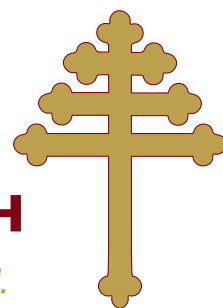




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SAINTS FOR THIS WEEK

- 2 Translation of the Relics of St. Stephen, the First Martyr
- 3 David the Prophet
- 4 St. John Vianney, the Curé d'Ars, C
- 5 Moses the Prophet
- 6 The Transfiguration of Our Lord
- 7 St. Doumit, M
- 8 St. Dominic, Founder of the Order of Preachers, C
Pope St. Sixtus II, M

THE ELEVENTH SUNDAY OF PENTECOST

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SATURDAY, AUGUST 1, 2026

Adoration 4:00 p.m.; Liturgy at 4:30 p.m.

SUNDAY, AUGUST 2, 2026

Rosary at 8:30 a.m.; 9:00 a.m.

GOSPEL

LUKE 19:1-10



He came to Jericho and intended to pass through the town. Now a man there named Zacchaeus, who was a chief tax collector and also a wealthy man, was seeking to see who Jesus was; but he could not see him because of the crowd, for he was short in stature. So he ran ahead and climbed a sycamore tree in order to see Jesus, who was about to pass that way. When he reached the place, Jesus looked up and said to him, "Zacchaeus, come down quickly, for today I must stay at your house." And he came down quickly and received him with joy. When they all saw this, they began to grumble, saying, "He has gone to stay at the house of a sinner." But Zacchaeus stood there and said to the Lord, "Behold, half of my possessions, Lord, I shall give to the poor, and if I have extorted anything from anyone I shall repay it four times over." And Jesus said to him, "Today salvation has come to this house because this man too is a descendant of Abraham. For the Son of Man has come to seek and to save what was lost."



JAMES TISSOT. ZACCHAEUS IN THE SYCAMORE AWAITING THE PASSAGE OF JESUS (ZACHÉE SUR LE SYCOMORE ATTENDANT LE PASSAGE DE JÉSUS), 1886-1894. by James Tissot. THE Brooklyn Museum.

Jesus never passes by a person without love. When we open our hearts to Him, as Zacchaeus did, He fills our lives with forgiveness, joy, and a new beginning.

Father will pray the
THE ANAPHORA OF THE TWELVE APOSTLES
beginning on page 754

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, August 1 at 4:30 p.m..

For the repose of the soul of Frank Bicio
Requested by his family

For the repose of the soul of Robert "Bob" Foley
Requested by his wife, Freda Foley

Sunday, August 2 at 9:00 a.m.

For the repose of the soul of Mayer J. Slaby
Requested by Jane and Sam Slaby

Feast of the Transfiguration of the Lord

Thursday, August 6 at 5:00 p.m.

Available

Saturday, August 8 at 4:30 p.m..

For the repose of the soul of Jemel Nejaime
Requested by his sisters Dulce, Lili and Jemeli

Sunday, August 9 at 9:00 a.m.

In memory of Mary Peters Dreisbach and
the deceased members of the Namtella and Rachel
Peters family.
Requested by Rae Cameron

Saturday, August 15 at 4:30 p.m..

In memory of Egidio Mainella
Requested by Deacon Steven

Sunday, August 16 at 9:00 a.m.

In memory of Fr. Terence Kristofak
Requested by Sub Deacon Mike Soliani

Saturday, August 22 at 4:30 p.m..

Available

Sunday, August 23 at 9:00 a.m.

Available

Saturday, August 29 at 4:30 p.m..

Available

Sunday, August 30 at 9:00 a.m.

Available

Saturday, September 5 at 4:30 p.m..

In memory of Dona Spino
Requested by her husband Nick and family

Sunday, September 6 at 9:00 a.m.

Available

*There is nothing so great as the Eucharist.
If God had something more precious, He would
have given it to us.*

St. John Vianney, Feast day August 4

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Sunday, August 2nd

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All are welcome!

We would love to see you
as we come together for the 94th year
in celebration of our heritage and our families!

