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“Joyfully serving God and our neighbor
with open hearts and helping hands.”



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Tuesday—Friday: 8:00am

Sunday: 8:30 & 10:30am

Holy Days of Obligation: 9am mass

Reconciliation: Sunday 9:45-10:15am,
except Holidays

Parish Office Hours:

Monday-Thursday: 9am-4pm

Friday by appointment only.

For any changes check our calendar
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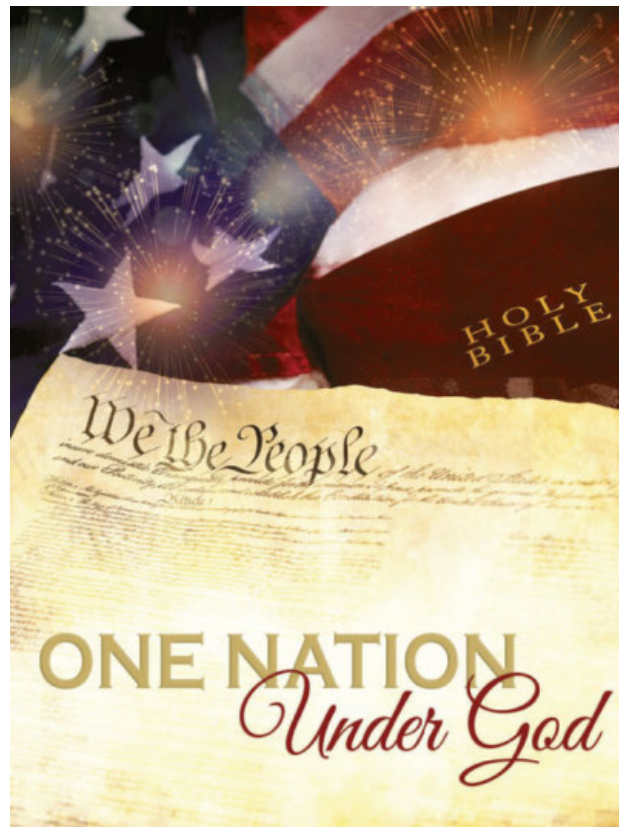
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July 3, 2022 *14th Sunday in Ordinary Time*

Independence Day



Today throughout the United States, we celebrate our freedom. Our rights are protected and opportunities abound. We recognize that freedom has a cost, one we celebrate and honor on days such as this. It's good to honor those who fight for our country, who may well pay the ultimate price for the liberties we're afforded. As

faithful Catholics, we recognize that there is more to freedom than simply being at liberty to make our lives what we want them to be. St. John Paul II reminds us: "Freedom is not just doing what we can, it is doing what we ought." We become freer within ourselves and within our relationships when we choose what is right and good. When we choose sin, we become trapped in egoism - less free, not more. This Independence Day, let's continue to pursue virtue and good character and encourage others to do this same.

July 3, 2022

14th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Isaiah 66:10-14C; Psalms 66:1-7, 16, 20;
Galatians 6: 14-18; Luke 10:1-12, 17-20

Amen. ~based on Mark 8:34, Dailyprayerguide.net

First Reading: Upon their return from exile in Babylon, the prophet Isaiah speaks of God’s restoration of Jerusalem, characterizing Jerusalem as a nurturing mother feeding and loving her child. **Why do you think Isaiah uses such sensuous and bold imagery?**

Second Reading: In his closing remarks to the Galatians, Paul comments that he “bears the marks of Jesus on his body,” a clear reference to his own physical sufferings. Paul’s scarred body gave him credibility as an apostle. **How would you demonstrate your credibility as a believer in Jesus?**

Gospel Reading: During his public ministry, we hear how Jesus sent out his followers to begin evangelizing (preaching, healing, and exorcising) in his name. **How best can we evangelize non-believers today?** ©LPI

In today’s Gospel passage, from Luke, we find our Lord appointing disciples to go out and prepare others to receive His invitation into the Kingdom of God. Every verse has something to say about the way a Christian steward should approach others. Let’s consider at least one of the coaching tips Christ gives.

“The Lord appointed seventy-two others whom He sent out ahead of Him in pairs to every town and place He intended to visit.” In His wisdom, Christ sent His disciples out not as individuals but in pairs, as teams. This approach to evangelization certainly provided practical advantages. The disciples could lean on each other for mutual support and encouragement, helping each other to stay on task and to put their heads together to pray and problem-solve. This teamwork approach is just as relevant to us modern-day Christian stewards. It takes courage and commitment to go out and invite others into the Christian life. We need to work together to do it well.

But there is also symbolic importance to working in teams. It points to the reality that when we invite others to embrace the Good News of the Gospel, we are not merely inviting them into a belief system, but into a relationship with Christ and through that relationship, into Christ’s family — our fellow Christian disciples near and far.

Our parish is our immediate spiritual family in this extended worldwide fold. We are not meant to live as isolated individuals within the parish any more than we are meant to live in isolation within our families. We are meant to be a community. That is why it is so important for us to foster a vibrant, supportive, welcoming parish life. This is why we emphasize hospitality as one of the pillars of stewardship. It is not enough just to point others to Christ; we must invite them to join us in community with Him; we must offer a place and mission for them in the Church and within our parish family.

