHEDULES

1st reader / 2nd reader

Weekend of July 26/27

5:15: Rolly Negranza / Debbie Adams
10:30: Erika Myers / Rolly Yacob
(Just this one Mass on this day)

Weekend of August 2/3

5:15: MFC / MFC
7:30: Davet / Mohammed / Roselle Tamoro
9:30: Marie Walton / Betty Lorenz
11:30: Suzette Yturalde / Lily Maldonado (Esp.)

Weekend of August 9/10

5:15: Susan Dingli / Rolando Negranza
7:30: Hemmy Bacareza / Greg Bacareza
9:30: Bernie Borges / Bill Walton
11:30: Rose Tamoro / Marina Maldonado (Esp.)

Weekend of August 16/17

5:15: Debbie Adams / Shirlese Hayes
7:30: Leslie Gaffney / Ernie Zambrano
9:30: Josie Rubbing / Rona Yacob
11:30: Gabriella David / Angelina Ellington (Youth)

Weekend of August 23-24

5:15: Catherine Pott / Melita Negranza
7:30: Davet Mohammed / Roselle Tamoro
9:30: John Collins / Frank Lee
11:30: Justine Gemo / Francisco Jimenez (Esp.)

Weekend of August 30/31

5:15: Romy Blanquera / David Mezzera
7:30: Hemmy Bacareza / Greg Bacareza
9:30: Marie Walton / Teri Urutia
11:30: Nidia Romabiles / Marco Pomatz (Esp.)

EM SCHEDULES

Weekend of July 26/27

5:15: TBD
10:30: Rose Tamoro / Maria Leach / Bill Walton
(Just this one Mass on this day)

Weekend of August 2/3

5:15: MFC
7:30: Leslie Gaffney
9:30: Erika Myers / Rex Samaniego / Marie Walton
11:30: Percy Barcelon / Marnel Yturalde / Danny Barcelon

Weekend of August 9/10

5:15: David Mezzera
7:30: Nina Tolentino
9:30: Norma Flores / Dolly Flores / Frank Lee
11:30: Suzette Yturalde / Numer Tamoro / Marina Maldonado

Weekend of August 16/17

5:15: David Pott
7:30: Leslie Gaffney
9:30: Erika Myers / Bill Walton / Betty Lorenz
11:30: Rose Tamoro / Percy Barcelon / Francisco Jimenez

Weekend of August 23/24

5:15: Romy Blanquera
7:30: Nina Tolentino
9:30: Arlene Collins / Rona Yacob / Bannie Lee
11:30: Danny Barcelon / Marnel Yturalde / Numer Tamoro

Weekend of August 30/31

5:15: Shirlese Hayes
7:30: Hemmy Bacareza
9:30: Rex Samaniego / Dolly Flores / Rolly Jacob
11:30: Suzette Yturalde / Marina Maldonado / Rose Tamoro

August 2025

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					1 First Friday	2 Relay for Life begins 10:00 am See page 3 Family Rosary 2:00 pm. See page 2
3 Relay for Life continues until 10:00 am Special Collection for Black and Indian Missions	4	5 Neighborhood Night Out See page 2 [5] for more info	6 Feast of the Transfiguration of the Lord	7	8	9
10	11 Religious Education teachers meeting 6:00 pm in CCD classroom	12 Men's/Women's Club joint BBQ dinner/meeting at 5:00 pm at Nabrinski's. More info to follow.	13 Meet Me in the Street - 5-8 pm See page 6 for more info Baptismal Prep at 6 pm in church	14	15 Feast of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary 8:30 am Mass	16 2nd collection to help pay off church loan
17 7:30 am Mass Feast of Blessed Fr Michael McGivney See page 6 2nd collection to help pay off church loan	18	19	20	21	22 Holy Family Youth Ministry Kick-Off 6 pm in CCD classroom Youth in grades 8-12 are invited. See page 6	23
24	25	26 No Pastoral Council meeting this month	27 Deadline for September bulletin information	28 Knights of Columbus meeting 7:00 pm See page 6	29 Feast of the Passion of St. John the Baptist	30 Finance Committee Meeting 9:00 am in church office
31 CCD classes this week after Labor Day						

PASTORAL COUNCIL NEWS

1. Wednesday, August 13th is the *Meet Me in the Street* event again this month: 5-8 pm. Holy Family Parish will have a table. Stop by and say "Hi!" The event will be held on West American Canyon Road between James Road and Elliott Drive, and including Northampton Park. The street will be closed to automobile traffic. Come support Holy Family and check out other tables.



2. *North Coast Catholic* is now "The Vine Online." Check out the flier below.

