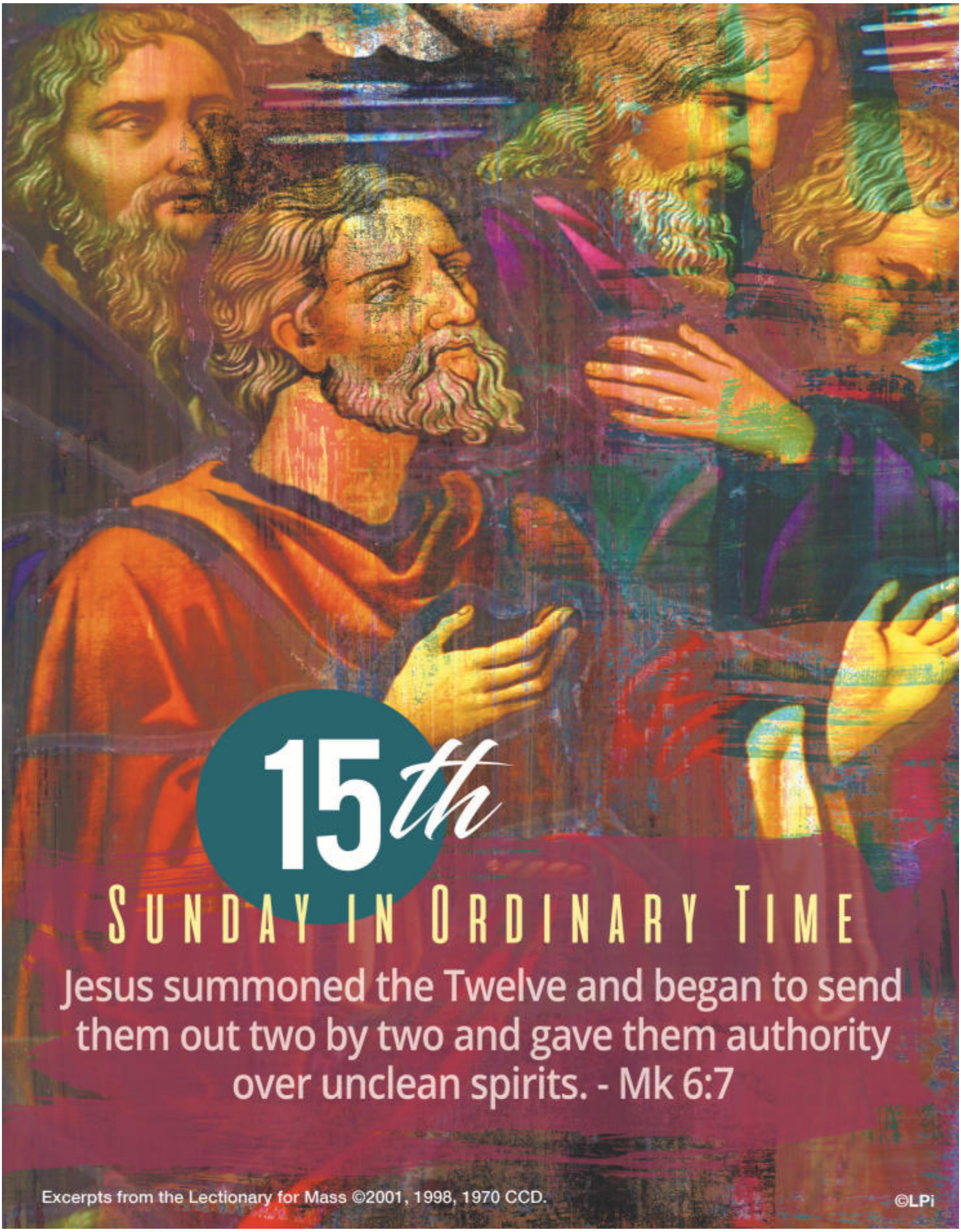
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SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
Jesus summoned the Twelve and began to send them out two by two and gave them authority over unclean spirits. - Mk 6:7
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Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

What We Carry from Town to Town

In my experience, there are two kinds of people: the folks who kick off their shoes the second they walk through the door, and the ones who don't.

