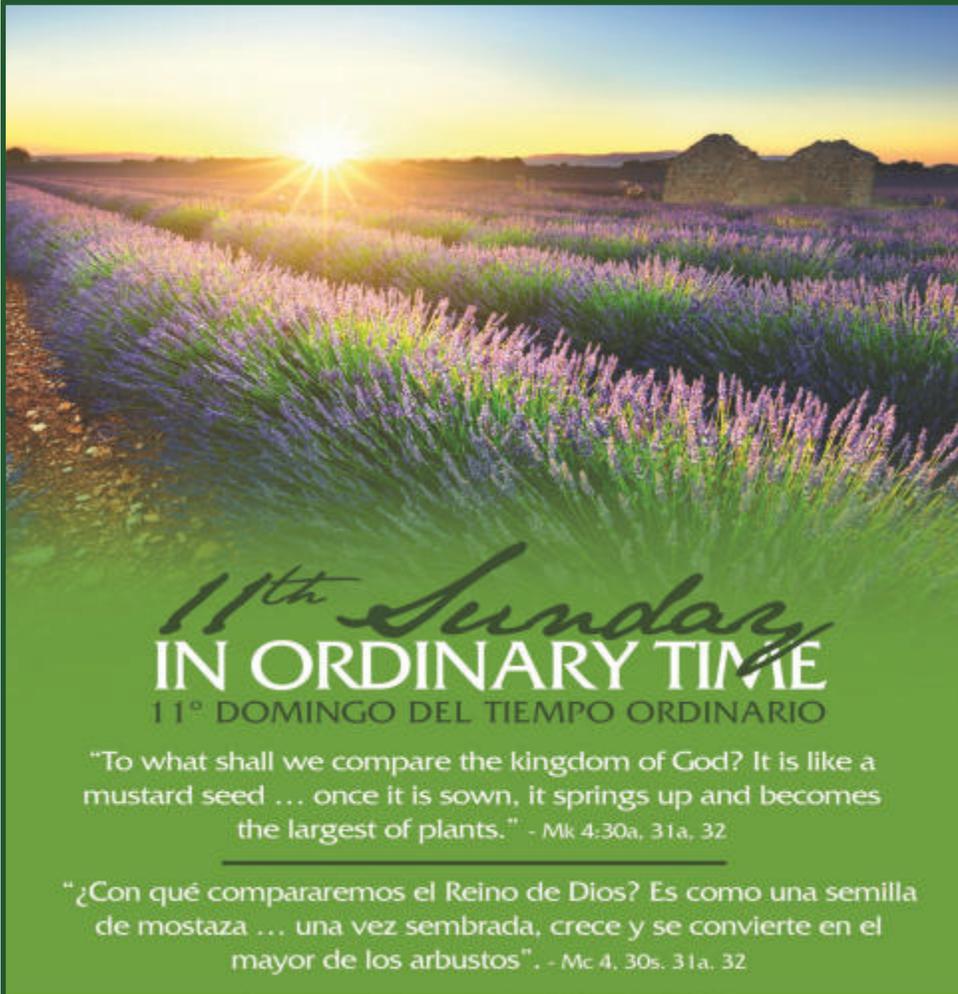


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JUNE 13, 2021



11th Sunday
IN ORDINARY TIME
11º DOMINGO DEL TIEMPO ORDINARIO

"To what shall we compare the kingdom of God? It is like a mustard seed ... once it is sown, it springs up and becomes the largest of plants." - Mk 4:30a, 31a, 32

"¿Con qué compararemos el Reino de Dios? Es como una semilla de mostaza ... una vez sembrada, crece y se convierte en el mayor de los arbustos". - Mc 4, 30s. 31a, 32

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Parish Life at St. Bernard's Catholic Church, St. Paul, MN

Anointing of the Sick & Communion for the Sick & Homebound

Please call the Parish Office to make arrangements with Fr. Ivan

Baptism of Infants

It is recommended that parents who wish to present their child for Baptism make arrangements several months before the date with the priests.

Marriage Preparation

Couples anticipating Christian Marriage need to contact the Parish Office at least six months prior to the wedding date they desire. After a pre-nuptial interview with a priest, a specific date will be set. Marriage preparation classes are required.

From Pope Francis,

Dear Brothers and Sisters, Good morning!

