



19TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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AUGUST 6 - 7, 2022

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On Friday, July 29th, +Bishop Bala (Bishop from the Warangal Diocese of India) celebrated Mass. Pictured at left are: Father Joji (Pardeeville), Bishop Bala, and Father Prabhakar



Wednesdays

Eucharistic Adoration

6:00 - 8:00pm

Benediction ~ 7:50pm



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WHY IS IT THAT SOME PEOPLE WILL PUT THEIR FAITH IN A TOTAL STRANGER'S DIRECTIONS...
HEB 11:1-2, 8-19



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MASS INTENTIONS

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SATURDAY, AUGUST 6th

The Transfiguration of the Lord

8:00am - 8:45am - Confessions

9:00am - Holy Mass

4:00pm - 4:45pm - Confessions

5:00pm - For the People of the Parish

SUNDAY, AUGUST 7th

8:00am - 8:45am - Confessions

9:00am - (+) Lawrence White

**Rosary prayed 30 minutes before each Mass*

MONDAY, AUGUST 8th

+ St. Dominic +

No Mass at St. Stephen's

TUESDAY, AUGUST 9th

+ St. Teresa Benedicta of the Cross+

No Mass at St. Stephen's

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 10th

+ St. Lawrence +

8:00am - Holy Mass

6:00pm - 8:00pm - Adoration & Confessions

THURSDAY, AUGUST 11th

+ St. Clare+

No Mass at St. Stephen's

FRIDAY, AUGUST 12th

+ St. Jane Frances de Chantal +

8:00am - Holy Mass

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SATURDAY, AUGUST 13th

+ Sts. Pontian & Hippolytus +

4:00pm - 4:45pm - Confessions

5:00pm - For the People of the Parish

SUNDAY, AUGUST 14th

8:00am - 8:45am - Confessions

9:00am - (+) Sue Skaike

Liturgical Ministers August 13 - 14

Saturday, August 13 - 5:00pm

Servers: Russell & Noah O'Donnell

Lector: Barb Lipetri

Sunday, August 14 - 9:00am

Servers: Kelby & Evan Schneider,
Mackenzie Walter

Lector: Garrett Schneider

Dear St. Stephen's Family,

The Bible promises that Jesus is coming again, this time in power and glory, and this will signal the end of the world. The question of the hour is, **WILL YOU BE READY WHEN HE COMES AGAIN?** Have you ever asked yourself this? Have you ever asked yourself what it means to be ready when he comes? Does it mean you stare into space waiting for him to come?

Will you be ready when Jesus comes, or will you be surprised when you realize it is too late? Well, what are we supposed to do? Jesus tells us that he will come at an unexpected time, and when we trust this, we can alleviate all our fear because we have no idea when the world will end. We don't have to worry about whether we have one year left, one day left, or one hour left. What we do have to think about is how to be on the right side of heaven when Jesus comes, and he tells us exactly what we need to do, so we will not be shocked when he comes, but look forward and anticipate his coming even more.

Jesus gave us exactly what we need to hear in order to prepare for his second coming. It's like he already told us the answers to an exam that the world will go through when he comes, by telling us that the teacher (or the master) will be looking for this, this, and this. Jesus tells us exactly what God will be looking for when he comes, so be prepared to take some notes. This is how you will be good when Jesus comes again and be ready when he comes. He tells us we can do 3 good things:

1. It will be good to be found **watching**
2. It will be good to be found **ready**, and
3. It will be good to be found **doing**

When you practice these three things, you can be assured that you will be always be ready when he comes. Then, it doesn't matter when he comes, anytime is a good time for you, and what's more, when you practice these things, you will be in anticipation because there is a reward for you.

Jesus talks about 2 types of servants: one who knows his master's will but does not do it, and one who does not know the master's will, but is still wicked. When we receive the truth, when we receive revelation and insight from God, it is our responsibility to use it, or else we have wasted and blasphemed a gift from God. That is why the punishment is much worse for us who have received a trust from God, than those who have not received anything at all.

1. It will be good to be found **watching**: Like Anna, worship and pray daily
2. It will be good to be found **ready**: Battle sin in your mind, and set it on the hope of his return, and
3. It will be good to be found **doing**: Feeding and supporting God's servants.