3. Eucharist Minister (EM) and lector training will take place on Saturday, October 4th at 10:00 am at church. More info will follow.

4. No Pastoral Council meeting in August. The next meeting will be Tuesday, September 30th from 6:00 to 7:00 pm in the church office.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

Knights of Columbus
Holy Family Council 15750
2nd monthly Council meeting for
Columbian year 2025-2026



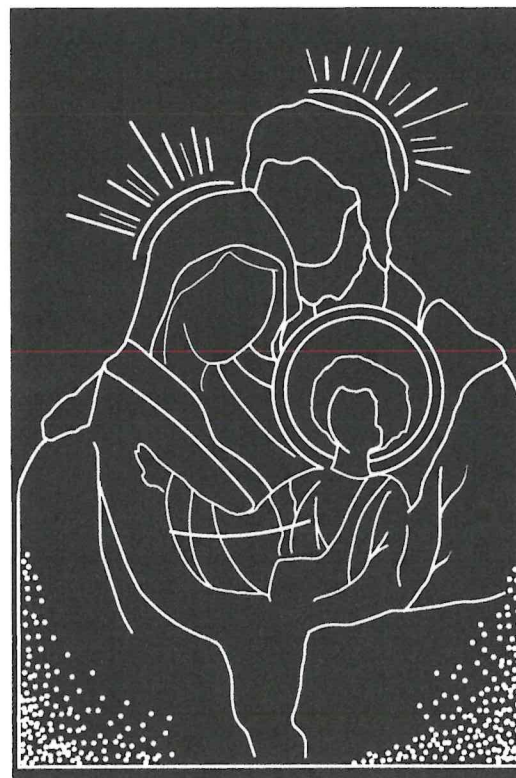
Date: August 28, 2025, Thursday
Potluck - Time: 7:00 pm
Venue: Holy Family Parish CCD room

Mass for the Feast of Blessed Father Michael McGivney, patron and founder of the Knights of Columbus. Sunday, August 17th at 7:30 am.

YOUTH MINISTRY

The **Holy Family Youth Ministry Kick-Off** will take place on **Friday, August 22nd at 6:00 pm** in the CCD classroom. Join us and meet fellow youth of our parish. We will host games, give out prizes, and provide pizza, snacks and drinks. All those in grades 8-12 are welcomed! Check out the Holy Family Youth Ministry logo below.

In addition, our annual trip to Six Flags Discovery Kingdom will be on **September 13**. This event, *On-Fire*, welcomes all Catholic youth in California to have a fun day to unite in faith and rides. If you have any questions, come to our Kick-off on August 22!



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SUNDAY MASS READINGS FOR AUGUST

Sunday, July 27th (17th Sunday in Ordinary Time)

A reading from Genesis 18:20-32 - Abraham is confronted by the Lord about the sinfulness of the people in Sodom and Gomorrah and threatens to destroy the two cities. Abraham's response was that in destroying the evil ones in the cities, God would also sweep away the innocent along with the guilty. Abraham bargained with God that if he could find 50, 40, 30, 20, or even just 10 innocent people, would He spare the cities, and God answered that for the sake of those innocent people among the rest, He would not destroy the cities.

Responsive Psalm Psalm 138:1-2, 2-3, 6-7, 7-8 - "Lord, on the day I called for help, you answered me."

Epistle Reading from St. Paul's Letter to the Colossians 2:12-14 - All were buried with Christ in baptism and all have been raised with Him by His Resurrection. Even when we are buried in our transgressions, we will be brought back to life and forgiven our sins because of the cross.

Gospel of Luke 11:1-13 - After Jesus was praying by Himself, His Apostles asked Him to teach them how to pray, and He gave them the words of the Lord's Prayer (the "Our Father"). Jesus then teaches them using the parable of a man who goes to a friend's house at midnight asking for bread in order to feed an unexpected guest. Will the owner of the house send him away or treat him like a friend? So too, Jesus tells them, the Father will give the Holy Spirit to those who ask. Seek and you will find - knock and the door will be opened! Whoever asks will be answered and whoever seeks will find.

Sunday, August 3rd (18th Sunday in Ordinary Time)

A reading from Ecclesiastes 1:2; 2:21-23 - Beware of living your life in vanity. Instead, live your life with wisdom, knowledge and skill. Don't let sorrow and grief rule your life.

Responsive Psalm 90:3-6, 12-14 and 17 - "If today you hear his voice, harden not your hearts."