People can feel strongly about this on both sides. The main thrust of the Shoes-Off Brigade seems to be this: we track a lot of weird stuff on the soles of our feet. Little reminders of all the places we've been — whether it's a private home or a public bathroom — cling to our shoes long after we leave.

This same theory applies to our spiritual lives. As human beings and as disciples, we visit a lot of figurative towns and pick up a lot of figurative dust. Sinfulness. Shame. Defeat. Anger. Fear. Doubt. No matter how hard we try to keep free of it, these things have a way of attaching themselves to us, sometimes without us even noticing. We need to take a good look at what unhelpful and unconstructive baggage from our past we're tracking into our present and future encounters.

What is the "town" God is asking you to visit today in His name? Is it a tough conversation with a friend, a brief witness to a stranger in the checkout line, a call to be present to someone in your family? Before you go, remember, shake off the dust. Don't let a past disappointment constrain you. Don't allow yesterday's failures or burdens to keep you from the joy of today's witness, whatever form it might take.

— Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS

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FESTIVAL NEWS — WE STILL NEED VOLUNTEERS!

Parishioners, this is the single biggest fundraiser for St. Rita this year.
Our success depends on having enough Volunteers to run it.

Please help by signing up online at the website below. It is easy to navigate.

https://www.signupgenius.com/go/70a054da9a623a31-strita1

The above link is also on our parish web site at: https://www.st-ritas.org/festival

If you are unable to sign up online, please call Marilyn (262-930-4299) or Diana (262-639-6465).

August 20th-22nd, 2021

THANK YOU!!!

Your generosity is greatly appreciated!!!

Weekend of July 4

Envelopes (79 donors)	$9,035.62
Plate (loose cash)	$301.00
Total Contributions	**$9,336.62**

Jazz in July

Fundraiser in support of Senior Companion Program!
Sunday, July 18, 2021 — 1 - 4 pm

Join us for an outdoor event held on the grounds of St. Sebastian's Parish! (3126 ~ 95th St. Sturtevant, WI 53177)

$25.00 per person. Includes pizza, dessert, and one free beverage of your choice. Additional beer, wine, soda and water will be available for purchase! Live Big Band, Jazz and Swing music featuring local musicians with the James Yorgan Sextet! Bring your own chairs, sun hats, sunscreen and dancing shoes! Tickets sold in advance! Reservations due by Monday, July 12th! Cash, Check or Credit Card accepted. Call us at 262-898-1941 or email us at scp@seniorcompanionprogram.org to reserve your spot today!

Volunteer Opportunities
2021 St. Rita Festival

Come and make sausage and meatballs for the festival.

Sausage prep

Wednesday, July 14	4 pm - 10 pm
Thursday, July 15	9 am - 2 pm 4 pm - 10 pm
Friday, July 16	9 am - 2 pm 4 pm - 10 pm

Stuffing

Saturday, July 17	10 am until done

Meatball

Thursday, July 15	9 am - 2 pm
Friday, July 16	9 am - 2 pm

Contact Sherry Heck at
262-989-5371
check1@wi.rr.com

Parish Activities

MONDAY 7/12

TUESDAY 7/13
7:00 PM Pastoral Council - *East Meeting Room*

WEDNESDAY 7/14

THURSDAY 7/15

FRIDAY 7/16
Parish Office Closed

SATURDAY 7/17
3:30 PM Reconciliation - *Church*

SUNDAY 7/18

Ministers
July 17 & 18

Lectors

4:45 PM	Sharon Gierahn Jean Peterson
8:00 AM	Rosemary VanTreeck Myra Fox
10:30 AM	Maggie Larsen Frank Pauc

Eucharist

4:45 PM	**Edie Mahoney** Nancy Mayer Pat Rossman
8:00 AM	**Joe Fojtik** Lisa Olesen Mark Schmitz
10:30 AM	**Ray Pawlak** Cathy Ramage Donna Dombrow Jennifer Zebrowski Georgiana Donohue Katie DeGroot

Altar Servers

Not at this time.

