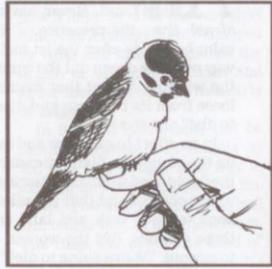


June 25, 2017

Ordinary Time

Twelfth Sunday



The Joy of Discipleship

As glorious and as much of an honor as discipleship may be, it can also be very different. The strength needed to continue to carry on Jesus' mission in the world despite its hardships can only come from God. We are not thrown into the world to fend for ourselves. God cares for us more than for the sparrows yet even they are fed by God. How comforting it is to know that.

Flowers for the Altar this weekend are donated by Natalie & Kevin Krejci in memory of their grandparents on the occasion of their wedding.

Today's Bulletin is in memory of Evelyn Darilek sponsored by her family.

MASS INTENTIONS

- Wednesday, June 28
8:00 a.m. Annie B. Barta
- Thursday, June 29
8:00 a.m. Leroy Nieto Jr.
- Friday, June 30
8:00 a.m. Frank Heinrich
- Saturday, July 1
6:30 p.m. Geraldine Tousek Jochen
- Sunday, July 2
6:30 a.m. Frank Heinrich
9:30 a.m. Henry Jalufka

PREPARING FOR SUNDAY LITURGY

Next weekend is *The Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time*. Prepare for the liturgy by reflecting on these passages from your Bible.

First Reading: 2 Kings 4:8-11, 14-16a

Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 89

Second Reading: Romans 6:3-4, 8-11

Gospel: Matthew 10:37-42

Remember the sick in your prayers this week, especially Betty Lou Maeker and Marvin Rothbauer.

The Sanctuary Light will be lit this week in memory of Annie Mae Dierschke.

2017 DIOCESAN SERVICES APPEAL

2017 Assessment	\$17,303.00
Contributions So Far	\$ 8,470.00
Amount Yet to be Contributed	\$ 8,833.00

Do please consider making a donation.

ST. JOSEPH'S MEMORIAL FUND

In Memory of Christina Darilek: Mary Lou Dierschke

ST. JOSEPH'S CEMETERY FUND

In Memory of Christina Darilek

Gladys Seifert

Evelyn Kubicek

Caroline & James Freytag

Lorene & Dennis Fishbeck

In Memory of Myrtle Eilert: Lorene & Dennis Fishbeck

CHURCH PICNIC BULLETIN BOARD

Our Parish Picnic will be here before you know it – September 17. Here is an update on the Picnic.

Picnic Chairpersons look out for a letter in the mail.

Raffle Tickets will be in the mail this week. Parishioners are being sent two tickets to help sell. Join in the effort for a successful Picnic.

Donation – \$30 32 prizes given away!

Grand Prize - \$5,000.00 Gift Certificate

Thank you,

THE WEEK AHEAD

- TUESDAY – Quilting Group Meets, Quilting Room
- THURSDAY – Quilting Group Meets, Quilting Room
– KC Bingo, 7:30 p.m., Moulton Oaks Hall
- FRIDAY – Parish Office closed on Fridays. For any Pastoral emergency, call the Parish Office at any time.

Pray for the repose of the soul of

George Cinadr

and for the comfort of his loved ones.

May he rest in peace.



JULY CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- July 2 – Sts. Cyril & Methodius Church Picnic, Dubina
- July 4 – Independence Day, Parish Office Closed.
– No Quilting Today; Church Picnic: St. John's
- July 6 – Quilting Group Meets; KC Bingo
- July 6-9 – Teen A.C.T.S. Retreat
- July 7 – First Friday Eucharistic Adoration
- July 10 – Altar Society Meeting
- July 10-14 – Vacation Bible School
- July 11 – Quilting Group Meets
- July 12 – Christian Mothers Prayers
- July 13 - Quilting Group Meets; KC Bingo

– to be continued

REFLECTION

Fear No One

This Sunday we continue to read Jesus' instructions to the twelve as he sends them out to preach the good news of the Kingdom. Jesus warns them that they will suffer persecution so he shows them how to act when they are facing persecution. The disciples are told: *Fear no one* because they should be confident that good will prevail and the truth will win out.

