



14th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

“Nevertheless, do not rejoice because the spirits are subject to you, but rejoice because your names are written in heaven.”
- Lk 10:20

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Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Freedom properly defined is freedom properly understood. The Cambridge Dictionary tells us that it is, “the condition or right of being able or allowed to do, say, think, etc., whatever you want to, without being controlled or limited.” That same dictionary defines liberty as, “the freedom to live, work, and travel as you want to.” Both definitions sound very similar. Is there a difference between freedom and liberty? Many are accustomed to believing that freedom and liberty are interchangeable and simply involve possessing rights and privileges. For the Christian, however, there is a big difference between the two.

St. John Chrysostom directs that “the only person who is free is the one who lives for Christ.” There are many other inspirational people throughout history who see freedom as something far greater than liberty. True and properly understood freedom has little to do with entitlement or self-promotion. For the believer, it is a matter of the heart and soul. Freedom (and liberty, for that matter), seen only in terms of the world, can quickly be taken away. The freedom spoken of by St. John Chrysostom can only be lost by personal choice. When one lives for Christ, they live in pursuit of virtues that enlighten one’s soul (faith, hope, and love) and strengthen one’s character (justice, fortitude, temperance, and prudence). Rather than having the ability to acquire or do more things, true freedom asks us to be detached. Privileges, rights, and responsibilities are important, but they do not define us.

The world is not always open to listening to the truth. “I am sending you like lambs among wolves,” Jesus tells his disciples. The secular definitions of freedom and liberty are very attractive. They promise us a great deal. It is no wonder Jesus asks his disciples to travel with very little. The Gospel is not dependent upon things or anything those with worldly power or investment can say or do. When one chooses to live for Christ, they choose to live with peace. That’s what true freedom will give us. If we do not want what Christ offers, we can close the door, and the messenger will walk away. Distracted by the lure of personal liberties, we risk losing our freedom. We will not have anything truly life-giving to share with others.

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WE NEED FESTIVAL VOLUNTEERS!

St. Rita Parish Festival and Rummage sale depends on volunteers to make our annual event a success.

To sign up for one of the many volunteer opportunities, please go to:
<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/70a054da9a623a31-stita2>
or access on the parish website at:
<https://www.st-ritas.org/festival>



**Have a Blessed and Safe
Fourth of July!!!**



Ministers - July 9 & 10

Deacon Greg will be assisting at all masses.

Lectors

4:45 PM Jean Weaver Peterson
 8:00 AM Rosemary VanTreeck
 Jo Ann Rosenow
 10:30 AM Sharon Gierahn

Eucharist

4:45 PM **Lee Kaiser**
 Patricia Rossman
 8:00 AM **Barb Schmitz**
 Mark Schmitz
 10:30 AM **Rick Kais**
 Kevin McCabe
 Joyce Sinkula

Altar Servers

4:45 PM Fernando Acosta-Arciles
 Javier Acosta-Arciles
 8:00 AM Max Lynott
 Ava Lynott
 10:30 AM John Nguyen
 Lily Nguyen

THANK YOU!!!

Your generosity is greatly appreciated!!!

Weekend of June 26

ACH (53 donors)	\$6,291.00
Envelopes (54 donors)	\$3,771.00
Plate (loose cash)	\$370.00
Total Contributions	\$10,432.00

Parish Activities

MONDAY 7/4

Parish Office Closed

TUESDAY 7/5

WEDNESDAY 7/6

THURSDAY 7/7

FRIDAY 7/8

SATURDAY 7/9

3:30 PM Reconciliation - *Church*

SUNDAY 7/10

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Mass Intentions

Saturday 7/2

Vigil Mass: 14th Sunday in Ordinary Time
4:45 PM For our living and deceased parishioners

Sunday 7/3 14th Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 AM † Belvina Pioro & Estelle & Russ Jewett
by David Pioro

10:30 AM † Randy Knierim by his children

Monday 7/4

No Mass

Tuesday 7/5 St. Anthony Zaccaria, Priest;
St. Elizabeth of Portugal

8:00 AM † Judi Tomachek by a friend

Wednesday 7/6 St. Maria Goretti, Virgin and Martyr

8:00 AM † Jean Pawlak by the Janasiak Family

Thursday 7/7

8:30 AM † Rita Adamczyk by Sharon Gierahn

Friday 7/8

8:00 AM † Judi Tomachek by her family

Saturday 7/9 St. Augustine Zhao Rong,
Priest, and Companions, Martyrs

Vigil Mass: 15th Sunday in Ordinary Time
4:45 PM † Hugo & Florence Lorenzini by Tom

Sunday 7/10 15th Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 AM † Patricia Petro- Mueller by her children

10:30 AM For our living and deceased parishioners

Pray for Our
Parishioners

**Courage & Protection
for those serving in the
Armed Forces**

LT CDR 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**

John Allison, Bill Atkinson, Kay Bauer, Eva Britelle, Claude Caldwell, Linda Fidler, Karen Garbo, Joy Harris, Rita Hejny, Jack Hollow, Sylvia Hultman, Josephine Isaacson, Scarlet Johnson, Joan Kral, Donna Larsen, Diana Lesnjak, Helen Lindgren, Patrick Livingston, Jim Long, Ralph Lorentzen, Ann Johnson Lorenzini, Jerry Lui, Chuck Majeski, Sarah Marquardt, Gabrielle Lee Martinez, Andrew Mattes, Dolores Meza, Berneice Otis, Mark Quinn, Riley Rocque, Tom Scherr, Melissa Smith, Germane Suchla, Nick Torzala, Don & Rose Veselik, Dorothy Waltenberger, Kathy Weber, Warner Williams, Lou Woodfill and Kathy Zambo

**Comfort & Peace
for our Deceased &
their loved ones**

Henry Maldanodo, 65, passed away on June 14. Funeral Services were held on June 23.



