

17th Sunday in Ordinary Time July 25, 2021



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Baptism and Marriage

Please call the parish office to arrange a time to meet with the priest and to schedule. Allow 6 months preparation time for marriage.

Sacrament of Reconciliation

7.30 am St Paul before Friday morning Mass @ St Pauls
5.30pm St James Saturday evening

Or call Parish Office to schedule your confession

Home visits & Sacrament of the Sick

Please call Father Letona at 608-562-3125 for information.



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FROM THE DESK OF FATHER LETONA

Greetings on the 17th Week in Ordinary Time!

We read in Sunday's Gospel Reading: " One of his disciples, Andrew, the brother of Simon Peter, said to him, 'There is a boy here who has five barley loaves and two fish; but what good are these for so many?'" (John 6:8-9)

Andrew, the Apostle who had told his brother Simon (soon to be called "Peter") about Jesus, had exclaimed "we have found the messiah!" (John 1:41). By this verse in the Gospel of John he is now the one with little faith. As the crowds grew hungry, the Lord instructed his disciples to feed the people. The disciples didn't believe that they could possibly feed all those people. They couldn't, they wouldn't have believed it. Andrew speaks up and points out the boy with five barley loaves and two fish.

Perhaps at that moment Andrew was ready to take a leap of faith and believe that if he himself couldn't feed the people, then maybe the Lord could. But he didn't take that leap. His doubt got the better of him: "but what good is that?" he asks.

Nevertheless, the Lord "took the loaves, gave thanks, and distributed them..." (Jn 6:11). All who were reclining ate and were full. From five loaves and two fish! Our Lord worked a miracle.

The Lord took five barely loaves, which is poor, humble bread, and two measly fish, and turned it into a rich banquet. It was not a king, nor a rich person, nor a warrior, nor any powerful person who brought the loaves, but a humble boy, who had come to hear Jesus teach. The Lord can take what little we give him, and transform it into something even greater.

On Sundays, we present to the Lord simple unleavened bread and wine, and these become for us His Body and Blood. He is always taking the humblest things and making them great. Sunlight, water, and soil produce fruit of the vine. That fruit becomes wine. He turns that Wine into Blood, and Blood into our Salvation.

Give what little faith and trust you have to the Lord, and "he will answer all your needs." (c.f. Responsorial Psalm)

May God bless you all this week,
Rev. Robert Letona

WISDOM THROUGH THE AGES

"If we could comprehend all the good things contained in Holy Communion [the Bread of Life], nothing more would be wanting to content the heart of man. The miser would run no more after his treasures, or the ambitious after glory; each would shake off the dust of the earth, leave the world, and fly away towards heaven," - St. John Vianney, d.1859

Character Builds Families

Peace

Above the cross is the word pax (peace), that has been a Benedictine motto for centuries. **Around the margin of the back** of the medal, the letters **V R S N S M V – S M Q L I V B** are the initial letters, as mentioned above, of a **Latin prayer of exorcism against Satan**: Vade retro Satana! Nunquam suade mihi vana! Sunt mala quae libas. Ipse venena bibas! (Begone Satan! Never tempt me with your vanities! What you offer me is evil. Drink the poison yourself!)

For ways to use our St Benedict Medal please read next weeks column.
(saintbenedict.com)



Please remember our Military and their Families

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FOR THOSE IN NEED OF OUR PRAYERS.....

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For our Deceased

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| Clayton Hansen | Frank Machnik | Ellen Henthorne |
| Marcella Hirt | Wilda Paulson | Walt Weber |

Please call the office if you would like to add or remove a name.

Secretary's Corner

O most beautiful Flower of Mount Carmel, Fruitful Vine, Splendor of Heaven, Blessed Mother of the Son of God, Immaculate Virgin, assist me this my necessity. O Star of the Sea, help me and show me herein you are my Mother.

7 Stories that demonstrate the power of the sibling bond

From childhood into adulthood, here's why having a sibling is something to truly cherish.

Brothers and sisters have a tendency to drive each other crazy throughout their lives. It's normal, and yet the shared bond siblings have is hard to break. Sometimes we focus more on the negatives of our siblings, or even take them for granted, forgetting what a gift it is to have them.

To celebrate the joy of having a sibling or more, take a look at the following stories that can help you remember what pleasure they can bring, how fortunate we are to have them, and what an important place they hold in our lives and in our hearts.