In today's Gospel passage (cf. Mk 4:26-34), Jesus speaks to the crowd about the Kingdom of God and the dynamics of its growth, and he does so by recounting two brief parables. In the first parable (cf. vv. 26-29), the Kingdom of God is compared to the *mysterious growth of the seed*, which is cast upon the ground and then sprouts, grows and produces ears [of grain], independent of the care of the farmer who, when it is fully grown, sees to its harvest. This is the message that this parable conveys to us: through Jesus' teaching and action, the Kingdom of God is proclaimed, has burst into the field of the world and, like the seed grows and develops by itself. Through its own strength and according to humanly incomprehensible criteria. In its growth and development in history, it does not depend much on man's doing, but is above all an expression of the power and goodness of God, of the strength of the Holy Spirit who brings forth Christian life in the People of God.

At times history, with its events and its protagonists, seems to go in the opposite direction of the design of the heavenly Father, who wants justice, fraternity and peace for all his children. But we are called to live out these periods as seasons of trial, of hope and of vigilant expectation of the harvest. Indeed, yesterday like today, the Kingdom of God grows in the world in a mysterious way, in a surprising way, revealing the hidden power of the little seed, its victorious vitality. Within the folds of personal and social events which at times seem to signal the failure of hope, it is important to remain confident in God's subdued but powerful way of acting. For this reason, in moments of darkness and of difficulty we must not lose heart, but remain anchored in faithfulness to God, to his ever-saving presence. Remember this: God always saves. He is the Saviour.

In the second parable (cf. vv. 30-32), Jesus compares the Kingdom of God to a *mustard seed*. It is a very small seed, yet it grows to become the greatest of all the plants in the garden: an unforeseeable, surprising growth. It is not easy for us to enter this logic of the unforeseeable nature of God and to accept it in our life. But today the Lord exhorts us to an attitude of faith which exceeds all our plans, our calculations, our predictions. God is always the God of surprises. The Lord always surprises us. It is an invitation to open ourselves more generously to God's plans, both on the personal level and on that of the community. In our communities it is important to pay attention to the little and big occasions of goodness that the Lord offers us, allowing ourselves to engage in his dynamics of love, of welcoming and of mercy toward others.

The authenticity of the Church's mission does not come through success nor through the gratification of the results, but by going forth with the courage of trust and the humility of abandonment to God. Going forth professing Jesus and with the power of the Holy Spirit. It is the awareness of being small and weak instruments which, in God's hands and with his grace, can accomplish great deeds, advancing his Kingdom which is "righteousness and peace and joy in the Holy Spirit" (Rom 14:17). May the Virgin Mary help us to be simple, to be attentive, to cooperate with our faith and with our work to develop the Kingdom of God in hearts and in history.

Karenni Outreach Mission Appeal.

This year Fr. Ivan will be visiting the parishes of Maternity of Mary, Holy Childhood and St. Mary of the Lake in Mahtomendi on the weekends of June 12, 13 and June 19, 20 and July 17, 18. Please pray for this mission to raise money for our Karenni Outreach.

† Mass Intentions †

Saturday June 12

8:30am † Ursula Shorn
4:00pm † Thomas Becker

Sunday June 13 11 Sunday of Ordinary Time

8:00 am The Travis Rehfield Family
10:30 am † Marilyn Rediske
2:00 pm Parish

Monday June 14

8:30am † Marilyn Rediske

Tuesday June 15

8:30am † Arlene Kitto
6:30pm (Spanish)

Wednesday June 16

8:30am † Marilyn Rediske

Thursday June 17

8:30am † Marilyn Rediske

Friday June 18

8:30am † Marilyn Rediske
6:30pm Spanish

Saturday June 19

8:30am The Tim Carpenter Family
4:00pm † Marion Kneissel

Sunday June 20 12 Sunday of Ordinary Time

8:00 am The Ryan Frantzen Family
10:30 am † George Gardener
2:00 pm Parish

Prayer Line Please call

Shirley Collett at (651) 488-6330
Judy Cloutier at (651) 224-2966

WEEKLY READINGS

Readings for the week of June 13th, 2021

Sunday: Ez 17:22-24/2 Cor 5:6-10/Mk 4:26-34
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

<u>Weekly Collection</u>	<u>Last Week's Contributions</u>	<u>Budget</u>
Envelope Income	\$5,199	\$4,731
Plate	808	581
Gas/Lights	82	125
Campus Repair	101	70
<u>Year to Date:</u>		
Envelope Income	\$229,902	\$231,819
Plate	45,614	28,469
Gas/Lights	4,219	6,125
Campus Repair	2,888	3,430



Capital Campaign Update

Total Pledges: \$920,298
Payments to date: \$867,848
Amount Remaining: \$ 52,450



Building repair fund \$70,170.

Thanks for all the donations we have received from January 1, 2021 to continue repair our buildings and proceed with the Projects ahead of us. Such as:
Grade School Building Tuck Pointing
Church Skylight and Bell Tower Waterproofing.
Church Circle renewal to repair the water mitigation and surface and renovation of the bowling lanes. More information will be coming up.

