

Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time



Gathering Song

Refrain

Gath-er your peo-ple, O Lord. Gath-er your peo-ple, O
 Lord. One bread, one bod-y, one spir-it of
 love. Gath-er your peo-ple, O Lord.

Verses

1. Draw us forth to the ta-ble of life:
 2. No more harm on the moun-tain of God;
 broth-ers and sis-ters, each of us called to
 swords in-to plow-shares. Free us, O Lord, from
 walk in your light.
 hard-ness of heart.

Penitential Act

Gloria — see sidebar

GLORIA

Glory to God in the highest,
 and on earth peace to people of good will.
 We praise you,
 we bless you,
 we adore you,
 we glorify you,
 we give you thanks for your great glory,
 Lord God, heavenly King,
 O God, almighty Father.
 Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son,
 Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,
 you take away the sins of the world,
 have mercy on us;
 you take away the sins of the world,
 receive our prayer;
 you are seated at the right hand of the Father,
 have mercy on us.
 For you alone are the Holy One,
 you alone are the Lord,
 you alone are the Most High,
 Jesus Christ,
 with the Holy Spirit,
 in the glory of God the Father.
 Amen.

Nicene Creed

I believe in one God,
 the Father almighty,
 maker of heaven and earth,
 of all things visible and invisible.
 I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ,
 the Only Begotten Son of God,
 born of the Father before all ages.
 God from God, Light from Light,
 true God from true God,
 begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father;
 through him all things were made.
 For us men and for our salvation
 he came down from heaven,
*and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate
 of the Virgin Mary, and became man.*
 For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate,
 he suffered death and was buried,
 and rose again on the third day
 in accordance with the Scriptures.
 He ascended into heaven
 and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
 He will come again in glory
 to judge the living and the dead
 and his kingdom will have no end.
 I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
 who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
 who with the Father and the Son
 is adored and glorified,
 who has spoken through the prophets.
 I believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church.
 I confess one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins
 and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead
 and the life of the world to come. Amen.

July 18, 2021

Parish Life

Weekly Schedule

More "Blah, Blah, Blah" from Msgr. Mark

One never knows what is going to grab someone ... but I have learned that whenever I include a list in a homily, folks will ask, "Will this appear in the bulletin?" So, by popular demand (?), here is a good deal of last Sunday's preaching. The first reading again was the square off between Amaziah the priest and Amos the prophet (Amos 7:12-15): "... While I mentioned we church going people tend to walk on the 'priestly continuity side' of the street, our Catholic faith is deeply prophetic ... calling us (and our neighbors) to a change of heart. You don't believe me? Let me catalog just seven aspects of our faith (I have more) that should be needling us all as surly as Amos irritated the Amaziah ... **for to be a believer is to be called to continuous repentance:**

(1) The planet on which we live was given to humankind as its first home and entrusted to our care. **We have a moral obligation to protect and preserve this gift**, and we will be judged on our having succeeded or failed in doing so.

(2) The virtue of justice is much more than a process for getting what's rightfully ours. Christian justice is the work of ensuring a right and just balance between selfishness and selflessness. **The scriptures and the Church call us to demonstrate preference for serving the poor and powerless.** As long as I have more than I need and others have less than they need, I owe my needy neighbors a gracious sharing in my surplus.

(3) Because **human marriage is intended to be a mirror of God's love for his people**, Jesus raised it to the dignity of a sacrament which should be entered only by women and men ready to pledge and to keep a life-long union promising to be faithful in good times and in bad, in sickness and in health, until death.

(4) Whether a pregnancy is desired and welcomed—or not—**there is no degree of difference in the reality, sacredness, and nobility of human life found in any womb.**

(5) Nothing another does or fails to do, no matter how heinous, excuses us from the commandment to love our neighbor and, in particular, to love the least lovable. Nothing another does or fails to do gives us license to hate, demean, curse, or condemn. **The command to love one's neighbor has no exceptions.**

(6) We are to live as if this life were **a practice session, a dress rehearsal, for a life that is yet to come** after death. It's upon the evidence of how we lived this life that we will be judged and given our place, forever, in the next.

This isn't multiple choice, where I can settle for 4 out of 6. But if these six prophetic aspects of Catholicism are tough, conflict with your political views, or just seem impossible, here's a seventh, equally astounding, that also must be heard. (7) **The mercy of God is without limit and is given freely to any who will acknowledge and confess their sins**, do penance, and pledge with God's grace to change their hearts and be faithful to the gospel.

