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"YOU DISREGARD GOD'S COMMANDMENT
BUT CLING TO HUMAN TRADITION."

MARK 7:8

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F R . M I K E ' S R E F L E C T I O N



Recently a very good friend of mine died unexpectedly. Fr. Tim Nolan and I have been in the same priests support group for 18 years. We have shared a lot of things about our lives. We have supported one another when death has struck our own families. Fr. Tim and I had been at the same support group meeting just 10 days before his death. It has reminded me that once again none of us are masters of our own lives. I have been thinking about my life, future retirement (not too soon), where I want to live, how much money do I have to live on in retirement and other things along this same line of thinking. But it also reminded me, along with the death of my older brother, that I need to make a concerted effort to talk to my family and loved ones often. I have pulled out my plans for my funeral, my living will, durable power of attorney, and the other essential items for when I die. Are they up to date? What do I need to do to prepare? I have a lot of "stuff" in the house that I do not use. Some I have even forgotten that I have. Maybe it is time to do some house cleaning of things I no longer need and will not be able to take with me anyway. Death can be a powerful reminder.



Opportunity to serve- Haiti Communications Coordinator

Are you looking for an opportunity to expand your faith journey and be part our Haiti Mission serving others? Haiti mission team is looking for a Communications Coordinator to share information from our mission with our parish. Any questions or interest please contact Dave or Lori Henke; dnlhenke@gmail.com, or 763-221-1785.

Weekday Mass

Monday – Thursday at 11:00 am – In person.
Friday Morning at 6:30 am

Weekend Mass

Saturday Evenings at 5:00 pm (In person, parking lot and live-streamed)
Recorded Mass will be available following Live Stream.
Sunday Mornings at 8:30 and 10:30 am

Hospitality following Mass begins September 19. Online at www.sjtw.net

Masks are not longer required. We encourage continuation of face coverings for those that are at-risk or feel uncomfortable.

We will broadcast weekend Masses via FM transmitter for those that don't feel comfortable coming indoors but would like to participate from the parking lot and receive Holy Communion.

Communion ministers will be located outside Door 2 (faith Formation doors).

Tune in your FM radio to 106.7. A worship aid can be downloaded at <https://www.sjtw.net/mass-schedule>



FR. MIKE

Dear Family,
 Part of our family is in incredible pain. It is our sister community in Bouzy. St. Catherine's was only 12.5 miles from the epicenter of the devastating earthquake just a couple of weeks ago. The old part of the rectory is in ruins. There are many homes destroyed. Parts of the school are severely damaged. And even part of the new church has a crack in it. Thank goodness it withstood the quake and no one was inside because the quake happened on a Saturday morning. They have been fortunate that in the case of both large quakes they happened on days when no one was in the church. The Archdiocese is doing a special collection for the country. We will instead focus upon our family in Bouzy. I do ask you to be generous. At this point we are not sure what we can do to assist them but we will send them money to buy as many things locally as they can to support their economy. I ask you to please be generous in assisting our family in Haiti. Fr. Mike



Haiti Relief Fund

In response to the devastating earthquake that hit our sister parish St. Catherine's in Bouzy, we are launching a Haiti Relief Campaign, to support emergency needs and rebuilding. Many homes, including the rectory, are destroyed. Many people are homeless. They desperately need our help. Please pray. You can donate on the parish website, using text to give, or by check payable to St Joseph the Worker, noting "Haiti" in the memo line. Thank you.

For current news from Bouzy see the eNews, the church website, or core team members in the gathering space.

Thanks for your generosity.

SUNDAY, AUGUST 22, 2021 CONTRIBUTIONS

		# of Donors
Sunday CPL	\$10,155.00	85
Electronic	\$16,061.65	194
Child Envelopes	\$2.00	1
Plate	\$481.11	
Total	\$26,699.76	280

Thank You for your Generosity and Continued Support!

YOUR SUPPORT IS NEEDED & APPRECIATED!

