



**JULY 25, 2021**

**SEVENTEENTH 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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**17<sup>th</sup> SUNDAY  
IN ORDINARY TIME**

When they had had their fill, he said to his disciples, "Gather the fragments left over, so that nothing will be wasted." - Jn 6:12

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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 7/24/2021 5:30pm Wencel & Irene Sisak

Sunday 7/25/2021 8:30am Ben & Carol Solik

## Next Week

Saturday 7/31/2021 5:30pm Deceased Members of Dwyer & Healy Families

Sunday 8/1/2021 8:30am Parishioners of St. Mary by the Lake & St. Matthew Parishes

## 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 and August are 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.

**Additional Food Barrel:** In addition to the barrel being out on Tuesdays and Thursdays, there is now a barrel in the vestibule of church. You can now drop off food on weekends when you come to church.

## ARE YOU REGISTERED???



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!

## BAPTISM PREPARATION

Are you interested in having your child Baptized at St. Mary by the Lake? The next Baptism Preparation Class will take place on August 22nd from 6:30-7:45 pm. Please email Deacon John Stodola at johnstodola365 for more information or if you are interested in attending.



## FAITH FORMATION REGISTRATION



Registration is now underway for the 2021/2022 Faith Formation Program. You may register online at <https://www.stmarybythelake.org/faith-formation-2021-22-registration>.

Information about the program and calendars are available on the website under Faith Formation. Please call Heather Warner if you have additional questions.

## EVERYDAY STEWARDSHIP - RECOGNIZE GOD IN YOUR ORDINARY MOMENTS

### It's All in the Basket

St. Therese of Lisieux made a point of going the extra mile in kindness towards those people who really got under her skin. It was part of her own brand of Everyday Stewardship — thanking God for all His creation, even the parts with which, in her own humanness, she struggled to cope.

I think about this a lot when I challenge myself to give thanks for things that bother me and people who challenge me. When I do this, I envision Christ giving thanks over those insufficient loaves. How many of us would see that paltry little basket and kick a rock in frustration because we can't feed all our people? "You didn't give me enough, Lord! You didn't give me enough patience, enough money, enough creativity, enough stamina to be a good steward. If you had given me more, I could also give more!"

In those moments of despair, we need to take a good look at the life God has given us. We need to look at the trials and the challenges and the shortcomings. The hopes that didn't pan out, the disappointments that keep cropping up. Somewhere therein lies what we need to be the steward God asks us to be, just as St. Therese's own stewardship was defined by the people she simply couldn't stand.

God does not give us all we want. He does not give us all we ask for. He does us one better: He gives us all we need. It's all in the basket.

— Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS

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## LIVE THE LITURGY - INSPIRATION FOR THE WEEK

God shows up in unexpected ways! Just when we think we have God's agenda figured out, another surprise comes. Expecting to find God only in some places hinders us from finding Him everywhere. Who would have thought that a young boy's few loaves and fishes would feed thousands of people? The disciples were probably just as amazed as everyone else when this feast appeared before them. Sometimes, we find it difficult to believe that God can do amazing things with something small and simple. Yet, grasping this truth is really at the heart of understanding the power of the Eucharist. Having the Body and Blood of Christ made present for us is one amazing wonder. Actually being fed and nourished by that gift is another. Now being able to become what we have eaten, God can do tremendous things with the simple, humble gifts of our lives. All we have to do is realize that God dwells within us. When we do, then everyone we encounter and everything we do has the power to become a sacramental moment. When done with great love even the smallest gesture can be multiplied exponentially. Now, that's amazing!

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## REFLECT AND RESPOND TO SCRIPTURE

### First Reading:

The prophet Elisha was able to feed a crowd of a hundred people with only twenty barley loaves and some fresh grain. Why do you think God empowered Elisha to perform this feeding miracle?

### Second Reading:

Paul taught the Ephesians that as believers we are called to live by the moral imperatives of humility, gentleness, patience, love, and peace. Which of these virtues do you think you do well?

### Gospel:

The people mistakenly thought of Jesus as "the Prophet who is to come into world" after the multiplication of the loaves and fishes. What are some times when you have seen others misuse or misrepresent Jesus?

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## TEACHING YOUR CHILD TO PRAY (PART 1 OF A 3 PART SERIES)



It is important for every child to learn how to pray. Even though you may not think you are qualified to be an authority, as parent or

grandparent, you are your child's primary teacher! Children mainly learn to pray by watching and copying their parents, siblings, relatives, others in church and elsewhere.

### There is no wrong way to pray

The focus isn't so much "saying our prayers" as it is "talking with Jesus." So beyond memorizing prayers, let your child know that they can speak to Jesus as a friend. Let them know that they can tell him anything: silly things that happened that day, things they are scared of, what they hope for, people they are worried about, etc. Jesus is interested in all of them. (Just as he is interested in anything you want to tell him.) Invite your child to pray with you, but let them know he or she can pray whenever they want to by themselves. You might suggest they pray quietly in their minds after you tuck them in bed at night, after they wake up in the morning, while they are walking to or from school alone, or riding to soccer practice, etc.

(Read part 2 in next week's bulletin)

## CATHOLIC TRIVIA - JUST FOR FUN

Which was Jesus' first public miracle?

- a) Feeding the 5,000
- b) Healing of the lepers
- c) Walking on water
- d) Turning water into wine

Answer: d

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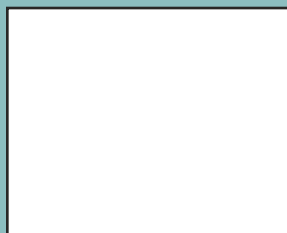
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