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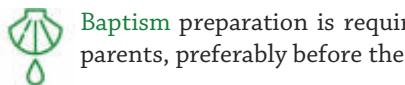
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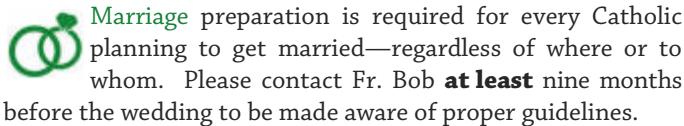
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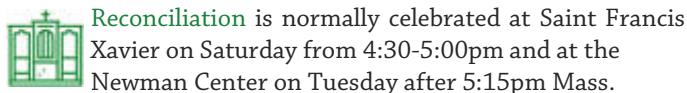
## **Sacramental LIFE**



**Baptism** preparation is required for parents and godparents, preferably before the birth of the child.



**Marriage** preparation is required for every Catholic planning to get married—regardless of where or to whom. Please contact Fr. Bob **at least** nine months before the wedding to be made aware of proper guidelines.



**Reconciliation** is normally celebrated at Saint Francis Xavier on Saturday from 4:30–5:00pm and at the Newman Center on Tuesday after 5:15pm Mass.

## **Mass SCHEDULE**

### **Saint Francis Xavier**

Saturday 5:30pm; Sunday 9:00am (with Child Care and Kiddies Bible) & 12:15pm (Spanish)  
Monday 12:15pm; Friday 5:30pm

### **Newman Center**

Sunday 11:15am & (when SIU is in session) 5:15pm  
Tuesday, and Thursday at 5:15pm  
Wednesday, 9:00 am

### **Saint Andrew Church** (618-687-2012)

724 Mulberry Street, Murphysboro, IL  
Mass on Saturday 5:30pm & Sunday 11:00am

### **Saint Andrew Parish School** (618-687-2013)

723 Mulberry Street, Murphysboro, IL



**Seventeenth Sunday  
in Ordinary Time  
July 25, 2021**

**Welcome, New Parishioners  
and New Students!  
Please register.**

## **Thoughts FROM...**

We are at the start of special series of readings from the Gospel of John over the next four Sundays. Christ's feeding of the five thousand with five loaves and two fishes is the only miracle (other than his resurrection) which is recounted in all four Gospels. In outline, it reminds us of so many other stories of God's abundance--the wedding feast at Cana, nets bursting with fish, the oil and flour jugs that won't run dry, and of course the manna from heaven that feeds the Israelites after their escape from Egypt. By pointing out that they are barley loaves, John seems to connect the loaves of today's Gospel with Elisha's own miracle in the first reading today.

What strikes me most about the story is Andrew. Philip is sometimes criticized for a lack of faith here, but I think that's unfair. Jesus asks him specifically where they could *buy* enough loaves, to which he correctly replies, "Not even two hundred days' wages could buy loaves enough!" Then Andrew points out there is a boy with five barley loaves and two fish. What could Andrew have possibly been thinking? Was it a joke? An idle observation? A statement of hopelessness? A challenge? Was he remembering Elisha and wondering just how much of a prophet this Jesus person was? Or maybe he was just stating the facts: this is all we have, Lord, and the rest is up to you.

Some (like St. Augustine) have found deep symbolism in the details and context of this story, most of which seem to point to Jesus preparing to bring forth a New Covenant: Barley is an early grain, one of the first harvested, perhaps representing the covenant God made with Moses and Israel. Jesus ascends a mountain, like Moses did. The five loaves might represent the first five books of Bible, the Pentateuch, which bring us the Mosaic law. Maybe the two fish symbolize Christ's new laws--love God, love neighbor. The leftovers are collected into twelve baskets--the twelve tribes of the old covenant and the twelve apostles of the new.

