


The Church of the Blessed Sacrament

SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

JULY 28, 2019



Ask and it will be
given to you;
seek and you
will find;
knock and
the door
will be opened
to you

Matthew 7:7

"In our daily life, we strive to know, love, and serve God and others, as Catholic disciples of Christ."

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God Hears Our Call

My husband and I have spent the summer house hunting. The exciting part is that we will be closing on our first home soon. The less than exciting part is that we have spent our fair share of time going through contracts, papers, inspections, and more. For all the fun, dreaming, and anticipation that goes into buying a home, it still remains a lengthy road when it comes to the legal side of things.



The legality of human matters is a point of justice. We can see on paper in black and white writing what is owed to us, and what we owe if we break our promise. In one sense, it is a necessary part of living. With our home, it ensured both parties were protected as we went through the long process of buying.

However, these earthly limitations can only take us so far in our spiritual lives. When we take our legal mindset into our relationship with God, we often miss the greatest love story being unfolded before us. The love of God goes beyond legality. This is the divine attribute that Abraham experiences in this Sunday's Gospel. How can it be that even though justice would demand reparation for the sins of Sodom and Gomorrah, God would spare them all for just a few among them who are innocent? He stands in wonder that God's love would extend beyond the sins that filled Sodom and Gomorrah.

In many ways, we are living a present day example of this. Immorality, human prestige, money, and power have all become idols. We are truly a nation filled with sins that cry to heaven. And yet God still extends His love and mercy to us every single day. At every Mass, every confession, we come face to face with a God who sent His only Son to be that innocent one among a people of sin in order to save us all.

This truth goes deeper as we hear the words of Jesus in the Gospel as He teaches us to pray. God is not just a far off divine being that we seek legal justice with but *Father*. And what's more, we can call on Him in our need to give us our daily fill.

What I find most beautiful is that this is followed by the story of the persistent friend and good father. We learn that God is more merciful and loving than we could even imagine and that He hears us when we call on Him. Good parents see beyond the black and white. If my child is hurting, I don't reprimand him for crying. I see his need beyond the tears, and do what I can to help him. We hear in the Gospel that this is just a fraction of how infinitely tender God's love is for humanity. When we seek Him, He will be found. When we call on Him, He is always there.

We are deeply loved, and in turn, we are called to follow His commandments and extend that love to all the world. But we need to be aware of the orientation of our hearts. Do we live as

people stuck in the legality of what we think should be going on around us? Are we perpetually focused on other people's sins? Or do we live as people fully alive in Christ and His promise of forgiveness and providential care if we turn away from sin and follow Him? In essence, are we living as people worthy of the call of the Gospel? Are we living as true sons and daughters of a Divine King?

Let us take to heart the words of the second reading, trusting that God has "obliterated the bond against us, with its legal claims ... nailing it to the cross." We aren't a people simply in contract with God to buy property in His dwelling if we do everything right. We are children of God, called to divine sonship, redeemed in the Blood of the cross, and called to live as a witness to that truth.

Angie Windnagle (LPI Relections)

IMPORTANT MESSAGE:

When coming to receive Holy Communion, it is critical that you immediately consume the consecrated host. As Catholics we believe this is the True Presence of Christ and as such deserves reverence calling for us to consume Him prior to leaving the base of the sanctuary.

Recently a host was discovered in one of our trash containers, which is a very serious offense. It is perfectly acceptable to receive the Body of Christ on the tongue, but if you are uncomfortable with this method, you may continue to allow the priest or Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion to place the host directly into the palm of your hand for you to immediately consume.

Please take the time to place the Host in your mouth and consume before leaving the sanctuary area.

Ushers and EM's: Please take care and help watch to be sure that the Body of our Lord, Jesus Christ is immediately consumed and never removed from the church unless the Host has been placed in an appropriate pix. God bless. John Florin

If you are interested in finding out more about what is involved to become a sacristan, lector, extraordinary minister of Holy Communion, altar server, or a hospitality minister please call the parish office. Thank you!



Serve Our Community in Liturgical Ministries

Thank you for using your gifts and abilities to strengthen our community & help create spiritually fulfilling worship services at Blessed

Sacrament. We are in need of many more Altar Servers, Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist, Hospitality and Lectors for all weekend and Holy Day Masses. Please consider sharing your talents in one of these ministries by contacting the parish office or Sue Kronschnable. The Sept., Oct., and Nov. calendars are being prepared, please notify Sue at (651)739-8864 or kskronsch@centurylink.net with your schedule. **Deadline is August 5th.**

Please take into consideration the special days during this schedule period:

September 2, Labor Day

SOCIAL CONCERNS

Back to School Supply Drive FINAL WEEK!!!

