## ABUNDANT HARVEST

## INSPIRING LABORERS FOR OUR LORD

JULY 24, 2022



A BULLETIN FOR THE PARISHES OF ST. LAWRENCE, ST. ROSE OF LIMA, & ST. PATRICK FREMONT

## ONE CHURCH ENCOUNTERING JESUS EQUIPPING DISCIPLES LIVING

## MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, July	25	5
6:30 am	t	Rollie Renter
	t	Karen Lauer-Silva
12:00 pm	t	Gene Steffensmeier
	t	Jean Mruz
Fuesday, July	20	5
6:30 am	t	Sr. Lee Agnes Hodapp
	t	Jack King
12:00 pm	t	Patty Stary
	ŧ	Lowell, Joan and Marde Henggeler
Wednesday, J	July	y 27
6:30 am	t	Poor Souls
12:00 pm		Living and deceased members of the Daniel Ortmeier family
	t	Marjorie Moser Reynolds
Thursday, Ju	ly 2	28
8:30 am		Sendgraff family
	t	George Blum
Friday, July	29	
8:00 am	t	(St. Lawrence) Poor Souls
6:00 pm	†	John Mlnarik
Saturday, Jul	y 3	0
8:00 am	t	Cheryl Massaro
	t	Katherine Bodell
5:00 pm	ţ	Don & Vyiolette Doernemann
		Living and deceased members of the Steve Luebbert family
Sunday, July	31	
8:00	t	Mimi Follett
	t	Anita Ksiazek
8:00 am	†	(St. Lawrence) Emmy Pribnow
10:00 am	ŧ	(Bilingual) Roland Koranda
	†	Victor & Alice Schmid
10:00 am	ţ	(St. Rose) Poor Souls

## **New Parishioners & Visitors**

We are grateful you are here! In our parish cluster community, all families & individuals are welcome! Should you feel called to join, you may register as new members before or after Mass or at the parish office during regular business hours. Parish Business Office: (402) 721-6611 Mailing address: 422 E 4th Street, Fremont, NE 68025 Archbishop Bergan Middle School and High School: (402)721-9683

Archbishop Bergan Elementary School: (402)721-9766 For sacramental emergencies, please call (402)810-0986 www.stpatsfremont.org

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## **MASS TIMES & CONFESSIONS:** 7/25/2022 - 7/31/2022

	<u>St. Patrick</u>	<u>St. Lawrence</u>	<u>St. Rose</u>			
Monday	6:30 am and 12:00 pm					
Tuesday	6:30 am and 12:00 pm					
Wednesday	6:30 am and 12:00 pm					
Thursday	8:30 am					
Friday	6:00 pm	8:00 am	8:00 am			
Saturday	8:00 am and 5:00 p	8:00 am and 5:00 pm				
Sunday	8:00 am, 10:00 am (Bilingual)	8:00 am	10:00 am			
<u>Confessions</u> St. Lawrence	<u>Weekdays</u> None	<u>Saturday</u> None	<u>Sunday</u> 7:30 - 7:50 am			
St. Patrick	M,T,W 6:00 - 6:20 am M,T,W 11:30 - 11:50 am Th. 8:00 am - 8:20 am	7:30 - 7:50 am 3:00 - 4:45 pm	7:30 - 7:45 am 9:15 - 9:45 am			

None

### Priests of St. Patrick

St. Rose

Fr. Walter Nolte, Pastor Fr. Bill Cremers, Associate Pastor Fr. Minh Tran, Associate Pastor

None

### Deacons of St. Patrick

Ed Gentrup Vic Henry Mark Houle Alberto Martinez Dan Mueller Dave Probst Tom Silva Gilbert Snodgrass Craig Steel Joe Uhlik

Deacon of St. Lawrence Junior Pribnow



9:15 - 9:45 am

In addition to the Sunday bulletin (which you can access at www.stpatsfremont.org if you miss it going out of Mass), this is a regular email or text subscription that will keep you updated on important events and announcements at church. Just text the number below or visit the website to sign up at: flocknote.com/stpatsfremont

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St. Lawrence: law

- St. Rose: roselima
- St. Patrick: patrick



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## WELCOME HOME



### THE ABUNDANT HARVEST BY FATHER WALTER NOLTE

I know this is an unusual picture to have in a bulletin column. The first time I saw this image was back in junior high when one of my classmates drew it as part of a science fair. Of course, it was just a copy of the original, but it intrigued me nonetheless. The caption below the picture simply read, "What do you see?" It took me forever to see what, for me, was completely hidden in the image. I had to refocus my brain and train it to see what was in plain sight all along.