Christ uses this moment to teach us much about discipleship. Jesus, the Good Shepherd, responds the way he always does, with abundant blessings and providing for the needs of His followers. But he doesn't magically change stones into bread or make loaves rain down from the sky. He begins with what we offer up, he blesses that, and his blessing passes from hand to hand in a way that involves each one of us feeding and providing for each other. What are you in need of this week? Where can Christ bless and provide for you? And where will that begin--what meager start can you offer up to get this miracle going in your own life?

*Tim Taylor*  
Director  
Newman Catholic Student Center

## **Bible READINGS**

### **Readings for the week of July 25, 2021**

Sunday:	2 Kgs 4:42-44/Ps 145:10-11, 15-16, 17-18 [cf. 16]/Eph 4:1-6/Jn 6:1-15
Monday:	Ex 32:15-24, 30-34/Ps 106:19-20, 21-22, 23 [1a]/Mt 13:31-35
Tuesday:	Ex 33:7-11; 34:5b-9, 28/Ps 103:6-7, 8-9, 10-11, 12-13 [8a]/Mt 13:36-43
Wednesday:	Ex 34:29-35/Ps 99:5, 6, 7, 9 [cf. 9c]/Mt 13:44-46
Thursday:	Ex 40:16-21, 34-38/Ps 84:3, 4, 5-6a and 8a, 11 [2]/Jn 11:19-27 or Lk 10:38-42
Friday:	Lv 23:1, 4-11, 15-16, 27, 34b-37/Ps 81:3-4, 5-6, 10-11ab [2a]/Mt 13:54-58
Saturday:	Lv 25:1, 8-17/Ps 67:2-3, 5, 7-8 [4]/Mt 14:1-12
Next Sunday:	Ex 16:2-4, 12-15/Ps 78:3-4, 23-24, 25, 54 [24b]/Eph 4:17, 20-24/Jn 6:24-35

### **Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

2 Kings 4:42-44. Psalm 145:10-11, 15-16, 17-18. Ephesians 4:1-6. John 6:1-15.

**Enough to Share.** So much in the gospel today. Large crowd following Jesus. Nearness of Passover, the remembering of rescue from slavery. The need to eat, thus, the need to provide a meal. A giving of bread and fish by a little boy. Bounty. Sharing. Wasting nothing. Right here in the heart of summer, it is time to read the letter of Pope Francis, *Fratelli Tutti*, on fraternity and social friendship. [Download a free study guide from the USCCB: https://www.usccb.org/resources/fratelli-tutti-study-guide](https://www.usccb.org/resources/fratelli-tutti-study-guide).

- Even if it seems I may not have enough, what food can I share?
- Even if it seems I may not have enough, what comfort can I provide for someone?
- Even if it seems I may not have enough, what do I have that I will not waste, that I will gather up, save, and recycle?



## Dear Parish FAMILY

**Blessings to all on this Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time!** It is hard to believe that we are nearing the end of July, the second Sunday of our summer season, and about halfway throughout the Ordinary Time season ending the last part of November. May these remaining summer days be a blessing as we are grateful for the many ways God touches our lives each day.

This weekend we bid adieu to **Paul, Arlene, Liam, and Madeline Transue** as they head north this week to Arlene's hometown in Newfoundland, Canada. We wish them well and thank them for the wonderful music program they developed here at Saint Francis Xavier. May God bless them in their travels and the years ahead!

I want to mention that we are still, unfortunately, about four thousand dollars away from reaching our target goal for the annual CSMA, **Catholic Services and Ministry Appeal** in our diocese. We usually have about 58 or more donations and this year, we only have 36 so far. We are truly blessed in having our new Bishop Michael McGovern leading us. The various programs and ministries funded by the CSMA include the Office of Education which helps us with our religious education programs, Hispanic ministry which our parish and area benefit from, prison ministry to our numerous sites in Southern Illinois, the Office of Worship which we regularly touch base with, centers assisting the poor in East St. Louis and Cairo, Respect Life Ministry addressing all of the life issues, our diocesan newspaper, The Messenger, seminarians and the vocation office, the Newman Center at SIU, Youth Ministry, and others. My hope is always that, since we are a diocesan church and family, that everyone will try to give something, no matter how small or little, to this annual appeal to help build up the kingdom of God in the Diocese of Belleville as a whole. We have lost some of our major donors due to death or relocation. Please help us reach our target goal and even beyond. Envelopes are in the back of the church for your use for this important project helping us to be Church together. Thank you for your assistance in making this happen!