Mass Intentions

Saturday 7/10
Vigil Mass: 15th Sunday in Ordinary Time
4:45 PM † Hugo & Florence Lorenzini by Diane

Sunday 7/11 *15th Sunday in Ordinary Time*
8:00 AM † Belle Pioro and Estell and Russ Jewett by David Pioro

10:30 AM For our living and deceased parishioners

Monday 7/12
No Morning Mass

Tuesday 7/13 *St. Henry*
8:00 AM † Jack & Audrey Moore by friends and family

Wednesday 7/14 *St. Kateri Tekakwitha, Virgin*
8:00 AM † Catherine Fulmer by Chuck & Betty Majeski

Thursday 7/15 *St. Bonaventure, Bishop and Doctor of the Church*
8:30 AM † Sharon Buckson by the St. Rita Health Ministry

Friday 7/16 *Our Lady of Mount Carmel*
8:00 AM † Catherine Fulmer by Sharon Gierahn

Saturday 7/17
No Public Morning Mass

Vigil Mass: 16th Sunday in Ordinary Time
4:45 PM † Esther Roach by Dave & Nancy Wehling

Sunday 7/18 *16th Sunday in Ordinary Time*
8:00 AM † Wesley and Veronica Rosenberg by their children

10:30 AM For our living and deceased parishioners

New Parish Office Hours

Monday - Thursday
8:30 am - 5:00 pm
Closed on Fridays

St. Rita Parish

Pray for Our Parishioners

Courage & Protection for those serving in the Armed Forces

LT Jack L. Ramage (Navy)
CPT Eric Ramage (Army)
LT Colonel Geoff Gorsuch (Army)
AC2 Michael Clingaman (Navy)

Comfort & Healing for the homebound, those who are ill & for their caregivers

Rita Adamczyk, John Allison, Bill Atkinson, Kay Bauer, Bonnie Bresciano, Eva Brittelle, Rose Brunsman, Claude Caldwell, Linda Fidler, Karen Garbo, Bud Gorecki, Cathy Gross, Rita Hejny, Jack Hollow, Sylvia Hultman, Scarlet Johnson, Joan Kral, Richard Lannoye, Donna Larsen, Helen Lindgren, Patrick Livingston, Jim Long, Ann Johnson Lorenzini, Jerry Lui, Sarah Marquardt, Gabrielle Lee Martinez, Andrew Mattes, Dolores Meza, Berneice Otis, Jean Pawlak, Mark Quinn, Riley Rocque, Troy Salchow, Tom Scherr, Melissa Smith, Cathy Suchla, Marlene Theisen, Nick Torzala, Don & Rose Veselik, Dorothy Waltenberger, Kathy Weber, Warner Williams, Lou Woodfill and Kathy Zambo

Comfort & Peace for our Deceased & their loved ones

Mass Readings
Week of July 11

Sunday	Am 7:12-15/Ps 85:9-10, 11-12, 13-14 [8]/ Eph 1:3-14 or 1:3-10/Mk 6:7-13
Monday	Ex 1:8-14, 22/Ps 124:1b-3, 4-6, 7-8 [8a]/ Mt 10:34—11:1
Tuesday	Ex 2:1-15a/Ps 69:3, 14, 30-31, 33-34 [cf. 33]/Mt 11:20-24
Wednesday	Ex 3:1-6, 9-12/Ps 103:1b-2, 3-4, 6-7 [8a]/ Mt 11:25-27
Thursday	Ex 3:13-20/Ps 105:1 and 5, 8-9, 24-25, 26-27 [8a]/Mt 11:28-30
Friday	Ex 11:10—12:14/Ps 116:12-13, 15 and 16bc, 17-18 [13]/Mt 12:1-8
Saturday	Ex 12:37-42/Ps 136:1 and 23-24, 10-12, 13-15/Mt 12:14-21
Next Sunday	Jer 23:1-6/Ps 23:1-3, 3-4, 5, 6 [1]/Eph 2:13-18/Mk 6:30-34

Christmas in July

Throughout the month of July, you are invited to take an ornament from the trees in the narthex. Each ornament will have an item listed to be donated to an organization in need in our community.

