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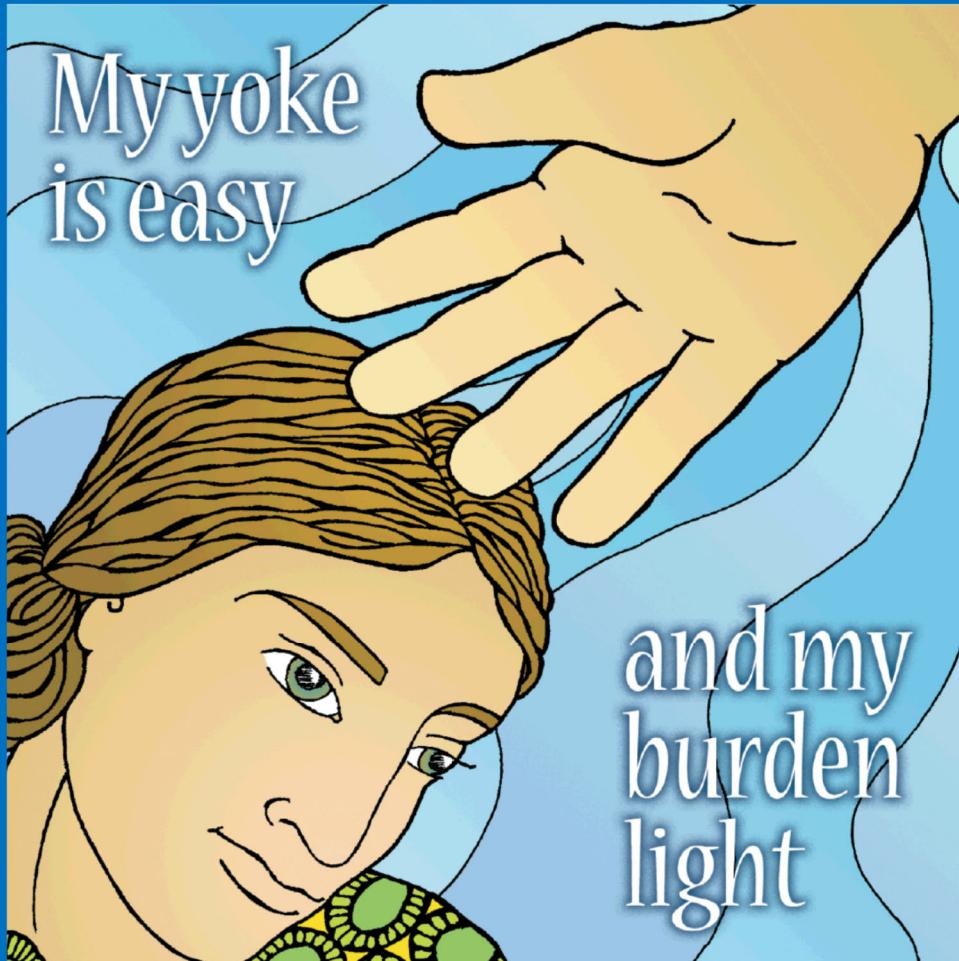


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**THE FOURTEENTH SUNDAY  
IN ORDINARY TIME**

**July  
05,  
2020**



**“Come to me, all you who labor  
and are burdened,  
and I will give you rest.”**

**– Matthew 11:28**



## WELCOME – FR. CUFF

I'm Father John Cuff, born and raised on Chicago's South Side, 71st and Damen, in West Englewood. I have two elderly sisters living in the southwest suburbs, and two others living in Kansas City and in Dallas. I went five years to Quigley and three years to Mundelein before heading to Maryknoll Seminary in New York to become a missionary. Immediately after ordination I was assigned to Hong Kong, where over the next fifty years I was pastor of five parishes. For eight of those years, beginning in 1985, I taught English at universities in mainland China, the only way missionaries could work there: in Nanjing in the east for two years, Guiyang in the west for two years, Shijiazhuang in the north for four years and, of course, Hong Kong in the south for the remaining forty-two years. So East, West, North, South, a perfect cross!

