

HOLY FAMILY PARISH



August 8, 2021

Parish Office Hours: 8:30am-3:30pm
Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday
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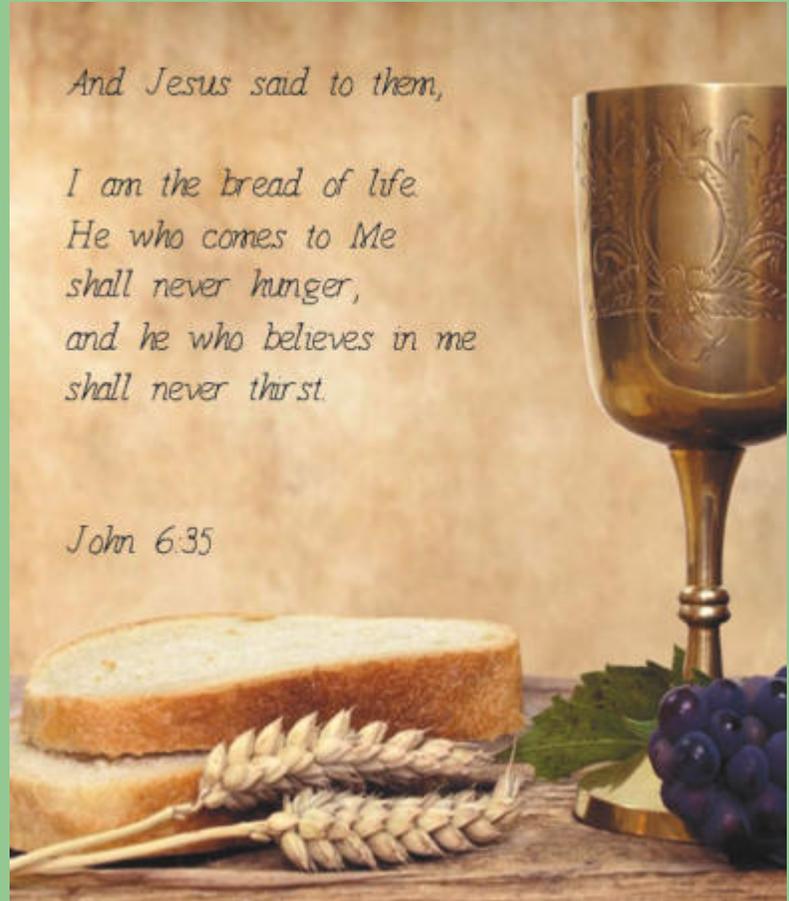
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Nineteenth Sunday In Ordinary Time

August 8, 2021
19th Sunday in Ordinary Time

The lens through which we view life makes a difference. It also determines who we choose to learn from and what we allow to shape our thoughts and feelings. For many, life is simply what it appears to be, a given that either through evolution or some other means just came to be. There is no apparent rhyme or reason to things and things can be dissected and understood only in terms of what they empirically present. To the person using this lens, a tree is a tree and a flower is a flower. Their composition and existence can be understood only to the extent that current human knowledge allows.

Through this lens, what gives life purpose and meaning? This lens has an essentially unknown beginning and definite end. Once those are accepted, the middle becomes some kind of pursuit of happiness, with values and principles being things that are self-created and found acceptable.

But there is a Divine lens that also exists and deserves mention. It is found when one stumbles upon faith and begins to see things differently. This lens is of God and reveals a Divine Energy and Life that flows through and in all things. Faith then shows us that all that lives come from this one Source of Love. This is the only true lens that can give human beings the purpose and meaning they desperately need. From this perspective, all of life is much more than what is immediately apparent! It now tells and reveals a story about God generous, creative, and unconditional love! The unfolding of the human story is the unfolding of God's story. What meaning our lives have when they are viewed as a part of God's love affair with humanity! We are indeed special.

The lens of our faith asks us to learn from Jesus Christ. Jesus, as the real Bread of Life, shows us our eternal destiny and completes and frames our lives. It is only in allowing ourselves to be taught by Jesus, that faith, hope, and love take on much greater importance. All the relationships in our lives are now structured and ordered using God's primary commandment of love. Jesus, then, is not just some man who lived at some point in history. Jesus is the incarnate Son of God who shows us the way, the truth, and the life. Using this lens changes things up a great deal. Looking at the creation that surrounds you and the special unique people you love, what is God trying to teach you about His love for you and the eternal life He wants you to have?

Mass Intentions

MONDAY, August 9-St. Teresa Benedicta of the Cross

5:30pm †Elsie Cramer by Darlene Hasselbacher

TUESDAY, August 10-St. Lawrence

7:00am †Diane Young by Rosemary Wiltz

WEDNESDAY, August 11-St. Clare

7:00am †Youssef Alwan by Chris & Dianna Russick

5:30pm †Jerry Kollar by Family

THURSDAY, August 12-Weekday

7:00am †Sr. Jean Francis Stenger by Cecilia Guth

FRIDAY, August 13-Weekday

7:00am Intentions of Barbara Buoy by Lisa Sanderson

**THE ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED
 VIRGIN MARY**

SATURDAY, August 14

5:00pm †Paul Reichardt by Steurer, Reading & Boehle Families

SUNDAY, August 15

8:00am †Edwin Rogers by Family

10:30am Our Parish Community

The Sanctuary Lamp intention for the week
 August 7-13, 2021:

We remember in our daily prayers
 †Mary Frances McShane
 by Bob & Karen Metzinger.



