



Rivonia Catholic Church  
**OUR LADY OF LOURDES**

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## ***17<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year B***

*In Jesus, we see the overflowing love of the heart of the Father, wanting to feed and satisfy all people*

### ***The Pope's Prayer Intentions for August 2018***

*Universal : the Treasure of Families – that any far-reaching decisions of economists and politicians may protect the family as one of the treasures of humanity*

#### ***Weekday Mass Times***

Monday	30 July	08h30	St Peter Chrysologus, BD
Tuesday	31 July	08h30	St Ignatius Loyola, PR
Wednesday	1 August	<b>06h30</b>	St Alphonsus Liguori, BD
Thursday	2 August	08h30	St Peter Julian Eymard, Pr
Friday	3 August	08h30	<b>First Friday</b>
		17h30	Benediction followed by Mass
Saturday	4 August	No Morning Mass	

**Confessions Saturdays 11h30 to 12h00 and 16h30 to 17h15**

#### ***Mass times for Sunday***

Saturday	4 August	17h30
Sunday	5 August	07h30, 09h30, 17h30

#### ***Prayers of the Sick and for those who care for them:***

Churchill Ebersay, Nicky Callaghan, Mike Lawrence, Rose Foo, Marcelle Christian, Lexi Oliver, Eliza Jockuat, Gerhard Pretorius, Bianca Minucci, Ventura Rosenthal, Jacqueline Ming-Fok, Charlie, Benedict Kirama, Marilyn Davies, Fabio Renieri

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**Welcoming Ministry Dedication:** A calling to do what pleases God. Hebrews 13:1-2 (Letters of Faith in Action) *“Keep loving one another as Christian brothers. Remember to welcome strangers in your home. There were some who did, and welcomed Angels without knowing it”*. Join us as we launch the Welcoming ministry **at all Masses on 4/5 August 2018**. Together we make a family. Contacts: **Seja Tsanwani: 0829780189; Maabo Motlhose: 0615888283**

## PARISH NOTICES

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**Baptisms:** An appointment with the Priest is required before a child's baptism

**Baptism Talk:** The next talk will take place on **Wednesday 1 August 2018 at 18h00.**

**Marriages:** A notice of at least three full months is required before an intended marriage.

**Marriage Talk:** For anyone wishing to enquire about the requirements for preparation for marriage. The next talk will be on **Wednesday 8 August** at 1800 in the Office meeting room. Kindly contact the parish office to confirm attendance.

**Catechism and Confirmation Classes:**

**Catechism classes:** Sunday mornings from 8h30-9h15 – Grades 1-7.

**Confirmation classes:** Monday evenings from 18h00-19h00 – Grades 8-10.

**First Year Confirmands:** will assist at Mass on **Saturday 28 July 2018.**

**Adult Enquiry Class:** Every Tuesday at 18h00 in the office meeting room.

**Assumption of Blessed Mary All Night Vigil:** at the Cathedral of Christ the King on **18 August 2018** from 18h00-05h00. Further details from Archdiocese Liturgy & Divine Worship Dept, (011)402 6400.

**Renew Africa:** There will be a second collection at all Masses this weekend.

**Parenting Skills – Family Life Ministry:** will be held **every Wednesday from 25 July to 12 September 2018, 18h00 for 18h30**, in the Old Adoration Chapel. For more info, contact **Monica Martin: 0845806156.**

**Family Life - Ministry Dedication:** Strengthening of family life is one of the Church's pastoral priorities. The aim of the ministry is to provide training within a family focus and to address various aspects of care for families at parish level. Parishioners who wish to join and minister to families, please contact **Monica Martin: 0845806156; Beryl Mohr: 0827721932.**

**Feeding Scheme collection:** Tables will be manned at all Masses over the weekend of **11/12 August 2018.** Thank you for your generous support.