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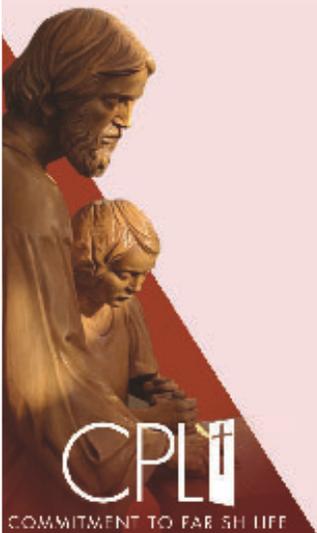
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PARISH RETREAT



"Have Hope & Trust the Journey" –
SJTW Parish Retreat
– October 15-16

The Parish Retreat is now open for registration!!

After our long separation during the pandemic are you ready for some togetherness? Are you needing a spiritual shot in the arm? Then please register for our parish retreat, where we can relax, reflect, restore, and rest in one another's company. Space is limited so don't wait!

A group of SJTW members has been meeting regularly for over a year to develop this retreat just for our parishioners. They are now ready to share their faith stories and inspire you to reflect on your own.

Hope....does it sometimes seem elusive? Have you found it difficult to trust during our long ordeal with the pandemic? Have there been other times in your life when your faith has been challenged? Do you believe that the Light shines brightest in the darkness? Or that you need the support of others to find the Light?

We invite you to consider these questions with us as we come away and 'retreat' together. You will be given time for fellowship, for personal reflection, for faith sharing, for enjoying the wonder of nature on the beautiful grounds, and for opportunities to get to know other parishioners. Come join us! You will enjoy a spiritual boost, good company, inspirational songs and laughter!

When: Friday and Saturday, October 15 - 16, 2021.
Check-in starts at 6:30pm; retreat program starts at 7pm.
Retreat ends with Saturday 5:00 Mass at SJTW followed by wine/cheese reception for retreatants, their families, and the SJTW community.

Where: Franciscan Spirituality Center, Prior Lake MN
Register on the SJTW website www.sjtw.net/sjtw-parish-retreat
Registration fee: \$50 per person. A free will donation toward the balance of the cost will be accepted at the retreat. Scholarships available; see Father Mike for details.

For any questions, please call Chet or Lynn Welle @ 507-271-4056.6.



PARISH LIFE



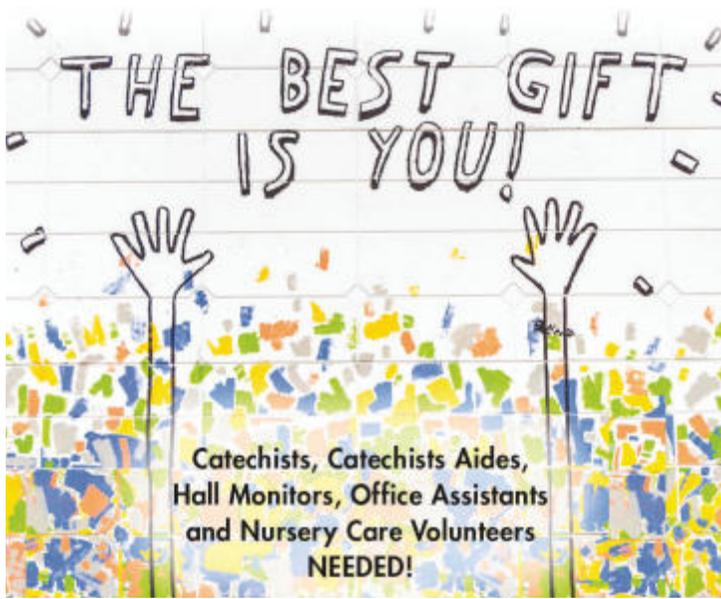
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"HEAR ME, ALL OF YOU, AND UNDERSTAND.
NOTHING THAT ENTERS ONE FROM OUTSIDE CAN
DEFILE THAT PERSON;
BUT THE THINGS THAT COME OUT FROM WITHIN
ARE WHAT DEFILE.

MARK 7:14-15

FORMATION



Faith Formation Update 2021-22

The deadline for Faith Formation registration was Friday, August 20. To inquire about which class times are still available, please contact the Faith Formation department to register for classes.

