



11<sup>th</sup> Sunday  
IN ORDINARY TIME



"This is how it is with the kingdom of God; it is as if a man were to scatter seed on the land...Of its own accord the land yields fruit, first the blade, then the ear, then the full grain in the ear. And when the grain is ripe, he wields the sickle at once, for the harvest has come." - Mk 4:26, 28-29

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**MARY**, *Mother of the Church*  
**June 13, 2021**

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# NEWS AND NOTES

## PARISH HAPPENINGS

## THIS WEEK AT MMOTC

### New Technology

Mary Mother has received a very generous donation from parishioners Doug and Nancy Schmid in memory of their deceased son David, to purchase and install new technology in our worship space. This technology includes the following:

- 2 - 16' screens in the corners with projectors behind each screen
- 3 cameras
- 4 - 55" monitors to replace the old monitors in the Atrium

The projectors and screens will be installed in each of the two front corners of the worship space as you are facing the altar. The screens will be angled towards the seating area so people on the opposite sides of the space can see the images on the screens. We will use the screens and projectors in lieu of worship aids and hymnal books. The three cameras will enhance the viewing of certain portions of Mass, including baptisms at the font and also enhance our live-streaming of Mass.

This new technology will be useful when Mary Mother hosts Archdiocesan events, such as the School of Discipleship, conferences, Archdiocesan Youth Day, etc. and also for our own events. Youth and Adult Formation look forward to using this technology for Parish retreats, youth ministry and other Faith Formation events.

We will also be updating the cabling in the church. This will allow us to stream Mass on the monitors in the Atrium.

The install will start the week of June 21st. **Due to the installation, we will not be having Daily Mass Monday June 21 through Friday June 25th. We will also not be live-streaming Mass Wednesday June 23rd or Saturday June 26th.** We are looking forward to this update and we ask for your patience.



#### Monday, June 14

9:00 am Mass, Church  
10:00 am Military Support Packing Boxes, Room 17  
10:00-3:00 pm Adoration, Chapel

#### Tuesday, June 15

9:00 am Mass, Church  
10:00-11:30 am Divine Mercy Cenacles, Various Rooms  
10:00-3:00 pm Adoration, Chapel

#### Wednesday, June 16

9:00 am Mass, Church  
10:00-3:00 pm Adoration, Chapel  
10:00-11:00 am Women's Study - Mary, Assembly Rm

#### Thursday, June 17

9:00 am Mass, Church  
10:00-3:00 pm Adoration, Chapel  
11:30-4:30 pm St. Paul Farmer's Market, Upper Parking Lot  
5:00-6:00 pm Meals at Mary Mother Pickup, Lower Level Garden Atrium

#### Friday, June 18

9:00 am Mass, Church

#### Saturday, June 19

9:00 am Sacrament of Reconciliation, Reconciliation Room in the Church  
4:00 pm Mass, Church

#### Sunday, June 20

8:30 am Mass, Church  
9:30 am RCIA, Room 17  
9:30 am RCIA Inquiry, Room 12  
11:00 am Mass - Church

## GIVING GREENER



Are you trying to cut down on the paper you use? Is the check you write to our parish one of the few checks that you write anymore? You can give greener by using our Online Giving Program. Simply go to our parish website at [mmotc.org](http://mmotc.org) and click on Donate Now. You can set up the amount that you would like to give on a schedule that meets your needs and you never have to worry about writing another check, forgetting your envelope, or having cash in your wallet. Our parish greatly appreciates all those who choose to give in this manner as it helps us maintain a consistent cash flow and pay all of our bills in a timely manner.

If you need assistance, please contact us at 952-890-0045. Thank you.

## MARY MOTHER NEWS

### Meals at Mary Mother



Meals at Mary Mother are continuing with a curbside drive-up or walk-up, pick-up model. Please feel free to pass this information on to anyone who may be in need of a free, hot meal.

The next meal pickup dates are Thursdays, **June 17 and June 24**. Meal pickup is between 5:00 and 6:00pm at Door 1 (lower level main doors). You are welcome to pick up meals for you and an elderly or homebound neighbors who could use a warm meal and a visit. Questions? Contact Pat Haas at [mealsatmm@gmail.com](mailto:mealsatmm@gmail.com).