They are also told that they need not fear because God is in charge and that no event occurs without the Father's knowledge, even one so apparently insignificant as the death of a sparrow. Jesus challenges our tendency to fear God's inattentiveness to our issues. He assures us *Even all the hairs of our head are counted*.

Jesus encourages us to choose fidelity to our mission over fear of our persecutors. Fidelity is the path to eternal life and eternal life is the fruit of fidelity.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

Jun. 25 – Kenneth Filipp
Jun. 26 – Michael Hanslik, Kenton Kirkland, Heather Welfl
Jun. 29 – Pauline Welfl
Jun. 30 – Mary Lou Dierschke, Pat Lawrence
Jul. 1 – Marvin Jasek

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY!

Jun. 25 – Anne & Daniel Raabe
Jun. 28 – Mary Ann & Dwight Henry
– Patricia & Leroy Mikulencak, Jr.
– Nancy & Charles Tomek
Jun. 30 – Kelly & Adam Nieto
Jul. 1 – Fr. Gabriel: Ordination Anniversary!

YOUTH MINISTRY NEWS

27th Annual Vacation Bible School – July 10-14

Plans are underway for another exciting Vacation Bible School. 39 children have signed up.

Daily snacks & refreshments are provided by:

Mon. – Catholic Daughters Tues. – Altar Society
Wed. – Christian Mothers Thurs. – K.J.Z.T. Society
Fri. – Knights of Columbus

Another V.B.S. Donation: K.J.Z.T. Society #14 - \$100
Donations are welcome. Monetary, snacks & refreshments.

Youth Ministry Donation
K.J.Z.T. Society #14 – \$100

Through the waters of Baptism
Hunter Wayne Pilat
child of Sherri Malik & Justin Pilat
has begun his journey of faith
in our Christian faith community.



SECOND COLLECTION NEXT WEEKEND

PETER'S PENCE



The Peter's Pence collection enables the Holy Father to respond with emergency financial assistance to requests to aid the neediest throughout the world – those who suffer as a result of war, oppression, and natural disasters. It likewise provides the faithful with a tangible opportunity to not only empower the weak, defenseless, and voiceless, but also sustain those who suffer.

Please be generous.

LITURGICAL ORIENTATION

Wearing The Green Vestments

We have been in Ordinary Time for two weeks already but this is the first Sunday we go back to green vestments and leave behind the Solemnities that follow the Easter Season. This is the Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time. In today's Second Reading, Paul offers a crucial truth that could well be our theme for all of Ordinary Time and beyond.

For if by the transgression of the one the many died, how much more did the grace of God and the gracious gift of the one man, Jesus Christ overflow for the many. (Romans 5:15)

What an important and central truth of our faith! Yet only a few Catholics really see that God's grace is stronger in us than our own sins. We still labor under the weight of centuries of over-emphasis on sin and guilt as a way to push people into moral behavior. We have been much less focused on pulling people toward good behavior by reminding them of God's love for them. We need to grow beyond fear, guilt and shame to a deep awareness of God's grace in our lives. Gratitude for God's gifts should be the motivation for our lives. It is also the basis for our celebration of the Eucharist. When we feel grateful to God then our celebration becomes a joy rather than an obligation. When people see us sharing God's love in service to others, people feel attracted to Christ and to the Church. However, if our attitude is not different from theirs – distracted by many things and shaped by consumer culture that is ultimately self-centered then we are not fulfilling our mission. Most people are not attracted by those who spend their energy judging and condemning others but by those who show others God's mercy and compassion.

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK



You don't have to be skilled or have to know someone who knows someone to get the job. The Kingdom has lots of positions open... Jesus will train you! Jesus does not hire the equipped he equips the hired. Apply by asking Jesus in prayer what is his will for you.