You can help provide students with the school supplies the need to be successful in the classroom this coming year! Every year Merrick Community Services collects and distributes over 800 backpacks to students in need. The most needed school supplies are:

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| Backpacks | Notebooks | Pocket folders |
| Pencils | Pencil sharpeners | Glue sticks |
| Rulers | Scissors | Flash drives |
| Index cards | Scientific calculators | Highlighters |
| Academic planners | Pens | Pencil pouches |
| Erasers | Crayons | Markers |
| Colored Pencils | Snacks | |

Please put items you'd like to donate in the box marked "School Supply Drive" in the Gathering Area. Thank you for your generosity to our neighborhood children!



Amazon has a free program for users to select a charity and 0.05% of their purchase price goes to the user's charity of choice. There is no cost to the user. The only caveat is that you have to use the "smile.amazon.com" site vs

"amazon.com" (all of the user's preferences and history are shown on both sites).

Here is the info: Site to use: <https://smile.amazon.com/>

Listed under: Church of the Blessed Sacrament. **Please be sure to scroll to the one listed in Saint Paul, MN as there are several across the country.**



The Funfest committee asks you to consider donating to help pay for the anticipated expenses that are very important for the success of our Funfest. Last year almost all of these expenses were met through your generosity.

Thank you very much for your help!

DONATIONS FOR FUNFEST
SATURDAY & SUNDAY, AUGUST 17 & 18

Cost	Needed	Received
Advertising	\$ 1,310	
Security / Permits	\$ 830	
Pork & Other Meats	\$ 1,200	\$ 1,200
Food, Drink & Condiments	\$ 750	\$ 100
Spaghetti Dinner	\$ 650	\$ 700
Grilling	\$ 600	
Fuel	\$ 150	\$ 150
Game Truck	\$ 600	
Buster Phelan Band	\$ 350	\$ 350
Mariachi Jalisco Band	\$ 600	
Mexican Folkloric Dancers	\$ 150	\$ 50
Tent Rental	\$ 2,572	\$ 400
Prizes for Kid's Games	\$ 300	
Inflatables	\$ 325	
Chmielewski Fun Time Band	\$ 850	
Total	\$11,237	\$ 2,950

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- Rev. Benny Mekkatt, Pastor ext. 11
- John Florin, Business Administrator ext. 10
- Joy Hoffman, Administrative Coordinator ext. 12
- Deacon Jerry Saladin.....952-607-9636

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- Carol McKenna, Parish Nurseext. 15

FAITH FORMATION 651-738-0677

- Julie Taylor, Director..... ext. 14
- Sarah Kalonick, Youth & Young Adult Minister..... ext. 17

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- Jan Meulemans, Director.....651-307-7865

PRAYER LINE

Please call Carol McKenna.....651-492-2778

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BAPTISM - Participation in the Baptism preparation program is a prerequisite for Baptism. Schedule with the Parish Office.

RECONCILIATION- Daily: M-F immediately following Mass & Saturday 3:00-3:45 pm

MATRIMONY- Make arrangements with the pastor at least six months before the date.

ANOIDTING OF THE SICK - Please call the parish office if you or a family member is going to be hospitalized. Also, if you are home-bound and wish to receive the Eucharist or a friendly visit, please call the parish office.

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LOW-GLUTEN HOSTS ARE AVAILABLE- Please come to the Sacristy before Mass to arrange to receive one.

- Blessed Sacrament Adoration, 6AM to 11PM
- The Rosary is said just prior to all Masses.

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Sunday, July 28

Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time
Gn 18:20-32/ Col 2:12-14/ Lk 11:1-13

- 8:30 am Parish Mass
- 10:30 am † Dustin Adams

Monday, July 29

Saint Mary Martha
Ex 32:15-24, 30-34/Jn 11:19-27 or Lk 10:38-42

- 9:00am † Jeaneen Barthel

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Tuesday, July 30

Weekday/Saint Peter Chrysologus, Bishop & Doctor of the Church
Ex 33:7-11; 34:5b-9, 28/ Mt 13:36-43

- 9:00 am † Frank E. Braunig

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Wednesday, July 31

Saint Ignatius of Loyola, Priest
Ex 34:29-35/ Mt 13:44-46

- 9:00 am † Linda Lauer Olson

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Thursday, August 1

Saint Alphonsus Ligouri, Bishop & Doctor of the Church
Ex 40:16-21, 34-38/ Mt 13:47-53

- 9:00am Sister Mary Anne Ryan, OSF

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Friday, August 2

Weekday/Saint Eusebius of Vercelli, Bishop; Saint Peter Julian Eynard, Priest
Lv 23:1, 4-11, 15-16, 27, 34b-37/ Mt 13:54-58

- 9:00am Sister Kathleen Welscher, OSF

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Saturday, August 3

Weekday/BVM
Lv 25:1, 8-17/ Mt 14:1-12 (Morning Readings)

