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21st Sunday of Ordinary Time August 21, 2022

Holy Mass Schedule

Monday, Wednesday, Friday, 8:30AM Tuesday, 5:30PM & Thursday, 7:30AM Saturday, 4:30pm English 6:30рм Spanish Sunday, 8:00AM and 10:00AM All Masses are live streamed.

Confession Schedule

Saturday, 3:15-4:10PM Sunday, 9:00-9:50AM

Adoration

Monday, 2:00-4:00рм Tuesday, 4:15-5:15PM Friday, 9:00-10:00AM

Parish Office Hours

Monday-Thursday, 9:00AM-5:00PM Friday, 9:00AM-Noon

Church and Chapel Hours

Monday-Friday, 7:30AM-5:00PM Saturday, 10:00AM-6:00PM Sunday, 7:00-11:00AM

Misa en español

Sábados a las 6:30PM

Confesiones 3:15-4:10рм

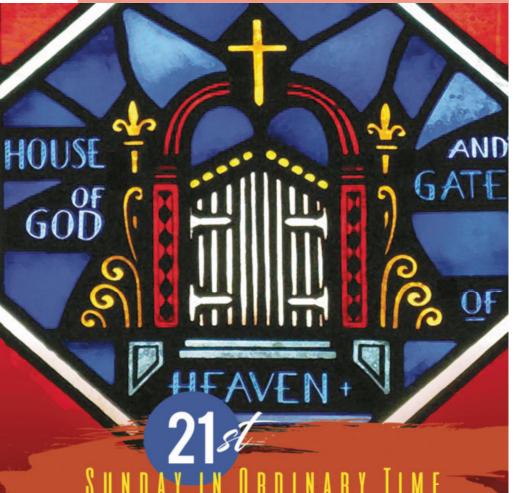
Sábados

Adoración al Santísimo

Lunes Martes Viernes 2:00-4:00рм 4:15-5:25рм 9:00-10:00AM

y por cita previa

Go out to all the world and tell the Good News! Psalm 117



N II R D I N A R Y I I

[Jesus] answered them, "Strive to enter through the narrow gate for many, I tell you, will attempt to enter but will not be strong enough." - Lk 13:24

Jesús le respondió: "Esfuércense por entrar por la puerta, que es angosta, pues yo les aseguro que muchos tratarán de entrar y no podrán". - Lc 13, 24

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21° domingo del tiempo ordinario 21 agosto de 2022

Vayan por todo el mundo entero y prediquen el Evangelio. Salmo 117

Parish News and Words from Our Pastor Noticias Parroquiales y Mensaje de Nuestro Párroco

by Fr. Bart Timmerman

21st Sunday of Ordinary Time

This weekend I am finishing up my annual mandatory religious retreat. I am grateful to Msgr. Duane Moellenberndt and Fr. Mick Moon for helping us celebrate Masses and look forward to returning and settling into my regular routine. Also, I am looking ahead with enthusi-

asm to so many things for us to do and accomplish in these coming months:

- Continuing to grow in our personal relationship with Jesus
- Completing the final Phase III renovations of our MDCC and blessing of our new Enrichment Wing where people of all ages and in any stage of discipleship can come and experience Jesus in a way that changes how they live.
- Kicking off another year of catechism and faith formation
- Publishing our Annual Finance Report for the fiscal year July 2021- June 2022
- Hiring a new, full-time Administrative Assistant
- Engaging larger numbers of parishioners in our parish ministries, especially child care, hospitality, and communication.

And so much more!!!!

Called For More: A New Look at Thriving in Priestly Ministry

Earlier in this year, Bishop Hying offered the opportunity for all the priests of the Diocese to participate in the "Called for More" program offered by the Catholic Leadership Institute. It involved me taking a survey and asking four others (one priest and one lay person) to answer survey questions about me. Then we had a day where we worked on the results of the surveys and came up with a personal growth plan. There are four areas for ongoing formation: human, spiritual, intellectual, and pastoral. The institute has asked us to work on personal growth for one morning per week. We were also asked to engage with a "coach" to keep us accountable in our growth areas. The Bishop has asked each priest to be intentional about and take responsibility for his own personal growth.

