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August 25, 2019



MASS SCHEDULE

Mondays	8:00 am - St. Katharine Drexel
Tuesdays	8:00 am - St. John the Baptist
Wednesdays	5:30 pm - Holy Family
Thursdays	6:00 pm - Adoration 7:00 pm - St. Columbkille
Fridays	8:00 am - St. Katharine Drexel
Saturdays	4:30 pm - St. Katharine Drexel 6:00 pm - St. John the Baptist
Sundays	8:00 am - St. Columbkille 10:00 am - Holy Family

Reconciliation: Currently available by request, Thursday evenings during 6 pm Adoration hour at St. Columbkille or 9:30 am Saturday mornings at St. Katherine Drexel Church.

Sacrament of the Sick: Given privately upon request. For pastoral emergencies you may contact Fr. Mike Erwin at (262) 206-6987.

Baptism: Active parishioners should call the Tri-Parish Center to arrange a date/time. First time parents who are active parishioners need to attend a "Pre-Baptism" conference.

This conference can take place even before the child is born.

Marriage: Active parishioners are to contact Fr. Mike Erwin at his Beaver Dam Office at least 6 months prior to the anticipated date of the wedding. Couples must attend an Enrichment Day for the Engaged, and submit to a Pre-Marital Inventory.

St Vincent DePaul Society: Those in need may contact the SVDP by calling the Tri-Parish Center at any time and leaving a message.

21st SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

[Jesus] answered them, "Strive to enter through the narrow gate for many, I tell you, will attempt to enter but will not be strong enough." - Lk 13:24

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Gospel Reflections... **Excuses Don't Get You to Heaven**

It's tempting to get lazy in the church especially given the salvation purchased for us once and for all by Jesus Christ on the Cross. We don't have anything to add – and nothing more can help toward our salvation. Therefore, it's pretty tempting to accept that salvation, go to church twice a year and then check out.

In today's Gospel reading Jesus warns such people that their hope in eternal life may be in jeopardy. There are people who ate and drank with Jesus and knew he taught in their streets but they aren't getting into eternity if they haven't done any more than the minimum.

God has pretty high hopes for what he can do for the lost or financially poor but can't accomplish it without our hands and feet. We are to make progress on evangelization, care and justice issues here and if we choose not to put in the effort to try to do the Father's will, we may not make the cut.

The good news is that so many people, over a billion around the world, are stepping up and enjoying working with Christ. The old adage is that it is the same eight people who do everything in an organization and that simply isn't true. Our parishes operate with literally hundreds of people and their commitment. Just as important are the people who are working for God outside of these walls. When visiting the homebound and elderly I'm impressed by how many people are sacrificing a lot of time and effort to care for these people. They usually aren't the same people as are volunteering in church because they haven't been given the gift of bi-location; but either way they are doing God's work.

When visiting these same homes I do hear about the family members who are not helping or visiting at all. Often there is an excuse of time, distance, one family member being dominant, or past hurts. In this Gospel, Jesus isn't very interested in these excuses – he wants results even if they are imperfect; cuz' excuses don't get you to heaven.

Fr. Mike Erwin

TRI PARISHES NEWS

1. The **Tri Parishes Pastoral Council** meets this Tues., Aug. 27th in the HF Church basement. We will continue our strategic planning discussion. All are invited to participate in the discussion as we review possible models for our three parishes.

2. **Food for Souls Committee** will meet this Tuesday, 6:45 pm, before the Pastoral Council meeting at HF. We will be discussing progress on our garden and plans for the canning event - Aug. 31st, 7:30 pm until finished at St. John the Baptist. Anyone who likes to can and wants to help should come on down!!

ST. COLUMBKILLE NEWS

1. The **Holy Name Society Meeting** was postponed due to the Dodge County Fair until Thurs., Aug. 29th.

2. Items for the **small raffle** are needed. If you would like to donate something, please contact Elaine Parpart.

FAITH FORMATION NEWS

1. Did you know that you can already find our **faith formation sign up forms** online? Go to our website and click on the Faith Formation Link.: <https://www.triparishwi.com/k5-12th-grade-faith-formation>. In person sign up will be on **Wed., Sept. 11th** after the 5:30 pm Mass at Holy Family Church. Classes begin on Wed., Sept. 25th.

2. **We need help** with our Faith Formation Classes. You do not have to be present every week. We work in teams. Please contact the office or Connie Caine if you have some time to spare for our program. Thanks!