PRAY FOR FRANCISCAN VOCATIONS

Clare Ripp will have the Franciscan vocation picture and say the prayers for an increase of vocations to the priesthood and religious life, especially to the Conventual Franciscans of Saint Bonaventure Province.

Please sign up for this important ministry opportunity in the vestibule.

Questions, please call: the parish office 688-3720.



Readings:
Week of August 9-15

Monday: Dt 10:12-22/Mt 17:22-27
Tuesday: 2 Cor 9:6-10/Jn 12:24-26
Wednesday: Dt 34:1-12/Mt 18:15-20
Thursday: Jos 3:7-10a/Mt 18:21-19:1
Friday: Jos 24:1-13/Mt 19:3-12
Saturday: Jos 24:14-29/Mt 19:13-15
Next Sunday: *Vigil:* 1 Chr15:3-4,15-16;16:1-2/1 Cor 15:54b-57/Lk 11:27
Day: Rv 11:19a;12:1-6a/1 Cor 15:20-27/Lk 1:39-56

What’s Your Hearth Cake?

“Get up and eat, or the journey will be too much for you.” I’ve been to a lot of meetings in my years of work in the Church, and you can take my word for it: the ones with snacks just seem to go better.

I don’t know what it is exactly. Maybe it’s just that people are in a more agreeable mood if you show up with donuts. Or maybe it’s about the very real sense of community and camaraderie that is created at a table where people are engaging in that most human of tasks — eating — beside one another. I think a big part of it comes down to the simple fact that we’re all just nicer people when we’re fed.

This rings true spiritually, too. We simply must remain fed if we, in turn, are to feed others. Think of a time when you have neglected your relationship with God — when you haven’t fed yourself with whatever it is that you need to remain committed to the journey of a Christian life. Is it Mass attendance? Is it prayer or Scripture reading? Is it time with your small group, or conversation with a trusted friend who knows your soul? What sustains your ability to be a good disciple, a good steward? What inspires you to give more freely, to love more abundantly?

Whatever it is, that’s your hearth cake. That’s your jug of water. Don’t neglect it. The Angel of the Lord is nudging you in your sleep: “Get up and eat, or the journey will be too much for you.”

— Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS

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Anyone interest in a convenient method to make their regular Sunday contributions can use the link below. Here at Holy Family, we have implemented a secure website to accept your donations. The website for online donations is:

<https://giving.parishsoft.com/app/giving/peoriahollyfamily>

Thank you and God Bless you.

Aug-21

First Sunday	\$16,532.75
Second Sunday	
Third Sunday	
Fourth Sunday	
Fifth Sunday	

Monthly Total	\$16,532.75
Monthly Budget	\$59,700.00
Monthly Surplus (Shortfall)	\$(43,167.25)

Fiscal Year Total	\$56,039.25
Fiscal Year to Date Budget	\$109,400.00
Fiscal Year Surplus (Shortfall)	\$(53,360.75)

DIOCESAN 25TH & 50TH WEDDING ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION



If you are celebrating 25 or 50 years of marriage in 2021, notify the parish office at 688-3427. Each couple will receive a personal invitation this summer from the Bishop to attend a Mass on September 26th at 3:30pm in your honor.



NINETEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

“I am the bread that came down from heaven.” Jn 6:41

Bread.

Today, in the world that we live in, bread is often served at meals, but it is usually seen as a “starter” or a “side.” In fact, many people who are watching their diets now choose to forego bread all together.

It’s important for us in our world to realize, however, that the way that Jesus and his contemporaries ate was radically different from the way most of us eat today. For example, no utensils were used by people in Jesus’ time. A person ate with his or her hands, typically dipping into the food and bringing the food from the dish to the mouth.

Jesus even describes this when he identifies his betrayer, Judas, at the Last Supper as *“one who is dipping bread into the bowl with me.”*

Our mindset today allows us to think of bread, then, as an extra ... an extra that we can either take or leave. But Jesus was operating with an image that was essential to the process of eating in his time.

According to the Gospel of John, then, the *“bread that came down from heaven”*, Jesus himself, is the way we can access and partake of the life that God offers us – life to the full forever!

Jesus ... his way of living, his way of thinking, his way of seeing, his way of acting ... becomes the “bread” that we are invited to consume. It is the bread that will bring an abundance to life by feeding us the energy and the desire to build a new earth – an earth that resembles the face of God.

It is the bread that will give us the power to transform our way of thinking, to change our hierarchy of values, to challenge us to reach more deeply inside our hearts and become mirrors of the God we believe in.

The problem, of course, is that it is easy for us to be confused about the main course. Power, success, pleasure, comfort, and wealth can easily seduce us into thinking that the main course of life is defined in very material terms.