This past Sunday we heard the beautiful story of Martha and Mary. Certainly, by now, you have both heard and read the gospel pas-

sage numerous times. You may even identify with one sister more than the other. They have come to represent both the active and contemplative dimensions of the spiritual life. This is a fair analysis, however, if we look just a bit deeper we might be able to see something that was hidden right in front of us all along

Their story is a perfect example of focus and the need to, at times, to refocus and train our brains to think differently. Neither Martha nor Mary lacked the gift of hospitality. They both received Jesus into their home. They both had a deep love and affection for Jesus and He for them. They were, in fact, friends. Where they differed was in their focus. Martha saw only the tasks that needed to be accomplished. She lost sight of the reason for her tasks



of hospitality and thus lost sight of the One she was serving with all of her efforts. Mary, on the other hand, remained focused on the One in front of her. She opened not just the doors of her home to Jesus, but also the doors of her heart. She stayed in communion with Him and sat at His feet receiving love from Him while He received love from her.

Jesus gently calls Martha back from her stress inviting her to focus on the One thing necessary. He invited her into His Sacred Heart and to dwell there with Him. Anything in life, no matter how good it is, has the potential to divert our focus from the One we love and who inviting us, like He did for Martha, to stay with Him and remain in relationship with Him. Is there anything that diverts your attention away from the One? Are there times when you feel all alone and overwhelmed by your tasks in life? Take a moment to focus on Jesus' love for you. Even ask Him for the gift of staying focused on Him while you go about yours tasks of the day. Give Him permission to bring order to all facets of your day so that everything you do is out of love for Him.

Jesus is with us all the time, however, sometimes we are not able to see Him clearly. Take the time you need this week to sit with Him in prayer and allow Him to do the same with you. If we learn to this, then we, like Mary, will be choosing the One thing necessary. We will hear in the noise of the day as well as in the quiet of the night.

Please be sure to pick up your "Festival of Joy" packets and mark your calendar to attend our one day event. Thanks again to Charlie and Mary Lou Diers for donating their 51<sup>st</sup> car to our parish festival. Please take the time to send them a note of gratitude. You can mail them to the parish office at 422 East 4<sup>th</sup> Street and we can make sure they receive them.

Peace, Father Nolte

See if you can see both the old woman and young girl in the image from this column.



## WORDS OF MERCY

### POWER TO HEAL - THE THRILL OF VICTORY - FR. BILL CREMERS

For Refiner's Fire, we are going through the series "Power to Heal" by Randy Clark. What follows is a paraphrased summary of the fifth section, "The Thrill of Victory" (study guide, page 117).

Jesus Christ is the same yesterday, today, and forever. This defines a foundational aspect of God's personality. Even though His character does not change, the ways that He releases healing do vary from time to time and from case to case. Here are five principles that help us understand this:

1. The principle of faith: Jesus demands strong faith of us, and when we see His work, our faith is strengthened. When we have extraordinary faith, beyond anything we have known before, God will back it up. Action must follow faith!

2. Sin blocks healing: While not everyone not receiving healing is dealing with sin, it is a legitimate hindrance and requires repentance. We can gently ask if there might be anything blocking healing and then lead a prayer of repentance.

3. The principle of the anointed person: Sometimes people can receive a specific anointing/gifting from God, but that doesn't mean that they are the only ones healing! God can empower anyone at anytime to share His healing!

