

August 2, 2020
Eighteenth Sunday of Ordinary Times



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Office hours: Monday-Friday 8 a.m. - noon; 1 p.m. - 4 p.m.

WEEKEND MASSES:

Holy Rosary: Saturday 5:30 p.m. & Sunday 9:30 a.m.
St. Stephen: Sunday 8:00 a.m.

WEEKDAY MASSES:

Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday – 7:30 a.m.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Holy Rosary: Saturday 4:00 - 5:00 p.m.
St. Stephen: Sunday 7:30 a.m. – 7:45 a.m.
 or anytime by appointment

Mass Intentions

Saturday 5:30 p.m.	August 1 Cathy Bichsel
Sunday 8:00 a.m. 9:30 a.m.	August 2 Families of Holy Rosary and St. Stephen Nancy Yates
Monday	August 3 No Scripture Service
Tuesday 7:30 a.m.	August 4 Lawrence & Rose Bono
Wednesday 7:30 a.m.	August 5 Daughters of Isabella
Thursday 7:30 a.m.	August 6 Harry & Maria Yates
Friday 7:30 a.m.	August 7 Dennis & Donna Long and family
Saturday 5:30 p.m.	August 8 Bernard & Phyllis Bichsel
Sunday 8:00 a.m. 9:30 a.m.	August 9 Families of Holy Rosary and St. Stephen Jack Campbell

Your Gifts to God and Parish

July 5	\$ 8,943.00
July 12	\$ 5,512.50
July 19	\$ 5,984.50
July 26	\$ 4,850.75

Prayer Intentions for the month of August

Intention of Pope Francis: We pray for all those who work and live from the sea, among them sailors, fishermen and their families.

Intention of Bishop McKnight: For our parish and school communities, that we may be bound by a spirit of unity to work together for the common good during the pandemic.

One does not live on bread alone, but on every word that comes forth from the mouth of God.
 Matthew 4:4

Liturgical Ministries

August 8 - 5:30 p.m. Mass

Rosary: Volunteer
Servers: Maddix Dowell and Natalie Harris
Eucharistic Ministers: Debbie Durbin, Teresa Harris, Ruth Ann Lorenson
Lector: Wayne and Gina Carroll
Ushers: Kent Bichsel, Bill Couch, Jerry Durbin, Ron Dean
Vocalist/Accompanist: Donna Long and Sr. Sue

August 9 - 9:30 a.m. Mass

Rosary: Phil & Donna Thompson
Servers: Kyndal Benson and Kyle DeLaporte
Eucharistic Ministers: Kay Elliott, Tonya Elliott, Toni Hunter
Lector: Linda Bichsel
Ushers: Danny Benson, Mike Bichsel, Jerry Copenhaver, Volunteer
Vocalist/Accompanist: Tim Dennison and Connie Walker



Why do Catholics call priests Father? One of the common objections evangelical Christians have to Catholics is our practice of calling priests by the title Father. They will often cite a passage in Matthew's Gospel in which Jesus tells his followers: "Call no one on earth your father; you have but one Father in heaven" (23:19). It seems pretty straightforward, but when we put this verse in context, we see that Jesus is speaking out against religious leaders who had forgotten what their proper role was and who were bad examples through their own hypocrisy and elitist attitudes.

In other Gospels, we find Jesus himself using the title father for different characters, such as in the Parable of Lazarus and the Rich Man (Luke 16:19-31) and the Parable of the Prodigal Son (Luke 15:11-32). If we put the verse from Matthew into the full scope of Jesus' teachings, he isn't saying that we can't use words like "father," "rabbi," or "master." Rather, he is telling us that we should be mindful of the full meaning of those titles and not to misuse them.

To call a priest "Father" is more than a sign of respect for the office of the priesthood. It goes all the way back to the way St. Paul understood his own work as a missionary and evangelizer. Paul wrote, "I am writing you in this way not to shame you but to admonish you as my beloved children ... It was I who begot you in Christ Jesus through my preaching of the Gospel. I beg you, then, be imitators of me. This is why I have sent you Timothy, my beloved and faithful son in the Lord" (1 Corinthians 4:14-17).

Yes, we have God alone as our heavenly Father, but there are also those here with us who nurture and nourish our faith through their teaching and care. This is why the title of Father has been applied to the church's pastors in different ways since the earliest days of the Church, including monks and nuns using the title "abbot" and "abbess" (from abba) for their spiritual leaders and Christians around the world recognizing the "Holy Father" or "pope" (from papa) as the head of the family that is the Church. The title Father is a reminder that priests have a special responsibility to care for, protect, feed, listen to, and nourish those who have been entrusted to them, all after the example of our Father in heaven who never ceases to give us what we truly need. ©LPI

Welcome back Fr. Greg! We hope you enjoyed your vacation. You were greatly missed.

Readings for August 9, 2020

1st Reading – 1 Kings 19-9a, 11-13a Elijah the prophet heard the Lord's voice not in the wind, not in an earthquake nor in fire, but in a tiny whisper. When he heard the Lord, Elijah hid his face in his cloak, overcome with awe.

Responsorial Psalm – Psalm 85-9, 10, 11-12, 13-14 Lord, let us see your kindness, and grant us your salvation.

2nd Reading – Romans 9:1-5 Paul wrote that he would willingly accept being separated from the Christ for the sake of his fellow Israelites, from whom came the Messiah.