To save each other's lives

The sibling bond is unique and powerful, as this incredible story of a little boy who saved his twin brother's life shows.

[A simple cuddle from his sibling saved this premature baby's life](#)

To help each other grow in faith

This large group of siblings enabled each other to grow in faith, with an impressive seven children all joining religious life. While this may seem unusual, there have often been families where a number of siblings chose to follow a religious vocation, such as St. Thérèse de Lisieux's family. [7 out of 10 children from this family joined the Dominican Order](#)

To encourage each other to achieve tricky goals

We often hear of sibling rivalry, but many brothers and sisters put their success in life down to their loving large families. These celebrities are just a few who were inspired by their large families and achieved greatness in their field.

To encourage each other to care for the environment

These nature-loving sisters are using their time and shared passion to have a positive impact on the environment.

[See how a pair of loving sisters and their gorgeous dogs are helping to regrow forests](#)

To use their impressive skills to serve others

This family of medical professionals spent years studying so that they could care for others. With all six siblings donning a white coat, that's a lot of people the Okpalekes can serve, and all in God's name.

[Inspiring photo of 6 siblings in the medical profession goes viral](#)

To grow (very) old together

A family recently became Guinness World Record holders for their staggering ages. With a combined 1,042 years, the D'Cruz family have leaned on their Catholic faith to supported each other and achieve such impressive long lives.

[Meet the family of 12 siblings with a very special Guinness World Record](#)

To spread the joy of music


One of the many blessings of having siblings is being able to have a ready-made band (well, if you're musically inclined!). The Byrne Brothers have bonded over their joint love of music and have now notched up millions of fans.

[Irish family band wows millions with their musical talent](#) (aleteia.org)

Family Builder Idea:

As this week is St Joachim's and St Anne's feast day and it is the "feast of grandparents". Plan a special dinner with your children to host their grandparents. Help them review some stories of St Joachim and St Anne, think about what Mary's life must have been like and how happy her parents were when they know that their grandchild was to be the Savior of the world, Jesus.

Find some time to spend with your children and parents. Enjoy the time God has blessed us with. If your parents are no longer here, plan a visit to the cemetery and share some of your favorite story with your children so they can know their grandparents.



Attend in person
6pm Sat. St James, Camp Douglas
8am St Michael's Indian Creek
10am St Paul's New Lisbon

Weekday Mass @ St. Paul's
Will not be held this week as Father is out of town

No Mass at St Paul's for the Weekdays of July 20- July 30th as Father is out of town.

17th Sunday of Ordinary Time with Father Wawan
10:00 am
Readings
2 Kgs 4: 42- 44 Ps 145: 10- 11, 15-18
Eph 4: 1-6 Jn 6: 1-15

On the Web

- YOUTUBE Father Letona, Masses from last year
- Like our parish page on Facebook Saint James, Saint Paul & Saint Michael Parishes
- www.mjpcatholic.com
- In person for private prayer Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday 9-12 pm

St James Schedule July 31

Lector

Gary DeChant

Money Counter

Gary DeChant

We are looking for volunteers for usher, read and money count... PLEASE CALL Kris @ 608-562-3135

St. Michael's Schedule Aug 1

Lector

Penni Zabinski

Ushers

Kevin Quist/Wenzel Felber

Money Counters

Marian Belcher/Steve Belcher

St. Paul's Schedule Aug 1

Lector

Janet Barrett

Ushers

Volunteer

Extraordinary Minister

Tom Heindl

Money Counter

Mary Peterson/Karla Quist

(If you can't fill your roll please notify the office two weeks before hand)

FORMATION IN FAITH:

Saint of the Day July 26th Saints Joachim & Anne (Blessed Mary's parents)

In the Scriptures, Matthew and Luke furnish a legal family history of Jesus, tracing ancestry to show that Jesus is the culmination of great promises. Not only is his mother's family neglected, we also know nothing factual about them except that they existed. Even the names "Joachim" and "Anne" come from a legendary source written more than a century after Jesus died.

The heroism and holiness of these people however, is inferred from the whole family atmosphere around Mary in the Scriptures. Whether we rely on the legends about Mary's childhood or make guesses from the information in the Bible, we see in her a fulfillment of many generations of prayerful persons, herself steeped in the religious traditions of her people. The strong character of Mary in making decisions, her continuous practice of prayer, her devotion to the laws of her faith, her steadiness at moments of crisis, and her devotion to her relatives—all indicate a close-knit, loving family that looked forward to the next generation even while retaining the best of the past.

