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GOD'S INDEPENDENCE DAY

By Beth Patch

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Independence Day — burgers and hotdogs sizzle on grills and fireworks burst in the sky. We eat, maybe hear The Star Spangled Banner, watch fireworks, and go home. July fourth has become commonplace, another day for big sales events and flying an American flag; far removed from the early celebrations marking the end of the Revolutionary War and founding a new country.

However, an Independence Day celebration approaches that will impress the whole world and never be diminished! We don't know its date and shouldn't believe anyone who tells us they do. But, no one on earth or in heaven will miss its importance; and it will mark a day of freedom from the greatest oppressor ever — Satan.

It is the day of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ's return. It is the beginning of real freedom, like no one has ever had before (except Adam and Eve before they sinned). Those who have believed in Christ's atoning blood for their sins and have trusted and believed in Him, might have what an old preacher of mine used to call "a Hallelujah breakdown!"

This Independence Day will release Christians from the many sins keeping them entangled. Imagine, no more sickness, no more addictions, no more gossip, no more unkindness, no more anything that does not reflect the positive attributes of the love of our Father God and our Lord Jesus Christ.



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FEASTS FOR JULY

The feasts on the General Roman Calendar celebrated during the month of July are:

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1 Junipero Serra (USA); St. Oliver Plunket, Opt. Mem. 3 Thomas the Apostle, Feast 4 Independence Day (USA), Opt. Mem. 5 Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time, Sunday 6 Maria Goretti, Opt. Mem. 9 Augustine Zhao Rong and companions, Opt. Mem. 11 Benedict, Memorial 12 Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time, Sunday 13 Henry, Opt. Mem. 14 St. Kateri Tekakwitha (USA), Memorial 15 Bonaventure, Memorial 16 Our Lady of Mount Carmel, Opt. Mem. 18 Camillus de Lellis (USA), Opt. Mem. 19 Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time, Sunday 20 Apollinaris, Opt. Mem. | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 21 Lawrence of Brindisi, Opt. Mem. 22 Mary Magdalene, Memorial 23 Bridget, Opt. Mem. 24 Sharbel (Charbel) Makhloof, Opt. Mem. 25 James, Feast 26 Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time, Sunday 29 Martha, Memorial 30 Peter Chrysologus; Solanus Casey, Opt. Mem. 31 Ignatius of Loyola, Memorial |
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The feasts of St. Anthony Mary and St. Elizabeth of Portugal (July 5) and Saints Joachim and Anne (July 26) are superseded by the Sunday liturgy. ☐

THANK YOU

... a small and simple phrase that comes from a grateful heart!

Psalm 106:2

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| <p>LAS VEGAS, NEVADA 800 Our Father Devotion July 18, 2020 Robert & Evelyn Pua</p> | <p>LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA 800 Our Father Devotion July 18, 2020 Adriana Arguello Vic & Alice Araneta Marco & Norma Gamboa Frank & Beth Lim Ben & Vincie Ong Leonida Putong</p> |
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OUR CENACLE CORNER

Seeking a deeper relationship with God
through meditation of passages from Holy Scriptures

Redemption and Salvation

GOD TOUCHED ME

*Publish his glorious deeds among the nations.
Tell everyone about the amazing things he does. — 1 Chronicles 16:24*

SPRING CLEANING

By Nina Keegan, Daily Devotional

*But when you pray, go to your inner room, close the door, and pray
to your Father in secret. And your Father who sees in secret will repay you.*

Matthew 6:6

Recently, and with great caution, I opened the door to my storage closet with the best intentions of doing some spring cleaning. I took one look inside at the cardboard boxes, bags of who-knows-what, a plethora of abandoned "tchotchkes" - you know, the things we haven't even seen in a couple years, all that stuff we couldn't possibly live without.

"Sigh," overwhelmed by the task, I promptly declared, "This is not happening today!"

Closing the door, I declared my spring cleaning officially finished. Out of sight, out of mind.

We tend to stuff things away, thinking we need to hold on to them just in case. We essentially become bogged down with weighty, old inventory. We stuff it all in there until alas, the door can finally close it all off to the world.

Our minds are so much like those over-stuffed, messy closets. What are we clinging to that is holding us back from a life of victory?

There is so much abandoned, but not forgotten junk we need to rid ourselves of. We are often overflowing with pain, deep hurt, unforgiveness, and bitterness. Or perhaps our closet is lined with approval addiction, fear of punishment, fear of failure, self-disqualification, trauma, grief, and loss.

Pain is the place where we can always meet authentically with God. He knows where you are, who or what has hurt you, and why. He is never surprised by what's in your closet. We cannot hide anything from God.

It is time to clean house and let everything go. It is time to make God our priority over our pain. God wants to meet you right there, in your closet. God wants to be the light in the darkness and restore you on every level.