4. The principle of feeling the anointing: Sometimes we feel this happen in our bodies or spirits, but other times we might not. Whether or not you feel the anointing, pray and let God move as He wills!

5. The principle of moving with compassion: Compassion is the motivation of Jesus for many of His healings – may this be the same with us!

## BOOK REVIEW

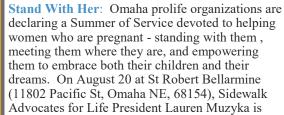
### "LOVED AS I AM" -By Sr. Miriam James Heidland

People respond to suffering differently. Some blame God while others explain it as a response to our choices or desires and still others simply try

to avoid suffering altogether. We perceive it as something wrong. Something went terribly wrong in our human existence causing suffering and death to enter in original sin. God never intended death or suffering because He is good.

Sr. Miriam experienced profound suffering with her father's sudden diagnosis of terminal cancer. Her family couldn't understand how this vibrant, healthy man could be dying. She saw her model in Mother Mary who faced suffering that was out of her hands. As Mother Mary accompanied Jesus in His Passion and death, she neither feared nor hated nor sought revenge or ran away. She gave herself to Jesus amidst her own suffering. As her father died, Sr. Miriam experienced grief but also peace and comfort. Suffering can help us focus on others and soften our hearts. We don't get over the loss of our loved one but rather entrust them to God's mercy as we give thanks for the precious gift they are.

\* available at the parish office \*





coming to Omaha to facilitate training for a peaceful, prayerful, law-abiding approach in reaching out to women and men on the sidewalks of abortion facilities. This training is also open to those wishing to engage in prayer support on the sidewalk, which is vital to our mission. To register or find more information details go to https://bit.ly/30t7MiG or stroberts.com. For further questions, please contact Michelle Witt Program Director at saflomaha2022@gmail.com.

- 1. Saturday August 20<sup>th</sup> 12-6 pm Training at St. Roberts \* **REQUIRED**
- 2. Sunday August 21<sup>st</sup> 2-4pm Q&A with Lauren Muzyka SAFL and Martin Cannon Thomas Moore Society \***Recommended not required** 3. Monday August 22<sup>nd</sup> 8-10 am Side Walk Training (Location will be announced at

the training)

\* Recommended but will schedule a training time if you cannot attend this session.

FAITH, HOPE AND LOVE ... Are these present in your marriage? Have you given up hope that they can be?

In 1 Corinthians 13:13 Jesus tells us the greatest of these is Love. Living in a marriage that is missing love can be difficult. If you have given up hope that your marriage can and will get better, ask your spouse to consider attending a Retrouvaille program. Retrouvaille is an international Christian-based ministry that offers a three-stage program to help couples improve their marriages. First, a weekend program is attended, followed by post-weekend meetings. Finally, an on-going monthly small group of couples gather for support and growth. If improving your marriage is important to you, reach out today. For more information about a Retrouvaille Weekend program, August 12-14 2022 to register call 1-800-470-2230 0r www.helpourmarriage.org, www.retrouvaille.org last day to sign up July 25th 2022

## **Prayer** Intentions

Please pray for those who are serving in the military, especially:

SSG Anthony Allen, Pvt. Angie Bernal, Staff Sgt. Jared S. Carnahan, Staff Sgt. Keegan Dahlhauser, PO 5 Nicole Hansen, TSgt Robert Harms, CDR Chad Harris, SSgt Dane Kolter, 2LT Brandon Kreikemeier, Logan Lamborn (Air Force), Capt. Tyler Mach, Christopher Mercure (Army), TSgt. Jamison Mitz, SGT Constance Oberg, Coast Guard Bo Partsch, Command Sgt. Major Bryan Pfeifer, SSgt. Dan-iel Primm, SSgt Jeremiah Rezac, Lance Corporal Hunter Robertson, Private 1st Class Army Zachary Robertson, Sgt. Jordan Rock, Sgt. Nathan Schueth, STT Sgt. Michael Smith, SMSgt Tony Uhlik, Sgt. Jourdan Winterstein, Sgt. Logan Winterstein, Sgt. Zachary Zengewald.