Similarly in Hong Kong, I was pastor in Kwun Tong (east), Kowloon Tsai (west), Sheung Shui (north), and Stanley (south), plus thirteen happy years at Our Lady of Mt. Carmel in Wanchai in the very heart of Hong Kong Island. So once again, another perfect cross!

During my time at Our Lady of Mount Carmel, Mrs. Carrie Lam, Hong Kong's present Chief-Executive, was our parishioner and a faithful church-goer. Three years ago she made a surprise visit to my 75th Birthday/Sendoff Banquet at a downtown restaurant with her bodyguards, delighting the parishioners and giving me much face. I continue to pray for her and for the future of Hong Kong.

Other than that, I'm fairly fluent in Cantonese, and I hope to pick up Mandarin, but so far know only the Our Father and Hail Mary. I can read traditional characters, mainly religious ones, and I know Pin Yin and a few simplified characters. Moreover I can sing a few simple Chinese songs on guitar, both in Cantonese and in Mandarin. Finally I'm grateful to Fr. Francis for the opportunity to help out at St. Mother Teresa of Calcutta parish, and hope my Chinese background and rather limited Chinese will be useful here in Chinatown and Bridgeport. ZaiJian! JoiGin!

St. Mother Teresa of Calcutta Parish is proud to welcome Fr. Cuff to our parish. Please be sure to welcome Father when you see him in church.

## PARISH COMMUNICATION NEWS

### SMTCP Facebook:

If you haven't done so already, please "like" <https://www.facebook.com/StMotherTeresaParish/> to receive the latest news about the parish.

### SMTCP New Email System:

If you haven't done so already, please take a moment to sign up at <https://stmotherteresaparish.activehosted.com/f/1> to receive the weekly bulletin and news from the parish.

### SMTCP New Bulletin Design:

We are working to unify our parish bulletins. If you would like to share your designing talent, please let Fr. Francis know.

### SMTCP New Website:

We have been working on a unified website. Thanks to all who have helped so far. We need volunteers to assist with the content and translation (from English to Chinese). If you would like to be part of this ministry, please let Fr. Francis know.



Please pray for the repose of the soul of:

**BRIAN RICHARDSON**

Please keep the Richardson Family  
in your prayers.



### HOLY COMMUNION

If you find it difficult to walk to the front of the Church to receive Holy Communion, please notify one of the ushers before Mass that you would like Communion to be brought to you.



### WE WELCOME YOU

Seeking a parish?  
A spiritual family?  
A place to pray, deepen your faith, or serve others?

If so, our hearts and doors are open to you!  
We thank God for sending you. Please introduce yourself to Fr. Francis after Mass.



## FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

### I will praise your name for ever, my king and my God

On this 14<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time, we also celebrate our nation's Independence Day weekend, a time for us all to look back with gratitude, to recommit to the present and to pray for a hopeful future. We are grateful to our history and to all the people who sacrificed so much for others, to all leaders who had the vision and made it a reality. As a nation of immigrants, we know our current challenges caused by the pandemic and the problems of racial injustice. We have to recommit ourselves, particularly as Christians, to works of peace and justice, unity and reconciliation. Let's take some time to reflect and pray so that we have the fortitude and wisdom to take our responsibilities seriously for the present and the future generations.

On Friday, June 26<sup>th</sup>, Eric Geary offered his perspectives on "How we forge a way forward" in the *Chicago Tribune Newspaper*. While acknowledging our differences, he calls us to focus on the similarities that draw us closer. He wrote, "we can agree that all of us regardless of sex, race, religion, color, and creed want to live peacefully with each other. We can agree that we want opportunities to live our own American dreams. We can agree that children are the most vulnerable in our society that need to be shown love and acceptance, not through material goods, but via our time and protection. We can agree that education is the only way to level any societal and economic schisms. We can agree that a way forward needs to be forged with hope, not contempt, love, not hate."

