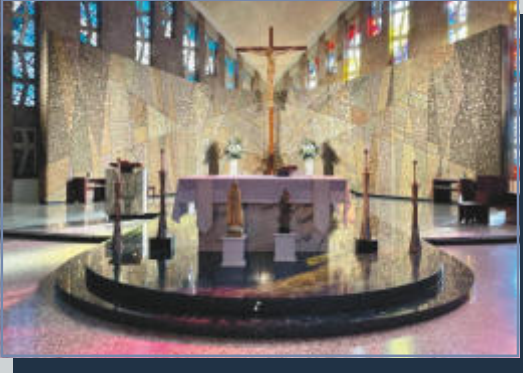


August 29, 2021

Twenty Second Sunday in Ordinary Time



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*If you are seeking a church home, we would be
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Parish Office Hours

Monday - Thursday 8:30 a.m.-3:00 p.m.
Friday Closed

Mass Schedule

Saturday 4:30 p.m.
Sunday 9:00 a.m.
Wednesday 12:00 Noon
Thursday 12:00 Noon

The Sacrament of Reconciliation is
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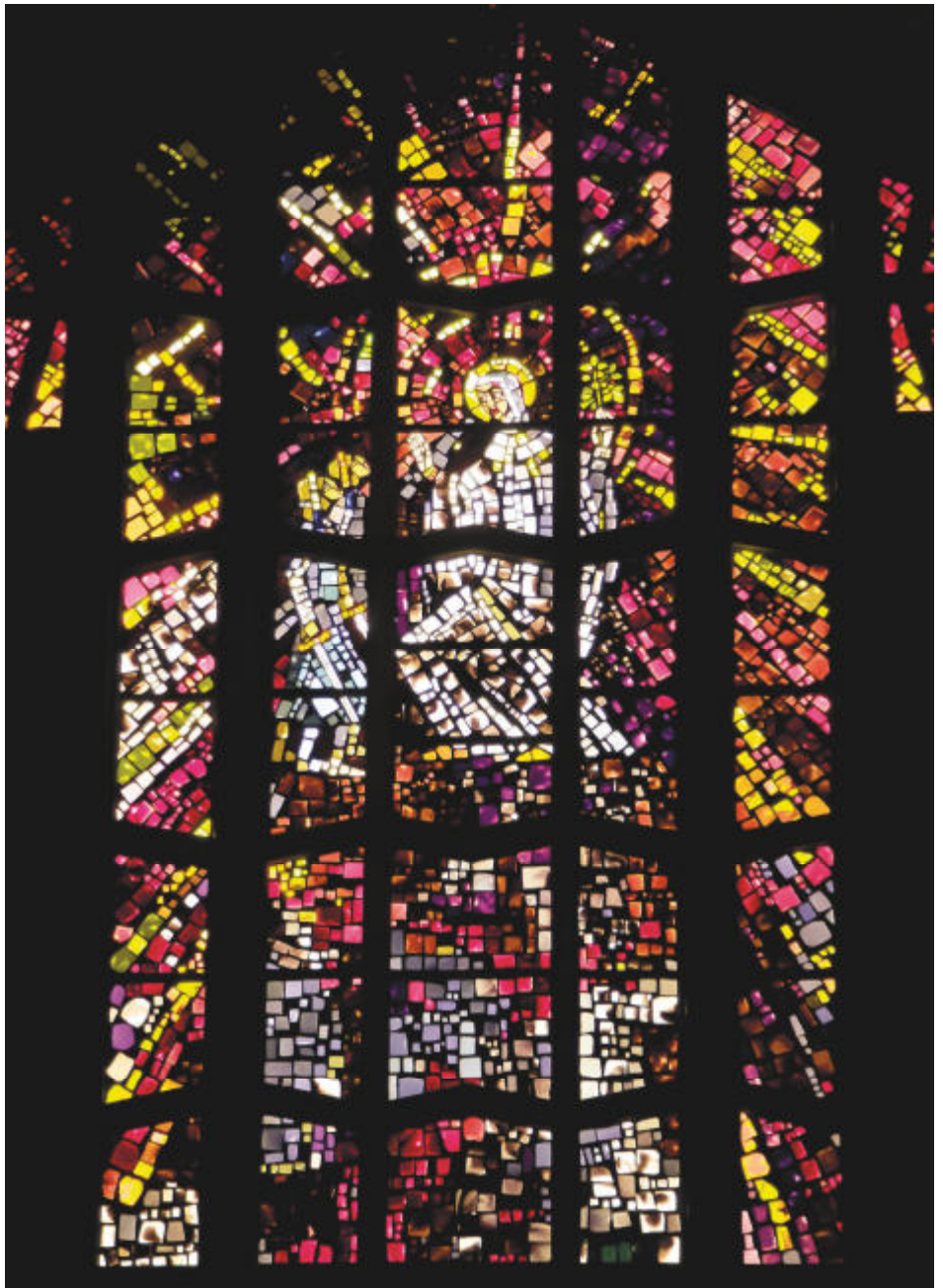
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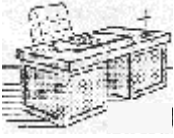
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From the Desk of Fr. Andrzej