### Online Worship Aids

With COVID restrictions being lifted and more people returning to Mass, Mary Mother will no longer post online worship aids. Readings for Mass may be found online at [USCCB.org](http://USCCB.org); click on Daily Readings. Readings are also available on our Parish App. To download the app, go to the Google Play Store or Apple App Store and search for Parish App. The app is free. We have a limited supply of Gather Hymnals if you would like to sing as you participate from home. Please stop by the Parish Office to pick up a hymnal. Office hours are Monday through Thursday from 9:00am until 5:00pm.



In May, we welcomed the following new members to our parish family:

Attamessan, Keetloude, Ryan and Skylar Ayikutu

Sandra Goebel

Lawrence Grewach

Michael and Rebecca Schmid

Justin, Charlotte and Edison Wollenburg

## MASS INTENTIONS

**Monday** June 14 | Joanne Krueger †  
**Tuesday** June 15 | Lee Yanta †  
**Wednesday** June 16 | Ed Boegemann †  
**Thursday** June 17 | Bob Lacher †  
**Friday** June 18 | Lee Yanta †  
**Saturday** June 19 | Wyatt Hayenga

### PLEASE NOTE

When requesting a Mass or other specific prayer intention, please be advised that most daily Masses and some Sunday Masses are live-streamed. This results in prayer petitions being broadcast on the Internet.

## WEEKLY READINGS

**Monday:** 2 Cor 6:1-10  
Mt 5:38-42

**Tuesday:** 2 Cor 8:1-9  
Mt 5:43-48

**Wednesday:** 2 Cor 9:6-11  
Mt 6:1-6, 16-18

**Thursday:** 2 Cor 11:1-11  
Mt 6:7-15

**Friday:** 2 Cor 11:18, 21-30  
Mt 6:19-23

**Saturday:** 2 Cor 12:1-10  
Mt 6:24-34

**Next Sunday:** Jb 38:1, 8-11  
2 Cor 5:14-17  
Mk 4:35-41

All Readings Available Online at [bible.usccb.org](http://bible.usccb.org)

## GIVING UPDATE

May 30 - June 4, 2021

Weekly Totals	Year-to-Date Totals
Budgeted Offerings \$ 20,800	Budgeted Offerings \$ 1,307,250
Actual Offerings \$ 18,560	Actual Offerings \$ 1,274,249
Weekly Variance \$ (2,239)	Year-to-Date Variance \$ (33,000)

*June 30th is the end of our fiscal year. Please help us to reach our budget goal for the year. We appreciate your contributions.*



# DISPENSATION ENDS JULY 1



The obligation to attend Mass on Sundays and Holy Days of Obligation in Minnesota will be reinstated starting the weekend of July 3-4. Here's the letter from the Bishops regarding their decision:

## **Returning to Mass: July 1 Marks End of Dispensation in Minnesota**

The COVID-19 pandemic has been a painful time of separation that necessitated, for a short while, suspension of public Masses and the dispensation from the Sunday obligation to attend Mass. Nonetheless, since May 2020, Minnesota's bishops have made available the public celebration of Mass to those who wished to attend. Parishes have done an amazing job creating safe spaces for worship and the sacraments during the past year.

Now, as the pandemic subsides, and public gathering restrictions and safety protocols are lifted, it is time to gather as the Body of Christ once again. Therefore, the bishops and diocesan administrators of the Minnesota Catholic Conference have decided to reinstate the obligation to attend Mass on Sundays and Holy Days of Obligation beginning the weekend of July 3-4, 2021.

### **Why is attending Mass in-person so important?**

St. John Chrysostom reminds us, "You cannot pray at home as at church, where there is a great multitude, where exclamations are cried out to God as from one great heart, and where there is something more: the union of minds, the accord of souls, the bond of charity, the prayers of the priests" (CCC 2179).

Attending the in-person celebration of Sunday Mass and receiving Jesus in the Eucharist are vital to our lives as Catholic Christians. We were created for Communion. Whether you are returning to your home parish, or seeking a local parish on vacation, your participation in the Mass unites you with the Church — the Body of Christ. This communion transforms us as persons and enables us to make manifest the Kingdom of God in our world. The celebration of the Eucharist truly is the source and summit of our faith.