~ Stewardship Reflections by Catholic Stewardship Consultants

Mass Intentions for this Week

8:30 Sunday Mass is livestreamed at
www.facebook.com/stpatricksmenasha

There will be NO morning masses this week of July 5-8 to help Fr. Judah get settled into Parish Life here at St. Patrick. Morning masses will resume at 8am Tuesday—Friday beginning July 12.

Sunday, July 10, 2022

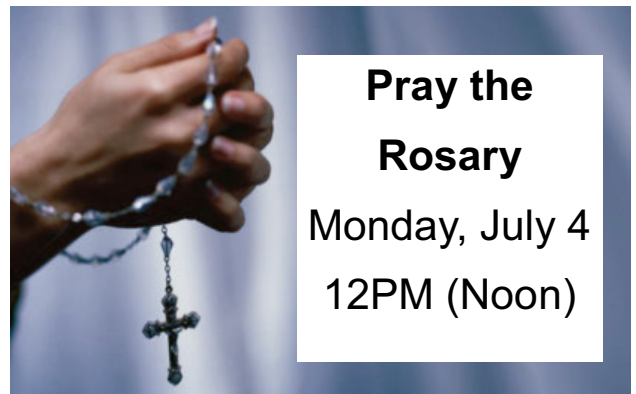
15th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Dt 30:10-14/Ps 69:14, 17, 30-31, 33-34, 36-37 or
Ps 19:8-11/Col 1:15-20/Lk 10:25-37

8:30am Ray Montonati family

10:30am Cy Zimmer

Confessions are heard between Sunday masses from 9:45-10:15am.



Please keep the following people in your daily prayers:

- ♥ Harriet Zuiker
- ♥ John Sokolowski
- ♥ Fran Fenske
- ♥ Ona Lindsey
- ♥ Jerry Howe
- ♥ Elaine Van Zummeren
- ♥ Karen DesJarlais

The Parish Office will be
CLOSED Monday, July 4th



**EVERYDAY STEWARDSHIP - RECOGNIZE GOD
IN YOUR ORDINARY MOMENTS**

When God Speaks Like a Polish Grandmother

A friend of mine had a Polish grandmother who was famous for giving her children some blunt advice every time they left the house: "Eyes straight ahead. Mind your own business."

Every mother knows her children best, and this mother knew hers liked to argue and sometimes liked to show off. She knew that could lead to trouble. She could not anticipate every scenario they would encounter each time they departed from her. All she could do was distill what she knew about life, safety, and manners into a few simple words, and hand them over to her children like a set of car keys or a hastily scribbled map. In this way, a woman who rarely said "I love you" expressed her devotion. And long after she was dead and buried, her aging sons and daughters repeated these words to themselves, like a child wrapping himself in a warm blanket.

Jesus does much the same for us, in many portions of the Gospels. "Ask the master to send out laborers for his harvest... Carry no money... Eat what is set before you... Know that the Kingdom of God is at hand... Rejoice because your names are written in Heaven."

He knows us best — knows our strengths, but even more importantly, he knows our weaknesses. He doesn't always have the space to address each of these explicitly in the pages of Scripture, but what he can do is distill the truth of effective evangelization into a few simple words, and hand them over to us as food for our journey of discipleship. In this way, a God who addresses the entire world and every soul who ever lived also speaks intimately to each one of us.

—Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS
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Prayer of Thanksgiving for Freedom

Freedom is enshrined in our US Constitution. The First Amendment of our constitution protects our freedom of speech. However, our speech may not infringe upon another's freedom. Freedom does have its limits. And we must protect everyone's freedoms, not just ours. On this 4th of July, let us remember from whom all our freedoms originate, our good and gracious God. Let us pray...

*God, giver of all good gifts,
Help us to be thankful for rest and food,
and remember that, in all we do or say,
you are with us, here this day.
We are thankful for all you do
and for everything you have given us.
But above all we are thankful for our freedoms
and the ability to protect others' freedom.
We are free because of you.
We ask for your continued blessing on all your
creation.
Through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.*

LIVE THE LITURGY - Inspiration for the Week

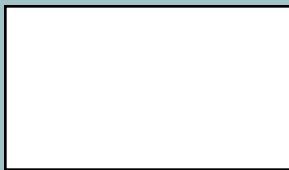
The celebration of our country's independence gives us cause to reflect on the gift of freedom. We treasure the liberties our country provides, but are they the real source of freedom? True freedom is a gift given to us by God, not by the world. In fact, the world robs us of freedom by tethering us to a need for money, power, possessions, and prestige as vehicles to success and measures of self-worth. Even though we possess certain liberties, we are held captive by a system that sees no value in the Cross of Christ. It is no wonder Jesus sent his seventy-two disciples into the world with only what they were wearing. The freedom given to us by God is a matter of the heart and requires detachment from the very things we think we cannot do without. A heart secure in God's peace is something no one can take away and something really worth dying for.

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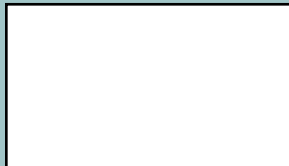
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