## PRAYERS

## **Prayer Intentions**

Please pray for those who are not well and have asked for our prayers, especially:

**Robert Arett, Josie Borgman, Bernardine** Buresh, Cody Chapman, Sandy & Tyler Chromy, Aiden Church (grandson of Dan and Algene Mueller), Carmen Dufek (mother of Mary Ann Snelson), Sylvia Evert, Gilbert Faltin, LaDonna Grosse, Rita Grosse, Doug Gubbels (brother-in-law of Sharon Carlson), Stella Guthmann, Alexander Hernandez (son of Gisella Her-nandez), Melissa Hughes, Joel Kotrous, Bernadine LeCrone (sister of Pat Beran), Richard Lahti (uncle of Amy Sund), Eileen McDermitt (sister of Shirley Allen), Carol McDermott (wife of Bill McDermott) Michele Missel, Lilah Newton (grand-daughter of Terry Kroeten), Myrna Niewohner, Charlie Rise, Jackie Rock, Jeff Snelson (brother of Mark Snelson), Joe Svoboda, Quinn Taylor, Greg Tom-rdle, Delbert Uhlik, John Wayne Vanek, Ruth Caddy Vyhlidal and Shani Wiesen.

If you want your name to remain on the list for August, please call the parish office at (402)721-6611 by Monday, July 25 to confirm.

## Formation Highlights

FOLLOW ME. AND I WILL MAKE YOU FISHERS OF MEN

### EMHC AND LECTOR TRAINING - DATE CHANGE!

Is God asking you to serve as an EMHC or Lector? If you have received all Sacraments of Initiation (Baptism, Eucharist, and Confirmation) and are a practicing Catholic in good standing in the Church, then contact the parish office. High school students must be beginning at least their junior yearchdiocese video presentation will be on August 31<sup>st</sup> Wednesday at 6:30 pm



are a practicing Catholic in good standing in the Church, then contact the parish office. High school students must be beginning at least their junior year. The archdiocese video presentation will be on August 31<sup>st</sup>, Wednesday at 6:30 pm in Mary's Room at the Church. Those attending will complete an on-line form for the Archdiocese. A practice session will be held in Tuesday, Sept. 20<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 pm in the church. Mandation will be celebrated at the 10am St. Patrick Mass on October 9<sup>th</sup>.

## RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS (RCIA) – BEGINS WEDNESDAYS STARTING SEPTEMBER 7TH

**RCIA** is for those who wish to explore the teaching of the Catholic Church with the desire to become Catholic; are either baptized or unbaptized, but are not Catholic; are 19 years and older. RCIA is a journey of faith: It is the process by which men and women enter the Catholic Church; it is a journey in that you are paired with a Catholic sponsor to help guide you along the way; you will join other candidates and sponsors in the form of weekly classes that begin in September, culminating with the entry into the Catholic Church the night before Easter. RCIA is about Sacrament: Sacraments of Initiation (Baptism, Confirmation and Holy Communion) are typically celebrated at the Easter Vigil Mass. At this time, those participating in RCIA become full members of the Catholic Church. If you would like more information on joining the Catholic Church through RCIA, or to register for RCIA, please contact Kate Casale at (402) 721 -6611 ext. 18 or kcasale@stpatsfremont.org. To inquire about RCIC, Christian Initiation of Children, please contact Lori Kisby at (402) 721-6611 ext. 15 or lkisby@stpatsfremont.org. **RCIA Sponsors needed:** Catholics who are confirmed and over 18 years old who would like to share in this spiritual journey - we need you! Many sponsors have been surprised at what they learned about their faith. Qualifications are not determined by your head knowledge but rather your willingness of heart! If interested in becoming a sponsor, contact Kate Casale.