Joachim and Anne—whether these are their real names or not—represent that entire quiet series of generations who faithfully perform their duties, practice their faith, and establish an atmosphere for the coming of the Messiah, but remain obscure.

Reflection

This is the "feast of grandparents." It reminds grandparents of their responsibility to establish a tone for generations to come: They must make the traditions live and offer them as a promise to little children. But the feast has a message for the younger generation as well. It reminds the young that older people's greater perspective, depth of experience, and appreciation of life's profound rhythms are all part of a wisdom not to be taken lightly or ignored. (franciscanmedia.org)

Announcements for Tri-Parish

Learn of the Love that God is

On FORMED.ORG watch these movies to learn about the different saints of our time and how they overcame adversity.

July 28 *Saint Pedro Poveda: Priest, Educator, and Martyr*

July 31 *Ignatius of Loyola: Soldier, Sinner, Saint*

Aug 9 *Edith Stein: The Seventh Chamber*

St Paul's

St. Paul's Cemetery

A burial plot if **for sale**

The plot is located front left corner as you enter the cemetery second row 9th plot.

For more information please call Bob Koca @ 715-498-4547

St James

St. James is looking for a housekeeper.

This is for one day per week for about 2-3 hours. They can contact Kris Madejczyk stjames@mwt.net if anyone is interested.

Rummage Sale August Thursday 19 thru Saturday 21st

You can drop off items after **Mass**, Sue Librettie will be at the church the 2nd and 4th Fridays of the month from 2:30 until about 4 pm to collect items as well. We will accept small furniture items. Please be generous in your donations as this will be our only fundraising event this year. Thank you. We cannot accept: TV, electronics, microwaves, clothing, cassette tapes, 8 track tapes, work out equipment.

Fundraiser

St James will be having a fundraising event! Help us by purchasing your raffle ticket after Mass on Saturday evenings or contact your friendly PCCW member for your ticket. **\$5.00 each or 5 for \$20.00**

Items to be raffled off include: New Powersmart Snow Blower w200 cc Engine, A "Painting" by Mary Singleton, A Jim Shore "Santa", Full size Handmade Quilt, "One of Kind" garden ornament, \$100 cash.

General Announcement

Until further notice

The Mass in the Extraordinary Form has been suspended

Our Mass Intentions for the year are filled, Please if you have a Mass intention be aware that it will not be placed on the calendar until January 2022, Thank you so much.

Father Letona will be gone from July 18th evening through July 31. Please if you are in sacramental assistance contact:

**St Patrick's in Mauston
or
Queen of the Apostles in Tomah**



ST. PAUL

Intentions for our Tri-Parish

Saturday, July 24 (Visiting Priest)

@ St James 6pm

Harold Wallace by The Strohmeiers

Sunday July 25 (visiting Priest)

8 am @ St Michael's

Ellen Henthorne by Mike and Juanita Arttus

10.00 am @ St Paul's

For the People

Monday July 26

NO MASS

Tuesday, July 27

NO MASS

Wednesday, July 28

NO MASS

Thursday, July 29 NO MASS (Intention will be kept on this day for private Mass)

Living & Deceased members of Connor & Quist families by Marge Quist

Friday, July 30

NO MASS

Saturday, July 31

@ St James 6pm

For the People

Sunday Aug 1

8 am @ St Michael's

David Muellenkamp by Theresa Schuh

10.00 am @ St Paul's

+Ernest Salter by Janet & Rick Barrett

STEWARDSHIP CORNER –July 18 , 2021

Offertory \$ 45.00 Envelopes \$ 1853.42

Total \$1898.42

St. James

Saturday, July 24

Harold Wallace by The Strohmeiers

Saturday, July 31

For the People

STEWARDSHIP CORNER - July 17, 2021

Offertory \$ 187.00 Cemetery/improvements \$ 5.00

Envelopes \$ 208.00 **Total \$ 400.00**

St. Michael

Sunday July 25

Ellen Henthorne by Mike & Juanita Arttus

Sunday Aug 1

David Muellenkamp by Theresa Schuh

STEWARDSHIP CORNER - July 18, 2021

Offertory \$ 202.00 Envelopes \$ 384.25

Cemetery \$ 0.00

Improvements \$ 105.00 **Total \$ 691.25**



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