Epistle Reading from St. Paul's Letter to the Colossians 3:1-5, 9-11 - Think not about things of this world, but think about what is above, what is in the realm of Jesus. Put away earthy evil, immorality, impurity and greed. Do not lie to one another. Put on a new self wherein Christ is all and in all.

Gospel of Luke 12:13-21 - Jesus warns everyone to guard against greed when dealing with family and friends, for life does not consist solely of possessions. Jesus then told the parable of the rich man who built more and more barns to hold his grain. But when he was called to God, he lost his goods and failed to be rich in God's eyes.

Sunday, July 10th (19th Sunday in Ordinary Time)

A reading from the Book of Wisdom 18:6-9 - Ancestors had courage waiting for the salvation of the just and the destruction of their foes. They offered sacrifices and put into effect the divine institution of God's will.

Responsive Psalm 33:1, 12, 18-22 - "Blessed the people the Lord has chosen to be his own."

Epistle Reading from the Letter to the Hebrews 11:1-2, 8-19 - Abraham obeyed the orders of God and received his inheritance. He sojourned to the Promised Land and was blessed with many offsprings even though his wife Sara and he were advanced in age. Abraham was put to the test, but continued to believe in God.

Gospel of Luke 12:32-48 - Jesus told His disciples to sell their belongings and give alms to the poor, for that is the wish of God. He then told the parable of the servant who vigilantly waited for the master's return, lest a thief break into the house while he is gone. Peter wonders if the parable was meant for him or for others, and Jesus tells Peter that he is the servant who has been placed to guard the house and distribute food to the needy. Do not fall asleep thinking the master will be late in returning. Be vigilant and be prepared. He tells Peter that much will be required of those entrusted with much and more will be expected of those who have been given more.

Sunday, August 17th (20th Sunday in Ordinary Time)

A reading from Jeremiah 38:4-6, 8-10 - The princes said to King Jedekiah that Jeremiah was demoralizing the people of the village, so the King had Jeremiah dropped down into a cistern where he sank in the mud. One court official went to the King and pleaded for Jeremiah's life because the princes were at fault and that Jeremiah was an upright man in the eyes of God. So the King had Jeremiah drawn out of the cistern before he would die.

Responsive Psalm 40:2, 3, 4, 18 - "Lord, come to my aid"

Epistle Reading from the Letter to the Hebrews 12:1-4 - We should rid ourselves of every burden and sin that still clings to us. We should keep our eyes on Jesus who endured the cross on our behalf and who now sits on His throne in heaven.

Gospel of Luke 12:49-53 - Jesus tells His disciples that He came to earth to set the world on fire, to establish division on earth and not peace. Take care not to let families be divided against themselves.

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Sunday, August 24th (21st Sunday in Ordinary Time)

A reading from Isaiah 66:18-21 - The Lord says that all nations and all peoples of every language will come to see the Lord's glory. Even those who have never heard of the Lord will learn of the Glory of God.

Responsive Psalm 117:1, 2 - "Go out to all the world and tell the Good News."

Epistle Reading from the Letter to the Hebrews 12:5-7, 11-13 - Even those whom the Lord Loves, He disciplines them and gives them trials to bear. Discipline can cause pain, but afterwards, it brings the peaceful fruits of righteousness to those who bear with it. Strengthen your weakness and make straight your path to God.

Gospel of Luke 13:22-30 - Jesus was asked whether many or just a few would be saved. Jesus told them to be strong and strive to enter through the narrow gate. Many will pound on the door but will not be let in but will be cast out into the netherworld. Jesus declares: "Some are last who will be first, and some are first who will be last."

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Sunday, August 31st (22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time)

A reading from the Book of Sirach 3:17-18, 20, 28-29 - The people are warned to be humble, for those with humility will find favor with God. Those who conduct themselves with humility will be loved more than those who go around giving gifts out of pride. Be attentive to the needy and give alms to atone for sins.

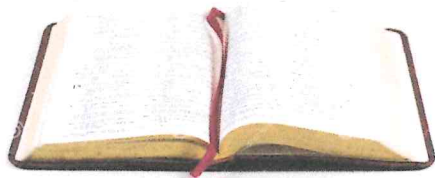
Responsive Psalm 68:4-5, 6-7, 10-11 - "God, in your goodness, you have made a home for the poor."

Epistle Reading from the Letter to the Hebrews 12:18-19, 22-24 - The people are not destined to gloom and darkness nor to storms. They have been allowed to approach the City of God, the new Jerusalem, and been able to see countless angels and heavenly beings who have been enrolled in heaven. Jesus is the mediator of this new kingdom and the spirits of the just have been made perfect.

