

# OUR LADY OF VICTORY PARISH

300 Capt. Thomas Boulevard, West Haven CT 06516

“Let us then pursue what leads to peace and to build up one another.” (Romans 14:19)

July 25, 2021 | 17th Sunday in Ordinary Time



“There is a boy here  
who has five  
barley loaves  
and two fish;  
but what good  
are these  
for so many?”

John 6:9

## MASS SCHEDULE

Weekdays at 7:30 AM

*(except Friday)*

Saturday Vigil:

4:30 PM

Sunday:

8:00 AM, 9:30 AM and 11:00 AM

## RECTORY OFFICE:

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## CONFESSIONS

The Sacrament of Reconciliation

is available on Saturdays

from 3-4 PM in the Church.

Masks must be worn.

For the Staff Listing  
and Directory,  
see page 2.

Readings For Today's Mass: Page 5 | Music: Page 8

## PARISH STAFF

### Priest:

Fr. Robert Landback, Administrator  
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### Deacons:

Deacon Frank Bevvino  
Deacon Dean Macchio

### Music Ministry:

Eduardo Perez, Director

### Office Staff:

Ann Talevi, Business Manager  
Patty Boyne, Office Manager  
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## THE SANCTUARY LAMP

*this week honors*

**GRANT E.  
HODGDON.**

*requested by  
Grandparents  
Phyllis and Anthony  
Terrasi*



## Eucharistic Adoration

Adoration is a sign of devotion to and worship of Jesus Christ who is present Body, Blood, Soul, and Divinity under the appearance of the consecrated host.

It takes place on Saturday morning for one hour, immediately following the 7:30 AM Mass.

## Weekly Mass Intentions

*If you would like to honor a friend or family member with a Mass, please see available dates on pg. 6.*

**SATURDAY, July 24 — Weekday; Vigil**

4:30 PM: **Charles and Phyllis Wrenn, Req. by Douglas Wrenn**

**SUNDAY, July 25 — 17th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

8:00 AM: **Louis J. and Sylvia V. Petrillo, Req. by their son, Louis**

9:30 AM: **Jay R. Fay, Req. by Robin**

11:00 AM: **Don Ponak, William and Phyllis Lynch, Patricia Bianchine, Ann and Robert Sasso, Req. by the Lynch Family**

**MONDAY, July 26 — Sts. Joachim and Anne, Parents of the Blessed Virgin Mary**

7:30 AM: **Matthew Uscilla, Req. by Friends**

**TUESDAY, July 27**

7:30 AM: **Richard T. Doyle, Req. by Marilyn Moran**

**WEDNESDAY, July 28**

7:30 AM: **Special Intention, Req. by a Friend**

**THURSDAY, July 29 — St. Martha**

7:30 AM: **Mary Ahern, Req. by Sr. Denise**

**FRIDAY, July 30**

7:30 AM: **No Mass**

**SATURDAY, July 31 — Weekday; Vigil**

7:30 AM: **Intentions of Our Parishioners**

4:30 PM: **Nemia Natan, Req. by May Sarno**

**SUNDAY, August 1 — 18th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

8:00 AM: **Mickey Livi, Req. by Don and Carol Riordan and Mike and Sue Pimer**

9:30 AM: **Richard Greig, Req. by Jim Widman**

11:00 AM: **Diane Pomeroy, Req. by Mary Ann Iannotti**



*Welcome to Our Parish Family,*  
**Martino Richard Romanelli**

# Offering What We Have to God

*A Note from Fr. Landback*

The Gospel this weekend presents us with a turning point in the ministry of Jesus the Messiah: the multiplication of the “loaves and fishes.” A crisis has come about because thousands of people have followed Jesus to a remote spot and there is no apparent way to feed all of them.

Everything about this event reminds us of the miraculous rescue of the Hebrew people from the yoke of slavery in Egypt. In fact, the passage refers to Passover directly. Everything that follows evokes the Exile, which included the miraculous feeding of the people in the desert with manna, the Bread of Heaven. But as Christians, especially as Catholics, we also recognize that the Holy Eucharist is also clearly being foreshadowed.

