August 16th, 2020 20th Sunday in Ordinary Time



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Mass Schedule:

Tuesday - Friday 8:00 am Saturday 4:30 pm Sunday 8:30 am & 10:30 am

Sacrament of Reconciliation:

Saturday 3:30 pm

or by appointment

Baptism

Parish membership is required. Baptismal preparation for parents and sponsors is held monthly. Pre-registration is required. Baptisms are held the 1st Sunday of each month. Contact the Parish Office for more information.

Marriage

Parish membership is required. Arrangements need to be made a minimum of six months prior to the wedding date. Please contact Fr. Robert for more information. Anointing of the Sick

Please contact the Parish

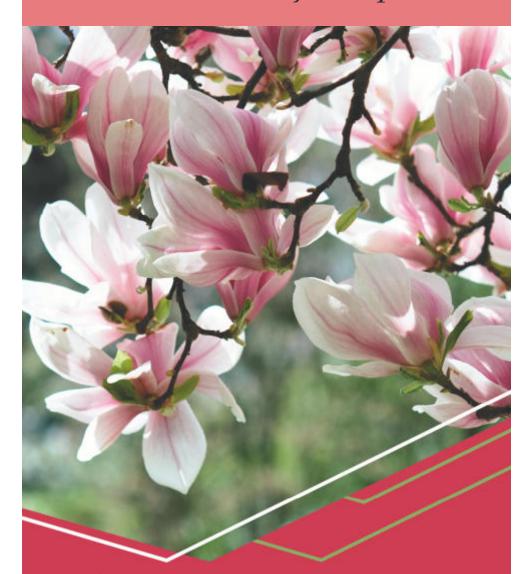
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Then Jesus said to her in reply, "O woman, great is your faith! Let it be done for you as you wish." And the woman's daughter was healed from that hour. - Mt 15:28

Excerpts from the Lectionary for Mass #2001, 1998, 1970 CCD,

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Come Join Us!

We would love to officially welcome you into our family. Registration packets are available at the information center. Dear Parishioners.

What a year it has been for us! Who knew the changes and challenges we would journey through in 2020?

Your endless prayers, your time and financial support all reflect your deep love for this parish. I am grateful for all you do for our parish!

Have you tried our E-Giving platform? When you give, especially a recurring gift, you consistently support our ministries and serve the people who rely on them. Plus, e-giving makes for safer record-keeping, faster processing, and increased efficiency for our parish staff. Ready to give it a try?

You will have the option to make a gift to the Regular Offertory, Debt Reduction, Bell Tower and Mortgage. You decide if your gift is One Time, Weekly or Monthly.

If you have any questions about using e-giving, please contact the parish office at 414-762-0552

You and your loved ones are in my daily prayers.

In Christ,

Father Robert

ST. JOSEPH'S CEMETERY

We are in need of a couple of volunteers who would be willing to help update our record keeping for the cemetery. Re-mapping of all burials and inurnments needs to be brought up to date. Must be detail oriented to some degree. You can work at your own pace until completed. Thanks in advance for your consideration.



St. Stephen Catholic Faith Formation Program is looking for a few Catechists

Wednesdays 6:00-7:00pm twice a month:

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Program begins the Third week of September.

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W H A T 'S H A P P E N I N G

As we continue to deal with the COVid-19 Pandemic, the needs of many families are increasing. The Family Life Center (FLC) Food Pantry is continuing to operate. We are in need of personal care product donations. If you can help our FLC Food Pantry by either contributing actual personal care products or by making a cash or check donation, drop off your items or donations in the baskets at any mass or bring them to our NO CONTACT Curbside Food Pantry Hours on Tuesdays or Thursdays 9:00 A.M. to Noon. We are also in need of school supplies, too! Checks should be made out to the St. Stephen Family Life Center. Thank you for your continued support and help.

7 PROMISES OF GOD
I will be with you
I will protect you
I will be your strength
I will answer you
I will provide for you
I will give you peace

I will always love you

GOT PRODUCE?

If you are currently experiencing the fruits of your labor with the bountiful harvest of your gardens, please consider donating the excess to the Family Life Center or to the Church for the canning season. Please drop it off at the Church Monday through Thursday between 9am – 3pm or before weekend Masses.



ANNOUNCING: The Meijer SIMPLY GIVE Fall Campaign to Support the St.
Stephen Family Life center Food Pantry
Mark your calendars:

Sunday, August 23rd through Saturday, September 26th Please consider giving a "SIMPLY GIVE" donation to support our St. Stephen Family Life Center Food Pantry during the dates listed above.