## SAINT HIGHLIGHT: STS. JOACHIM AND ANNE, PARENTS OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

Just like everyone else, Mary had parents, and Jesus had grandparents. We know them as Sts. Joachim and Anne. Although not mentioned in Scripture, their legend comes from a second century document, the *Protoevangelium of James*. Regardless of the lack of historical evidence, we can say that Mary's parents were the first teachers of Mary. Through a special grace of God, they conceived Mary without original sin. They were the ones who instilled in her the habits and virtues that enabled her to respond with loving obedience to God's request to be the Mother of the Son of God, Jesus Incarnate. Joachim and Anne were faithful Jews who taught Mary to be a faithful Jew who taught Jesus to be a faithful Jew. They were the ones who set the tone for the raising of Jesus.

Grandparents do set the tone for future generations. Their examples guide the parents of grandchildren. Their faith and hope and love and perseverance give strength to those who come after them. We remember our grandparents for their holiness and for their love of us. As grandparents, we can do the same for our grandchildren and great-grandchildren. We are called to be loving, prayerful, and persevering, so that when we are called home our descendants may remember us as loving them for the sake of loving God. Sts. Joachim and Anne, patron saints of grandparents, set the bar high, but with God's grace, we too can show future generations the benefits of a constant love, the love of Christ.

## PARISH POST ITS

Welcome to Parish Post Its! Here, we share those mini bits of important info. FAMILY PACKETS may be picked up beginning Thursday, August 4 at your child's respective school building. If you have children at both buildings, all the school information will be in the packet at the MS/HS/. The office hours are from 8:00 am—3:00 pm at both the elementary and MS/HS. Thank you for taking an hour of your time to spend with our Lord in Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament. Please remember that this is a time of <u>silent prayer</u>. Praying out loud can be a distraction to others around you. There are opportunities to pray out loud, just not when others are trying to pray in silence. Please also remember, the hour you chose is <u>your</u> <u>hour</u> with Our Lord. Please be on time so as to not hold up the person from the hour prior. Too often adorers have to wait for someone to come and relieve them so that Our Lord is not left alone. Please honor their time and your commitment.

## WEEK IN REVIEW





## St. Rose of Lima Highlights

St. Lawrence Highlights

### FRMAA

Enhancing Rural Ministries for Aging Adults welcomes all Seniors 50+. Sunday, August 14: Card party at St. John's Ridgeley, 140 County Road K in Scribner, from 2:00 - 4:- pm

Friday. <u>August 26:</u> Bunco from 2:00 - 4:00 pm at the Hooper Senior Center, 208 N. Main in Hooper. There is a 50 cent suggested donation.



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## THE LAY MOMENT: Vatican II and the Universal Call to Holiness – Dr. Tim Gray

Clergy scandals, marriage and family life under attack, growing secularism, a world

angry and confused. Augustine Institute President Dr. Tim Gray explains why he believes that "we are entering an age that is similar to the age of the early Church." He outlines the goals of Vatican II and the critical vocation of the laity in the renewal of the Church and the salvation of the world. "To be a real, faithful Christian in this culture, you are going to have to swim upstream... the Church will be renewed because we will have to stand in the face of the cross-the test of love.'

## Praying for Our Community



## **Baptisms**

- Pedro Orlando Andres Ramos, son of Pedro Andres and Tomasa Ramos Alarcon, born on 3/10/22 and baptized 7/16/22.
- Gisella Alezandra Andres Ramos, daughter of Pedro Andres and Tomasa Ramos Alarcon, born 2/17/20 and baptized 7/16/22.



## **Passed Souls**

- Joan Coufal, 90, passed away ቶ July 16, 2022.
- ÷ Jack King, 81, passed away July 17, 2022.
- ÷ Viola Doerneman, 96, passed away July 19, 2022.

## Service Organization News

ST. PATS WOMEN Life House: We provide the evening meal on the 1st, 4th and 5th Wednesdays of the month. If your last name begins with the letter N,O,P or Q, you may be called to donate food for the meal.

Funeral Dinners: Chairperson for July is Lynnette Sellon, (402)721-0168. Dessert Caller is Marilvn Julian (402)620-1560. She will be calling those whose last names begin with T,U,V,W,X, Y and Z.