Presence - the Mystery of the Eucharist (Part 5)

How do I know the sacraments work?

The Church teaches that the sacraments act *ex opere operato*, which literally means “by the very act of the action’s being performed.”

The power of the sacraments comes from Christ - not from our holiness or the holiness of the presiding over it.

We can be disposed to be more or less receptive to the fruits of each sacrament, but each of the sacraments effectively communicates its proper grace. Just as the visible signs of the sacraments are humble, everyday things - water, oil, bread, wine - the effects of the sacraments are often hidden and imperceptible.

Even with great faith and an open heart, we may not always feel fed when we receive the Eucharist, but the Eucharist is the Body, Blood, Soul and Divinity of Jesus Christ, and if we are properly disposed to receive this sacrament with reverence, it will nourish us, whether we feel like it does or not.

Transubstantiation. “Trans” to change and “substance” - the essence of something; what it really is.

The outward appearance remains that of bread and wine, but the substance is change into Jesus’s Body and Blood.

Humble outward signs of bread and wine point to the supernatural reality of spiritual nourishment.

God is love. He created us out of love in order to invite us into communion of the Holy Trinity.

Jesus established the Eucharist to remain present with us.

At the Last Supper Jesus changed bread and wine into his Body and Blood, and then he told the Apostle to continue to do what he had just done.

God gives himself to us in the Eucharist not only to give us strength for our journey, but also to accompany us at every moment on the journey.

“If angels could be jealous of men, they would be so for one reason: Holy Communion.”

St. Maximilian Kolbe

From the desk of
the Pastoral Associate . . .

RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults)

If you or someone you know is interested in becoming Catholic, or perhaps you were Baptized as an infant / child, but have not had any formation, then the RCIA process might be for you. We meet twice a month, Sunday mornings from 10:15 - 11:30 a.m., spending time in prayer, discussion, and discerning God's call in your life.

For more information, or if you have any questions, please call me at 541-7515, ext. 16.

Religious Education Program

Just a reminder, registration for the fall religious education program ends Sept. 6th. Please don't wait! We will have to determine number of catechists, etc. needed at that time. If you wait until Orientation to sign up, your son / daughter's class may have a delayed start, which means his / her classes may not end late April and might extend into May.

Today, Saturday, August 28th, our catechists are on retreat. I believe it is important for us to take time away to pray together, to share our faith, and have quality time to focus on the year ahead. Please keep these very dedicated men and women in your prayers. What a gift they are to our children and youth, and to this Parish!

Social Justice Committee (Human Concerns)

Our next meeting for our Social Justice Committee is this Wednesday, September 1st at 6:30 p.m. We will be meeting in the Hospitality Room. So please park on 61st Street and enter Church doors. New ideas, suggestions, members are ALWAYS welcome.