I wanted to share this with you all so that you know what I am up to and for my own accountability. As your pastor, I want to be the best version of myself so that we can have a healthy parish family and my ministry and service to all of you will be the best I can offer, since that is what I believe you all deserve. Besides sharing this with you and asking for your prayers, I am also working with a Senior Leadership Team (SLT) made up of two staff members and one parishioner. They are my coaches! *(Cont'd on p.3)*

21° Domingo del Tiempo Ordinario

Este fin de semana estaré terminando mi retiro religioso anual obligatorio. Agradezco a Mons Duane Moellenberndt y al P. Mick Moon por ayudarnos a celebrar Misas durante mi ausencia. Tengo muchas ganas de regresar y establecerme en mi rutina habitual, y espero con entusiasmo tantas cosas que podemos hacer y lograr en los próximos

meses:

- Seguir creciendo en nuestra relación personal con Jesús
- La culminación de las renovaciones finales de la Fase III de nuestro MDCC y bendición de nuestra nueva *Ala de Enriquecimiento* donde personas de todas las edades y en cualquier etapa del discipulado pueden venir y experimentar a Jesús de una manera que cambie su forma de vivir.
- El comienzo de otro año de Catecismo y Formación en la Fe
- La publicación de nuestro Informe Financiero Anual del año fiscal julio 2021-junio 2022
- La contratación de un nuevo Asistente Administrativo de tiempo completo
- La participación de un mayor número de feligreses en nuestros Ministerios Parroquiales, especialmente el Ministerio de Cuidado Infantil, el Ministerio de Hospitalidad y el Ministerio de Comunicación.

iiiiY mucho más!!!!

Llamados a algo Más: Una Nueva Mirada a Prosperar en el Ministerio Sacerdotal

A principios de este año, el obispo Hying ofreció a todos los sacerdotes de la Diócesis participar en el programa "Llamados por más" ofrecido por el Instituto Católico de Liderazgo. Me involucré en realizar una encuesta y pedí a otros cuatro (un sacerdote y un laico) que respondieran preguntas en la encuesta sobre mí. Luego tuvimos un día en el que trabajamos en los resultados de las encuestas y elaboramos un plan de crecimiento personal. Hay cuatro áreas para la formación permanente: Humana, Espiritual, Intelectual y Pastoral. El instituto nos ha pedido que trabajemos nuestro crecimiento personal una mañana a la semana. También se nos pidió que nos compartiéramos con un "entrenador personal" para mantenernos responsables en nuestras áreas de crecimiento. El obispo ha pedido a cada sacerdote que sea intencional y se responsabilice de su propio crecimiento personal.

Quería compartir esto con todos ustedes para que sepan lo que estoy haciendo y así por mi propia responsabilidad. Como párroco, quiero ser la mejor versión de mí mismo para que podamos tener una familia parroquial saludable y mi ministerio y servicio a todos ustedes será lo mejor que pueda ofrecer, ya que eso es lo que creo que todos ustedes merecen. Además de compartir esto con ustedes y pedir sus oraciones, también estoy trabajando con un Equipo de Liderazgo Superior (SLT) compuesto por dos miembros del personal y un feligrés. ¡Ellos son mis entrenadores!

Parish News and Words from Our Pastor (cont'd) Noticias Parroquiales y Mensaje de Nuestro Párroco

by Fr. Bart Timmerman

This week I am away at a mandatory annual religious retreat. I have taken this retreat as an opportunity to help me in the areas of growth that I have discerned. It is a great opportunity for me and I am grateful that I can do this. Please pray for me, as I am praying for you. I am asking Jesus to help me be the best priest that I can be so that I can serve you in the best way that I can and be a good leader of this amazing parish family. I love you all and offer my life in service to Jesus and His Church. Thank you for all of your prayers, support, and goodness!

"Do you not know that the runners in the stadium all run in the race, but only one wins the prize? Run so as to win. Every athlete exercises discipline in every way. They do it to win a perishable crown, but we an imperishable one. Thus I do not run aimlessly; I do not fight as if I were shadowboxing."

Corinthians 1: 24-26

Really Cool Info Attached

Maybe that's not **really** what RCIA stands for, but if you are curious, read on . . .

In general:

Do you have questions about faith?

Are you searching for a safe place to discuss issues and questions regarding God and faith?

Are you searching for something that seems to be missing from your life?

Or specifically:

Have you been a Catholic all your life, but never celebrated all the Sacraments of Initiation (Baptism, Confirmation, Eucharist)?