In Christ,
Fr. Prabhakar Reddy Singareddy

*Please note: This week's Parish Council meeting has been changed from August 9th to **August 10th at 6:30pm***

Ministry of Giving ~ Offertory

July 10: \$2,686.00 Received to Date: \$27,132.77

July 17: \$1,416.00 Budgeted to Date:

July 24: \$19,092.75

July 31: \$1,321.00

THANK YOU!

The new fiscal year began July 1. "Budgeted to Date" total will be updated once our budget is finalized



HIGH SCHOOL NIGHT

Sunday, August 14th

6:00 - 8:00pm

Calling all 9th - 12th graders! Make plans to join us as we kick off our monthly high school night. Bring your friends, **no cost, dinner starts at 6:00pm!**

The group will meet on the second Sunday of each month. We'll start with dinner, watch a short video, and spend the last hour having a great time. Our hope is to build a community that our high school kids can call their own. We are throwing open the doors for this group: it is for our questioning kids, their believing and non-believing friends, and our devout kids. It is meant to be a place of fun, food, and faith!

What are we doing in August? Here's a clue: "Then I saw the heavens opened, and there was a white horse: its rider was Faithful and True." Revelations 19:11

CAPITAL CAMPAIGN UPDATE

Congratulations to everyone for the generosity to our parish in the Capital Campaign. This three-year fund drive is slated to finish at the end of September. During this time, because of you, we have been able to complete many projects for our physical campus. Here are some of those projects: church roof, church gutters, EFIS siding, phone and security system, blacktop repair, water heater for the Family Center, and new lighting for the Family Center. The total received in the Capital Campaign account so far is \$120,989.75. Because there is a remainder in the account after the bills have been paid for these projects, the council has approved going forward with the remodeling of the two restrooms in the church and the office. Final bids and costs are the next phase of the remodeling. Thanks to you, the three-year Capital Campaign initiated by Monsignor Ganshert has been very successful.



BELOIT SKY CARP NIGHT

Saturday, August 13th at 6:35pm

Catholic night with +Bishop Hying at ABC Supply Stadium in Beloit on **Sat., Aug. 13th**. Beloit Sky Carp against the West Michigan Whitecaps! Game starts at 6:35pm. Order your tickets at <https://fevo.me/3xT1nHZ>

CALENDAR

August 10 - Pastoral Council Meeting, 6:30pm *Note date change from August 9*

August 13 - "Faith Night" at ABC Supply Stadium with +Bishop Hying, Sky Carp game starts at 6:35pm

August 14 - High School Night, 6:00pm - 8:00pm

August 29 - Blood Drive at the Family Center, 12:00pm - 5:00pm



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

SILVER ROSE

The Knights of Columbus invite you to join us for prayer and spiritual renewal on **Saturday, August 13 at St. Jude Parish**. Our council will celebrate with the Our Lady of Guadalupe Silver Rose that is traveling across North America to the Basilica of Our Lady of Guadalupe in Monterrey, Mexico. Beginning at noon, we will pray the Rosary in both English and Spanish. Activities conclude at 3:00pm.

Eight silver roses, including one blessed by Pope Francis, are shepherded each year by members of the Knights along eight distinct routes that extend from Canada to Mexico.

BEST OF LUCK TO YOU

We are saddened to say goodbye to our seminarian, David Jaramillo. Thank you for the time you spent with us, and best wishes to you in your new assignment!



INTO THE DEEP

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STRATEGIC PLANNING FOR
THE DIOCESE OF MADISON

As Bishop Hying has traveled throughout the diocese, he has come to realize that Catholics everywhere share the same spiritual hungers of the heart. And while he is convinced that God wants to meet these common spiritual hungers through His Church, the Church can only fully do so in parishes and schools which are equipped with excellent pastors, staff, and resources.

We believe the Into the Deep strategic planning process will help us achieve the vision of a brighter future and a more vibrant local Church, but the process will require the participation of every Catholic in the Diocese of Madison. We would love to have you walk with us.

To stay informed about where God is leading us, please sign up for our email newsletter! And may God help all of us to follow Him...into the deep! <https://bit.ly/3P82vh8>

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