



JULY 4, 2021

FOURTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

MASS TIMES

Saturday: 5:30 pm
Sunday: 8:30 am
Weekday Masses at St. Matthew:
Tuesday and Friday: 7:45 am
1st Friday: 6:30 pm

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14TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

When the sabbath came he began to teach in the synagogue, and many who heard him were astonished. They said, "Where did this man get all this? What kind of wisdom has been given him? What mighty deeds are wrought by his hands!" - Mk 6:2

Excerpts from the Lectionary for Mass ©2001, 1996, 1970 CCD...

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BAPTISMS: A class for both parents is required before the baptism of a child. Call the parish office.

MARRIAGES: Registered, practicing members, call the pastor at least six months in advance to make arrangements.

RECONCILIATION: Anytime by appointment

PARISH REGISTRATION: Forms are available in the vestibule or contact the parish office.

MASS Intentions

This Week

Saturday	7/3/2021	5:30pm	James Telford
Sunday	7/4/2021	8:30am	Parishioners of St. Mary by the Lake and St. Matthew Parishes

Next Week

Saturday	7/10/2021	5:30pm	John & Ruth Ahearn
Sunday	7/11/2021	8:30am	Joseph Palama

MASS INTENTIONS AVAILABLE

Mass intentions can be scheduled for \$10 each by contacting the Parish Office. Dates are first come, first served and are only considered scheduled when payment is received. **There are still some dates available in 2021!** Please contact the Parish Office with any questions or if you are interested in scheduling a Mass.



ATTENTION LECTORS, USHERS AND EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS!



A schedule to sign up for July is available in the Vestibule, or you may call or email Jen in the Parish Office to be put on the schedule. Eucharistic Ministers will only be needed on weeks when Deacons do not

preach. All ministers are asked to please arrive at least 20 minutes prior to Mass. Thank you.

POSSIBILITY OF COMMUNION SERVICES

For the next few weekends, please be prepared for the possibility of Communion Services. If we are unable to secure help out priests, one of the Deacons will be at St. Mary by the Lake to lead a Communion Service. Thank you for understanding how difficult it is becoming in locating help out priests for the weekend liturgies. Thank you.

FOOD PANTRY

The North Side Food Pantry that we support is in need of supplies. They are humbly asking us to "come thru again" with these specific items:



- Jelly/Jam
- Dry/instant potatoes
- Soup (no cream of)
- Laundry soap
- Dry pasta (shells, elbow, egg noodles)
- Spaghetti O's
- Pork & beans
- Pancake Syrup
- Pancake Mix

Food may be dropped off in the blue barrel at the Parish Office on Tuesdays and Thursdays between 8:00 a.m. and 1:00 p.m. If you know anyone who needs food, please send them over to the Food Pantry.

ARE YOU REGISTERED???



Become Part of Our Church Family

Did you know that demographic studies estimate that more than 1/3 of all Catholics are not registered in a parish? If you are not registered in our parish, please consider doing so. Also, please encourage your friends and family to register!

Registering is important because:

- If a parish doesn't know who is out there, how can it adequately serve the needs of all – especially singles, divorced or young families who may not see the need to register?
- When the services of the Church are needed - such as for a wedding, Baptism or funeral - it is easier if the person is registered.
- Registered parishioners receive helpful information about our parish including periodic mailings,

Registering is easy. Contact the parish office today!

CONGRATULATIONS, GRADUATES!

We wish to honor these young people of the parish and let them know how proud we are of the class of 2021! Please hold them in prayer.



High School:
Michael Kroes
Daniel Sweetman

College:
Jessica Olle
Kerri Warner

PASTORAL COUNCIL



Thank you to Rich Pozzi, whose three year term as Pastoral Council member has just finished, and also to John Topczewski, whose term as Trustee/Secretary has ended. All of your time and hard work for the parish has been appreciated.

Welcome to Mary Loendorf, who joins us as the Trustee/Secretary for the next two years.

EVERYDAY STEWARDSHIP - RECOGNIZE GOD IN YOUR ORDINARY MOMENTS

The Prophecy of You and Me



Prophet. There's a heaviness to this word. It's weighted down with meaning. We think of prophets and we think of Charlton

Heston with wild hair and a booming voice, reaching out his hand to work wonders of nature by the grace of God. We think of prophets and we think of ancient Biblical history — someone far away, someone so removed from our everyday life. A prophet is someone who knows something we don't.

When I let you in on this secret, it might scare you at first: in a way, God is calling you to be a prophet. He is calling me. He is calling anyone who hears the truth of the Gospel. However, there is no need for the megaphone and the wild locusts. This prophet gig might not be what you're thinking.

What does a prophet do? He hears and testifies to the truth, even when it's uncomfortable, even when it's unpopular, even when it results in, as Paul says, "weaknesses, insults, hardships, persecutions and constraints." A prophet doesn't have to be smart or rich or ordained; heck, he doesn't even have to be particularly willing.