Have you joined us from a different faith background & would like to find out more about the Catholic Church?

Have you been worshiping with us, but never officially taken the step to become Catholic?

Have you been away from the Church, and have now returned, but want to know more?

If you or someone you know answers **YES** to any of these questions, you are invited to find out more through a process called the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA). It is a journey that begins with your questions. There is no obligation to join the church as you discover more about faith and later, more specifically, Catholic faith.

The decision is ultimately yours to discern if this is to be your spiritual home. The invitation is always open. Contact Dcn. Jerome at *dcn.jerome@stamadison.org*.

Initial sessions using Alpha begin *Wednesday, September 14 at 6:30 PM.*

Esta semana voy a estar en un retiro religioso anual obligatorio. He tomado este retiro como una oportunidad para ayudarme en las áreas de crecimiento que he discernido. Es una gran oportunidad para mí y estoy agradecido de poder hacer esto. Por favor oren por mí, como yo estoy orando por ustedes. Le pido a Jesús que me ayude a ser el mejor sacerdote que pueda ser para poder servirles de la mejor manera posible y ser un buen líder de esta increíble familia parroquial. Los amo a todos y ofrezco mi vida al servicio de Jesús y su Iglesia. Gracias por todas sus oraciones. ¡Apoyo y bondad!

"¿No sabes que los corredores en el estadio corren en la carrera, pero solo uno gana el premio? Corre para ganar. Todo atleta ejerce disciplina en todos los sentidos. Ellos lo hacen para ganar una corona perecedera, pero nosotros la imperecedera. Así no corro sin rumbo fijo; No peleo como si estuviera boxeando en la sombra".

Corintios 1: 24-26

Gospel Reflection

by Dcn. Jerome Buhman

Luke 13:22-30

In today's Gospel, Jesus talks about the narrow gate. I've noticed that as I have grown older, gates and doors do seem to have gotten narrower - or is it the reality that I have gotten somewhat wider? It is a proven fact that I have put on a few pounds since the halcyon days of my youth. And that got me thinking – what sinful poundage have I put on that makes it more difficult to pass through that narrow gate Jesus speaks about? What are the things that I have done (or failed to do), what are the habits or activities I have picked up that make that passage more difficult? Have I grown complacent believing that certainly I will be among those who pass the gate? Jesus' warning to his contemporaries still rings true for us today, and gives us an opportunity to examine our spiritual diet so that we will be able to enter that narrow gate.

Discipleship & Development

by Holly Irving



First Responders Needed There is a reason I am not in the medical

profession. It scares me! Our Medical and Security Committee decided to have a reserved pew for First Responders, so

they were easily accessible for me or a minister of hospitality. If you are a First Responder and would be available to help at your convenience, please contact Holly Irving: *holly@stamadison.org* or 608-833-2600.

Care for Creation

Reflect, Renew and Act

"Living our vocation to be protectors of God's handiwork is essential to a life of virtue; it is not an optional or a secondary aspect of our Christian experience."

--Pope Francis, Laudato Si': On Care for Our Common Home, 217



Care for Creation Team

Care for Creation is one of the principles of Catholic Social Teaching. Pope Francis reminds us Christians are called to protect our common home. Let us remember this when we are tempted to choose convenience over acting in a way that will help preserve the planet for future generations.

If you would like to make a real difference, join the STA Care for Creation Team and be inspired and supported by members of your faith community. Contact Trudi Jenny, *trudijenny@yahoo.com*.



Rachel's Vineyard Retreats offer hope and healing for any person who has struggled with the emotional or spiritual pain of abortion.

The next retreat will be on November 11-13, 2022.

Learn more about this healing ministry at: *www.madisondiocese.org/rachel.*

Further information on healing after abortion is found on this Madison Diocesan link: www.madisondiocese.org/healing-after-abortion

SVdP Volunteers Needed

Our STA conference is always open to new members. The three pillars of our society are Spirituality, Friendship and Service. We would love to have you join our parish conference. If you would like more info contact Kathy Taddy, President, *kathy.taddy@gmail.com* or Mike Meehan VP, *meehanmnk@gmail.com*.

The SVDP district council on Fish Hatchery Road in Madison is also looking for daytime volunteers for their food pantry. They especially need people who can help pack food boxes. Contact Jenni Troia, *jtroia@svdpmadison.org* for more information.