For God, who said, "Let there be light in the darkness," has made this light shine in our hearts so we could know the glory of God that is seen in the face of Jesus Christ. 2 Corinthians 4:6 NLT

What have you endured for the sake of peace? What have you stuffed down because the process of letting go can be so painful?

Pain brings up what's really at the core of who we are. It pushes us past faking things for the sake of avoiding conflict. When we are face-to-face with the pain, which bin will we finally place it in?

It's time to ditch the obligation of pretending everything is OK. It's time to banish fear of disappointment. God is in charge! He wants us to be spotless, wiped clean, empty vessels, ready to be filled with His glorious power and purpose for life.

Therefore, if anyone cleanses himself from these things, he will be a vessel for honor, sanctified, useful to the Master, prepared for every good work. 2 Timothy 2:21 ESV

Seek Him first, "God where are you in this?"

He's is never not where we are.

Even through the pain, God is always good. He is always working out a testimony in us that ultimately brings us confidence in who He is. Being in the war with God (bringing Him into our mess) gives us a clear path to His faithfulness and promise of restoration. This makes it abundantly clear to us that our victory will ultimately glorify God.

Go into your closet, meet God there! It's time for some spring cleaning! God is waiting for you!

But thou, when thou prayest, enter into thy closet, and when thou hast shut thy door, pray to thy Father which is in secret. Matthew 6:6 KJV

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SPIRITUAL ENRICHMENT RECOMMENDED

SEEKING INSPIRATIONAL THOUGHTS AND PRAYERS THROUGH THE BIBLE

BY VICTOR ARANETA

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“ . . . I am your Mother Mary.

God Almighty is pouring the blessings continuously to America, a friend of the chosen people of God. The father of all deceit is asking for more time to inflict harm so faith will be tested.

My children, in a few days, you will know that God is GOD. But let us be close and pray, pray, pray. Pray before the Eucharist for the battle between good and evil will soon be furious. Angels of God will help and will be assigned in different parts of the human world.

The disease will soon be over and the real battle will be from corner to corner. Prepare and pray my beads of rosary every day. Prepare and pray, pray, pray, my children.

*Your Lady of the Rosary
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Upcoming Events

MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

1ST DAY

**THE HOLY OCTAVE OF CONSECRATION
TO GOD THE FATHER-
SUNDAY, JULY 26, 2020**

**GOD THE FATHER FEAST DAY -
AUGUST 2, 2020**

**LOS ANGELES | LAS VEGAS
PENDING CHURCH APPROVAL
TO BE ANNOUNCED LATER.**

**MOTHER MARY'S CROWNING
SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 5, 2020**

IN LOS ANGELES:
CONVENT OF THE SISTER DISCIPLES
OF THE DIVINE MASTER
501 N BEAUDRY AVENUE
LOS ANGELES, CA 90012

IN LAS VEGAS:
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Picture the sky filled with God's mighty angels, the sound of God's trumpet, which has to be the most beautiful and Currently, we have the Holy Spirit to guide us, to strengthen us, to comfort us, and to give us power through Christ's death and resurrection. However, we are still tripped up by sin as long as we live in this fallen world. When Jesus comes, all our ungodliness along with our negative baggage goes away. I can't think of a better freedom than that.

Actually, the whole scene of Jesus' return sounds so incredible, I doubt there are words to describe the immense emotional, spiritual, and physical response people will have.

The Bible tells us Jesus will return to earth just like He left, through the clouds (Acts 1:11b), with his angels (Matt 16:27), with the trumpet call of God and a loud command (1 Thessalonians 4:16). Scripture says believers in Christ will be changed in a twinkling of an eye and Jesus will destroy all dominion, authority, and power standing in opposition to Almighty God (1 Corinthians 15:52, 1 Corinthians 15:24).

Our earthly minds are limited in their comprehension of this miraculous time. It's a God thing, and try as we may, we can't peg down the details on how God will accomplish the return of Jesus Christ and the destruction of evil.

loudest sounding instrument, and our Lord Jesus shining radiantly as He leads His mighty angelic troop in the sky. Envision watching victory as Christ and his angels capture Satan and his demons, and justice is completed. It will be more graphic and stirring than any riveting movie Hollywood could ever think of producing.

Many theologians have studied the return of Christ and have disagreed about the order of when things happen and exactly how they happen. These varied opinions on the return of Christ and the disappearance of believers from the earth have created divisions among believers who desperately want to cling to one decided order of the end times.

My response to such division is that it won't matter how we interpret end times scriptures when God's day of Independence comes. Everything will be revealed in God's perfect timing. The Independence Day of our God will come when we least expect it and we are instructed to be ready as if it were the next moment. So, in case it happens to be today, Happy Independence Day! ☐

