

September 20, 2015

TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Fr. Steve's Quotes for Consideration:

"Pray, hope and don't worry. Worry is useless; God is merciful and will hear your prayer."

-St. (Padre) Pio of Pietrelcina (1887-1968)

This weekend's quote is from a familiar source for many of us: St. Pio of Pietrelcina, popularly known as "Padre Pio." St. Pio of Pietrelcina was an Italian priest who belonged to the Capuchin Order, and became known as a fantastic confessor and spiritual advisor. He is also well-known for his experiencing the Stigmata- bleeding wounds in the palms of his hands and on his feet of supernatural origin. The Stigmata has been experienced by several of the great saints throughout the history of the Church as a way in which God has allowed some of His closest followers to quite literally share in the physical suffering that He experienced during his crucifixion and death. For Padre Pio, these continuously bleeding wounds were a source of much difficulty. Besides being a nuisance (due to the flow of blood) and painful, there were those who accused him of faking the stigmata to get attention. Because of this, he often wore mittens to cover up the wounds. But the stigmata he experienced was real, and Padre Pio was canonized a saint by St. John Paul II in 2002. The Church celebrates his feast day on September 23rd.

The quote above by St. Pio is perhaps one of those quotes that strikes us as "easier said than done." We all struggle with worries in our lives. After all, there are many things that we think we should worry about- finances, work, our children, our health, etc. Not to mention sudden tragedies, difficulties and challenges that often pop up unexpectedly. So how can Padre Pio be so bold in saying, "Pray, hope and don't worry?" Because, quite simply, he was convinced that if we *truly* believe that we are not in control of our lives, and if we *truly* entrust our very lives and the lives of our family and friends to God, and if we *truly* believe that God always acts in our best interest and in a way that gives us the best opportunity to attain salvation, what do we have to worry about? Our lives are not our own, as much as we might like to think that they are. We belong to Jesus Christ. Thus when we are tempted to be anxious and worry about something, our response ought to be to turn to our loving Friend and Savior in prayer, ask Him to give us the courage and strength to hope in Him, and then let go. Often times we can't let go of our worries right away, but our goal should be to leave all our worries in God's hands- he can deal with them a whole lot better than we can anyways! God bless you!

Faith Formation Kick-Off is Wednesday, September 30 at 6 pm. The evening will start with dinner, followed by classes for everyone. All students who were enrolled in last year's program are automatically re-enrolled for this year. If this has changed for your family or if you have a new student in Preschool-Grade 11 who needs to enroll, please contact the Parish office. The **Adult Formation is open to everyone**, not just the parents, so please join us. For the first week, we'll have a brief summary of the new safe environment program followed by **Father Steve's introduction to his series on the Sacraments**. If you have children younger than preschool, please let the church office know and we'll have child care available. We are looking forward to another great year!

Knights of Columbus will be doing their semi-annual roadside clean-up on **Thursday, September 24**. They will meet at Tettegouche at **10 am**.

Knights of Columbus and the KC Auxiliary meeting on **Thursday, September 24 at 7 pm**.

St. Mary's Prayer Shawl Ministry group will meet on **Wednesday, September 23**, at **1 pm** in the Community Room at Silverpointe Apartments. We welcome new members. Knit/crochet/goodies. If you have any questions contact Lana at 353-7714.

Save the date for Eucharistic Ministers: There will be training for all Eucharistic Ministers on **Sunday, October 18** or **Sunday, October 25**. The training will be immediately following Mass and will last approximately a half hour. If you are currently a Eucharistic Minister or would like to be in the future, please attend one of these important sessions.

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Parish Office Located in Rectory 8 am - 2 pm Monday - Thursday **Office/Rectory** 226-3100 **Fax Machine** 226-3116

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Eucharistic Adoration Thursdays 8:45 am - 3:00 pm **K of C Auxiliary Prayer Chain** 226-3639 or 226-3351

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Fr. Michael Lyons (218) 830-1600 **Fr. Michael's Email**: mjlyons16@gmail.com

