

JULY 7, 2013

FOURTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



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“Carry no money bag, no sack, no sandals...” Luke 10:4

The story of Jesus sending out the disciples reminds us that, as Christ’s disciples, we should not be overly concerned about material goods, possessions and money. We are called to willingly share our gifts and expect nothing in return.

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PARISH INFORMATION

Rectory Office:

Monday - Thursday 8:00am - 3:30pm

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Affton Christian Food Pantry: 352-3544 ext. 5

MASSES

Sundays: Anticipated on Saturdays at 4:00pm

Sunday mornings: 7:00, 9:00, 11:00am

Holy Days: As Announced

Weekdays: 6:00am Monday and Wednesday
8:00am Monday thru Saturday

Communion Services Weekdays: 6:00am Tuesday,
Thursday and Friday

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturday; 3:00-3:45pm

HANDICAPPED SEATING

The front pews - Holy Communion will be distributed at the pew. Contact priest before Mass. *Wheelchair is available.*

BULLETIN DEADLINE:

Articles need to be at the rectory by noon on Monday to be considered. All requests are subject to available space. Bulletin articles may be sent by e-mail to glenpolitte@sbcglobal.net

DEVOTIONS

Tuesday: Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal Novena after 8:00am Mass

Mass Intentions for the Week

Sunday, July 7, 2013

7:00am Vernon Foerstel
 9:00am Parishioners
 11:00am Special Intention (G.N.)

Monday, July 8, 2013

6:00am Edward Slavik
 8:00am Peter Colombo

Tuesday, July 9, 2013

6:00am Communion Service
 8:00am Julie Isaak (healing)

Wednesday, July 10, 2013

6:00am Stella Kamadulski
 8:00am Holy Souls

Thursday, July 11, 2013

6:00am Communion Service
 8:00am Peter Gori

Friday, July 12, 2013

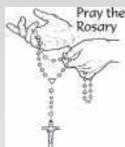
6:00am Communion Service
 8:00am Josephine Goelzhauser

Saturday, July 13, 2013

8:00am August A. Busch, Jr.
 4:00pm Vincent & James Winkelman

Sunday, July 14, 2013

7:00am Frank Auer
 9:00am Parishioners
 11:00am Robert L. Szymanski



Pray for Vocations!

Next Sunday's Readings

July 14, 2013

15th Sunday in Ordinary Time, Cycle C

Deuteronomy 30:10-14

Moses demystifies the will of God for the people who might prefer a more obscure deity.

Psalms 69:14, 17, 30-31, 33-34, 36, 37 or Psalm 19:8, 9, 10, 11

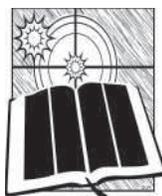
The deal is simple: God saves those who turn and seek the divine way.

Colossians 1:15-20

Christ Jesus is at the root of everything: creation, the church, new life, and reconciliation.

Luke 10:25-37

Love of God and neighbor is the blueprint for the righteous life.



Ministers of the Liturgy - July 6 & 7

Saturday, July 13, 2013 - 4:00pm

Servers: Aidan & Ashlyn Finn

Lectors: Steve Crafton

Greeters: Janice Willey

Sunday, July 14, 2013 - 7:00am

Servers: Steve Willey

Lectors: Mary Schuette

Greeters: Carol Blessing

Sunday, July 14, 2013 - 9:00am

Servers: Raphael Tomas & Ben Arrendell

Lectors: Brian Sweeney

Greeters: Kathi Meyer

Sunday, July 14, 2013 - 11:00am

Servers: Michael Johnson & Chandler Young

Lectors: Steve Brady

Greeters: John Hefti & Cathy Byer

Schedule of Events

Sunday, July 7, 2013

Coffee and Donuts after 7, 9 and 11 a.m. Masses in Parish Center

Tuesday, July 9, 2013

Bible Study 8:30am, Priest house
 Food Pantry 4-6:30pm

Thursday, July 11, 2013

Food Pantry Open
 Scripture Study 7pm Parish Center

Friday, July 12, 2013

Church cleaning after 8 am Mass
 50+ Club mtg 1:30pm Parish Center

Saturday, July 13, 2013

Food Pantry 9:30am-12pm (noon)

Stewardship

Contributions shown are for 6/30/13

Envelopes.....	\$3924.10
Loose.....	\$1076.00
Maintenance.....	\$185.00
Envelopes used.....	89



The Adoration Chapel of St. George needs more committed adorers. There are currently 7 open hours that must be filled, Sunday, 1 am & 10 am, Monday, 1am & 2am, Tuesday, 7am & 3pm, Thursday, 1am, and Saturday 12am & 10am. Call Kay Brillhart at 631.3679 or Olga Leonard at 351.3853 if you can commit to these or any other hour.