Pope Francis, in his homily on the Feast of Corpus Christi in 2018, said, "Jesus prepares a place for us here below, because the Eucharist is the beating heart of the Church. It gives her birth and rebirth; it gathers her together and gives her strength. But the Eucharist also prepares for us a place on high, in eternity, for it is the Bread of heaven."

Does this mean there will no longer be any dispensation from the Sunday and Holy Day obligations?

Although the general dispensation will no longer be available, the Church has always recognized that certain circumstances can excuse a person from the requirement to observe the obligation. Persons are excused from the obligation to attend Mass on Sundays or Holy Days under the following circumstances:

1. You have reason to believe your health would be significantly compromised if you were to contract a communicable illness (i.e., you have underlying conditions or are in a high risk category).
2. You exhibit flu-like symptoms.
3. You have good reason to think you might be asymptomatic of a contagious illness (e.g., you were in recent contact with someone who tested positive for a contagious illness such as COVID or influenza).
4. You care for the sick, homebound, or infirmed.
5. You are pregnant or you are 65 years of age or older (per the CDC's recommendation for high-risk individuals).
6. You cannot attend Mass through no fault of your own (e.g., no Mass is offered; you are infirm; or, while wanting to go, you are prevented for some reason you cannot control, such as your ride did not show up).
7. You have significant fear or anxiety of becoming ill by being at Mass.

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If situations 1 through 3 apply to you, prudent concern for your neighbor should lead you to stay home. If you fall within situations 4-7, please exercise good judgment, consider the common good, and know you would not be held to the obligation of attending Mass. For further questions about the application of any of these situations, please contact your pastor. These categories will be reviewed in due course and revised as needed.

Those within the categories enumerated above must still observe the Lord's Day and are encouraged to spend time in prayer on Sunday, meditating on the Lord's passion, death, and resurrection; an excellent way to do this is by praying the Liturgy of the Hours and participating in a broadcast/livestream of the Sunday Mass.

More information, answers to frequently asked questions, and a portal to each diocese's protocols can be found at the website [backtomassmn.org](http://backtomassmn.org).

The return of our faith family to Mass is a joyous occasion. With that in mind, we also encourage the faithful to post on social media about their return-to-Mass worship experiences using the hashtag #backtomassmn. Wherever you may be, welcome home!

Most Rev. Bernard A. Hebda, Archbishop of St. Paul and Minneapolis  
Most Rev. Andrew H. Cozzens, Auxiliary Bishop of St. Paul and Minneapolis  
Most Rev. John M. Quinn, Bishop of Winona-Rochester  
Most Rev. Donald J. Kettler, Bishop of St. Cloud  
Most Rev. Daniel J. Felton, Bishop of Duluth  
Most Rev. Richard E. Pates, Apostolic Administrator of Crookston  
Very Rev. Douglas L. Grams, Diocesan Administrator of New Ulm

## UNITY HIGH SCHOOL JOB OPENINGS



Unity High School is looking to add to their amazing staff by hiring the following part-time salaried positions for the upcoming school year: Chemistry, History, English, Religion, Art, and Music (likely one class of each). They are also in need of hiring an hourly administrative assistant

(approx. 20 hours per week).

Positions can be combined per an applicant's skillset. If you know anyone who may be able to help fill one or more of these positions, please have them email UHS' principal Mike Smalley at [mike@unityhighschoolmn.com](mailto:mike@unityhighschoolmn.com).

## Staying Connected

If you're signed up for Flocknotes and haven't been receiving them, please check your junk mail folder and add [mail@flocknote.com](mailto:mail@flocknote.com) to your address book. If you've recently updated your E-mail address, please contact the Parish Office. Thank you.



JUNE 14  
FLAG DAY  
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## Military Support needs your help!

Due to COVID, Military Support is feeling the impact of a drop in donations. Twice a month, the group packs and mails 20 boxes to our military men and women stationed overseas. The cost to mail the boxes is \$310. Help us to keep this ministry going and as a way to show our support for our troops. You can make a donation online or drop off your donations in the Offertory box in the church. Please note **Military Support** on your check or envelope. Thank you in advance for your support! Our military men and women appreciate receiving these boxes.



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