### QUEEN OF ANGELS COURT 2253

We are women working together to promote "Unity and Charity" within our community. Come join us!

For more information, call Cheryl Lucht at (402) 740-1186 or Krystal Morales at (402) 721-6611 Ext#16

### BAPTISMS (cont.)

Cristian Isabell Miranda Tzunux, daughter of Domingo Miranda Lorenzo & Catarina Tzunux, born 7/19/19 and baptized 7/17/22.





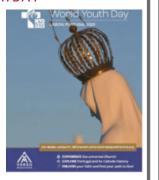
## Weddings & Anniversaries

The Archdiocese of Omaha requires that couples contact the parish at least 6 months before the wedding date. Marriage prep classes will begin 6-8 months prior to the wedding date. Please contact the parish office to make arrangements.

## PARISH LIFE

### WORLD YOUTH DAY

Want to join over a million Catholic youth from around the world in a once-in-alifetime celebration of faith? Then you're invited to an awesome and inspiring trip to **World** 



Youth Day 2023 in Lisbon, Portugal! Fr. Bill Cremers is beginning to organize a pilgrimage through Verso Ministries for all young adults (18 and older) for July 31 to August 9, 2023. The pilgrimage also includes a trip to Fatima and other beautiful places around Lisbon. The group needs to consist of at least 15 people in order to move forward. Fundraising opportunities will be available as we prepare for the trip. If you are interested in this pilgrimage or have any questions, let Fr. Bill know at



bcremers@stpatsfremont.org

**Sunday, July 24**: Gn 18:20-32/Ps 138:1-2, 2-3, 6-7, 7-8 [3a]/Col 2:12-14/Lk 11:1-13

**Monday, July 25**: 2 Cor 4:7-15/Ps 126:1bc-2ab, 2cd-3, 4-5, 6/Mt 20:20-28

**Tuesday, July 26**: Jer 14:17-22/Ps 79:8, 9, 11 and 13/Mt 13:36-43

**Wednesday, July 27**: Jer 15:10, 16-21/Ps 59:2-3, 4, 10-11, 17-18/Mt 13:44-46

**Thursday, July 28**: Jer 18:1-6/Ps 146:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6ab/Mt 13:47-53

**Friday, July 29**: Jer 26:1-9/Ps 69:5, 8-10, 14/Jn 11:19-27 or Lk 10:38-42

**Saturday, July 30**: Jer 26:11-16, 24/Ps 69:15-16, 30-31, 33-34/Mt 14:1-12

**Next Sunday, July 31**, : Eccl 1:2; 2:21-23/Ps 90:3-4, 5-6, 12-13, 14, 17 [1]/Col 3:1-5, 9-11/Lk 12:13-2

**Sunday, July 24** -2:00 pm

Monday, July 25 -8:00 am -6:00 pm Tuesday, July 26 -7:00 pm -7:00 pm Wednesday, July 27 -8:00 am -4:30 pm -6:00 pm Thursday, July 28 -6:00 am Friday, July 29 -5:00 pm -6:00 pm Saturday, July 30 -9:00 am -9:30 am -7:00 pm -7:00 pm Sunday, July 31 -7:00 am -12:00 pm -2:00 pm

## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Jovenes Carismaticos Patris Corde

Patris Corde Jovenes Para Cristo St. Patrick Auditorium Church

Church St. Patrick Auditorium

Knights of Columbus Officers' Meeting Delaney Hall Jovenes Para Cristo Office Conference Room

Staff meeting CYSC Family BBQ Jovenes Para Cristo

Exodus 90

Encounter - School of Healing Jovenes Para Cristo

Encounter - School of Healing Spanish Baptism Class Encounter Healing Service Jovenes Para Cristo

Jovenes Para Cristo Private party Jovenes Carismaticos Family Room

Brides Room

Delaney Hall

Church St. Patrick Auditorium

St. Patrick Auditorium

Church Brides Room Church St. Patrick Auditorium

St. Patrick Auditorium Brides Room St. Patrick Auditorium

# CALENDAR LOTTERY WINNERSThank you to everyone<br/>who purchased calen-<br/>dar lottery tickets!Sunday, July 24\$25Bernadine BureshThank you to everyone<br/>who purchased calen-<br/>dar lottery tickets!<br/>Please watch the bulle-<br/>tin for winners!Friday, July 29\$25Chelsea BorrenpohlThank you to everyone<br/>who purchased calen-<br/>dar lottery tickets!<br/>Please watch the bulle-<br/>tin for winners!

