



July 11, 2021 Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

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15TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Jesus summoned the Twelve and began to send them out two by two and gave them authority over unclean spirits. The Twelve drove out many demons, and they anointed with oil many who were sick and cured them. - Mk 6:7, 13

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Holy Mass Saturday 5:00 PM; Sunday 8:00 AM & 11:00 AM
Monday– Friday 8:00 AM

Sacrament of Reconciliation Monday, Tuesday and Friday 6:00 PM;
Saturdays 4:00 PM; or by appointment

**BULLETIN
STANDARD DEADLINE:
9:00 A.M. MONDAY**

Dear Parishioners,
There are couple scripture passages from this week-end I would like to comment on. First, the last verse in the Gospel this week says of Jesus, "He was amazed at their lack of faith." He said this in reference to the reaction and response He received from his own neighbors when He returned and preached at the synagogue. When I read that verse I always think of the times those words could be applied to me. Might Jesus be equally surprised at the lack of faith we sometimes show? What can we do differently to overcome our lack of faith? So often it is our unwillingness to give God complete control over our lives. It is that we hold on to something for ourselves rather than let go and trust in Him. One powerful prayer that we can say is, "Lord I believe. Help my unbelief." Pray this again and again. God will not let you down if you are honestly seeking him. Second, In the Epistle, St. Paul talks about a thorn in his flesh. What is that thorn he is talking about? We don't know. St. Augustine thought it to be a painful physical illness. Whereas St. John Chrysostom thought the thorn to refer to the suffering caused to Paul from his continuous harassment and beatings he endured. Whereas St. Gregory the Great was of the opinion that Paul spoke of the thorn in reference to temptations which he finds particularly difficult to resist. How many of us also have a thorn in our flesh? Either some form of physical suffering or some sin or temptation we struggle to overcome. Some of these "thorns" if we are intentional about it with God's help we can overcome. Others will stay, but with God's help we can almost get used to them, persevere and be stronger for it. When Paul realized that his cross wouldn't go away he accepted it saying: "I am content with weaknesses, insults, hardships, persecutions, and constraints for the sake of Christ. For when I am weak, then I am strong." These are great words for us to say and repeat over and over again.

God Bless,
Fr. Butler

ROSARY MAKERS

will meet
Tuesday, July 27 29 at 9 AM
in the Parish Center

The Lighter Side—Marriage and Coffee

Shortly after tying the knot, a young married couple started arguing over who should make the coffee. Being a good Christian woman, the wife went to the scriptures for her answer. She said that the Bible specifically stated that men should be the ones to make the coffee. Puzzled, the husband asked her where in the Bible it said that. Very confidently, the wife opened up her Bible and said, "It's right here — HEBREWS."



SUNDAY, JULY 11

12:30PM-4PM

Lake Holiday-Beach 2

FOOD*BEER*WINE

MARGARITAS*GAMES

MAGICIAN*TREASURE HUNT

ZIPLINE*PLAYGROUND

PRIZES*SWIMMING

Slather on your sunblock and put on your best beach outfit! Attendees may bring a dish to share. RSVP requested but not required. Sign up at stjbsom.org or call office at 815-498-2010

2021 Diocesan Appeal Bear Much Fruit

Parish Goal:

\$24,567.00

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\$24,230.00

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Goal Pledged:**

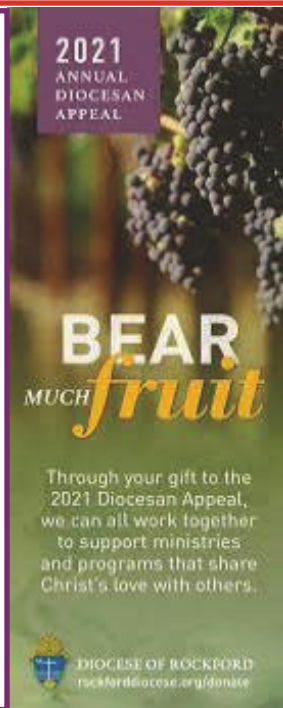
99%

Families Pledged:

77

**Percentage of
Families Pledged:**

24%



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SILVER & GOLD WEDDING ANNIVERSARY MASS

Is 2021 the year in which you and your spouse celebrate your 25th, 50th, 55th, 60th, 65th, 70th or more wedding anniversary? Bishop Malloy would like to celebrate this milestone with you. Couples celebrating the milestone wedding anniversaries are invited to a special Mass on Sunday, August 22nd at 2:30 PM at St. Mary Parish in Huntley celebrated by Bishop David Malloy. A cake and punch reception will immediately follow. Please register by phone at 815 399-4300 or online at www.rockforddiocese.org/anniversary by August 10.



Suzanne Burton, Patricia Butler, Jill Carlson
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Noah Poland, Jackie Rucinski, Bob Scholl, Gavin
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SANCTUARY LIGHTS

Our candle offerings this week:

Special Intention
Req by Kathy Haggard



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CONGRESS IS TRYING TO FORCE AMERICANS TO PAY FOR ABORTION

The Hyde Amendment and similar laws have protected taxpayers from funding elective abortion for 45 years. Now, powerful members of Congress want to take away these laws that both Democrats and Republicans have supported for nearly half a century. Billions of taxpayer dollars could be used to pay for abortion. It is critically important for Catholics to send a strong message before Congress moves forward to impose taxpayer-funded abortion. They will vote the second half of July.