At the critical moment, a boy comes forward offering the food he has brought: five barley loaves and two fish. Here, in a nutshell, we have the act of Christian worship, or as we Catholics say, “sacrifice.” Our worship involves a deliberate weekly offering up of our lives to God. The “Offertory” is that moment in the Mass

when we are invited to do just this: to put everything we are and everything we have at the disposal of God. This is the “leap of faith” for us.



When the boy does this, God does something quite amazing and uncanny: He multiplies its effects. The same thing happens when we offer to God our lives and our substance. He multiplies what we offer in ways that we can scarcely imagine.

## *Learning About the Mass* **The Preface Dialogue**

“Lift up your hearts.” “We lift them up to the Lord.” “Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.” “It is right to give him thanks and praise.” With this ancient dialogue we enter the Eucharistic Prayer, the heart of the Mass. These venerable words have been part of the Christian liturgy almost from the beginning—by the time of Hippolytus of Rome (c. 215) they were already fixed in the liturgy.

Several times during the Mass the priest has invited us to pray. There is something different here. We are invited to be “lifted up,” to ascend, to climb the Lord’s mountain, as it were, to go to a new place for this most solemn part of the Mass. And we are invited to a new frame of mind, a sense of joy, of focused dedication: our hearts must not be cast down, but lifted up, and lifted to the Lord. Why? Because we are going to give thanks—we are going to “eucharist!” It is right and just that we do this.

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## **Please Pray for Vocations**

Pray for an increase in vocations to the priesthood, religious life and diaconate.

To discern a vocation, call Fr. Michael Casey, Dir. of Vocations, Archdiocesan Pastoral Center,

Tel. (860) 761-7456,

E-mail [vocations@aohct.org](mailto:vocations@aohct.org)

or visit the web at [www.hartfordpriest.com](http://www.hartfordpriest.com).

**Weekly Offertory: \$7,622**

*July 12-18, 2021*

Your financial support is always appreciated as we grow our outreach and service to others and prepare to expand our prayerful community.

**Your offering is gladly accepted by mail, at**

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**or online.**

**Visit**

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**information.**



## **We pray for those who are sick.**

*Out of respect for whom we pray, only family members may add names to this list.*

Jason Adams, Maureen Alonso, Peter Alonso, Charles Asarisi, Augliera Family, Louis Altieri, Amanda, Valeria Asperelli, Priscilla Banning, Blane, Danielle Boros, Danny Caudell, Susan Civitelli, Kevin Colleran, Michael Cote, Rosalie, Lucy Anne Criscuolo, Deanna Cusano, Jeff Davis, DeNigris Family, Frank Dini Jr., Patti Dowling, Michael Duffy, Monique Ek, Sandy Eocai, Linda Foley, Tony Fusco, Maureen Freeman, Patti Fusco, Joseph Galatie, Geraldine, Therese Gill, Dee Green, Ray Guarino, Tom Halligan, Karen Hodgdon, Bill Kapinos, Hank Kowalski, Rose Jarvie, Florence Johnson, Ann LaBonia, Ann Langlais, James Leone, Patricia Lesko, Carmen Limauro, Claudine Lopez, Martin Luth, Theresa Luth, Charles Maddelena, Noah McEachern, Genevieve Mieczkowski, Theresa Montz, Edwin Morales, Mary Moran, Gabby Murillo, Veronica Murteza, Devin O'Connor, Judy Palmer, Joseph Pekar, Cheryl Porto, Kristin Purdy, John Rakos, Don Robillard, Elizabeth Ross, Marc Scecina, Elizabeth Shamaly, Jack and Joan Shea, Richard and Suzanne Smallman, Anthony Spina, Daniel Steinau, Gwen Stiewing, Anthony Terassi Sr., Anthony Terassi, Jr., Jessie Terassi, Tiernan, Lynn and Jacques Veillette, Doris Worrell



## **In loving memory, we pray for these souls.**

*Our Parish extends sympathy to the family and friends of:*

**Madison Cicarella, Tina Dent,  
George and Christopher Dittmar,  
Judith Bradley Pimer, Elaine Wilson,  
The Victims of the Coronavirus**