An update on our "Fill the Backpack" Campaign; we filled 51 backpacks, 2 backpacks that didn't have all components, and lots and lots of extra notebooks, paper, pencils, erasers and folders.

THANK YOU, THANK YOU for your generosity and continued support of Pathfinders.

Farewell to COVID Celebration

We ate lasagna, garlic bread, salad, eggs, sausage, potatoes, and fruit. We sang, we danced . . . ok, so maybe we didn't sing and dance, but it was clear that you are ready to get out and have some fun! Thanks to all who participated, we hope you enjoyed yourself . . . and no one should have left hungry!

Special thanks to members of the Parish Life Committee for putting this together. You haven't forgotten how to PARTY!!

Blessings always,

Barbara

Mass Schedule and Intentions

Saturday, August 28

4:30 p.m. † Walter Melcher Family

Sunday, August 29

9:00 a.m. † Virginia M. Gorski
For the People of St. Rita Parish

Wednesday, September 1

12:00 p.m. † Miller and Miszczak Families

Thursday, September 2

12:00 p.m.

Friday, September 3

6:00 p.m. † Ryszard Paradowski

Saturday, September 4

4:30 p.m. † Roger Stanislawski
† Reverend Walter Orzechowski

Sunday, September 5

9:00 a.m. † Joyce Winkler
For the People of St. Rita Parish

Readings for the Week of August 29th

Sunday: Dt 4:1-2, 6-8/Ps 15:2-3, 3-4, 4-5/
Jas 1:17-18, 21b-22, 27/Mk 7:1-8, 14-15,
21-23

Monday: 1 Thes 4:13-18/Ps 96:1 and 3, 4-5, 11-12, 13/
Lk 4:16-30

Tuesday: 1 Thes 5:1-6, 9-11/Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14/
Lk 4:31-37

Wednesday: Col 1:1-8/Ps 52:10, 11/Lk 4:38-44

Thursday: Col 1:9-14/Ps 98:2-3ab, 3cd-4, 5-6/
Lk 5:1-11

Friday: Col 1:15-20/Ps 100:1b-2, 3, 4, 5/Lk 5:33-39

Saturday: Col 1:21-23/Ps 54:3-4, 6 and 8/Lk 6:1-5

Next Sunday: Is 35:4-7a/Ps 146:7, 8-9, 9-10/Jas 2:1-5/
Mk 7:31-37

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The Week Ahead

Monday, August 30

6:00 p.m. Catechist In-Service
Parish Office Complex

Wednesday, September 1

6:30 p.m. Social Justice Committee
Hospitality Room

August Tabernacle Light

In Loving Memory of:

Week 1: Leo and Virginia Wichman

Week 2: John and Vivian Szymborski

Week 3: Raymond Mecha

Week 4: Richard and Helen Davis



Marriage Banns

I Kurt Edgerton and Katie Starns

We welcome our newest member to Christ's family through baptism, Rowan Charles Rathke, son of Troy and Kathryn, who was baptized at St. Rita Parish on Saturday, August 14th.



Just a Friendly Reminder

For the past 40 years, St. Rita Parish has been helping our sister Parish, St. Rose, located at 33rd and Michigan. There will be a second collection the first full weekend of each month for St. Rose. The money collected helps to support their food pantry and their ministry. So, please, bring an extra dollar or two. Your continued generosity is greatly appreciated and much needed.

Bulletin Deadline

The deadline for the September 11th / 12th bulletin is Wednesday, September 1st no later than 10:00 a.m.





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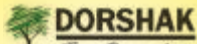
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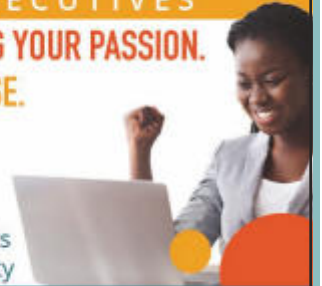
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