A few weeks ago, Fr. Fadi and Deacon Steve spent a day with the Maronite Monks of Adoration at their Monastery in Petersham, MA. The Monastery of the Most Holy Trinity is a very beautiful and peaceful place and many people come to morning liturgy there, or stop by during the day to pray in the chapel.



clockwise from top left:

Fr. Robert, Fr. Fadi and Abbot Patrick; Abbot Patrick and Fr. Fadi; interior of the chapel; Fr. Fadi and Abbot Patrick

EPISTLE

EPHESIANS 2:17-22

He came and preached peace to you who were far off and peace to those who were near, for through him we both have access in one Spirit to the Father. So then you are no longer strangers and sojourners, but you are fellow citizens with the holy ones and members of the household of God, built upon the foundation of the apostles and prophets, with Christ Jesus himself as the capstone. Through him the whole structure is held together and grows into a temple sacred in the Lord; in him you also are being built together into a dwelling place of God in the Spirit.

IN LOVING MEMORY OF ROBERT THOMAS SIMON

JULY 30, 1985 – JULY 26, 2026



It is with profound sadness and broken hearts that we announce the passing of Robert Simon, who left this world on July 26, 2026, just days before his 41st birthday.

Rob was a devoted husband, an extraordinary father, a loving son, a cherished brother, and a loyal friend whose

kindness, humor, and unwavering generosity touched the lives of countless people. To know Rob was to know someone who always put others first. He had a remarkable ability to make everyone feel welcome, valued, and like family.

A man of deep faith, Rob's life was guided by his love of God, his family, his country, and his community. These values were not simply words to him—they were the foundation upon which he lived every day. He believed in serving others, standing up for what was right, and giving of himself without expecting anything in return.

For nearly twenty years, Rob proudly served the Torrington Police Department, dedicating his life to protecting and serving his community with integrity, compassion, and honor. Wearing the badge was more than a profession—it was a calling that reflected his love for his country and his commitment to making a difference in the lives of others. His service earned the respect and admiration of his fellow officers and the community he so deeply loved.

Rob is survived by his beloved wife, Jennifer Simon, and their two cherished sons, Colton and Beckett, who were the pride and joy of his life. He is also survived by his parents, Fred Simon and Jonna Loftus; his brother, Michael Simon and his wife Taylor, and his sister, Kimberly Mulville and her husband Conor, along with their families, who will forever treasure the memories they shared with him.

OUR PARISH PRAYER INTENTION FOR THE MONTH OF AUGUST IS A PRAYER FOR PEACE

My Beloved Lord, grant us your peace in our heart so that our life will never be lost. May your precious presence fill our life with joy and happiness. Amen.



The Pastor's Corner

SHORT ARTICLES AND NOTES

My Dear Friends:

To continue with *Why not?*

I am so glad to invite everyone to take a few moments to open your heart to the Lord.

- *Why not* spend five minutes with the Gospel?
- *Why not* visit someone who is lonely?
- *Why not* pray the Rosary this week?
- *Why not* light a candle and pray for peace?
- *Why not* spend less time on your phone and more time with your family this week?

I wish you all a blessed week ahead.

Fr. Fadi

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THE NEW TESTAMENT: REVELATION

Revelation, Chapter 22 is the final chapter of the Bible and gives us a beautiful vision of eternal life with God. The river of the water of life flows from God's throne, bringing peace, healing, and joy to all who belong to Him.

Jesus reminds us, "I am coming soon," calling us to remain faithful, holy, and full of hope. The Bible ends with a prayer that every Christian can make: "Amen. Come, Lord Jesus!"

WISDOM FROM THIS WEEK'S SAINTS

*We are each of us like a small mirror in which
God searches for His reflection.*

*We must take great care never to do anything before having said
our morning prayers...The Devil once declared that if he could
have the first moment of the day, he was sure of all the rest.*

St. John Vianney, Feast day August 4

*A man who governs his passions is master of the world. We
must either rule them or be ruled by them. It is better to be the
hammer than the anvil.*

*Through the Rosary and the Scapular, Our Lady will save the
world!*

St. Dominic, Feast day August 8



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