## SUMMER SUCCESS

Despite all of the conflicts and competition for one's time (what happened to the lazy, crazy days of summer?), we had 16 men attend our Knights of Columbus 3rd Degree Exemplification after Mass on Saturday, July 16th. The new rite took just over a half hour and was attended by several of their family members and current KCs and their wives. A reception to welcome and congratulate the new group of 3rd Degree Knights was held afterwards in Delaney Hall. A noteworthy and unique aspect from the evening was that we had 3 father-son pairs as well as 2 brothers participate together. We did have several men that could not attend last week and have committed to be there "next time"

## SEVEN SISTERS APOSTOLATES

The Seven Sisters Apostolates serves in any parish with women who pledge to offer a Holy Hour exclusively for the pastor (or associate priest) once a week. What do I need to do?

- Commit to pray one hour of a specific day each week for a year.
- Pray in the presence of the Blessed Sacrament in adoration or in front of the tabernacle.
- Offer the time only for the intention of the priest for whom you are assigned to pray.

If you would like to fill this need, call Jeanne Boesch at (402)720-3278. For more information, go to <u>https://www.sevensistersapostolate.org.</u>

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## FORMING OUR YOUTH

## FEASTING ON OUR FAITH

### LORI KISBY DIRECTOR OF YOUTH FORMATION

"She opens her arms to the poor and extends her hands to the needy." Proverbs 31:20

Merry Christmas! I know, you are probably thinking, "Doesn't she know it's July!" Yep, but it's never too early to start thinking about Operation Christmas Child.

For the past four years, our parishioners have generously donated shoeboxes to Operation Christmas Child. Because of our involvement, we joined other churches to help distribute 10,505,155 shoeboxes around the world. Each box created an opportunity for a child to hear the Good News of Jesus Christ.

This year the theme verse will be Mark 10:13-15, "Let the little children come to me...." With everyone's help and Lord willing, the 200 millionth child will hear the Gospel in a clear way and receive a shoebox.

The Shoe Box Collection Week is November 14th-21<sup>st</sup>. With "End of Summer Sales" and "Back to School Sales", it's a great time to start collecting items to help reach more children about the Gospel. Some items to check out would be toys, hygiene items like toothbrushes, combs or bars of soap. The children also like receiving school supplies as well as clothing. You can provide things for children ages 2 to 14.

An example of how one shoebox can make an impact is best summed up by a girl, Tsholofelo, whose family lives in Africa. She received a shoebox filled with a stuffed animal, a doll, a pair of shoes and some pens and pencils. She was not only excited about the gift, but also heard the Gospel and accepted Jesus as her Savior. After attending The Greatest Journey Class, she shared John 3:16 with her friend, Peniel, who in turn told Laone about Jesus and now she follows Jesus too. The influence of one simple shoebox gift continues to multiply as these friends share their faith with others!

### IMPACT IN THE DOMINICAN REPUBLIC

This past summer ten parishioners from St. Patrick went on a mission trip to the Dominican Republic. They were led by three missionaries from Catholic Mission Trips. While they were there to help to assist with the needs of the children, it also made an impact on everyone who went. Here are quotations from our youth and the impact on them:

"I enjoyed this experience playing with the kids through soccer and playing with them through free time. The

work was impactful because we worked on the community garden and helped provide a foundation for the NPH organization."

"We can be perfectly fine without all the materialistic things we have back at home and can use teamwork to build the center wall and build relationships with people. Personally, I worked in the garden and made friends there and did work that we would never do here."