Music & Liturgy

by Greg Buchberger

In less than a month, the St. Thomas Aquinas Music Ministry will return to our "normal" fall rehearsal schedule for the first time since before the pandemic began. There are many opportunities for students and adults to become involved. If you are currently involved as a musician, choir member, or cantor here at St. Thomas Aquinas, THANK YOU! If you are not currently involved in our music ministry, NOW is the time to consider becoming involved!

Cantors/Small Group Singers: (Saturday 4:30p.m./ Sunday 8:00a.m./Summer Months–Sunday 10:00 a.m.)

The cantors' and singers' primary function is to support and encourage the congregation in singing. They are our song leaders, animators, and psalmists. These small groups of singers share their gifts and talents year-round. Join any time.

STA Parish Choir: (Sunday 10:00a.m. - Sept-May)

The STA Parish Choir sings weekly at the 10:00 a.m. Sunday Mass. In addition, this group sings for evening Holy Day Masses, Midnight Mass, Christmas Day, Holy Week, Easter, Confirmation, and other special liturgical celebrations during the church year. Open to students (grades 7+) and adults. Rehearsals are Thursdays from 6:30-8:30 p.m. The ability to read music is helpful, but not necessary. – Our first rehearsal is scheduled for **Thursday**, **September 8**. Please contact me ahead of time if you are interested in joining us or would like more information so that things can be prepared for our first rehearsal.

STA Choristers: (Saturday 4:30p.m. &/or Sunday 10:00a.m., Once or Twice a Month – September–May)

The STA Choristers (Children's Choir) sing monthly at the 4:30p.m. Saturday Mass and/or the Sunday 10:00a.m. Mass. In addition, this group has the opportunity to sing for other celebrations, including Thanksgiving Day and Christmas Eve Masses. This choir sings from September through May each year, and is open to students (grades 3-8) as well as high school students. Students should be able to read well in order to keep up at rehearsals and Masses! Rehearsals are most often on Wednesday from 5-6p.m. – Our first rehearsal is scheduled for Wednesday, September 7 at 5:00p.m. Please share the word and let's get some more of our students involved!

STA Spanish Choir: (Saturday 6:30 p.m.)

The STA Spanish Choir sings weekly at the 6:30 p.m. Saturday Mass. This choir joins the STA Parish Choir for bilingual celebrations throughout the liturgical year. This choir sings year round and is open to students (grades 7+) and adults. Rehearsals are on Saturdays at 5:30 p.m. before the 6:30 p.m. Spanish Mass. Join any time. Contact me for more information or come and join us on Saturday at 5:30 p.m. in the Music Room!

Instrumentalists & Accompanists: (All Masses)

Instrumentalists and accompanists (piano and/or organ) are encouraged to join our music ministry, depending upon experience. Audition required.

For more information, contact Greg at greg@stamadison.org or 608-833-2600 x869.

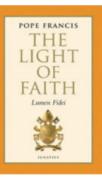
Young Adults, Faith Formation, and Families

PARENT ORIENTATION

Aug. 21 after the 10am Mass For MS/HS Students

Meetings will be held in the social hall.

If you cannot attend either of these sessions, please let the formation team know at formation@stamadison.org.



Young Adults: Lumen Fidei

This fall, young adults will be discussing the *Lumen Fidei*, *Light of Faith* church document. These sessions will be broken down into 5 weeks.

All young adults in their 20's/30's are invited to join us. Sessions will be on Thursdays at 7p at Panera Bread Mineral Point Rd.

Chapter 2 for August 25 Any questions, contact Robert Rosa-Cruz at *robert@stamadison.org*.

NOTE: *Lumen fidei* church document can be found free on the Vatican website.

Thank you from LCEC!



We are so grateful for neighbors like you! A good school year starts with good supplies. Thank you for helping to start the school year right! Thank you! Kayla & the LCEC Team



Registration for 2022-2023 Faith Formation (ages 3-17) is OPEN



Check out our website at stamadison.org/faith-formation/ Contact the Faith Formation Office for more details (608) 833-2606 or formation@stamadison.org

STA YOUTH MINISTRY

Volunteers Needed

Are you interested in working with our youth ministry program? Do you have a passion for sharing the gospel with youth?

Contact Robert Rosa-Cruz at robertestamadision.org.