Gospel – Matthew 14:22-23 Jesus walked on the water. He called to Peter in the boat with the other disciples. Peter stepped out on the water until his faith faltered and he began to sink. Then Jesus stretched out his hand to save Peter.

On the Calendar...

August 17 – Holy Rosary school registration

August 20 – Holy Rosary classes begin

August 22 & 23 – PSR registration

September 10 – Daughters of Isabella meeting 5 p.m.

PERPETUAL ADORATION CHAPEL – Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament will be on Tuesdays and Fridays from 8 a.m. - 8 p.m. until further notice. **Everyone is welcome to come at any time during those 12 hours for prayer and adoration.** You must keep yourself 6 feet from one another and wear a mask/ face covering. Sanitize your hands as you enter and leave church. Please disinfect your area when you leave with the disinfectant wipes provided at the church doors. Please do not sit in pews that are "roped off."

For all who are ill, especially those who are awaiting or recovering from surgery, the seriously ill, their care-takers and families; and for those who have died.

~ We pray to the Lord.

Please pray for:

John Kendrick	Bonnie Werner	Michael Kellerman
Deacon Mike Long	Trent Zeiger	Hazel Smith
Sue Gilbert	Natalee Amos	Rosemary Evans
Deanna Buckman	Nick Hays	Jackie Ryan
Logan Maher	Daniel Patrick Mudd	Troy Ritter
Kenneth Ryan	Bonnie Ess	Barbara Kendrick
Connie Kendrick	William P. Smith	Teresa Ritter Toland
Mark Leake	Nick Mudd	

MO Catholic bishops support Medicaid Expansion

on August 4th Ballot - Expanding access to Medicaid will help many low-income, working Missourians get access to healthcare coverage through the Medicaid program. It will also help Catholic hospitals improve their operating margins by reducing uncompensated care. The Missouri bishops are supporting this effort. Will you join them? For more information on Medicaid, and to listen to a podcast about the Medicaid expansion ballot proposal (Amendment 2), please visit the Missouri Catholic Conference website at www.mocatholic.org

CATHOLIC RADIO Have you been on vacation this summer? Many have not, especially this year—but no matter. Faith never takes a vacation. Whether in town or out, Covenant Network can increase your awareness of faith in your life as it offers inspiring and informative programming throughout the day and night. In addition to the Mass and the Rosary, the Angelus, the Divine Mercy Chaplet and other prayers are offered daily. It features call-in shows that answer questions about Scripture, Church history, the lives of the Saints and current events. Stay in touch with your faith by listening to the Covenant Network app on your mobile device or at ourcatholicradio.org.

Daughters of Isabella news: As a precaution, we have decided to cancel the August 13th meeting. A meeting has been tentatively set for September 10th at 5 p.m. in the Knights of Columbus hall. Please keep all of our members in your prayers especially those in the nursing homes.

~~~~~ School News ~~~~~

We are looking forward to in-person classes beginning on Thurs. August 20.

Kindergarten Registration will be held on Thursday evening August 13, at 6:30 in the school cafeteria. This meeting is not mandatory, but all kindergarten students are welcome.

Registration for students in grades 1-8 (or kindergarten, if they didn't come on August 13) will be held on Monday August 17. Families with last names beginning with the letters A-K are asked to come between 4:00 and 6:00. Families with last names beginning with the letters L-Z are asked to come between 6:00 and 8:00. This is an opportunity for students and parents to greet teachers, receive important information and to pay school fees. Parents are asked to bring their completed Emergency Information Forms. Families are asked to wear masks/face coverings and to social distance as much as possible.

Pre-School Classes are scheduled to begin on Monday, August 24.

Anyone needing information concerning Holy Rosary School may call the school office (573-735-2422) or Sr. Sue Walker (573-822-9056). Information can also be found at www.holyrosaryschool.com

From the desk of Deacon Mike

The Book of Saints and Heroes/
by Andrew & Lenora Lang
Books / Kids & Teens

The first Christians to visit Europe and the British Isles met pagans who told tales of fairies, talking beasts, and other wonderful things. To these marvelous stories, they soon added new ones about the Christian saints. Some were true, others improbable, and many simply fantastic. In the ones we include here, you'll meet the saint who spent seven Easters on a whale's back and the amiable lion who was St. Jerome's friend. You'll see St. George fight the dragon, and you'll read about the fierce wolf St. Francis of Assisi converted. But many of these stories have in them scarcely a wave of the fairy wand. So you'll also find here true tales of great saints such as St. Louis of France, St. Vincent de Paul, St. Francis Xavier, and St. Elizabeth of Hungary—souls marked by courage, kindness, and piety. These marvelous legends and exciting true stories of Christian saints and heroes will provide many hours of delightful reading to believers and non-believers alike!

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Following God's Lead along with Donna

2020 Seniors, as you move on to college stay connected with your faith. Newman Connection can help you connect with a Catholic Ministry at your college campus. Sign up here to get more information <https://signupnc.newmanministry.com/>.

2020/21 PSR registration will be August 22 and 23 following Mass at St. Stephen and Holy Rosary. If you are unable to register that weekend, you can register online at: https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSfvoLd_tE0c7ZfDLRkLlRRIIzLDxs5gQzb9x68GIVP3h2CQq/viewform?usp=sf_link.

Contact me with questions anytime at donnalng.hrss@gmail.com or call me at the rectory, 735-4718, my office hours are 8:00 am to Noon, Monday through Friday.