Jesus’ view is quite different. In the words of Fr. Jose Pagola, a world-renowned Scripture scholar:

“What human beings want is to live, and live well. And what God wants is to turn that wish into reality. For Jesus, God’s will is not at all mysterious: it is abundant life for everyone! We will never find a better ally for our happiness than God. The idea of a God who cares only about receiving honor and glory, forgetting about the good and the happiness of his sons and daughters, is not from Jesus. God cares passionately about his children’s well-being, health, community, peace, family, enjoyment of life, and eternal fulfillment.

“That is why God is always on the side of human beings and against evil, suffering, oppression and death. Jesus accepts God as a power that seeks only the good, stands against whatever is painful for human beings, and thereby seeks to liberate human life from evil.

“This is Jesus’ whole life story.”

This view of life is offered to each of us – through the Eucharist and into eternity. This “main course” is God becoming one with us through the *“bread that came down from heaven.”*

It is the food that enables each of us to become engaged in a great journey to God – a journey that nourishes us, challenges us, converts us, heals us.

Enjoy the feast!

Ted Wolgamot, Psy.D.



NOVENA OF OUR LADY OF LAVANG

NOVENA DATES: AUGUST 9-17, 2021

FEAST DAY: AUGUST 17, 2021

Our Lady of Lavang, Mother of Jesus Christ and my Mother. You have comforted the Vietnamese people during different persecutions; comfort me in my difficult times and distress. Reign in my heart wherever I may go.

Intercede for me before the throne of God so that one day I may find rest and peace in my heavenly Father's house. Amen.

(Mention your request here.)

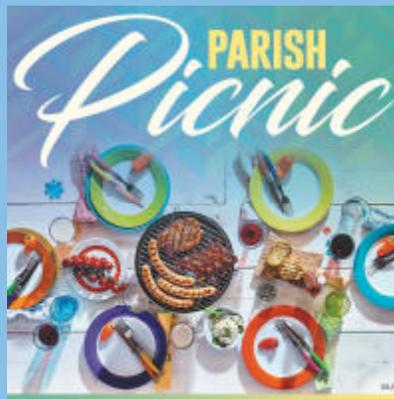
*Our Father...

*Hail Mary...

*Glory be to the Father...

*Our Lady of Lavang

*Pray for me



Come join us for our Parish Picnic

When: August 14, 2021 after the 5:00pm Mass

Please bring: a covered dish/dessert/fruit plate
lawn chair

Men's Club will provide:

hamburgers/hot dogs/buns
drinks

table service and condiments



When: Saturday, September 11th 1-5pm

Where: Kelleher's Irish Pub Parking Lot

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Get your foursome together for Peoria Notre Dame's 25th Annual Golf Classic which will be held on Wednesday, September 8. To celebrate our anniversary year, the outing will take place at the Country Club of Peoria. It will be a great day of golf on a pristine course.

Registration includes lunch, drinks, golf, dinner and prizes. Registration and sponsorships are available at pndgolfclassic.maxgiving.golf. Questions? Contact Sarah Huenefeld at s.huenefeld@pndhs.org or 691-8741.

Eucharistic Adorers				
WEDNESDAY	Name	Name	Name	Name
8:00 AM	Linda Nolan	James Dunn	Ed Awada	
9:00 AM	Tom Otten	Katie Hagemann	Nathan Dunn	
10:00 AM	Kathleen Krippel	Mun Dinh	Thuan Dinh	
11:00 AM	Maureen Alouan	Maurice Alouan	Jackie Glastetter	
12:00 PM	Pat Pamatmat	Denise Adams	Lisa Sanderson	Delores Rockey
1:00 PM	Sherry Urbanc	SVdP member	Beth Gilbert	
2:00 PM	Katrina Stanley	Joan Kirchgessner	Philomena Padavil	
3:00 PM		Becky Fay		
4:00 PM	Sharon Knapp	Carol Gross	Oliva Enriquez	
	Janet Schneider			
FIRST FRIDAY	Name	Name	Name	Name
8:00 AM	Katrina Stanley	Evelyn Walters	Ed Awada	
9:00 AM	Joan Smart	June Frank		
10:00 AM	Katie Hagemann	Travis Nickles		
11:00 AM	Mun Dinh	Thuan Dinh		
12:00 PM	Judy Gutierrez	Dolores Rockey	Lisa Liddle	
1:00 PM	Pat Pamatmat	SVdP member	Beth Gilbert	
2:00 PM	Philomena Padavil	Lisa Sanderson	Marguerite Everts	
3:00 PM	Becky Fay	Sharon Knapp	Shirley Armand	Ana Lippert
4:00 PM	Sharon Knapp	Oliva Enriquez	James Dunn	

**ADORERS NEEDED FOR THE
“BREAD OF LIFE EUCHARISTIC ADORATION”**



The chart above shows the people who have volunteered to spend one hour with Jesus in Adoration. We need to have at least two people for every hour. We have spaces for extras in each hour if you would like a particular time. If you are interested in volunteering or even being a substitute, please contact the parish office at 688-3427.

If your time has changed, or you know of someone who can help fill the empty slots, please have them fill out the form at the back of church and turn it in to Deacon Joe or the parish office.



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