Saturday	<i>ST. JANUARIUS</i>	09/19/15
7:15 p.m.	Mass — <i>Intention for Louise Frank</i> ☩ Reader.....Jeff Asmussen Cantor.....Andy Buell Plate.....Deacon Fred Wright Chalices....Leanne Buell Chalices....Don Seipke Servers.....Laurese McKinney & Mita Frericks Gifts.....Volunteers	
Sunday	<i>25TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME</i>	09/20/15
7:50 a.m.	Sacrament of Penance	
8:30 a.m.	Mass — <i>Intention for All Parishioners</i> Reader.....Greg Johnson Cantor.....Kim Josephson Plate.....Deacon Fred Wright Chalices....Marge Jorgenson Chalices....Judy Zupancich Servers.....Lucas Stadler & Jake Stadler Gifts.....Volunteers	
Monday	<i>ST. MATTHEW</i>	09/21/15
Tuesday	<i>WEEKDAY IN ORDINARY TIME</i>	09/22/15
7:50 a.m.	Rosary	
8:15 a.m.	Mass — <i>Intention for Henry & Rose Stoffel</i> ☩	
7:30 p.m.	AA Meeting	
Wednesday	<i>ST. PIUS OF PIETRELICINA</i>	09/23/15
7:50 a.m.	Rosary	
8:15 a.m.	Mass — <i>Intention for Edna Pierce</i> ☩	
Thursday	<i>WEEKDAY IN ORDINARY TIME</i>	09/24/15
7:50 a.m.	Rosary	
8:15 a.m.	Mass — <i>Intention for Charles Jenniges</i> ☩	
8:50 a.m.	Adoration	
Friday	<i>WEEKDAY IN ORDINARY TIME</i>	09/25/15
7:50 a.m.	Rosary	
8:15 a.m.	Mass — <i>Intention for Henry & Rose Stoffel</i> ☩	
Saturday	<i>STS. COSMAS & DAMIAN</i>	09/26/15
7:15 p.m.	Mass — <i>Intention for Deacon Fred Wright</i> Reader.....Maria Riederer Cantor.....Rick Frericks w/Guitar Accpt. Plate.....Tom Frericks Chalices....Rose Elam Chalices....Jeff Asmussen Servers.....Zack Fredrickson & Caleb Geissler Gifts.....Volunteers	
Sunday	<i>26TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME</i>	09/27/15
7:50 a.m.	Sacrament of Penance	
8:30 a.m.	Mass — <i>Intention for All Parishioners</i> Reader.....Marge Jorgenson Cantor.....Rick Frericks w/Guitar Accpt. Plate.....Deacon Fred Wright Chalices....Sue Bahar Chalices....Gerry Bahar Servers.....Mita Frericks & Sheena Frericks Gifts.....Volunteers	

PLEASE KEEP THESE PEOPLE IN YOUR PRAYERS:

- † **Parishioners:** Susan Gelatic, Lanay Frericks, Richard Keseley, Lyle Shepersky, Alan Larson, Vicky Johnson, Sharon Kelley, Terry Scallen, Betty Dugas, Suzanne Seguin, Angie Pruse, Alma Ferris, Marlene Petersen, Deanna Larson.
- † **Clergy:** Fr. Ben Hadrach, Deacon Fred Wright, Fr. Francis Paquette.
- † **Relatives & Friends:** Ariana Marek, Mary (Baum) Bradley, Kerry Larson, Kennady Roberts, Diane Mayer, Don Hedin, Betty Westaby, Bob Martinsen, Dick Kunz, Johnny Jerabek, Lincoln Traut, Amy Buckner, Mae Dehnhoff, Elsie McGuire, Stephanie (Clifford) Martin, Jim Morcomb, John & Denise Kuchta (Elaine Rollins' nephew & his wife who are expecting quadruplets).
- † **Military:** Karen McGrane, Alex Seanger, Michael Seipke, Sam West, Chris Gensing, Sean Stebbins.

Registration is open for the **2015 Annual Diocesan Assembly!** The Assembly will be held on **Saturday, October 10**, at Marshall School in Duluth. The theme is "Transforming Catholics for the New Evangelization." Presenters from the Augustine Institute will help our parishes and schools form life-long intentional disciples of Jesus Christ. Breakout sessions for Catholic Educators/ Catechists, Adult Faith Formation, and RCIA are included. For more information or to register, please visit www.dioceseduluth.org or call Annette at 218-724-9111.

Second Annual Anniversary Mass & Luncheon: Couples from the Diocese of Duluth that are celebrating the **marriage milestone of 10, 20, 25, 30, 40, 50, 60, 70, 75 and beyond** are invited to our Second Annual Anniversary Mass and Luncheon on **October 11**. Mass will be at noon with Bishop Sirba and lunch will follow at Holy Rosary School, 2802 E. Fourth Street, Duluth. All are welcome at Mass but space for lunch is limited to the first 150 who reserve a space. The lunch will be free for the celebrating couples; however, additional family members are \$10/person. The cost per family member will increase to \$15 per person on September 30 and all reservations for lunch close on Monday, October 5. For more information please go to the Diocese of Duluth website at <http://www.dioceseduluth.org/>

Due to the Clergy Conference there is **no daily Mass on October 6-8** but we will have the Rosary & Morning Prayer each of those mornings.

LAST WEEK'S CONTRIBUTIONS

General Collection.....	\$2635.00
UCA.....	\$215.00
Home Missions.....	\$256.00