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Today's Scriptures

Saint Paul said he could boast only in the Lord, not in himself and not with pride. He depended on God, just as in the gospel Jesus told the 72 to take nothing with them except their faith—and not to take pride in their mission successes. In the relationship with God there's also peace. "Peace and mercy," Paul said, follow the followers of Jesus, who go on mission with the word of peace; and is there a more peaceful scene than a mother nursing a child? And don't forget that true mission is grounded in Christ who sends others ahead of him, who have the same task to heal. From all this it's clear that something has changed. The city of God, Jerusalem, has found wealth and prosperity once again. "New creation," Paul said, overcomes human divisions and distinctions, and Jesus' vision of the kingdom overcomes all evil.

—Joel Schorn-www.preparetheword.com

The inner word: *What's in your heart?*

"Rejoice! Exult!" the Book of Isaiah encourages us this week. Millions of Catholic Christians did just that when Pope Francis first emerged onto the balcony of Saint Peter's Basilica, largely because of his warm, genuine, and humble demeanor, his choice of a papal name (see "Questions Catholics Ask: What's in a papal name?" in this issue of *Prepare the Word*), his prayerfulness, and perhaps most of all the hope he inspires. Joy has a lot to do with hope. What makes you joyful and hopeful?

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Go on your way

The church's mission is our mission—that is, it belongs to the person in the last pew as much as to the preacher in the sanctuary; to the folks who came in late or routinely leave early; not to mention the choir director, lectors, eucharistic ministers, and altar servers; the guy who almost didn't come this morning, and the woman whose thoughts are very far from the altar today even though she's sitting with the rest of us. The church's mission doesn't just belong to the pope in Rome or to the curia and cardinals. It's not only for bishops and missionaries to ponder and propagate. It's not the sole element in Father's job description. It's not only the work of vowed religious. The church's mission is yours as much as mine.

We know this because of the "72." Seventy is a number signifying totality in Hebrew. It reminds us of the seven days of Creation, including the day of rest, the triple sevens in Revelation that represent the Lord, the 70-times-seven times that Saint Peter is urged to forgive those who wrong him. There's also a story in the Book of Genesis about the number of nations established after the Tower of Babel led to a scramble of languages: numbered at 70 in some manuscripts, 72 in others. Seven means "all there is." Seventy is ten times that or an intensification of the same idea.

Luke has the Genesis story of the nations in mind when he writes about this early mission of the 72. Up to now we've been hearing about a select group of 12 whom Jesus chose to represent Israel. If the 12 call to mind the entire society of Israel, the 72 represent

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humanity as a whole. No one is to be excluded from this mission of Jesus. What's most surprising about this story is the wild success of this early group. They're amazed themselves: "Hey Jesus, we did what you did and it worked!"

Most of us don't think of ourselves as missionaries. We're not called in that special way to go out and preach, much less cast out demons; we're glad enough just to keep our own demons under wraps. If we believe that, however, we're mistaken. Jesus doesn't call anyone to get baptized for the purpose of visiting a church once in a while, once a week, or even every day. We're baptized to participate in the mission of the 72. We're to bring a blessing of peace to every room we enter, to share the table with everyone who offers, to bring a healing presence to the sick, to remind everyone we meet by our very character that the kingdom of God is near. And if we do these things in the name of Christ, demons will fall; no need for surprise. So please understand why we're here: Because the world is waiting for some good news out there.

—Alice Camille-www.preparetheword.com

Questions Catholics ask

WHAT'S IN A PAPAL NAME?

LIKE THE powerful name of Jesus in today's gospel, papal names send signals, as the surprising choice of "Francis" recently verified. Everyone now expects a pontifical swerve away from power and structure and toward the poor and disenfranchised. That's why the most popular papal names—John (23), Benedict (16), Clement (14), Leo and Innocent (both 13), and Pius (12)—have had so many takers. The originators of these names, as well as many of their successors, have legacies deemed attractive and imitable to their spiritual protégé.