If any of these are a shock to you or you find them troubling, I'd invite you to think about participating in this fall's version of Catholicism 101 or our Men's Group when they resurface again in September, where we can discuss such things at length in the give-and-take setting they deserve (that doesn't work so well at Mass when I do all the talking). Prophetic words, by their nature, address matters that are problematic, personal, and challenging. It's precisely in these areas where we might need to be called to repentance. ... Come then. Take back the title prophet for yourself ... lean a little less to the voice that whispers in your ear, 'you are good enough,' and towards the side that urges you, 'and what more would God ask of me?'"

Msgr. Mark Pierce

Sunday, July 18

7:30am Mass at CR: For the People of the Eastside Parishes
9:00am Mass at CR: +Tom Tepper
10:30am Mass at SM: +Tom Vick

Monday, July 19

5:30pm Mass at CR: +Leonard Englert
6:00pm Confessions at CR
6:30pm Men's Club Group in SM Cafeteria

Tuesday, July 20

St. Apollinaris
12:10pm Mass at CR: +Jim Gassner
3:00pm Mass at Primrose: +Patrick Wilson
5:30pm Rosary and Novena at CR

Wednesday, July 21

St. Lawrence of Brindisi
6:00am Study of the Catechism at CR Conference Room
12:10pm Mass at CR: +Ray and Lorraine, Bill, and Dick Steines
6:30pm Prophets Bible Study at SM

Thursday, July 22

St. Mary Magdalene
12:10pm Mass at CR: +Arnie Klos

Friday, July 23

St. Bridget
9:00am "What Catholics Believe" Bible Study at SM Cafeteria
12:10pm Mass at CR: Living and Deceased Members of the Grauvogel Family

NOTE: The rosary will be said beginning at 11:35 am before the Daily Masses. The Divine Mercy Chaplet will follow Mass.

17TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Saturday, July 24

3:00pm Confessions at SM
4:00pm Mass at SM: +Jerry Hornick

Sunday, July 25

7:30am Mass at CR: For the People of the Eastside Parishes
9:00am Mass at CR: +Steve Medvecz and Karen Klay
10:30am Mass at SM: +Delores Hackel

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Scripture Readings: <https://bible.usccb.org>

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Readings for the 17th Sunday in Ordinary Time July 25

2 Kings 4:42-44; Ephesians 4:1-6; John 6:1-15

In today's second reading, the Ephesians are urged to "live in a manner of the call you have received." Two thoughts flow from that. Notice that the call came first, and the behavior follows. It's not that we have to claw and fight our way into relationship: God initiates. Which begs the question: if we were to live in a manner worthy of the call we have received, how would we live in response? The letter goes on to give us some ideas: "humility and gentleness, with patience ... striving to preserve the unity of the spirit through the bond of peace." Again, these, and not flashier attributes are hallmarks of this new life. *Which of these gifts is apparent in you? Which do you have the greatest need of?*

We are cleaning up around our church properties... and are hoping to find new homes for some stone and marble pieces; some large plastic tubs; and an outdoor bench. These items (and any more that may be added) are available for your "picking delight" on the east side of the garage in the St. Michael's small parking lot. Items are available on a first come, first serve basis—you haul it.

Vacation Bible School Rocky Railway, July 26-30, 9 to noon at St. Michael

Vacation Bible School is an amazing week where kids and volunteers come together as they explore God's Word, praise His name and experience lessons through games, food, crafts and more! This year kids will discover that even when times get tough, God's power pulls us through! Participants age 4-10 by September 1, (age 4 through entering 5th grade). Adult and teen volunteers (entering grades 6-8 assistant crew leaders, entering 9-12 crew leaders) are also needed to help serve at VBS. Volunteers are needed for music, Bible adventure, games, crafts and imagination station, snack, and our great crew leaders!



Registration and information:

<https://wausauvbs.weebly.com/>

Contact Michelle with any questions:

715.842.1810 or michelle@eastsideparishes.org

Faith Formation & Sacramental Preparation – Registration Open

Registration forms, calendars, and information are available on our website for both Faith Formation (K-12), and Sacramental Preparation.

Go to www.eastsideparishes.org/ff today to access registration forms and other helpful information.

Volunteers are needed... Faith-filled people, with a love for God who would like to share in the invitation to "let the little children come to Him", (and our middle and high school youth, too), are invited to prayerfully consider becoming a catechist, catechist aide or small-group leader.



Contact Michelle by phone at **715.842.1810** or email michelle@eastsideparishes.org for additional info.



