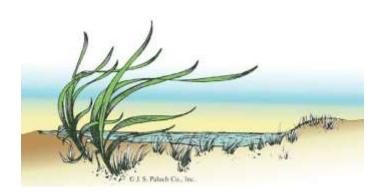
# Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time July 8, 2018

I will rather boast most gladly of my weaknesses, in order that the power of Christ may dwell with me.

— 2 Corinthians 12:9



## **OBSTACLES**

The prophet Ezekiel, Saint Paul, and the Lord Jesus share something in common in today's scripture readings. They all experience obstacles to their ministry. Ezekiel is summoned to prophesy to the Israelites, who are "[h]ard of face and obstinate of heart" (Ezekiel 2:4). Saint Paul recounts how he has been given a "thorn in the flesh" (2 Corinthians 12:7). The Lord Jesus is unable to perform many signs in his native place. The Gospel tells us that "Ihel was amazed at their lack of faith" (Mark 6:6). We too sometimes encounter obstacles as we travel along the journey of faith. So often we experience weakness on this journey. Let the words of the Lord to Saint Paul encourage us today: "My grace is sufficient for you, for power is made perfect in weakness" (2 Corinthians 12:9). Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co., Inc.

#### **TODAY'S READINGS**

**First Reading** — They shall know that a prophet has been among them (Ezekiel 2:2-5).

**Psalm** — Our eyes are fixed on the Lord, pleading for his mercy (Psalm 123).

**Second Reading** — I am content with weaknesses and hardships for the sake of Christ (2 Corinthians 12:7-10).

**Gospel** — The people said: "Where did this man get all this? Is he not the carpenter, the son of Mary?" (Mark 6:1-6).

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## MASS INTENTIONS

Monday July 9

8:00 am † Adelina, † Antonio and † John

Novello

Tuesday July 10

8:00 am † Ginette Mills

Wednesday July 11

8:00 am Communal Service

7:00 pm † Tessy Spiteri Lencioni and

Emil Lencioni (L)
† Vincent Gagliardo Sr.

† Maria and †Giuseppe Mazzaferro

Thursday July 12

8:00 am † Joseph I. Bosso

Saturday July 14

8:00 am † Joyce Masangcay

4:30 pm † Jose Castro

Sunday July 15

7:30 am People of the Parish

9:30 am † Leo and † Rita Michelini

11:30 am Maltese Society

† Tessy Spiteri Lencioni

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## **Sunday Collection July 1, 2018**

 Weekly Need:
 \$ 5,000.00

 Sunday Collection
 \$ 3,571.00

 Over/Under
 \$ 1,429.00

Peters Pence/

**Holy Father** \$ 1,075.00

If you make your offertory donation by check, without using parishioner envelopes, it would be most helpful if you placed your envelope # in the "memo" section of the check. This helps us input your donation to the offertory data system. We will not be responsible for donations not credited due to missing envelope numbers (or not having a Sunday collection envelope).



#### TIME TO REGISTER YOUR CHILD/CHILDREN

The St. Elizabeth Religious Education Program (CCD) is now accepting registration forms for grades Pre-K through 8 for the 2018-2019 school year. Registration forms, School Calendar and Family Handbook are now available online at <a href="https://www.stelizabethsf.org">www.stelizabethsf.org</a> and at the Parish Office (449 Holyoke Street). After completing the form, please bring it to the Parish Office with your registration fee of \$45.00. Classes begin September 8th. Please apply today. Thank you!

## **Volunteers Needed:**

Do you love the Lord and are you willing to share His message? Do you believe you can make a difference? Our Parish Family Needs You! School of Religious Education needs teachers/teacher aides for the 2018-2019 school year. Please consider volunteering to be a teacher at our weekly Religious Education classes.

Classes are from September 8, 2018 to the end of May 2019. Jesus needs you to share His love for his children! Our students need you. For more information, please call Tessie Alano at (415) 601-0310.

## **Religious Education Program**

Registration information for 2018-2019 classes has been distributed to all families who were enrolled in the 2017-2018-year program. These families can register by mail or bring the forms to the parish office (449 Holyoke Street) Monday to Thursday from 9:00 - 3:00pm beginning June 18th. You can also download registration forms at www.stelizabethsf.org. Thank You!



Congratulations to Steve and Josie Ghiglieri on celebrating their 40<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary

We offer Steve and Josie our sincere congratulations, prayers, and best wishes for many more years of happiness together.



The next parish support meeting will be on Thursday, July 12<sup>th</sup> at 2:00 pm.