The one-off papal names, by contrast, didn't have that sort of appeal. Lando, Sisinnius, Hormisdas, Simplicius, Hilarus, or Hyginus, anyone? But that doesn't imply that they were failed leaders by any means. Peter, for example, was the original of the breed. Linus, Clement, and Cornelius, while never repeated, were significant enough to garner everlasting note in a Eucharistic Prayer. A few names were certainly sullied by the dubious reigns of anti-popes (illicit rival contenders), nasty or corrupt fellows, or slackers who accomplished little. In fact, one way to deal with a bad papacy is to take up the name, dust it off, and reuse it. That happened with two antipopes, John VIII and John XXIII, whose names were reappropriated by better men.

—Alice L. Camille

Adapted from <http://tinyurl.com/mngv7o5>

Sign & sacrament

Declare to share

In early July of 1776, at the time of the Declaration of Independence, John Adams wrote of the importance of the moment to his wife Abigail: "It ought to be commemorated as the day of deliverance, by solemn acts of devotion to God Almighty. It ought to be solemnized with pomp and parade, with shows, games, sports, guns, bells, bonfires, and illuminations, from one end of this continent to the other, from this time forward forever more." Despite our problems and challenges as a nation, we can give thanks this week for the many blessings we enjoy. And we can commit ourselves to doing our part so that all who reside in our land can share in those blessings.

For more "Sign & sacrament" material, search the Prepare the Word database by today's scripture reading, a particular theme, or a special occasion.

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Coffee and Donuts this Sunday, July 7, after 7, 9 and 11 a.m. Masses. The Knights of Columbus will serve milk, coffee, juice, donuts and bagels and six old fashion donuts, sometimes referred to as "old fashion" - that is without icing or additional sugar content. We hope you can attend after Mass.

BAPTISMS

Fr. Robertson baptized two babies, a girl and a boy, last weekend. The girl is **Brynlee Faith Denning**. Her parents are Ryan and Danielle Denning. Brynlee's grandparents are also parishioners. They are Daniel and Patty Suntrup. The boy is **Andrew George McDaniel**. Fr. Robertson baptized Andrew's brother, Patrick, on October 24, 2010. Patrick assisted Fr. Robertson in the baptism. Fr. Robertson also married Andrew's parents, Kevin and Melissa, at St. George, on June 5, 2009. May God bless our newest parishioners.

YOUTH PROGRAM

Last week's bulletin presented information about a youth program for high school students. The program will include several parishes from our area. Headquarters and gathering place is DuBourg High School. St. George will become part of this program. Fr. Robertson, Donna Payne and Steve Brady are adults interested in helping with this program. Becky Warren, a student at DuBourg and a parishioner, has attended the planning meetings. More information will be published in future bulletins. A full time Youth Minister will be hired with a grant from the Annual Catholic Appeal.

COLLECTION FOR THE MISSIONS

Sister Eileen will speak at all our Masses this weekend. She will tell us of the work of the Immaculate Heart of Heaven Missionaries in the Philippines. Please welcome Sr. Eileen.

Please Pray For...



Cecelia Adam	Caroline Garcia	Anne
Duke Ajemian	Thomas George	McGowan
Madelyn Anderson	Denise Gill	Shirley Melber
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Dolores Bazzetta	Jane Grote	Agnes Nee
Joe Benz	Janette Haller	Lucille Neri
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Michael Boehm	James Harris	Thao Nguyen
Mary Ellen Bown	Jesse Harris	Emma O'Brien
Ruth Brown	Alfred Hefti	Wilhelmina
Joan Buchmann	John Hivner	Ortmann
Cathy Byer	Betty Holjevic	Joan Pfeifer
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Donovan Byington	Hollenbaugh	Kathleen Politte
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Julie Devlin	Evelyn Lassa	Kathryn
John Dirkers	Sandy Lebbing	Sonderman
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Lilia Doerr	Al Leifeld	Evelyn
Mary Dougherty	Laverne Leinauer	Weilbaecher
Helen Eiserle	Eileen Linder	Chorlisha West
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Juanita Fernandez	Janet Lydon	Theresa Wilfinger
Kathy Gallagher	Ron Macke	Theresa Winkeler
Mitch Ganim	Rose Macher	Bradley Young
Betty Garamella	Marie Ann Mayer	

NEWS FROM THE 50 PLUS CLUB: Our next meeting will be this Friday, July 12 at 1:30 pm in the Parish Center. We hope you enjoyed the holiday. We welcome our new members, **Karen Miller, Vivian Bolin and Patricia Graybill**. We are happy to have you join us.