We know hope and love well as Christians. We must practice these virtues in our lives and be examples of hope and love for others for God is our hope and God is love. Today's responsorial psalm puts this concept succinctly as follows:

I will extol you, O my God and King,  
and I will bless your name forever and ever.  
Every day will I bless you,  
and I will praise your name forever and ever.

The LORD is gracious and merciful,  
slow to anger and of great kindness.  
The LORD is good to all  
and compassionate toward all his works.

Let all your works give you thanks, O LORD,  
and let your faithful ones bless you.  
Let them discourse of the glory of your kingdom  
and speak of your might.

The LORD is faithful in all his words  
and holy in all his works.

The LORD lifts up all who are falling  
and raises up all who are bowed down.

Have a peaceful, relaxed and blessed 4<sup>th</sup> of July weekend.

Peace

Fr. Francis

## Prayer for Presence

By Richard Rohr

Let us be present to the now.

It's all we have and it's where God will always speak to us.

The now holds everything, rejects nothing and, therefore, can receive God too.

Help us, God, to be present to the place we most fear, because it always feels empty, it always feels boring, it always feels like it's not enough.

Help us find some space within that we don't try to fill with ideas or opinions. Help us find space so you, loving God, can show yourself in that place where we are hungry and empty. Keep us out of the way, so there is always room enough for you.

Good God, we believe that you are here and your presence gives us hope. We thank you for each day of our lives.

We thank you for so many further chances to understand, to forgive again, to trust again, and to love. We thank you that we live now, that our problems are soul-sized.

We ask that you teach us and lead us, that you put the thoughts into our mind that you want us to think, the feelings in our hearts that you want us to feel.

Reconstruct us. Put us together because we don't know how to do it ourselves.

We trust that you are hearing this prayer, and that you care for the answer more than we do. We pray therefore not alone, but with the whole body of Christ in Jesus's name.

Amen.

- Excerpt from The Wisdom Pattern



- You are invited to join our weekly Mandarin Rosary on Tuesdays at 2:30 pm and English Rosary on Wednesdays at 3:00 pm. If you are able to join, please contact Jing Zhang at [jzssttherese@gmail.com](mailto:jzssttherese@gmail.com) for details.
- A Memorial Mass will take place tomorrow, July 6th, at 7:00 pm, for Brian Richardson at St. Barbara Church.
- Maria Elizabeth Boswell, child of Kristin and Mike Boswell, will be baptized on Saturday, July 11th at 10:30 am at St. Barbara Church.



### AS PUBLIC MASS BEGINS, DISPENSATION CONTINUES

The dispensation from Sunday Mass and Holy Days of Obligation continues. It is still advised that the elderly and those with underlying medical conditions stay at home and participate through live-streamed and televised Masses.

## CHURCH-LED REPENTANCE WALK

**(Reprinted from *The Bridgeport News*, June 24, 2020)**

Juneteenth (June 19th) looked different in Bridgeport this year. In response to recent acts of racial injustice, several churches in Bridgeport chose to recognize Juneteenth with a Repentance Walk. The walk began at Donovan Park and progressed up Halsted, stopping at the 11th Ward Democratic Office, at 35th street, and at the 9th District Police Department. At each location, local church leaders prayed for repentance from different aspects of racism and sought God's help to bring His righteousness and justice to our neighborhood and city. Over 100 people joined this public prayer.

At the Alderman's Office, Pastor Zach Savella Stallard of Cornerstone Anglican Church recalled how historic Chicago politics were birthed from Bridgeport, and how many policies from these leaders and groups neglected certain communities. He led the walkers in prayers of repentance. **Father Francis Li** from St. Therese Chinese Catholic Church and St. Barbara Catholic Church led in prayer for our elected officials, asking God to give them wisdom that would bring love, peace, and hope to our community.