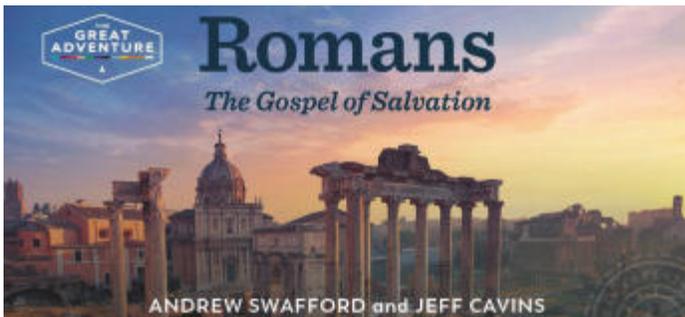
For our Sunday School program, please contact Jeanne Smith, jeanne@sjtw.net

For our Elementary and Junior High program and the Sacraments of First Reconciliation and First Eucharist, please contact Monica Liebl, monical@sjtw.net.

For our High School, OneWith program and Confirmation, please contact Brady Tynen, btynen@sjtw.net

Class confirmations letters will be sent via email this year on the following dates:

- Elementary and Junior High programs on Friday, September 3
- Sunday School and OneWith, High School programs on Friday, September 10



Tuesday PM Bible Study – Begins Sept 21

7:00 PM to 8:30 PM

This fall we will be looking at St. Paul's letter to the Romans.

What message did Paul Have for his audience?

What message does he have for us today?

Learn more and register online at www.sjtw.net/tuesday-pm-bible-study-1 Participants need to purchase their own study guides. Class will have an in-person component and an online (Zoom) component.

August 29, 2021 – 22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

ADULT FORMATION



SJTW Book Club

Starting Sept 27 through Nov 8. Monday evenings 7:00-8:30 PM, Room 6.

The set of pamphlets are available to order at 23rd Publications or Amazon. Questions? Contact Diane Benner 612-644-2356 dmb55311@gmail.com or Monica St. Germain 763-772-3634 mstgerm@embarqmail.com. Register online

In honor of the 25th anniversary of the death of beloved author and spiritual master Henri Nouwen, this new series embraces five of his most essential teachings. Each 32-page booklet breaks open Henri's words and places them in today's context, offering fresh understanding and insight for both newcomers and longtime followers alike.

Archbishop Hebda Needs Your Help!



How can we as a Church better pass-on our beautiful Catholic faith whether in our homes or in the broader world? The Archdiocesan

Synod kicks into high gear this fall and your input is needed to help Archbishop Hebda chart the course for this local Church. Join a small group to discuss and give feedback on priorities within each Synod focus area:

Forming parishes that are in the service of evangelization.
Forming missionary disciples who know Jesus' love and respond to his call.

Forming youth and young adults in and for a Church that is always young.

Mark your calendar for your parish's Synod small group process happening this fall! See more details at our parish website <https://www.sjtw.net/synod>

Your Voice, Your Input, Your Ideas and Your Prayers are important!



Interested in the Catholic Faith?

Know someone who would like to become Catholic? Are you getting married and one of you is not Catholic but they would like to know why the Catholic spouse

thinks that way? RCIA might be for you. RCIA is Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults. It is a process where the information and reason for being Catholic is shared among a group of friends and family. If you are interested, know someone who is interested, or if you just want to learn more for yourself, then this process can be a big help. If you or someone you know would like to join in this process, call 763-425-6505 and talk with Fr. Mike. It will provide answers to many of your questions.

Disaster Relief Campaign for our Haiti Sister parish



A 7.2 magnitude earthquake hit Haiti's Southern Peninsula on Saturday, August 14, followed by a tropical storm days later. Our sister parish of Sainte Catherine in Bouzy, Haiti is located just 12 miles

east of the earthquake epicenter. Fr. Claude said thanks to God no one died or was seriously injured. He said the people are "panicked," in shock, afraid and suffering. Many sheltered outdoors during the massive storm and are still sleeping outside in fear of their homes collapsing. Fr. Claude and his staff are also sleeping outside because of the damage to the rectory. The roads are impassable into the community, so they have not received any emergency help at this time. Those that have food in the community currently are sharing with each other. The rectory, school, community structures, and many homes were damaged or destroyed. The new church under construction also has some cracks and damage.