The Eastside Parishes extend their sympathy and prayers to the family and friends of

Suzanne Pitterle
who died on July 7, 2021; and
Marian Boller
who died July 13, 2021.



COVID procedures at Sunday Masses at the Eastside Parishes Updated July 11, 2021

As the expectations have changed over the last few weeks, here's a rundown of our current procedures at worship:

- The dispensation from the obligation to attend Mass on the part of Catholics has come to an end and Bishop welcomes all "who are able and well" to return to in-person participation.
- For the unvaccinated, the continued wearing of face coverings and social distancing is encouraged but not required; those who have been vaccinated are welcome to mask as they see fit.
- Most of each church will be available for seating, with two exceptions: first, the pew at the front and the pew at the back of each section will continue to have an empty "buffer" row (behind or ahead of it) for those who would welcome more space between them and others. And for the near future, the 7:30 am Mass at Resurrection will continue to require 6' distancing and the wearing of masks.
- Taking the offering "passively" at the entrances of the church will continue for now.
- A Communion procession will return in the three lines that was our pre-COVID practice; for the comfort of all, for the near future those who distribute Communion will mask; those who wish to receive by mouth are asked to come at the end of the line.
- Our current Mass schedule (one on Saturday late afternoon and three on Sunday morning) is only for the time being, and we expect to adjust worship times again as we edge our way back to "normal."

Stay tuned. Things change.

Please remember all of our homebound and hospitalized parishioners from our parishes in your prayers this week.

Resurrection Sanctuary Lamp burns this week for...

Chester and Margaret Kwarciany

St. Michael Votive Candles burn...

In memory of:
Nancy Higgins
Daniel Higgins
Alice and Bob Merrill
Tom Vick

For health and strength for Jim Rose
For strength for Cathy Rose

4 Financial Giving July 11, 2021



St. Michael Parish

Adult Envelopes/Offertory	\$6,200.00
Electronic Contributions.....	\$0.00
Weekly Total	\$6,200.00
Fiscal Year-to-date Contributions	\$16,542.00

Church of the Resurrection

Adult Envelopes/Offertory	\$3,503.00
Electronic Contributions.....	\$0.00
Weekly Total.....	\$3,503.00
Fiscal Year-to-date Contributions....	\$14,821.00

We Believe

IN THE GOODNESS AND STRENGTH
OF SAINT MICHAEL PARISH

July 11, 2021

Cash contributions this week.....	\$1,050.00
Electronic contributions this week.....	\$0.00
"We Believe" weekly total	\$1,050.00

Total "We Believe" cash contributions to date \$1,129,368.42

Total pledges (including friends' match)..... \$1,341,987.43
(not counting St. Ambrose Financial Services interest forgiveness)

To Touch is To Heal, To Heal is To Touch

July 2021

"For I know the plans I have for you, declares the Lord, plans for welfare and not for evil, to give you a future and a hope. When you call me, when you go to pray to me, you will find me." Jeremiah 29- 11-12

Dear Fellow Parishioners,

As adults across the country receive their COVID19 vaccine, we're all beginning to wonder what normal will look like. Regardless of whether you're excited to pickup where you left off before the pandemic or you're hesitant to return to your pre COVID life, it is important that you take your mental well being into account. I remain on this topic because of the CDC release that 40% of adults in the US are struggling with mental health issues. Normal can't be a magic cure, but it may alleviate some of the negative feelings you have had over the last year.

As we continue to transition into the new normal, remember to keep your mental and physical health as a top priority. It is perfectly ok to step back and go at your own pace and set boundaries as things continue to change.

Give yourself some grace. Restrictions are loosening. Some days will feel easier than others. Adjust to your pace.

Focus on what you can control. Each business and place are different. You can control where you go; how you protect yourself; and your mental health. If listening to news is stressful, take a break from every day. Have patience with yourself and others, be flexible.

Set a new routine. Some aspects of your life may have changed in the last year, and there is more change to come. Maybe you worked from home, or your kids attended school online. Try creating a new routine to help you ease into the change.

Create healthy boundaries. We all have experienced a range of emotions over the last year. This transition will be different for everyone. Focus on what you are comfortable with and what will be best for your mental health. It is ok to set boundaries with friends, family, and colleagues. If feeling overwhelmed or anxious start small and work from there.

Do activities you enjoy. We've all missed some activities over the past year, so to help ease into this transition, you can start to think about doing the things you haven't been able to do. Maybe it is that meeting with friends at a restaurant, going shopping or attending a favorite exercise class. But it's important to remember, you only have to do activities you're comfortable with - don't jump back into things too quickly.