**Alpha: helping to answer the BIG questions!** Join the new season on **Tuesday 7 August 2018 at 19h00** in the parish hall – supper's on us! Contact **Stephen Orege: 0836256457, Glen Ford: 0829974066; Rene Minnaar: 0818583039.**

**Retrouvaille – Marriage Help:** The next programme commences the weekend of **3-5 August 2018.** For confidential information or to register, Contact: [joburg@retrouvaille.co.za](mailto:joburg@retrouvaille.co.za); call 0833397692 or visit [www.helpourmarriage.com](http://www.helpourmarriage.com).

**World Youth Day :** WYD pilgrims will be selling cupcakes for R10 and boerewors rolls for R30 after all weekend Masses. Please support them in their efforts to raise funds.

**Sandwich-making:** will take place on the Hall after the 17h30 Mass on **Sunday 5 August 2018.**

**Jumble Sale:** the next sale takes place **on Thursday 2 August 2018 from 12h00-13h00** in the Hall. Donations of clothing, household goods, books etc. would be most welcome! Thank you for your continued support.

**Feeding Scheme packing:** will take place in the Hall on **Wednesday 8 August 2018.**

**Prolife:** This newly formed group is part of the Family Life Group already established in the parish. The aim of the group is to support an ongoing effort to reduce the need for abortion happening in our country. Since the legislation, millions of babies have died. Help us to stop this genocide. For more info:

[heatherr@ats2000.co.za](mailto:heatherr@ats2000.co.za) or **Antonio: 0825702711.**



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### 17<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

#### Sunday Reflections

##### 1. Scott Hahn

**Bread Left Over: Scott Hahn Reflects on the Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

[Listen](#)

Readings:

2 Kings 4:42-44

Psalm 145:10-11, 15-18

Ephesians 4:1-6

John 6:1-15



Today's liturgy brings together several strands of Old Testament expectation to reveal Jesus as Israel's promised Messiah and King, the Lord who comes to feed His people.

Notice the parallels between today's Gospel and First Reading. Both Elisha and Jesus face a crowd of hungry people with only a few "barley" loaves. We hear similar words about how impossible it will be to feed the crowd with so little. And in both the miraculous multiplication of bread satisfies the hungry and leaves food left over. [Read More](#)

##### 2. Word on Fire by Bishop Robert Baron



**THE MYSTERY OF MASS**

[Click Here](#)

##### 3. The Jesuit Institute South Africa



(available after 12pm Fri)

[Click Here](#)

#### Spiritual Enrichment



##### **WHY DAVID TOOK OFF THE AMOUR AND WHAT WE CAN LEARN FROM IT**

If you're seeking to win the world's approval instead of God's, you're aiming at the wrong target. God calls us.... [Watch Here](#)



##### **THE MYTH OF THE BIRTH CONTROL COMMISSION**

*This week we commemorate the fiftieth anniversary of the promulgation of Humanae Vitae, the encyclical that confirmed longstanding Catholic teaching on birth control and warned prophetically of the social evils of a contraceptive culture.* [Read More:](#)

**RENEW ON AIR is LIVE on RADIO VERITAS** on Saturday July 28 at 17.00 (5 pm). We will be answering your call live on radio. SMS VERI with message to 41809 011 452 7115 (Studio Direct) Call us, SMS or go to the VERITAS Facebook page. Ask questions or just make a comment.

**RADIO VERITAS**, the Good news for a change on **576 AM or channel 870 DSTV**.

In most parishes in the Archdioceses of Johannesburg, Pretoria and Klerksdorp, among others, Renew Africa is currently exploring 'WHY CATHOLIC?' a process which uses Scripture and the Catholic Catechism in prayer and faith sharing as part of Small Christian Communities in order to develop our appreciation of our Catholic faith. The process unpacks Prayer; what we Believe, the Sacraments and Catholic Life over 8 Seasons. Are you involved yet? Contact your parish RENEW Africa Co-ordinator or email [duncan@hyam.co.za](mailto:duncan@hyam.co.za). We will be following this process on radio in September.