- Your donation supports our emergency food pantry which offers emergency food to people of our community.
- "SIMPLY" go to the Meijer Town Square store and purchase a SIMPLY GIVE card. The cards are available in all checkout lanes. Ask your checker!
- The card MUST be purchased at the Oak Creek Drexel Town Square Store.
- \$10 or more can be donated at the Meijer store beginning August 23rd until September 26th, 2020!
- DOUBLE MATCH dates are FRIDAY, September 11th and Saturday, September 12th.
- Meijer will DOUBLE MATCH our donations on these two dates! This means for every \$10 Simply Give card purchased on these dates, Meijer will give \$20 to our food pantry, resulting in a \$30 total donation!

Mark your calendars for the "Simply Give" DOUBLE MATCH dates, too!

THANK YOU for your continued support and generosity.

Readings for the week of August 16th

Sunday: Is 56:1, 6-7/Ps 67:2-3, 5, 6, 8

[4]/Rom 11:13-15, 29-32/Mt 15:21-28

Monday: Ez 24:15-24/Dt 32:18-19, 20, 21

[cf. 18a]/Mt 19:16-22

Tuesday: Ez 28:1-10/Dt 32:26-27ab, 27cd

-28, 30, 35cd-36ab [39c]/Mt 19:23-30

Wednesday: Ez 34:1-11/Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5,

6 [1]/Mt 20:1-16

Thursday: Ez 36:23-28/Ps 51:12-13, 14-15,

18-19 [Ez 36:25]/Mt 22:1-14

Friday: Ez 37:1-14/Ps 107:2-3, 4-5, 6-7,

8-9 [1]/Mt 22:34-40

Saturday: Ez 43:1-7ab/Ps 85:9ab and 10,

11-12, 13-14 [cf. 10b]/Mt 23:1-12

Next Sunday: Is 22:19-23/Ps 138:1-2, 2-

3, 6, 8 [8bc]/Rom 11:33-36/Mt 16:13-20

THANK YOU!

Please join me in thanking **Jim and Lynn Siering** for their most generous contribution to cover the cost of a multipurpose programmable controller for the monitoring and control of the church's automated Heating, Ventilation, and Air Conditioning system applications. This would have been a major cost factor to our currently limited budget if not for their generosity. Thank you both! Fr. Robert

Liturgy and Music Fundraisers



Many thanks to those who created the artisan popcorn for the Prayer & Worship Fundraiser: Shirley K. Joan S. Arica V. Josh V. Mary V. We collected \$767.00!

~Lynda (the popper)

Gratitude to our choir, cantors and dedicated music lovers who contributed delicious bakery items for the Music Fundraiser. We collected \$1,045! There are too many names to list! You know who you are! Thank you!



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We are hardwired for wholeness and crave it. When something is broken, we want it fixed. If a part of our body is not working properly, we want it healed. How often do we find ourselves saying, "I'm tired of struggling with this cold, I can't wait for my surgery to heal, or I want my treatments to make me better." Wholeness and healing restore our relationships and make us free to love as we desire. We know very well how our limitations, imperfections, and brokenness really limit us. They can easily prevent us from being and doing what we want to do.

Our physical and emotional wounds and maladies are easier to identify. If my back hurts, I feel it and know what part of my body needs attention. If I am feeling intense anger, I can identify the emotion and take necessary steps to uncover its cause. Being persistent often brings greater and quicker results. But will pursuing and even achieving our physical and emotional healings really be enough? We forget that there is a deeper healing that we seek and desperately need. As we look around at humanity, there are some physical and emotional wounds and scars that cannot be made whole. They are limitations that must remain and, for one reason or another, cannot be rectified. Does this mean that the wholeness and healing that my being longs for is not possible for me? Must I settle with less than what God promises?

The answer is no. Ultimately, there is a desire that goes deeper than the physical and emotional. It is a desire that resides in our soul. What we really seek and thirst for is healing and wholeness for our soul. Inner strength, conviction, focus, grounding, love, hope, faith, courage, determination, peace, and connectedness are all words that center us on eternity. They direct us to a presence we discover in our core, which is none other than the presence of God. In God, we are healed. When we are persistent in reaching out to and establishing our relationship with God, real healing and wholeness begin to happen.

There are some limitations and some of our brokenness with which we may simply have to live. This does not mean that we have to abandon our journey to wholeness and healing. If we have done our inner soul work, we have worked toward and acquired what and who we ultimately need and desire.

Mass Intentions

Tuesday, August 18th

8:00am † George Grube

Wednesday, August 19th

8:00am † Mel Seib Thursday, August 20th

8:00am † Sr. Rose Stalters CSA

Friday, August 21st

8:00am † Ryan Mueller

4:30pm † For the people

Sunday, August 23rd

8:30 am † Anna Marie Winters 10:30am † John & Beulah Wagner



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