Returning to normal may not be easy for everyone, and if you're feeling anxious about public spaces opening up, it is ok. Leaning on your social support network will make all the difference. For some, returning to "normal" is so anticipated we ease smoothly. Everyone is different.

"They that hope in the Lord, will renew their strength, they will soar as with eagle wings. They will run and not grow weary, walk and not grow faint." Isaiah 40:31

Continue to have a good summer. Blessings! Pam Frary, RN



Newman Catholic Schools lunch program is looking for a kitchen assistant at St. Mark's in Rothschild for 3-3/12 hours per school day. NCS is also in need of substitute head cooks and assistants, as well as volunteers to help with the lunch program. Interested individuals are asked to contact Jenni Derks at jderks@newmandcatholicchools.com or call 715-845-5735, ext 2033.

UPCOMING AREA EVENTS:

St. Florian Parish Picnic, July 31 and August 1 in Hatley.

Event in Bevent, August 28 and 29 at St. Ladislaus in Bevent.

Pat Esselman
Parishioner



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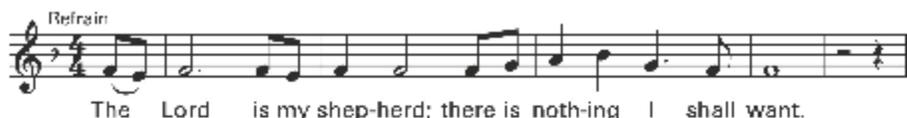
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LITURGY OF THE WORD

Reading I: Jeremiah 23.1-6

Response: Psalm 23



Reading II: Ephesians 2.13-18

Gospel Acclamation



Gospel: Mark 6.30-34

Profession of Faith: Nicene Creed — see sidebar on front

The Universal Prayer



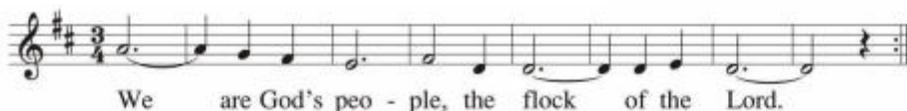
LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

Preparation of Gifts and Altar

Preface Dialogue

Eucharistic Acclamations — see sidebar

Song During the Communion Procession



Song after the Final Blessing



1. The King of love my shep - herd is, Whose good - ness
 2. Where streams of liv - ing wa - ter flow, My ran - somed
 3. Con - fused and fool - ish oft I strayed, But yet in
 4. In death's dark vale I fear no ill With you, dear
 5. You spread a ta - ble in my sight, Your sav - ing
 6. And so, through all the length of days Your good - ness



fails me nev - er; I noth - ing lack if
 soul he's lead - ing, And, where the ver - dant
 love he sought me, And on his shoul - der
 Lord, be - side me, Your rod and staff my
 grace be - stow - ing; And, oh, what trans - port
 fails me nev - er; Good Shep - herd, may I



I am his And he is mine for - ev - er.
 pas - tures grow, With food ce - les - tial feed - ing.
 gent - ly laid, And home, re - joic - ing, brought me.
 com - fort still, Your cross be - fore to guide me.
 of de - light From your pure chal - ice flow - ing!
 sing your praise With - in your house for - ev - er.

EUCCHARISTIC ACCLAMATION

Holy, Holy, Holy
 Lord God of hosts.
 Heaven and earth
 are full of your glory.
 Hosanna in the highest.
 Blessed is he,
 blessed is he who comes
 in the name of the Lord.
 Hosanna in the highest.
 Hosanna in the highest.

MYSTERY OF FAITH

Save us, Savior of the world,
 for by your Cross
 and Resurrection
 you have set us free.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father, who art in
 heaven, hallowed be thy
 name; thy kingdom come;
 thy will be done on earth as
 it is in heaven. Give us this
 day our daily bread; and
 forgive us our trespasses
 as we forgive those who
 trespass against us;
 and lead us not
 into temptation,
 but deliver us from evil.

*Deliver us, Lord, we pray, from every evil...
 and the coming of our Savior, Jesus Christ.*

**For the kingdom,
 the power, and the glory
 are yours, now and forever.**

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

*Behold the Lamb of God, behold him
 who takes away the sins of the world.
 Blessed are those called to the supper
 of the Lamb.*

**Lord, I am not worthy
 that you should enter
 under my roof,
 but only say the word
 and my soul**