## **Please pray for those serving in our military.**

*Parishioners are invited to add the names of armed forces personnel on active duty to this list by calling the Parish office.*

Jeffrey Batres, USMC | Staff Sgt. Adam Dudek  
Staff Sgt. Danielle Luby | SPC Patrick Landback  
Pvt. Connor Davis USMC  
Cpl. Teagan Fransen, USMC  
SPEC Giovanni Gigola | Capt. William Austin  
Airman Gabriella Gigola  
Airman Aaron Butner | Airman Sean Hufcut  
E3 Lexi Ronan, USN | E5 Ryan Ronan, USN  
Pvt. Christopher Miller | SPC Alexander Capuras  
E4 Raymond Mayberry, USMC  
Senior Airman, Hunter Cole, USAF  
Airman 1st Class Skylar Hampton  
1st Lt. Pilot Michael Dupliesse  
2nd Lt. Jared Carlson  
Lance Cpl Chase Davis, USMC

## **Parish Monthly Devotion for July: *The Most Precious Blood of Jesus***

*May the Blood of Christ cover and protect us always!*

Eternal Father, I offer Thee the Most Precious Blood of Thy Divine Son, Jesus, in union with the masses said throughout the world today, for all the Holy Souls in Purgatory, for sinners everywhere, for sinners in the universal church, those in my own home and within my family. Amen.  
*(This is known as the Prayer of St. Gertrude.)*

O Eternal Father, I offer Thee, through the Immaculate Virgin Mary, the Precious Blood of Thy Son for the relief of the suffering souls in Purgatory.



# The Inconvenience of Caring for Others

By Deacon Frank Bevvino

Yes, you have read the title of this reflection correctly. It is seldom a convenient time for us when others reach out for help. There is always something more important that we have to do and besides, “once I get involved, it may mean that there will be other times when they call upon me to help.”

All of us, at some time or another, have found ourselves uttering these words. There is never a convenient time because there is always something that needs to be done. Helping others in their time of need can create conflict. Many reasons come to mind when rationalizing why I should not help. One of the reasons is that we put our needs ahead of others. In a way that is only natural; we do need to take care of ourselves first. Conflict in these situations is also created by not knowing what we can do to help. Perhaps the answer lies in the fact that we fail to trust that God will help us to help others.

Much of scripture tells us that God will provide for us when we are in need. So, wouldn't God help us by giving us the gifts we need to care for others? It sounds like a WIN-WIN, God helping us to help others.

Our readings this weekend continue the readings of previous weeks by showing us a compassionate, caring and loving God who expects us to care for each other. Our first reading tells the story of the prophet Elisha, a follower of the prophet Elijah. Elisha was a caring and compassionate person who sought to care for the people entrusted to him. Our story in the first reading compliments our Gospel reading this weekend concerning the feeding of many.

St. Paul, in a reading from the Letter to the Ephesians, pleads to the people of Ephesus to strive for unity among their community. He

stresses the need for patience, meekness and humility. He tells us we must use the Gifts of the Holy Spirit to meet the needs of the community. Only in acknowledging God's love for us can people meet the needs of their brothers and sisters, creating a community of peace and love.

Our Gospel from St. John is the familiar story of Jesus feeding the multitudes. It is a story



that appears in all four of the Gospels. Perhaps initially we may think, “gee, that's another nice miracle by Jesus.” As we hear it repeatedly, we may take it for granted that this was what Jesus did -- perform miracles. What we need to realize is that Jesus' miracles are actually a call for us to use His example to reach

out whenever possible to meet the needs of others. To allow the Holy Spirit to guide us to help those who are in need.

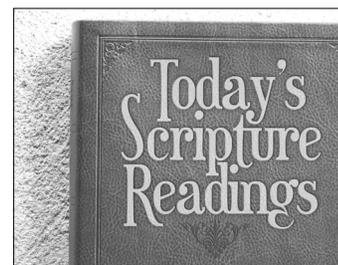
If we look at all of Jesus' miracles, they were not always at a convenient time. In fact, the needs of others come in the midst of other things that Jesus is trying to do. Yes, caring for others is at times inconvenient, but it is God's call for us to step back from our busy lives to be part of the body of Christ and to unify ourselves as children of God and brothers and sisters in Christ.