Gifts can be returned on July 25 for distribution on July 26.

Thank you for your support!

Pastoral Council Thank You!

The Parish Pastoral Council would like to thank the following outgoing members for their time and service:

Becky Andersen and Amy Bigna

Your involvement with the Council was very much appreciated.

Also, at this time, we would like to welcome aboard the following new members and returning PPC member:

Myra Fox, Bob Mitchell and Pat Rossman

We are happy that you have joined the Council.

Camp De Sales 2021
Summer Vocation Camps

Directed by Fr. Luke Strand and Fr. John Burns

Young men in middle school are invited to join Fr. Luke, Fr. John, and Milwaukee seminarians for Camp De Sales, an opportunity to encounter God in prayer and community. Camps will be held at St. Francis de Sales Seminary. For more information, or to register your son, please contact the Vocation Office at

vocationoffice@sfs.edu
414-747-6437
www.thinkpriest.org/events/

Middle School Day Camps:
Thursday, July 22, 9 am - 3 pm
Tuesday, August 10, 9 am - 3 pm

Parish Staff Directory

Pastor	Fr. Michael Petersen	262-639-3223	**petersenm@stritaracine.org**
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Religious Ed News

Schedules and Registration Forms
for 2021-2022 are on the web site:
www.st-ritas.org

We are planning to have
in person classes this fall.

Contact Rachel at kroesR@stritaracine.org
if you have questions about our program.

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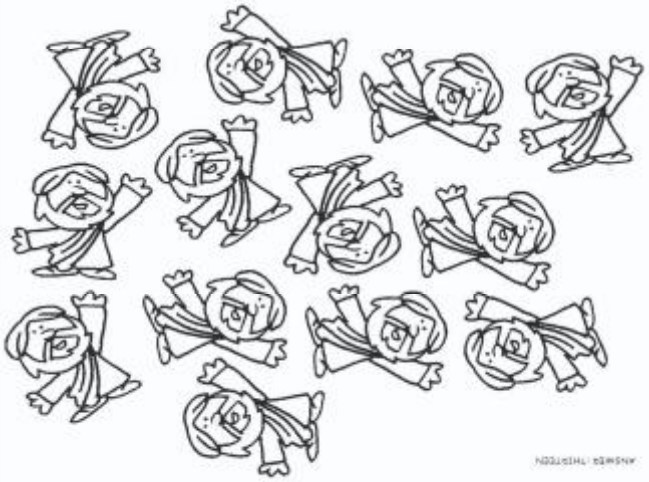
Rosy Rita Kid Zone

PUZZLE

You can count on Jesus for sure, but can you count how many are shown here?



MISSION

Ask God to bless your family so that they will be able to obey God's commandments.

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Why Do We Do That? - Catholic Life Explained

What kind of religious practices should we begin, once we marry, to help us practice our faith each day?

Your spiritual life as a couple is important. The sacrament of Marriage is a gift and a grace, but living it well isn't always easy! It requires intentionality and perseverance. Growing your spiritual life as a couple also requires a plan. Life can be incredibly busy. There's never "enough time" for everything we want to do. But we can live by our priorities. If we don't prioritize prayer, we'll find it slowly disappear from our lives.

If you're not already praying individually, that's a good place to start. If your schedules are similar, take some quiet time at the same time to help hold each other accountable. Praying together is also important! You could start by looking at the religious practices of your family and of families around you that you respect. Talk with your spouse about the ones who make the deepest impression on you or were most meaningful when you were young. Think about what you want your future children to experience. Making faith a commitment now will mean it is engrained habit when you grow your family. Ultimately, these faith practices should help us grow in our love for God and for one another. ©LPi

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