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Fr. Butler's pilgrimage to the Holy Land
that was scheduled in January, 2021
has been rescheduled to
November 8-18, 2021



MASS INTENTIONS

July 12-18 2021

Monday	8:00 am	Sister of Third Order of St. Francis Req by Fr. Butler
Tuesday	8:00 am	Carol Weseman Req by Jeff Weseman
Wednesday	8:00 am	George & JoAnn Weseman Req by Jeff Weseman
Thursday	8:00 am	Joseph Pfeifer Req by Dolores Pfeifer
Friday	8:00 am	Richard Zuege Req by Craig & Lynda Zuege
Saturday	5:00 pm	Don & Jean Wegener Req by Willy & Linda Bolssens
Sunday	8:00am	Don & Jean Wegener Req by Denny & Susan Wiley
	11:00am	Pro Populo People of the Parish

LITURGICAL ROLES

July 17-18, 2021

Saturday 5:00 pm Lector N/A
Extraordinary Ministers N/A

Sunday 8:00 am Lector N/A
Extraordinary Ministers N/A

Sunday 11:00am Lector N/A
Extraordinary Ministers N/A

ALTAR SERVERS

July 17-18, 2021

Saturday 5:00 pm N/A

Sunday 8:00 am N/A

Sunday 11:00 am N/A

JULY USHERS

Saturday 5:00 pm N/A

Sunday 8:00 am N/A

11:00 am N/A

THE WEEK AHEAD

SUNDAY, July 11, 2021

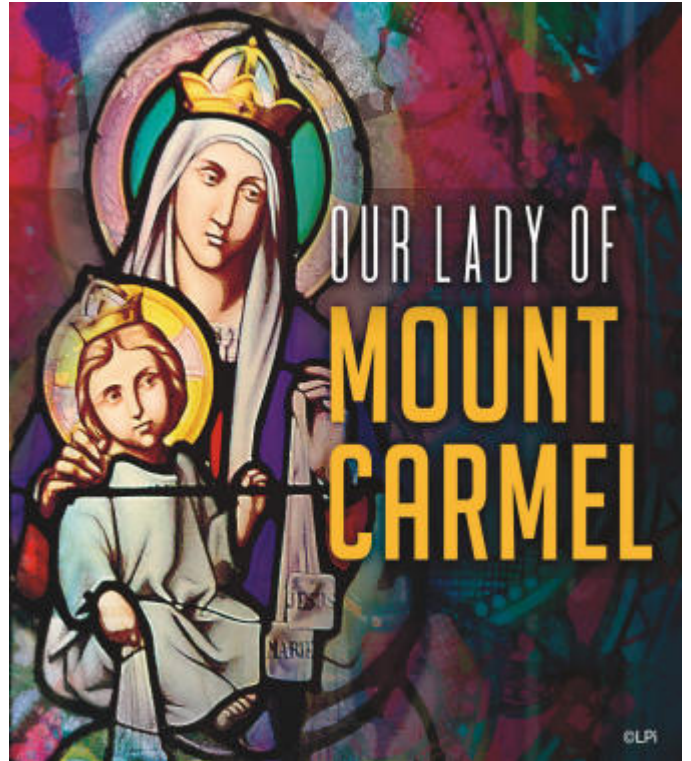
*Church Picnic-Lake Holiday 12:30-4:00pm
Beach 2*

TUESDAY, July 13, 2021

Knights of Columbus 7:15 pm

FRIDAY, July 16, 2021

Rosary at Grotto 8:30 am



SCRIPTURE READINGS

Readings for the week of July 11, 2021

Sunday: Am 7:12-15/Ps 85:9-10, 11-12, 13-14 [8]/
Eph 1:3-14 or 1:3-10/Mk 6:7-13

Monday: Ex 1:8-14, 22/Ps 124:1b-3, 4-6, 7-8 [8a]/
Mt 10:34—11:1

Tuesday: Ex 2:1-15a/Ps 69:3, 14, 30-31, 33-34 [cf.
33]/Mt 11:20-24

Wednesday: Ex 3:1-6, 9-12/Ps 103:1b-2, 3-4, 6-7
[8a]/Mt 11:25-27

Thursday: Ex 3:13-20/Ps 105:1 and 5, 8-9, 24-25, 26
-27 [8a]/Mt 11:28-30

Friday: Ex 11:10—12:14/Ps 116:12-13, 15 and 16bc,
17-18 [13]/Mt 12:1-8

Saturday: Ex 12:37-42/Ps 136:1 and 23-24, 10-12,
13-15/Mt 12:14-21

Next Sunday: Jer 23:1-6/Ps 23:1-3, 3-4, 5, 6 [1]/Eph
2:13-18/Mk 6:30-34


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