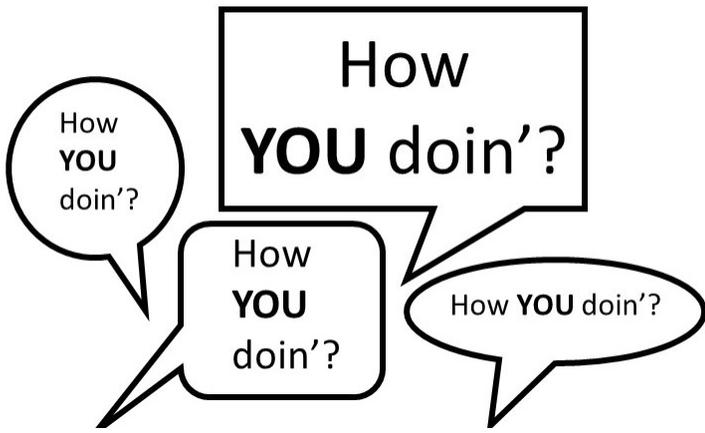
## Sunday's Readings: July 25

**First Reading** — Elisha feeds a hundred people with twenty barley loaves (2 Kings 4:42-44).

**Second Reading** — Paul urges the Ephesians to live in a manner worthy of the call they received (Ephesians 4:1-6).

**Gospel** — Jesus feeds a large crowd with five barley loaves and two fish (John 6:1-15).





## All are Invited on August 1

As we gradually get back to seeing each other in person, we seek to connect in many ways. Here's a great way to catch up with OLOV friends— old and new— and especially our new Administrator, Fr. Landback.

Join us on August 1 from 1:00-2:00 PM on our beautiful parish grounds. We will see each other face-to-face and ask, "How YOU doin'?"

Due to continued COVID precautions, **light, prepacked refreshments and cold drinks** will be provided by the Parish. **Please bring your own lawn/beach chair.** Event is planned rain or shine.



### Baptism Preparation Classes

Baptism Preparation classes will be held on the second Tuesday of each month via Zoom.

Please contact the Rectory Office to register for the class.

## Synod Closing Mass

August 13 | 6:30 PM  
 Oakdale Theater (Wallingford)  
 (Everyone is expected  
 to be in his or her seat by 6 PM.)

The Archdiocesan Synod brought together representatives from every parish in late 2019 to pray and discuss the future of the Archdiocese and to focus on our mission today. The representatives from our parish are Jim Messina and Laura Miklus.

The Synod is coming to a close and they have prayerfully adopted a plan for shaping our ministries. The Archbishop has committed himself to guide the implementation.

**If you would like to be one of the 30 participants to attend the Mass from this parish, please complete the form below and place it in the collection basket. Carpooling will be available.**

### Synod Closing Mass Sign-Up

*Place this form in the offertory basket.*

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Tel.: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

#### Are you interested in carpooling?

YES    NO

*If yes, check one:*    Passenger    Driver

## Remember a Loved One; Reserve a Mass in His/Her Honor



You may book Mass intentions for 2021 by calling the Rectory Office at (203) 934-6357. Donations for daily Mass intentions are \$15; weekend Masses, \$25.

#### Weekend Masses Now Available Through December:

4:30 PM Saturday Vigil | Sundays at 8:00, 9:30, and 11:00 AM  
 Weekdays at 7:30 am

**The Sanctuary Candle is available many weeks through December.**

## Religious Education News

### In-Person Registration

Monday, July 26 | 6-7:30 PM

On Monday, July 26, one night of "in-person registration" for religious education classes will be held outside the Church Hall, 6 PM to 7:30 PM. Blank registration forms will be available and tuition is due upon registration.



Grades 2, 3, 8, and 9 are the only classes open this year due to Covid-19 and lack of vaccine for children. Classes will take place outside beginning in September as long as weather permits. Seats will be distanced indoors after that.