Gospel of Luke 14:1, 7-14 - While Jesus was eating at a table where people were choosing their places of honor He told them a parable: A guest who was invited to a wedding banquet placed himself at a place of honor. But the host tells him that a more distinguished guest has arrived who is to be placed at the spot of honor and he must go down to the lowest place and will be embarrassed, Jesus says instead, when you are invited, you should go and take the lowest place so that the host will come up to you and tell you to move to a higher position, and you will enjoy esteem by those around you. Jesus says that when you host a dinner, don't invite only those who are likely to repay you with a dinner of their own. Instead, invite the poor and crippled even though they may never invite you back in return. If you do this, you will be repaid by your Father in heaven at the resurrection of the truly righteous.

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DAILY READINGS FOR AUGUST



Friday, August 1st

Leviticus 23:1, 4-11, 15-16,
27, 34-37

Psalm 81:3-4, 5-6, 10-11
Matthew 13:54-58

Saturday, August 2nd

Leviticus 25:1, 8-17
Psalm 67:2-3, 5, 7-8
Matthew 14:1-12

Monday, August 4th

Numbers 11:4-15
Psalm 81:12-17
Matthew 14:13-21

Tuesday, August 5th

Numbers 12:1-13
Psalm 51:3-7, 12-13
Matthew 14:22-36

Wednesday August 6th (Transfiguration of Jesus)

Daniel 7:9-10, 13-14
Psalm 97:1-2, 5-6, 9
2 Peter 1:16-19
Luke 9:28-36

Thursday, August 7th

Numbers 20:1-13
Psalm 95:1-2, 6-7, 8-9
Matthew 16:13-23

Friday, August 8th

Deuteronomy 4:32-40
Psalm 77:12-16 and 21
Matthew 16:24-28

Saturday, August 9th

Deuteronomy 6:4-13
Psalm 18:2-4, 47 and 51
Matthew 17:14-20

Monday, August 11th

Deuteronomy 10:12-22
Psalm 147:12-15, 19-20
Matthew 17:22-27

Tuesday, August 12th

Deuteronomy 31:1-8
Responsive Psalm
Deuteronomy 32:3-4, 7-9, 12
Matthew 18:1-5, 10, 12-14

Wednesday August 13th

Deuteronomy 34:1-12
Psalm 66:1-3, 5, 8, 16-17
Matthew 18:15-20

Thursday, August 14th

Joshua 3:7-10, 11, 13-17
Psalm 114:1-2, 3-4, 5-6
Matthew 18:21-19:1

Friday, August 15th

(Assumption)

Revelation 11:19; 12:1-6, 10
Psalm 45:10, 11, 12, 16
1 Corinthians 15:20-27
Luke 1:39-56

Saturday, August 16th

Joshua 24:14-29
Psalm 16:1-2 and 5, 7-8, 11
Matthew 19:13-15

Monday, August 18th

Judges 2:11-19
Psalm 106:34-40, 43 and 44
Matthew 19:16-22

Tuesday, August 19th

Judges 6:11-24
Psalm 85:9, 11-12, 13-14
Matthew 19:23-30

Wednesday August 20th

Judges 9:6-15
Psalm 21:2-3, 4-5, 6-7
Matthew 20:1-16

Thursday, August 21st

Judges 11:29-39
Psalm 40:5, 7-10
Matthew 22:1-14

Friday, August 22nd

Ruth 1:1, 3-6, 14-16, 22
Psalm 146:5-10
Matthew 22:34-40

Saturday, August 23rd

Ruth 2:1-3, 8-11; 4:13-17
Psalm 128:1b-2, 3, 4, 5
Matthew 23:1-12

Monday, August 25th

1 Thessalonians 1:1-5, 8-10
Psalm 149:1-6 and 9
Matthew 23:13-22

Tuesday, August 26th

1 Thessalonians 2:1-8
Psalm 139:1-3, 4-6
Matthew 23:23-26

Wednesday August 27th

1 Thessalonians 2:9-13
Psalm 139:7-12
Matthew 23:27-32

Thursday, August 28th

1 Thessalonians 3:7-13
Psalm 90:3-5, 12-14 and 17
Matthew 24:42-51

Friday, August 29th

1 Thessalonians 4:1-8
Psalm 97:1-2, 5-6, 10-12
Mark 6:17-29

Saturday, August 30th

1 Thessalonians 4:9-11
Psalm 98:1, 7-8, 9
Matthew 25:14-30

Most of the Gospel readings this month are from Matthew, one of the twelve Apostles called by Jesus. He was well known as a tax collector, a writer of a Gospel and an evangelist who spread the Good News of Jesus throughout Judea and Persia.