Prayer for men and women being deployed

Lord God, Almighty Father, creator of mankind and author of peace, as we are ever mindful of the cost paid for the liberty we possess, we ask You to bless the members of our armed forces. Give them courage, hope and strength. May they ever experience Your firm support, gentle love and compassionate healing. Be their power and protector, leading them from darkness to light. To You be all glory, honor praise, now and forever.

Amen

1st Lieutenant Michael J. Akers Cpl. Meg Ziegelbauer Specialist Benjamin Litchfield

Mass Intentions

Saturday, August 20 St. Bernard, Abbot & Doctor of the Church 4:30 PM John Schwab 6:30 PM St. Thomas Aquinas Parishioners Sunday, August 21 8:00 AM Marion Bridge 10:00 AM Josephine Cassidy \$ Monday, August 22 The Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary 8:30 AM Kevin Sorge Tuesday, August 23 St. Rose of Lima, Virgin 5:30 PM For the deceased & living members of Ting Ahedo & Kevin Hutchison's families Φ Wednesday, August 24 St. Bartholomew, Apostle 8:30 AM Paul Bariola 🕈 Thursday, August 25 7:30 AM Stella Schwobe Friday, August 26 8:30 AM Fred Zingsheim + 10:00 AM Jessica Lynn Duffey Saturday, August 27 4:30 PM Irene and Rollie Luedtke♥ 6:30 PM St. Thomas Aquinas Parishioners Sunday, August 28 St. Augustine, Bishop & Doctor of the Church Judi Quirt♥ 8:00 AM 10:00 AM Jack Turcott \$

READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF AUGUST 21, 2022

- Sunday: Is 66:18-21/Ps 117:1, 2/Heb 12:5-7, 11-13/Lk 13:22-30
- Monday: 2 Thes 1:1-5, 11-12/Ps 96:1-2a, 2b-3, 4-5/Mt 23:13-22
- Tuesday: 2 Thes 2:1-3a, 14-17/Ps 96:10, 11-12, 13/Mt 23:23-26
- Wednesday: Rv 21:9b-14/Ps 145:10-11, 12-13, 17-18/Jn 1:45-51
- Thursday: 1 Cor 1:1-9/Ps 145:2-3, 4-5, 6-7/Mt 24:42-51
- Friday: 1 Cor 1:17-25/Ps 33:1-2, 4-5, 10-11/Mt 25:1-13
- Saturday: 1 Cor 1:26-31/Ps 33:12-13, 18-19, 20-21/Mt 25:14-30
- Next Sunday: Sir 3:17-18, 20, 28-29/Ps 68:4-5, 6-7, 10-11/Heb 12:18-19, 22-24a/Lk 14:1, 7-14

Weekly Offertory Update

Week Ending	Income*	MDCC & MDCC Endowment
2022 GOAL thru August	\$841,500	\$229,347
2022 TOTALS	\$8 <mark>39,262</mark>	\$ 276 ,763
8/7/2022	\$16,154	\$2,725
8/14/2022	\$15,486	\$6,008
8/21/2022		
8/28/2022		
August Total	\$31,640	\$8,733
August GOAL	\$108,500	\$58,000

*Envelopes, stock gifts, PayPal Credit/Debit and ACH online, ACH monthly withdrawals, plus Loose Offertory (cash), adjustments to totals may occur.

COUNTERS' SCHEDULE

Monday, August 22: Baik, Degenhardt, Hurtgen, Ihlenfeld, Peterson

Monday, August 29: Dulli, Ihlenfeld, Marx, Sawyer, Zingsheim

Catholic Multicultural Center Help Needed

St. Thomas Aquinas helps with the meal program on the 3^{rd} Sunday of each month. Two teams of 4 volunteers each are needed to cook and serve the meal.

Cook meal (4 of 4 needed) 9:30-11am Serve meals (2 of 4 needed) 11am-1pm

Teens (age 16+) and adults of all ages are welcome to help!

The next date will be August 21st.

Sign up online at https://stthomasaquinas16.flocknote.com/signup/89842 or contact Stella at stella.castellino1026@gmail.com

Prayers

Prayer for Life

For all Catholics: That we may steadfastly proclaim and uphold the dignity of all human life, in all stages and circumstances; *We pray to the Lord*.

Prayer for Justice

For all Catholics: That we may welcome the refugee fleeing from violence and oppression, provide for their immediate needs, and give them hope for a better life; *We pray to the Lord.*



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