Please see the Religious Education website for information:

[ourladyofvictoryreligioused.com](http://ourladyofvictoryreligioused.com)

### Join the Knights of Columbus

If you're interested in helping those in need, serving our parish, growing in faith, or obtaining exclusive access to top-rated insurance protection for your family, then the Saint John Paul II Council 14326 of the Knights of Columbus is the organization for you.

Saint John Paul II Council will conduct a membership drive after each Mass beginning July 17-18, and running through Aug. 7-8. Please consider joining our Council.

For more information, visit [kofc.org](http://kofc.org), or contact Tom Halligan at (203) 623-7430 or James Celestine at (475) 266-9906 and please leave a message. Or, fill in the form below and place it in the collection basket.



**Contact me about the  
Knights of Columbus.**

*Place this form in offertory basket.*

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Tel.: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

## "The ABCs of Annulment"

*Sponsored by the Metropolitan Tribunal*

Father Thomas Walsh, Pastor of Saint Augustine Parish, 10 Campbell Ave, Hartford, in collaboration with Father George Mukuka, the Judicial Vicar of the Metropolitan Tribunal in Bloomfield, will host "The ABCs of Annulment" on **Saturday of September 18**, from 10 AM to 12:00 PM, in the Church Hall at the address above.

Updates of the process initiated by Pope Francis as well as those made in the Archdiocese of Hartford will be presented by Br. Larry Lussier CSC in English, while Deacon Ramon Rosado will deliver the presentation in Spanish.

The "ABCs of Annulment" event is open to all at no cost. Participants will receive a folder with the required printed materials. No registration is required. For further information call Br. Larry @ 475-221-8464 or email him at: [brolarlus300@gmail.com](mailto:brolarlus300@gmail.com).

## Automated External Defibrillator (AED)

*Would you like to be trained to use one?*

The University of New Haven has donated two AEDs to our Parish. AEDs are portable, life-saving devices designed to treat people experiencing sudden cardiac arrest, a medical condition in which the heart stops beating suddenly and unexpectedly.

The Fire Marshal has offered training in how to use them and the Knights of Columbus will be organizing a workshop. If you are interested in attending, please complete the form below and place it in the offertory basket. You will be contacted with the date and time.

**Yes! I want to be trained on the AED.**

*Place this form in the offertory basket.*

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Tel.: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

I will sing and  
make melody  
to the LORD.

Psalms 27:6



## MUSIC SUPPLEMENT:

The next few pages serve as your  
personal hymn book as we come together again.

### OPENING SONG:

#### TABLE OF PLENTY

Dan Schutte

**Refrain**

Come to the feast of heav-en and earth! Come to the ta -  
- ble of plen - ty! God will pro-vide for all that we  
need, here at the ta - ble of plen - ty.

**Verses**

1. O come and sit at my ta - ble where saints and  
2. O come and eat with-out mon-ey; I wait to wel-come the lost and  
3. My bread will ev - er sus-tain you through days of  
4. Your fields will flow - er in full-ness; your homes will

1. sin - ners are friends. I wait to wel-come the lost and  
2. drink with - out price. My feast of glad-ness will feed your  
3. sor - row and woe. My wine will flow like a sea of  
4. flour - ish in peace. For I, the giv - er of home and

1. lone - ly to share the cup of my love.  
2. spir - it with faith and full - ness of life.  
3. glad-ness to flood the depths of your soul.  
4. har-vest, will send my rain on the soil.

to Refrain

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### GLORIA:

Glo-ry! Glo-ry to God in the high-est. Glo-ry! Glo-ry to  
God in the high-est, and on earth peace to peo-ple of good will.