Pastor Kensen Lam of Park Community Church prayed, reminded the group of the Biblical teaching that every person is created in the image of God. This requires that every life should be valued, not just those most similar or agreeable to our own. Marcus Lewis, a resident of Bridgeport, prayed that we would have compassion on all people as our neighbor, like the story of the Good Samaritan (Luke 10:25-37).

In front of the 9th District Police Department, Pastor Luke Dudenhofer of New Life Community Church thanked the police for their service and reminded those gathered of the Biblical teaching to submit to authority. He also stated that where leaders behave incorrectly, the church must take a stand. In a prayer of repentance, he said, "When authority turns to oppressor, we have fallen short." Officer Sabrina King, CPD Faith Based Liaison, escorted the members of the walk and said a prayer of hope. (The District CAPS Officer Jason Sollis and 9th District Commander Don Jerome were also present to support the safety of the event.) The walk concluded at McGuane Park, where this group symbolically gathered around a simple wooden cross. Leaders again addressed the call for Christians to lead the way in racial healing and reconciliation.

Dudenhofer, a grateful Bridgeport resident since 2001, addressed the history of segregation on which Bridgeport was settled. From the earliest years, Bridgeport has been fashioned around the idea of "otherizing" people, whether ethnic groups or races. Pastor Nicolette "Nic" Penaranda of First Trinity Lutheran Church added to this, saying Bridgeport has been known as a "sun-down town" for people of color. The existence of the Dan Ryan Expressway, which was built to separate white Bridgeport from black Bronzeville, is also a monument to the history of racism long-settled in the neighborhood. Through complacency, Penaranda said, both blacks and whites have contributed to the existence of racism today. For this, "We repent because we have inherited the sins of our ancestors and are actively seeking the redemption that God offers."

Pastor Mark Chan of Urban Voice Community Church, speaking of his own experience, said many Chinese-speaking immigrants did not have good experiences with other races when they arrived in Bridgeport. Because of this, "We have become concerned with our own self-presentation only...of this we must repent."

Pastor Michael Neal of Glorious Light Church in Bronzeville expressed the pain he has felt over unjust and violent acts carried out toward African-American people. "Imagine how it feels to wonder if you're next," he said. "I ask of my brothers and sisters to not just lament with me, because I'm hurting, but to use your voice and to declare that, as children of God, we will not succumb to the evil that the world wants us to succumb to." Lam followed this with a message of hope. "When Jesus went to the cross, He said the sin in our society is not too great for Him."

To learn more about next steps, find resources to help you grow, and watch the recorded livestream of the Repentance Walk, please visit <https://www.praybridgeport.com>. The walk leaders are grateful for all the support from churches involved, neighbors along the route, the Alderman's Office, 9th District, and Park District. Thank you!



## Mass Intentions for the Week

### Saturday, July 4 - Vigil of The Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

5:00 p.m. + Virginia Pienta (Wally Gusich)  
Divine Mercy for All (C. Kisielente Family)

### Sunday, July 5 - The Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

6:00 a.m. Health Blessings: George Vanderford, Sr.  
(Dolores Becatti)  
Health Blessings: Koen Guest (Guest Family)  
Health Blessings: Maria and Edward Sraga  
9:30 a.m. + John Helma (B. Glabicki)  
+ Ed Glabicki (Ron Cabrera)  
+ Ted and Stan Piorecki (Dolores Becatti)  
+ Wanda J. Bortoli (Geri Urbanczyk)

### Monday, July 6 - Weekday; St. Maria Goretti

8:00 a.m. Mass at St. Therese Church  
7:00 p.m. + Memorial Mass: Brian Richardson (at St. Barbara Church)

### Tuesday, July 7 - Weekday

8:00 a.m. + Stanley Slotarski (Family)