"What I'm leaving behind is my reputation, how hard me and my team worked on the garden and the construction site." "The thing that I'm taking with me is the joy of the kids. I had a lot of fun with them,

playing with them. Lastly, what blessed me was how me, my mom, and my sister had the chance to go to help a lot of people."

"How has the Dominican Republic impacted me? Personally, I made connections and discovered the value in my skill with art and communication. I also discovered how much Spanish I know and how to utilize it better and also how to communicate without the use of my main language."

"What I take with me is a new perspective on poverty and how we live and how we take things for granted. What I'm leaving behind is my old mindset of how the world works and how things are."

"The perspective of faith – I feel I've come closer to God on this trip through prayer, of course, and I feel like I got really connected, and it helped me get away from technology."

### **\*KEEP THE FIRE BURNING**"

Youth who attended the Catholic Youth Summer Camp and LifeTeen members met last Friday to "Keep the Fire Burning" in their faith. Those who attended were treated to yummy food, yard games and worship music provided by Father Cremers. The highlight of



the evening was the youth sharing their faith and how the Catholic Youth Summer Camp has impacted them. Thank you to the Peralta family for hosting this fun event!



In less than two months, Faith Formation will once again begin on Wednesday nights! Our "Kick-Off" will be Wednesday, September 7<sup>th</sup> with a BBQ, meet the teachers and a parent meeting.

Faith Formation is for ALL youth 1<sup>st</sup> grade through Confirmation. To sign up your children, pick up a registration

form at the Welcome Center at church, the parish office or you may sign up online using WeShare. If you have any questions, contact Lori Kisby at 402-721-6611 ext 24 or lkisby@stpatsfremont.org.

Whether you are traveling or staying home this summer, brush up on your Catholic IQ and have some fun too. This week the trivia is about the Bible:

HOLY TRIVIA

- How many books are in the Old Testament? 46
  Who is the 3<sup>rd</sup> son born of Adam and Eve? Seth
- 3. Which New Testament figure is regarded as "Apostle to the Apostles?" St. Mary Magdalene
- 4. Which apostle was not present at Jesus' transfiguration? St. Andrew



## STEWARDSHIP

## STEWARDSHIP HIGHLIGHTS

### MEMORIALS AND HONORARIUMS:

A donation to the Bergan General Fund in memory of John Lamme; a donation to St. Patrick's General Fund in memory of Jeanne Klitz; a donation to St. Patrick's General Fund in memory of Steward Roach.

St. Patrick Parish Financial Summary						
	St. Lawrence	<u>St. Patrick</u>	St. Rose			
Sunday Collections 7/9/22 - 7/15/22	\$841	\$13,716	\$1,455			
Average Weekly:						
7/1/22 - 7/15/22	\$778	\$20,162	\$1,420			
7/1/21 - 7/15/21	\$861	\$29.706	\$1,818			
% Change	(9.6%)	(32.1%)	(21.9%)			
Surplus/(deficit) at 5/31/2022 a: excludes cemetery						
b. Includes Bergan	\$19,450a	(\$122,639)b	\$22,045			

"Ask and you will receive; seek and you will find; knock and the door will be opened to you." Luke 11:9

7/17/2022	St. Lawrence	St. Patrick	St. Rose
Parish Goal	\$3,188	\$107,741	\$2,103
Commitments	\$3,855	\$90,579	\$3,580
% of Goal	120.93%	84.07%	170.21%
Particip. % Parish	58.93%	25.77%	45.45%
Particip. Goal	46.60%	19.90%	31.00%

**Archbishop Annual Appeal** 

**SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME** "Ask and you will receive; seek and you will find; knock and the door will be opened to you." LUKE 11:9

Jesus assures us that if we ask, God will take care of what we need. The problem is that our culture often confuses what we really need with what we simply want. The truth is that many of us <u>need</u> very little. However, we usually <u>want</u> so much more! Stewardship is simply being grateful for all that we are and all that we have been given, and generously sharing all of our God-given gifts with others. Generosity is a gift that opens doors to new relationships with others and with God.

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August 20, 2022

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