My visit back to my hometown of Lawrence, Kansas for a **family reunion** there was extremely enjoyable. My brother, Joe, sister-in-law Paula, younger niece, Christy, nephew Brady and his wife, Molly, and their children, Margaret and Michael were there as well as my sister-in-law, Paula's brother, Cliff, his wife, Cathy, daughter, Jill, and grandchildren, Savannah and Cyrus. The weather was great for us and we were able to spend most of the time outside at my brother's home with its large deck, eating area, and natural surroundings. It was really a joy to see how the four little ones are growing and changing each time I see them. I also saw several high school and grade school friends, visited the graves of my parents and older brother, and naturally made a stop at my family's department store, Weavers. Below is a picture of my sister-in-law, Paula, her brother Cliff, and the four children of our two families: children, front center—Savannah Knight; left center—Margaret Flannery; back center, Cy Knight; right center, Michael Flannery.

God's peace,  
**Fr. Bob**  
 Pastor/Chaplain



## Parish HAPPENINGS

*Sr. Barbara Blesse, OP*

**Pope Francis designated July 25 as Grandparent's Day.**

The value of a designated day is that we take time to reflect on the value of our elderly relatives and mentors. Pope Francis said "May every grandfather, every grandmother, every older person, especially those among us who are most alone, receive the visit of an angel! At times those angels will have the face of our grandchildren, at others, the face of family members, lifelong friends or those we have come to know during these trying times, when we have learned how important hugs and visits are for each of us."



Lord Jesus,  
 you were born of the Virgin Mary,  
 the daughter of Saints Joachim and Anne.  
 Look with love on grandparents the world over.  
 Protect them! They are a source of enrichment  
 for families, for the Church and for all of society.  
 Support them! As they grow older,  
 may they continue to be for their families  
 strong pillars of Gospel faith,  
 guardians of noble domestic ideals,  
 living treasures of sound religious traditions.  
 Make them teachers of wisdom and courage,  
 that they may pass on to future generations the fruits  
 of their mature human and spiritual experience.

Lord Jesus,  
 help families and society  
 to value the presence and role of grandparents.

May they never be ignored or excluded,  
 but always encounter respect and love.  
 Help them to live serenely and to feel welcomed  
 in all the years of life which you give them.

Mary, Mother of all the living,  
 keep grandparents constantly in your care,  
 accompany them on their earthly pilgrimage,  
 and by your prayers, grant that all families  
 may one day be reunited in our heavenly homeland,  
 where you await all humanity  
 for the great embrace of life without end. Amen!



## Mass INTENTIONS

<b>Saturday</b> 5:30 PM	<b>July 24, Vigil: Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time</b> Jim & Hazel Dooley Glafkos Galanos
<b>Sunday</b> 9:00 AM	<b>July 25, Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time</b> Our Parish Family
11:15 AM	Mass at Newman Center
12:15 PM	Spanish Mass
<b>Monday</b> 12:15 PM	July 26 Weekday
	No Intention
<b>Tuesday,</b> 5:15 PM	July 27, Weekday
Wednesday, 9:00 AM	Mass at Newman Center
	July 28, Weekday
Thursday 5:15 PM	For the Sick—Mass at Newman Center
	July 29 Saint Mary Magdalene
Friday, 5:30 PM	Mass at Newman Center
	July 30, Weekday
	No Intention
<b>Saturday</b> 5:30 PM	<b>July 31, Vigil: Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time</b> Jim & Hazel Dooley Glafkos Galanos
<b>Sunday</b> 9:00 AM	<b>August 1, Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time</b> Our Parish Family
11:15 AM	Mass at Newman Center
12:15 PM	Spanish Mass