To Verses

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PSALM 145: 17TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME, YEAR B

**R.** The hand of the Lord feeds us; he answers all our needs.

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GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

Francis Patrick O'Brien  
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OFFERTORY:

IN THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

Bob Hurd

Refrain In the break - ing of the  
 Verses 1. Bread for the jour - ney, strength for our  
 2. Bread of the prom - ise, peo - ple of

bread we have known him;  
 1. years, man - na of ag - es, of  
 2. hope, wine of com - pas - sion,

we have been fed. Je - sus the  
 1. strug - gle and tears. Cup of sal -  
 2. life for the world. Gath - ered at

strang - er, Je - sus the Lord,  
 1. va - tion, fruit of the land,  
 2. ta - ble, joined as his bod - y,

be our com - pan ion;  
 1. bless and re - ceive now,  
 2. sealed in the Spir - it,

be our hope. (to Verses)  
 1. the work of our hands. (to Refrain)  
 2. sent by the Word. (to Refrain)

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# COMMUNION:

## BREAD OF ANGELS

Curtis Stephan



1. Bread of an - gels, we re - ceive you; with us
2. Cup of Mer - cy o - ver - flow - ing, fill us
3. Word in - car - nate, dwell with - in us; pierce our
4. Though un - wor - thy, we re - ceive you, sac - ra -



1. now a - bide. Pre - cious Je - sus, man - na of
2. with your grace; wine of pas - sion, O Son be -
3. hard - ened hearts. Ten - der Je - sus, Love so
4. ment di - vine. Bread of an - gels, ac - cept our



1. a - ges, with us now re - side.
2. got - ten, we flee to your em - brace.
3. gen - tle, nev - er let us part.
4. prais - es, let your glo - ry shine!



1. *Pa - nis an - gé - li - cus fit pa - nis hó - mi - num,*
2. *O res mi - rá - bi - lis man - dú - cat Dó - mi - num,*
3. *Te, tri - na Dé - i - tas ú - na - que, pó - sci - mus,*
4. *Per tu - as sé - mi - tas duc nos quo tén - di - mus,*



- 1, 3. *Dat pa - nis cáe - li - cus fi - gú - ris tér - mi - num.*
3. *Sic nos tu ví - sí - ta, si - cut te có - lí - mus.*



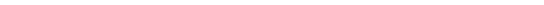
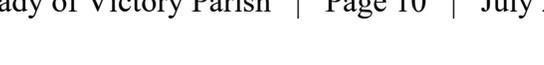
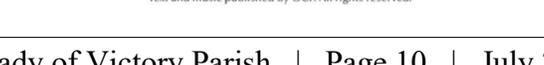
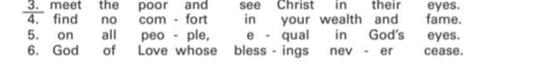
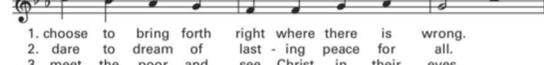
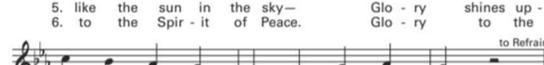
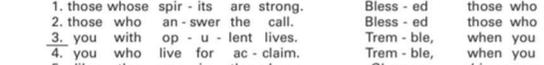
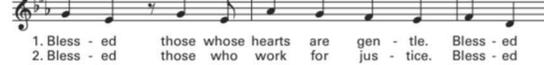
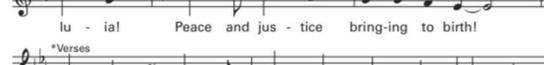
2. *Pau - per, Pau - per, ser - vus, et hú - mi - lis.*
4. *lu - cem, Ad lu - cem quam in - há - bi - tas.*

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# CLOSING SONG:

## ALLELUIA! RAISE THE GOSPEL

Bernadette Farrell



# Vocations Don't Just Happen: Ask Somebody.

Serra for Priestly and Religious Vocations

**WHY IS IT**  
A man wakes up after sleeping  
under an ADVERTISED blanket  
on an ADVERTISED mattress  
and pulls off ADVERTISED pajamas  
bathes in an ADVERTISED shower  
shaves with an ADVERTISED razor  
brushes his teeth  
with ADVERTISED toothpaste  
washes with ADVERTISED soap  
puts on ADVERTISED clothes  
drinks a cup  
of ADVERTISED coffee  
drives to work  
in an ADVERTISED car  
and then . . . .  
refuses to ADVERTISE  
believing it doesn't pay.  
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