Fr. Claude says he feels our prayers and knows he is not alone. He believes that God is with him; otherwise, he would have died. He asked us to "pray more" for all the people



who have been touched by the disaster. We get a sense from our phone conversations that he feels a great burden to be strong for the people who rely on him and desperately need help. It seems that recovery efforts have not begun yet in Bouzy. The Tropical storm, mudslides, lack of access and equipment, and remote location will make the work ahead to rebuild overwhelming. Since our relationship with Bouzy began 12 years ago, we have repeatedly seen their strong faith, dependence on God, and resiliency carry them through many disasters and tragedies. We trust God will be with them again during this difficult time of rebuilding. We want to be there for them as well.

Our efforts to bring relief, and to help restore Bouzy has begun, and our sisters and brothers need your help. We have sent the first of emergency funds to help them get started, but much more will be needed. We are holding a fund-raising campaign to help them to rebuild and recover in the community. For the next few weeks, we will be taking donations towards this effort.

You can donate on the parish website: sjtw.net, click Donate and chose the Haiti dropdown, or text: SJTW GIVE to 77977, or by check payable to St Joseph the Worker, noting "Haiti" in the memo line. You may drop donations in the regular collection basket at masses. Please consider donating to this campaign, and keep them in your prayers.



The Wall

What in your life makes you feel secure? Is it the locks on your doors, the neighborhood you live in or the people you live with?

In Haiti it all starts with the walls
Before you begin to build a home, a church, a school you need to build the wall.

The wall securities the supplies
The wall shows progress in the community
The wall makes those who live behind it safe
That wall gives them hope

The earthquake took down their walls
The walls outside the school, the church, the dispensary, the rectory
The walls that welcome visitors to the community
The walls that provide safety and security

It did not take down
The wall of their faith, that believes God is always with them
The wall of the support from the community
The wall of our relationship, they are not alone

Please consider what you can do, yes money is needed, but prayers mean just as much.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS



KC's encourage you to "Fill the Backpacks"

The Knights would like to encourage all parishioners to donate school supplies to Cross for their annual "Fill the Backpacks" campaign to help students going back to school. Please bring your school supplies to church and drop in the Cross baskets in the gathering space. Knights will take these supplies to Cross as the bins are filled with other items you may donate. With your previous support, our council is donating \$150 to Cross for this campaign. Thank you for your support of the Knights and your local community. Download a list of donation needs at www.sjtw.net/knights-news.

GARDEN MINISTRY



You would think the gardening season would be winding down, but in reality, Fall is the best time to garden!

The Garden Ministry will meet next Monday, August 27th at 8:30, have the following Monday (September 6 being Labor Day) off. We will meet September 9, 8:30 am instead to insure our gardens are in top shape for the Outdoor Mass and Picnic September 12, 10 am. Here is the remainder of this seasons schedule, but please keep an eye on your email for last minute changes.

Aug 30th- Monday- 8:30 am

Sept 9th- Thursday-9:00 am

Sept 20th- Monday-9:00 am

Sept 28th- Tuesday- 9:00 am

Oct 4th- Monday- 9:00 am

Oct 9th and 10th-TBD Pumpkin Sale!

Nov 6th- Saturday-9 am-Fall Cleanup

Please remember, if these dates do not work with your schedule but you would like to help, let me know and I will gladly give you a job!

Thanks to all of your for the support in our Garden Ministry-past, present and future- either physical or spiritual. The Garden Ministry would not be what it is with out you all!

Anna Mau 763-438-2642

August 29, 2021 – 22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

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Readings for the week of August 29, 2021

Sunday: Dt 4:1-2, 6-8/Ps 15:2-3, 3-4, 4-5 [1a]/Jas 1:17-18, 21b-22, 27/Mk 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23

Monday: 1 Thes 4:13-18/Ps 96:1 and 3, 4-5, 11-12, 13 [13b]/Lk 4:16-30

Tuesday: 1 Thes 5:1-6, 9-11/Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14 [13]/Lk 4:31-37

Wednesday: Col 1:1-8/Ps 52:10, 11 [10]/Lk 4:38-44

Thursday: Col 1:9-14/Ps 98:2-3ab, 3cd-4, 5-6 [2]/Lk 5:1-11

Friday: Col 1:15-20/Ps 100:1b-2, 3, 4, 5 [2b]/Lk 5:33-39

Saturday: Col 1:21-23/Ps 54:3-4, 6 and 8 [6]/Lk 6:1-5

Next Sunday: Is 35:4-7a/Ps 146:7, 8-9, 9-10 [1b]/Jas 2:1-5/Mk 7:31-3

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