3. The last Summer **Youth Group** meets this Wed., Aug. 28th, 6 pm at St. Katharine Drexel Parish Center. If you need a ride, call the Parish Office or see John Pryme.

Mass Intentions

Monday, August 26, 2019

8:20 am at St. Katharine Drexel

Tuesday, August 27, 2019

St. Monica

8:00 am at St. John the Baptist

For: † Jean Swierzynski

By: Steve & Connie Caine

Wednesday, August 28, 2019

St. Augustine, Bishop & Dr. of the Church

5:30 pm at Holy Family

For: † Steven Kudak

By: Mary Goldbach

Thursday, August 29, 2019

The Passion of St. John the Baptist

7:00 pm at St. Columbkille

For: † The Poor Souls in Purgatory

By: Jane Powers

Friday, August 30, 2019

8:20 am at SKD

Saturday, August 31, 2019

The Blessed Virgin Mary

6:00 pm at St. John the Baptist

For: † Pro Populo

Sunday, September 1, 2019

8:00 am at St. Columbkille

For: † Robert Weissman

By: Jane Powers

10:00 am at Holy Family

For: † Carol, Carleton, and

Mary Francis Weigel

By: Andy & Brenda Caine

Liturgical Roles 9/1/2019	St. Columbkille 8 am Sunday	St. John the Baptist 6 pm Saturday	Holy Family 10 am Sunday
Servers	Volunteers	Volunteers	Volunteers
Readers		Craig Payne	Mary Goldbach
Ushers	Jesse Merfeld & Jeff Gaska	Harvey Zeman & Volunteer	Alan Pasewald & Mike Appenfeldt
Greeters	Paul & Jenny Walz	Ushers	Bob DePover & Tony Kudak
Money Counters	Greg & Pat Schepp	Don & Kathy Meinholz	Marlene Christian & Mary Simon
Eucharistic Ministers	Volunteers	Craig & Mary Payne	Bob DePover & Tony Kudak
Contributions 8/18/19	St. Columbkille 8 am Sunday	St. John the Baptist 6 pm Saturday	Holy Family 10 am Sunday
Envelopes	\$ Unavailable	\$ 450.00	\$ 725.00
Offertory	\$	\$ 92.00	\$ 86.00
Donations	\$ -	\$ 10.00	\$ -
Building Fund	\$ -	\$ 68.00	\$ -
TOTAL	\$	\$ 620.00	\$ 811.00
Please remember your parish in your will			

God's Word

Readings for the week of August 25, 2019

Sunday: Is 66:18-21/Ps 117:1, 2, [Mk 16:15]/Heb 12:5-7, 11-13/Lk 13:22-30

Monday: 1 Thes 1:1-5, 8b-10/Ps 149:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6a and 9b [cf. 4a]/Mt 23:13-22

Tuesday: 1 Thes 2:1-8/Ps 139:1-3, 4-6 [1]/Mt 23:23-26

Wednesday: 1 Thes 2:9-13/Ps 139:7-8, 9-10, 11-12ab [1]/Mt 23:27-32

Thursday: 1 Thes 3:7-13/Ps 90:3-5a, 12-13, 14 and 17 [14]/Mk 6:17-29

Friday: 1 Thes 4:1-8/Ps 97:1 and 2b, 5-6, 10, 11-12 [12a]/Mt 25:1-13

Saturday: 1 Thes 4:9-11/Ps 98:1, 7-8, 9 [9]/Mt 25:14-30

Next Sunday: Sir 3:17-18, 20, 28-29/Ps 68:4-5, 6-7, 10-11 [cf. 11b]/Heb 12:18-19, 22-24a/Lk 14:1, 7-14

St. Columbkille Parish Festival
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Sunday Sept. 8th
10 am Mass

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Please pick up SC Fall Festival Raffle Tickets in each of the churches. Remember, half of the proceeds benefit the Pregnancy Support Center of Dodge County. Stubs and money can be brought to the festival or mail to St. Columbkille.

Join us on our pilgrimage to Our Lady of Good Help in Champion, WI, October 12, 2019. Leaving from St. John the Baptist's parking lot at 8:30 am and returning that evening. \$54 per person. Trip includes transportation, refreshments and lunch. Mass with Fr. Rick Wendell, rosary and confession. Book your trip at: <http://www.holycrosstravelservice.com> Any questions call Vern Guenther at 920-296-3519.

Reflection for the Week

Jesus passed through towns and villages, teaching as he went and making his way to Jerusalem. Someone asked him, "Lord, will only a few people be saved?" He answered them, "Strive to enter through the narrow gate."

- Lk 13:22-24a



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