Please pray for the sick and homebound

MaryAnn Nordine Margaret Datko
Lorraine Eheim Theresa Griffith
Bernice Labarre Devra Shepherd
Yur Reh J. Harringer
Delores Schloesser Steve Lauinger



Building and Grounds repair

In last Monday finance meeting we have discussed the buildings and Grounds maintenance. Thanks to our maintenance staff who are working diligently in our campus, made a list of important or urgent projects to be done. These are the priorities:

Grade School Tuckpointing: The best bid we have so far is of \$410,000. Right now we do not have this money to support this project. So we will be relying on donations.

Church Front Circle: There is a big problem of water mitigation and we have water going inside our buildings, causing sinkholes etc. We have a project that is estimated to cost \$60,000-\$80,000 that will demolish and rebuild the circle area and solve the water problem.

High-School and Gym Link: Needs to be re-done is causing again water problem we have water damaging our underground tunnels that carries all the heating plumbing.

Community Space: Our community needs space to gather apart from the church. We would like to renew the ex Bowling lanes space to create rooms for community meetings.

The direction we are taking for this summer to start with the project of the church front circle and continue the work with the link that brings down the to the project of the Community Space of the ex bowling lanes. Right now we already collected \$64,970., this a good start. We need your generous donations to support these projects. We will put a \$ goal for all these projects.

Please send your donations to St. Bernard's building repair funds and will be allocated to these intentions.

Parish News

Hispanic Ministry
In the last Sunday Hispanic Ministry meeting was decided these two major events.

The Picnic this year is coming up on July 11 at Como Park Pavilion as previous years. We will have mass at 10am and food and games following the mass until 2pm.

Parish feast of St. Bernard is on August 22. Mass at 12pm and food and festival in the Rose Street Parking lot.

Please mark your calendars and support these events. More information will be coming up.

Men's Club

Ice-Cream social on Father's day June 20. After the 4pm Saturday mass 8am and 10:30am and 2pm Masses Sunday Masses

PARISH PICNIC

Your Invited to our Parish Picnic on July 11 at Como P:avilion Midway and Como Ave. The Picnic will start with an outdoor mass at 10am.

Its a great opportunity to meet with parishioners/friends. There will be games and inflatables for children.

ST. ANTHONY CAN FIND ANYTHING — EVEN YOU

"Tony, Tony, come around! Something is lost and it must be found."

Did you learn this one when you were a kid? In my experience there are even a lot of lapsed Catholics — or people who were never Catholic at all — who know that when you lose something, St. Anthony becomes your best friend. Missing keys? Pray to St. Anthony. Can't find your favorite sweater? St. Anthony. Forget where you parked your car in the mall lot? St. Anth— okay, you get the idea. Whatever it is, large or small, important or trivial, Tony has a reputation for finding the lost things.

It's a devotion that can seem a little like superstition — witchcraft, even? — if you don't really understand it. Mumble an incantation to a dead guy and you're guaranteed to find your

sunglasses. But as with most traditions that are old, beloved and effective, looking a little closer reveals the truth of the matter.

When we lose something really important, what do we do? We make the whole household stop what they're doing to join the search. Having St. Anthony as a friend means you ask him to stop what he's doing to help, too. And how he helps is by taking the matter exactly where all matters need to go — straight to the feet of Christ.

Here's the real genius of St Anthony: he takes the most mundane, commonplace occurrence — misplacing socks — into an encounter with the divine and truly all things great and small are gifts from God. He grabs our hand and points to the cross. "That's what you're looking for," he tells us.

In the end, Tony doesn't really find the lost things. He finds the lost people

—Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS

WHERE DOES THE MONEY GO THAT IS COLLECTED EACH WEEK AT CHURCH?

This is a good question! Every parish has financial obligations, including the basic operation of the buildings, salaries, maintenance, and improvements. In addition, there are schools to support, programs to run, charities to be funded, and operational expenses like hosts and wine for Mass, music books, vestments, and so on. In some cases, cemeteries and other buildings need attention. Finally, there is the diocesan assessment that each parish pays to help run the diocese and the support services provided to each parish.

Most parishes manage to get by with the collection, a few fundraisers and endowments. But contrary to popular opinion, cash flow is also a problem, and many parishes operate in the red. The Finance Committee is responsible for assisting the pastor in fiscal management, and good stewardship is the basis for successful programs.



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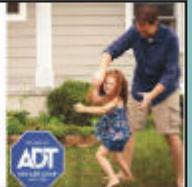
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