## Weekly OFFERING

Your gifts to God & parish  
 Contributions for the weekends of  
**July 10 & 11, 2021**  
 \$6,484.00

**Respect Life Corner—“One body, one Lord, one faith, one baptism,”** in the Second Reading from the Letter of St. Paul to the Ephesians, 4:1-6, St. Paul calls us to live in unity with the body of Christ; moral lives as one body in Christ. He lists the virtues to extoll in carrying out our mission to make Christian Catholic living a reality: humility, gentleness, patience and forbearance (moderation.) The letter also reminds us of the union we share in our Catholic faith: one body, one Spirit, one Lord, one faith, one Baptism, one God who is over all, through all and in all. **Learn, Act, Connect and Pray**—This kind of community defines who we are as children of God. By living in Christ’s peace, we are better able to demonstrate what it means to be a person for others. By lifting up our lives to Christ in humility, we are better able to discern how to help those in our midst. As Bishop-elect Iffert wrote to the faithful of southern Illinois, “I am inspired by Pope Francis’ vision of a Church so deeply rooted in a relationship with Christ that we accompany the outcast, tend the wounded, mourn with the brokenhearted and rejoice and give thanks in every circumstance, and so carry out Jesus’ mission of evangelization.” In so doing, we promote a respect and love for the dignity of each person we encounter.

## Prayer INTENTIONS

All that you ask for in prayer, believe that you will receive it and it shall be yours (Mark 11:24).

**Newman CENTER:** Please join us in prayer for Fred Marsh, Rebecca Cerven, Coleen McGrain, Brian Bruce, Mark Cornell, George and Carol Timson, Terry Silas, Antonio Henrique, Beth Koehler-King, Rowan King, Fionna Angelis, Paul Angelis, the Newman Auxiliary, the Knights of Columbus, and all in our community in need of prayer. To add a name call 529-3311.

**Saint Francis XAVIER:** Wednesday is designated as a Day of Prayer for the sick and hospitalized parishioners and their families. Please remember: Jim Merkle, Mary Beckerer, Jeanine Maloney, Kimberly Murray, Jamie Yancy, Carmen Merod, Austin Chew, Richard Walsh, Marie Ice, Barb Grace, Jack Riley, Tracy Hall, Sheffield Boardman, Matt Murphy, Andrezej Mietelski, Harper Smith, John Huffman, Carolyn Huffman, Julia James, Douglas Laczynski, Jim Tarr, Audra Harrison, Howard W. Hesketh, Kay BA., Jesse Weaver, Diana Chervinko, Pat Volk, Helen McCormick, Pat Waters, Sarah Hefferman, Frank Smith, Rebecca Hernandez, Tristin Dooley, Shirley Reimbold, Marge Huffman, Steve Galt, Savy Knight, Gary Treter, Lee Hartman, Harry Schauwecker, Patricia Broemmel, Marilyn Kilby, Father Joe Rascher, Bill Tolliver, Charles Lightfoot, Fr. Gary Gummersheimer, Ethan and Sara Hosmon, Mary Nell Chew, Sally Varsa, Thomas Margolis, Don Dougherty, Theresa Saporoschenko, Frances White, Sr. Barbara Blesse, OP, Michael Bracy, Cora Frazier, Sylvia Robinson, Steve Wunderle, Deacon Don Sparling, Teresa Burns, Pat Elsaied, Willis Rendleman, John McCarthy, Barbara Burns, Kathy Fahey and **all those in need of our prayers.**

If you or anyone in your family is hospitalized, please let the parish office know so Father Bob can visit



## Liturgical MINISTERS

### For the Weekend of July 31, & August 1, 2021

Minister of the Word: Ron Germann  
 Minister of Hospitality: Scott Thorne  
 Eucharistic Ministers: Suzanne Schmitz, Laura Kidd