Mass Readings - Week of July 3, 2022

Sunday	Is 66:10-14c/Ps 66:1-3, 4-5, 6-7, 16, 20 [1]/Gal 6:14-18/Lk 10:1-12, 17-20 or 10:1-9
Monday	Hos 2:16, 17c-18, 21-22/Ps 145:2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9/Mt 9:18-26
Tuesday	Hos 8:4-7, 11-13/Ps 115:3-4, 5-6, 7ab-8, 9-10//Mt 9:32-38
Wednesday	Hos 10:1-3, 7-8, 12/Ps 105:2-3, 4-5, 6-7/Mt 10:1-7
Thursday	Hos 11:1-4, 8e-9/Ps 80:2ac and 3b, 15-16/Mt 10:7-15
Friday	Hos 14:2-10/Ps 51:3-4, 8-9, 12-13, 14 and 17/Mt 10:16-23
Saturday	Is 6:1-8/Ps 93:1ab, 1cd-2, 5/Mt 10:24-33
Next Sunday	Dt 30:10-14/Ps 69:14, 17, 30-31, 33-34, 36, 37 or Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 11 [9])/Col 1:15-20/Lk 10:25-37

Mt Carmel 73rd Annual Festival

Please join us at the Mt Carmel Festival held at Columbus Park in Kenosha on Friday, July 8 from 6pm until 11pm, Saturday, July 9 from 4pm until 11pm and Sunday, July 10 from 2pm until 10pm.

Come and enjoy great music and food! Our homemade spaghetti dinner will be in the church hall on Friday and Saturday from 4pm until 8pm. Please join us for our annual procession on Sunday which begins at 12:30pm with lineup and ends in the church with benediction. Our raffle grand prize is \$10,000! Please call the Mt Carmel church office at 262.652.7660 with any questions. We hope to see you there!

St. Lucy Festival 2022

July 8th, 9th & 10th
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Hours: Friday 4pm – 11pm, Saturday 2pm - 11pm, Sunday 11:30am – 9pm

Friday: features Fish Fry Dinner 4pm-7pm \$12.00, The Eddie Butts Band - (Dance til' you drop) 7pm-10:30pm. Saturday: Music by The Doo-Wop Daddies - (Oldies but goodies) 2pm-5:30pm and Mt. Olive (Rock the night away) 7pm-10:30pm. Sunday: features Kids Parade 11:30am (starts in church), Mostaccioli & 3 Meatball Dinner 11:30am-5pm- \$12.00. Southbound - (Legendary southern rock) 12:30 – 4pm and Chicago Tribute Anthology (Does anybody really know what time it is?) from 5:30pm-8pm. All weekend there are Kids Games, Bingo, Rummage Sale, Silent Auction (Bidding virtually @stlucy2022.ggo.bid), Bakery, Famous Meat Sweepstakes, Crafts, Grand Prize Drawing - Grand Prize-\$5,000, Wine Booth, Beer, Soda, and great fair food all weekend!

Free Festival Shuttle Between Elmwood Plaza and the Festival Grounds (every 15 minutes) Friday and Saturday 3:30pm to midnight.

www.stlucychurch.org

K3 Program Openings

If you or someone you know are looking for a K3 program, St. Rita Catholic School has openings for this upcoming school year! K3 is an affordable alternative to daycare and allows your little one to acquire age-appropriate developmental, academic, and social skills.

Call our office at (262) 812-0155 or email admissions@sienacatholicschools.org for more information.



Pastoral Council Thank You!

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

Carol Derga
Leora Kaiser

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:

Ellie Hammond
Dave Eberle
Bill Greinke

We are happy that you have joined the Council.



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For more information about the program go to: www.ourharmonyclub.org

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Archdiocese of Milwaukee's policy on Gender Theory

To provide a comprehensive explanation to the Catholic Faithful of the Archdiocese of Milwaukee's policy on Gender Theory, Fr. Javier Bustos has written a column for the May 19th edition of the Catholic Herald. "*Gender Theory: Does a Secular Response have to be the Only Response?*" includes statements of support from clergy and individuals in education and healthcare.

This article can be found on our parish website at: <https://www.st-ritas.org/>.



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August 19th, 20th & 21st, 2022



August 19, 20, and 21

St. Rita 2022 Parish Festival

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Signs are placed on beer caddies in the Entertainment Tent with donors' names.

Suggested Donation: \$100

St. Rita Parish will gratefully accept individual and anonymous cash donations for any amount in support of the Festival. Donations of products and materials for operations can be coordinated with the parish office for a list of needed items. Please contact the parish office (262-639-3223) for more information.

Return this completed form to: St. Rita Parish, 4339 Douglas Avenue,
Attn: Suzanne Kroes, Racine WI 53402

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