### Wednesday, July 8 - Weekday

8:00 a.m. Mass at St. Therese Church

### Thursday, July 9 - Weekday; St. Augustine Zhao Rong

8:00 a.m. + John Kutyba (Family)

### Friday, July 10 - Weekday

8:00 a.m. Mass at St. Therese Church

### Saturday, July 11 - St. Benedict

8:00 a.m. Mother's Day Remembrance  
10:30 a.m. Baptism: Maria Elizabeth Boswell

### Saturday, July 11 - Vigil of The Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

5:00 p.m. + David Brost (Jim & Christine Bertucci & Family)

Divine Mercy for All (C. Kisielente Family)

### Sunday, July 5 - The Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

6:00 a.m. + Tom Skrip (Jim & Christine Bertucci & Family)

Health Blessings: Koen Guest (Guest Family)

9:30 a.m. + John Wysko (B. Glabicki)  
+ Angela Obal (B. Glabicki)  
+ William Lech (B. Glabicki)  
+ John Furmanek (Brother, Sonny)  
+ Virginia Pienta (Geri Urbanczyk)

### Weekly Collection - June 27th - 28th

Sunday Envelopes	\$ 1,840.25
Sunday Loose	\$ 187.00
<b>Total Collection</b>	<b>\$ 2,027.25</b>



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## LITURGICAL MINISTERS

### SATURDAY, JULY 11TH

#### 5:00 p.m.

Eucharistic Minister: J. Lukwinski  
Lector: E. Kroner

### SUNDAY, JULY 12TH

#### 6:00 a.m.

Altar Server: G. Vanderford  
Eucharistic Minister: S. Guest  
Lector: J. Bertucci

#### 9:30 a.m.

Eucharistic Minister: H. Alonzo or A. Alonzo  
Lector: H. Alonzo

## ATTEND MASS ONLINE

The Archdiocese of Chicago broadcasts Masses from Holy Name Cathedral every Sunday in English, Spanish and Polish. The Masses are available on our YouTube channel: [youtube.com/catholicChicago](https://youtube.com/catholicChicago).

For those unable to attend Mass due to illness or for those who do not have access to the internet, please be sure to watch the Mass on television:

**Mercy Home - Sunday Mass at 9:30 am**  
**WGN- TV Channel 9 - Chicago**

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**OFFICE HOURS:** Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday: 8:00 am - 4:00 pm. The office is closed on Thursday, Saturday and Sunday.

**Baptisms:** Parents must be registered practicing parishioners and attend a baptismal preparation session before a baptism will be scheduled. Call the rectory office for further information.

**Communion Calls:** Please contact the Rectory when someone who is homebound or in the hospital wishes a visit to receive Holy Communion or the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick. The Anointing of the Sick is for anyone seriously sick and not only for those near death.

**Ministry of Care:** Eucharistic Ministers are available to visit, pray with, and bring Holy Communion to those who are sick and unable to attend Mass. Notify the Parish Office when this service is needed.

**Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults** is a program for anyone inquiring and seeking information about entering the Catholic faith.

**Weddings:** Weddings need to be scheduled at least six months in advance. Couples are reminded to secure the Church date before the reception hall.

#### **MASS SCHEDULE**

#### **WEEKEND LITURGIES**

St. Barbara: Saturday: 5:00 pm; Sunday: 6:00am, 9:30am  
St. Therese: Mandarin Mass on the 2nd Saturday of the month at 4:00 pm followed by Bible sharing and food.  
Sunday: 8:00 am, 10:30 am; and Mandarin Mass on the 4th Sunday of each month at 12:30 p.m.