Don't forget to bring an item or two for the Affton Christian Food Pantry. We are always in need, especially with the children being home for summer vacation.

If you would like to come as a guest, please do. If you would like more information about the Club, please call Mary Jane @ 481-2316.

Hope to see you this Friday.

St. George Catechists thank all the parishioners for their donations and support of the **PSR Rummage Sale**. We raised \$584.54.

Respect Life!

A Message from Archbishop Carlson

During my time as Archbishop of Saint Louis, I have visited many schools and learned a lot about the rich tradition and history of Catholic education in this part of the country. Who could fail to be impressed by, and grateful for, the heritage that is ours? We all owe an enormous debt of gratitude to the women and men — clergy, religious and lay people — who built our schools and who have sustained our commitment to Catholic education in spite of many obstacles for nearly 200 years!

Catholic schools continue the teaching ministry of Jesus. They help adults, youth and children in diverse regions of our archdiocese come to a deeper understanding of God's plan for human life and for all creation. Catholic schools are powerful instruments of the new evangelization — helping members of the Catholic community and others from many diverse faiths, cultures and economic backgrounds grow intellectually, personally and spiritually as members of the one family of God. Catholic schools are also vital to the social ministry of the Church — through the assistance they provide to students and families in need but also in their commitment to teaching social justice and to providing students with opportunities to serve others.

Catholic schools contribute directly to the health and vitality of the Church of St. Louis. Along with parish religious education programs, youth ministry and other means of lifelong faith formation and education, our Catholic schools provide religious education classes, sacramental preparation, liturgical and prayer experiences, and opportunities for Christian witness and service. They help form the faith community, and they challenge us to look beyond our own needs to the urgent needs of individuals, families and society at large.

One of the Catholic Schools Week slogans that I like best is Catholic Schools: Excellence You Can Believe In! This is a wonderful affirmation of the value of Catholic schools. As educators, we stand for excellence in the formation of students' minds and hearts, and in their physical and spiritual health. We don't settle for "pretty good" or "OK." If we're true to our calling as Catholic school leaders, we want only the very best.

But the intellectual rigor espoused in our schools is never allowed to get in the way of spiritual vitality. In a Catholic school, you can talk about Jesus without fear of reprisals or humiliation. We boldly and unapologetically talk about God, about Mary and the saints, and about the moral and religious teachings that make us who we are — a vibrant community of faith. That makes our schools communities of excellence that teachers, students, parents and everyone else truly can believe in!

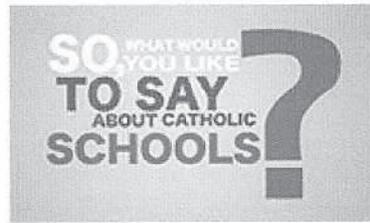
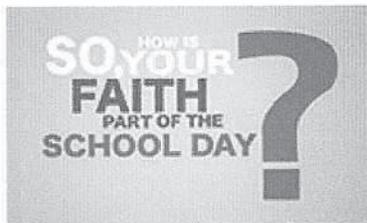
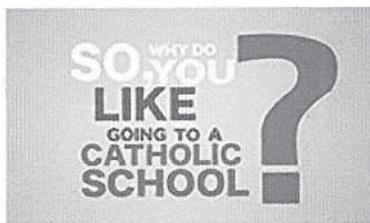
I want all our Catholic schools to be Alive in Christ! I want them to demonstrate a vibrant, hope-filled spirit that proclaims to the whole world that Christ is alive and active — in our homes, in our parishes and school communities, and in our world. I want every Catholic school in our archdiocese to be a vibrant community of faith that is carrying out the teaching ministry of Jesus in ways that are visible, transformative and service-oriented.

This requires excellence in catechesis and academic excellence. It also demands that we make our schools dynamic places of prayer, sacramental vitality and service to others. This is excellence we can believe in. This is the great calling that we received here in St. Louis nearly 200 years ago and that we are working hard to continue far into the future.

As always, I must say thank you to all who sacrifice so much to maintain the vitality of our Catholic schools. Thanks are due to parents, pastors, principals, teachers, staff and volunteers, and to all the parishioners throughout the archdiocese whose financial support helps keep our schools affordable and accessible for all. May God bless you all. And may God bless our Catholic schools!

+ Robert J. Carlson
Archbishop of St. Louis

Check out these videos at www.archstl.org/alive to see what kids think about Catholic education:



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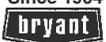
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