All a prophet has to do is listen to the truth. The truth we receive from Christ, through the Gospel and the sacraments, is a mighty gift. But it is a gift that we are not meant to simply keep for ourselves. In possessing it, we are compelled to also pass it on, to share it, to let the Spirit set us on our feet.

— Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS

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MEAL PROGRAM THANK YOU

A big thank you to everyone who donated and came to serve at the Hot Meal Program. We were able to serve 150 brats, 100 hot dogs, beans, chips, fruit and a dessert. Always, a favorite menu for those we serve. As always, thank you for helping us serve this ministry. Watch the bulletin for information on how you can help with the next Meal Program in October!

LIVE THE LITURGY - INSPIRATION FOR THE WEEK

God never ceases to proclaim His Word. His life-giving presence continues to sustain all things and keep them in being regardless of whether there is the faith to receive or perceive Him. Our personal agendas, preconceived ideas, misconceptions, and expectations can often cause us to be so hard of heart and obstinate that we fail to see what God is trying to do. While God remains ever present, faith is necessary for God's power to bear fruit. As we celebrate our country's independence, let us not forget the difference between liberties and freedom. While the liberties we have are most welcome treasures, only freedom from what blinds, deceives, and weighs us down can bring happiness. God is all about healing, transformation, and hope. In order for God to do what God does best, we have to invite Him in and see Him for who he is. Otherwise, God's will for humanity will be something at which we simply take offense, a common reaction when something challenges or unsettles us.

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CARD MINISTRY

If you know someone who is having or has had surgery or is in the hospital, please contact Mary Rice, 262-498 -0186. Feel free to leave a message if necessary.

REFLECT AND RESPOND TO SCRIPTURE

First Reading:

Today's reading is an excerpt from the prophetic call Ezekiel received while in exile in Babylon (Ez 1:1-3:27). The Lord commissioned Ezekiel to go and confront the "rebellious house" of Israel. How do you imagine the Israelites received Ezekiel's message?

Second Reading:

Paul learned that the "thorn in his flesh" taught him to be humble and dependent upon God's grace alone. Where do you see God's grace most present in your life?

Gospel:

Jesus was "amazed" at the lack of faith his fellow Nazareans had in him, suggesting Jesus expected a different response. Why do you think the villagers of Nazareth "took offense" at Jesus?

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INDEPENDENCE DAY PRAYER

"We hold these truths to be self-evident, that all men are created equal, that they are endowed by their Creator with certain unalienable Rights, that among these are Life, Liberty and the pursuit of Happiness."

We all know these words by heart. They are from the United States Declaration of Independence. However, are these words held with the same reverence around the world as they are held here at home? Sadly, no. There are many places in the world where it is a life-threatening endeavor to practice one's faith, that faith that was given to each human by that Creator who endowed us with inalienable rights.

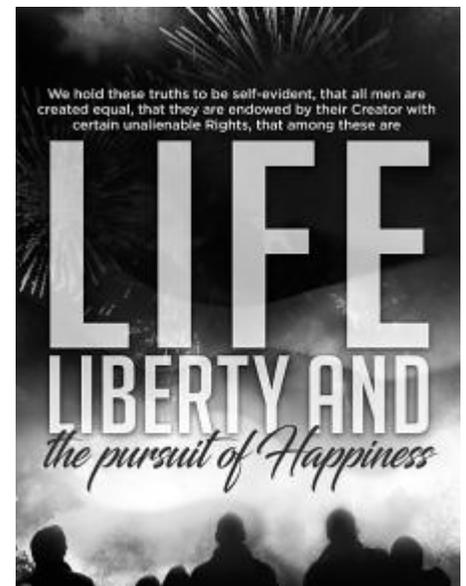
Let us take a moment to remember all those people in the world who are not free to seek life, liberty or happiness.

Let us pray...

O God,
you willed that the Jewish people be free from slavery by their Egyptian captors. You will that all people should be free to worship you without fear and to celebrate their religious beliefs freely,
even if they have not yet found you. Grant that those of us who live in this great nation will thank you daily for our freedom, and work for the freedom of others around the world that do not yet have the freedom to practice their faith openly and proudly.

We seek your wisdom where hatred abounds,
and ask for humility to offer our good works to others who live in fear and bondage.

We ask all this through Christ our Lord, who frees us from sin and death through the wood of the cross.
Amen.





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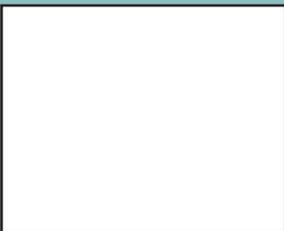
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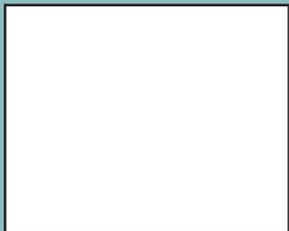
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