#### **WEEKDAY LITURGIES**

St. Barbara: Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday: 8:00 am  
St. Therese: Monday, Wednesday and Friday: 8:00 am

#### **HOLY DAYS OF OBLIGATION**

St. Barbara: Vigil Mass: 7:00 pm; Holy Day Masses: 6:00 am, 8:00 am

St. Therese: 8:00 am, 7:00 pm

**FIRST FRIDAY HOLY HOUR:** St. Therese - 7:00 pm

**FIRST SATURDAY HEALING MASS:** St. Barbara Chapel - 8:00 am

#### **CONFESION**

St. Barbara: Saturday 4:15 - 4:45 pm or by appointment  
St. Therese: By appointment

#### **THE ROSARY**

St. Barbara: The Rosary is prayed on Sunday at 5:30 a.m. before 6:00 am Mass.

Please pray for those homebound, hospitalized and in need of continued prayers:

Amalia Agins, Austin Agins, Bernadette Agins, Joyce Agins, Stephen Agins, Mary Aguirre, Debbie Annerino, Walter Annerino, Amy Averet, Kimberly Babe, Geraldine Baldwin, Tony Baressi, Judith Beaudry, Christine Bertucci, Joseph 'Joey' Bertucci, Lonnie & Theresa Bertucci-Falls, Jennifer Bond, Fr. Michael Bowler, Jeff Bowman, Andrea Brongiel, Mary Camarda, Anthony Capone Sr., Adele Castro, Laverne Connolly, Tim Consola, Joe Cruz, Patti Cuchetto, Paul DeGrazia, Henry Diaz DeLeon, Jacqueline Dybas, Kathy Egle, Nenita Feliciano, Jerry Felske, Minnie Ford, Natalia Francone, Bill Frank, Darlene Frost, Harold Frost, Paul Gadomski, Ray Gadomski, Lily Ann Galloway, John Gasca, Cheryl Lynn Gilhooly, Bernadette Glabicki, Ed Glos, Pat Grieco, Koen Guest, Jose P. Gutierrez, Kellar Harris, Lynette Heidemann, Jasmine Henson, Denise Holland, Gwen Holub, Morris Humphrey, Michaeline Hunter, Ted Hunter, Suzanne Ivester, Jennifer Janson, Chester Jendryczka, Dr. Joe, John Kaput, Dorothy Kawalerski, Rose Kisielowski, Stanley Kiwala, Anna Kolendo, Janice Kutansky, Craig Labudda, Ken Labudda, Sunny Labudda, Baby Kinsley Paige Leschinsky, Kiera Litwin, Lenny Loretto, Richard Lyznicki, Nancy Mallory, John Mangan, Kayle Marth, Paul Martinez, Bill Marcuk, Zena Masi, Maria Mawgwi, Lil' Joe Michalak, Cindy Moore, Dr. Mike, Cydney Muti, Stephanie Nicks, Deacon Jack O'Leary, Theresa Oleszkiewicz, Allison Pakula, Virginia Pakula, Eva Castillion Parcon, Josie Petkus, Michael Petrucci, Dolores Pienta, Mitchell Pienta, Ellen Pietrzak, Beverly Pirelli, Ray Polakowski, Robert Potter, Barbara Rekar, Josephine Richardson, Sandra Rios, Joel Rivera, Jose Rodriguez, Jose C. Rodriguez, Mila Rolon, Dolly Roti, Ellen Ryan, Therese Ryndak, Maria Saludo, Edward John Schmit, Jr., Laverne Scianna, Kennedy Shepski, Adeline Skokal, Raymond Smolinski, Gary Solverson, Sharon Solverson, Rosalie Spalla, Diane Spata, Joanne Stewart, Lauren Stronczek, Rose Stronczek, Robert Synal, Baby Zachary Synal, Emily Rose Thomas, Norbert Trojanowski, Bill Ufferman, Dolores Ufferman, Dave Ulczycki, George Vanderford Sr., George Vanderford Jr., Juan Vargas, Joyce Vogt, Ava Walczak, Sadie Walker, Barbara Webb, Bill Webb, Sylvia Wiertel, Madison Young, Eugene & John Zabek, Virginia Zawacki, Irene Zima



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