- 9:00 am Don Winger & Marlene Wacker
- 4:00 pm † Eugene Schiltgen

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Sunday, August 4

Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time
Ecc1 1:2, 2:21-23/ Col 3:1-5, 9-11/ Lk 12:13-21

- 8:30 am † Warren Johnson
- 10:30 am Parish Mass

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SCHEDULE FOR THE WEEK

July 28— August 4

Sun, July 28:	Hospitality after both Masses
Tues, July 30:	8:00-9:00am Divine Mercy Cenacle
Wed, July 31:	Young at Heart after Mass
Fri, Aug 2:	1:00pm First Friday Mass at Cerenity
Sat, Aug 3:	9:00am Mass First Saturday Healing/Anointing Mass 6:30-8:30pm Hispanic Prayer Group
Sun, Aug 4:	Hospitality after both Masses

FINANCE

Gifts of Treasure

July 20/21, 2019

Sunday Envelopes & Plate:	\$ 4,311.00
Other:	\$ 628.00
Sisters of Charity:	\$ 981.00
Total :	\$ 5,920.00

Upcoming Summer Events for Seniors

These Summer Events are sponsored by the "55 Club" that has been having their monthly luncheons here at Blessed Sacrament.

STILLWATER RIVER BOATS - TUESDAY, AUGUST 20

Cruise duration is 11:30 to 1:30 PM with a deli luncheon buffet for \$23.95. We need to arrive 45 minutes prior to departure so should leave upper parking lot at 9:15 AM.

Please call Wayne Jurmu, 651-484-8377, to make a reservation.

Come Let Us Adore Him!

Saint Thomas the Apostle Eucharistic Adoration Chapel

Please prayerfully consider signing up for a current open hour:

- Tuesday mornings - 7:00am to 8:00am
- Tuesday afternoons - 2:00pm to 3:00pm
- Thursday evenings - 8:00pm to 9:00pm
- Saturday afternoons - 1:00pm to 2:00pm
- Saturday afternoons - 3:00pm to 4:00pm

Contact: Kathy Ebert 651-247-5185 or Patty Germain 651-788-3876 or the Parish Office 651-738-0677 (or complete a sign-up card and we will contact you!)



First Friday at Cerenity Marian in Saint

Paul Everyone is invited to attend First

FIRSTfriday

Friday Mass at 1pm at Cerenity of Saint Paul, with parishioners and residents of the Marian Center. **First Friday is August 2nd.** All are encouraged & welcome to attend. It is a wonderful opportunity to visit with friends & your presence is greatly appreciated.

Our next Healing/Anointing Mass is on August 3 at 9:00am.

At the end of the Mass, the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick will be given to those who would like to be anointed with the holy oil. If you or someone you know who would benefit from this sacrament, please encourage them or help them to come for this special Anointing Mass.

FAITH FORMATION



Faith Formation Registration 2018 - 19

Get a jump on registration for this fall's Faith Formation, and beat the rush! We offer classes for ages 3 through high school on Wednesday evenings, as well as classes for ages 3 to Grade 2 on Sunday mornings.

You can find the registration forms online at www.blessedsacramentsp.org under the Faith Formation tab or in the Gathering Area. Classes begin in mid-September; register by September 9th to avoid a late fee. For more information, please contact Julie Taylor.

Share the Faith

It's an amazing experience to work with our children and youth in Faith Formation (also known as Religious Ed or CCD). Those who have done it will tell you how much it has deepened their own faith. Come share the gifts God has given you by serving as a catechist, teacher assistant, substitute catechist, or hall monitor in our Wednesday night or Sunday morning Faith Formation program. Training and ongoing support provided. To find out more, contact Julie, Faith Formation Director.



FunFest Children's Games Volunteers

The FunFest is our biggest parish fundraiser, benefiting, among other things, our Faith Formation and Youth Ministry programs. This is why we ask all parents and youth involved in those programs to sign up for a 90-minute shift at Children's Games. It's fun, it's easy, and it helps support the programs that develop our children's faith! Sign up in the Gathering Area or contact Julie Taylor.

Wish List

We are in need of help to offset the following expenses:

- \$500 Landscaping needs — much needed soil & equipment rental
- \$500 Build a stand near the choir area for a statue of the Blessed Virgin Mary
- \$200 replacement of the battery in our AED equipment
- \$50 the new white antependium recently brought back from India



Available Ad Space

Build your business and help us grow a vibrant faith community!

John Kirchner from LPi, our bulletin printer, will be in our office the week of July 29th, securing new ads for our bulletin. Please consider purchasing an ad, sponsoring a charity, or in Memory of a Loved One. Your participation makes our bulletin successful, and you attract customers!

BENEFITS OF ADVERTISING

- Local, targeted community advertising for one full year, at one low price.
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