### Sunday, 9:00 AM

Minister of the Word: Daryl Young  
 Minister of Hospitality: Michael and Kim Mueller  
 Eucharistic Ministers: Julie Draper, Elaine Vitello

## Catholic SERVICES & MINISTRY APPEAL

### The 2021 Catholic Service and Ministry Appeal

YOU have the opportunity to support the six men who have answered "YES" to God's call to serve in the Priesthood of Jesus Christ in our Belleville Diocese. The annual cost for each of our seminarians is approximately \$47,000. Funding from The Catholic Service and Ministry Appeal helps support the expenses of our seminarians and Vocation Office; **your pledge or one-time gift** is truly an investment in our faith and the life of the Church here in southern Illinois. Please continue to pray for vocations and consider making your gift today!

## Weekly EVENTS

at St. Francis Xavier

at Newman Center

Sunday,	July 25	
	9:00 am Mass (NO Babysitting in Xavier Hall) 12:15 pm Spanish Mass	11:15am Mass
Monday,	July 26	
	Office Open 9am-3pm  12:15 pm Mass and Holy Hour 7:00 pm Pastoral Council Meeting	Office Open 9am-4pm
Tuesday,	July 27	
	Office Open 9am-3pm  10:30 am Staff Meeting	Office Open 9am-4pm 1:00pm Community Bible study 4:00 pm Adoration/4:30 pm Confession 5:15 pm Mass 5:45pm Newman Night
Wednesday,	July 28	
	Office Open 9am-3pm	Office Open 9am-4pm  8:30 am Rosary 9:00 am Mass
Thursday,	July 29	
	Office Open 9am-3pm	Office Open 9am-4pm  4:00 pm Adoration 5:15 pm Mass
Friday,	July 30	
	Office Closed  5:30 pm Mass	Office closed
Saturday,	July 31	
	Office Closed  5:30 pm Mass	Office Closed
Sunday,	August 1	
	9:00 am Mass (NO Babysitting in Xavier Hall)  12:15 pm Spanish Mass	11:15am Mass

# FUNDRAISER

## SAINT ANDREW SCHOOL GOLF TOURNAMENT—AUGUST 13TH

The Saint Andrew school golf scramble is August 13! This is taking the place of the annual parish festival as one of the school's major fundraisers. We are asking our school and parish families to consider being \$100 hole sponsor for this event! Thanks in advance for your support. Hole sponsor forms are in the gathering space of the church.



Do you know someone who is considering becoming Catholic? Or maybe a Catholic who was baptized but never confirmed? Perhaps the Holy Spirit has been nudging you, a confirmed Catholic, to deepen your relationship with God and commit yourself more deeply to your faith. Catholicism provides abundant ways to embrace a life lived in the grace of God.

The Mass, private devotions, sacraments, spiritual reading. How do all these things impact the faith of Catholics? **You have questions....we have answers!** RCIA, the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults, prepares people to become fully participating members of the Catholic Church. During the initial period of Inquiry, weekly sessions that delve into various aspects of Catholicism encourage participants to explore the richness of Catholic life and worldview.

Newman/St. Francis RCIA begins in early Sept. Watch the bulletin for details.

Call Sr. Barbara (457-4556) or Dawn O'Leary (529-3311) for more information.



## Carbondale CARES

The Newman Center established the [Carbondale CARES Emergency Fund](#) to support individuals and families in urgent need. The fund serves as a resource of last resort to provide assistance with health, nutrition, housing, energy, water, transportation, and employment support. We provide assistance in cases where the need is immediate, obvious, important and fixable. The fund has helped many families to move into stable housing, find a job or keep their job in a crisis, or keep their lights and water on. If you would like to help, please contact Tim at 618-529-3311 or email [tim@siucnewman.org](mailto:tim@siucnewman.org).

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