

July 18 & 25, 2021

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PSALM 23



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Holy Spirit Catholic Community enkindles the fire of God's love in our lives through worship, discipleship and service.

Tues.-Fri. 7:30 a.m. Mass • Sat. 3-4 p.m. Penance & 4:30 p.m. Mass • Sunday 8:30 & 10:30 a.m. Mass

Fr. Daniel Haugan, Pastor

MASS INTENTIONS

July 18, 16th Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:30 a.m. Women religious

10:30 a.m. Engaged couples

July 19

July 20, St. Apollinaris

7:30 a.m. Special intention

July 21, St. Lawrence of Brindisi

7:30 a.m. Dr. Clifford Bowe

July 22, St. Mary Magdalene

7:30 a.m. EPA and MDH workers

July 23, St. Bridget

7:30 a.m. Don Minni†

July 24, St. Sharbel Makhlūf

4:30 p.m. State and federal workers

July 25, 17th Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:30 a.m. Patricia & Richard Dillont
MaryLou Fleischhackert

10:30 a.m. Dr. Clifford Bowe
Holy Spirit parish

July 26, Sts. Joachim and Anne

July 27

7:30 a.m. Special intention

July 28

7:30 a.m. Healing of addiction and anxiety

July 29, St. Martha

7:30 a.m. The Wild family and those who mourn

July 30, St. Peter Chrysologus

7:30 a.m. Rosemary Manderfeld†

July 31, St. Ignatius of Loyola

4:30 p.m. Darren P. and family
Asian immigrants

August 1, 18th Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:30 a.m. Nancy Schmitz†

10:30 a.m. Holy Spirit parish

FAITHFUL DEPARTED

Please remember in your prayers the repose of the soul of

Ed Ehlenz
whose funeral was on July 13

WELCOME, MRS. KANE!



Sandy Kane began her role as principal on July 1. She comes to us from Nativity, where she has been for the last 11 years. Prior to Nativity, Sandy served as the Assistant Principal at St. Peter's in North St. Paul and Holy Trinity in South St. Paul. She also has experience teaching middle school math and 5th grade. Welcome, Sandy!

THANK YOU, HOLY SPIRIT!

Holy Spirit parishioners donated a total of \$2,386.75 for this year's Catholic Services Appeal. These donations will support the 20 Collective Ministries of the Archdiocese so they can continue to serve the poor, support life, and strengthen the faith.

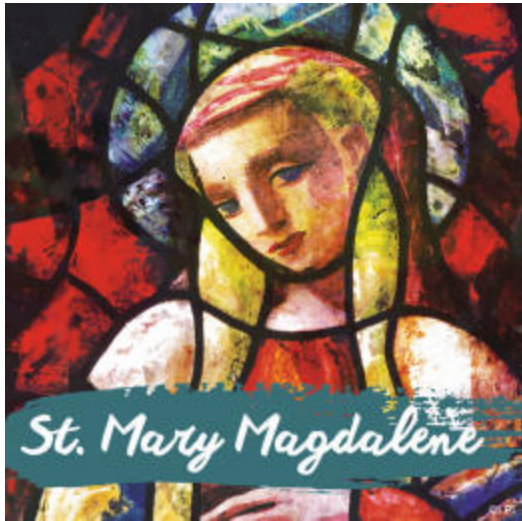
AROUND THE ARCHDIOCESE

Confirmation Classes for Those with Disabilities (Ages 16+)

Aug. 7 & 21 | 9:30-11:30 a.m.

Church of Saint Richard, Richfield

Registration will be available at 8:30 a.m. prior to the first day of classes. Both classes are mandatory for guardians and candidates. For those who complete both classes, the sacrament of confirmation will be available at the Mass for Persons with Disabilities on Sept. 19 at 3 p.m. at the St. Mary's Chapel of the Saint Paul Seminary. Archbishop Hebda will officiate. To register, contact Sonya at (651) 291-4488 or flomos@archspm.org.



- pray for us -

JULY 18 READINGS

FIRST READING

I myself will gather the remnant of my flock from all the lands to which I have driven them and bring them back to their meadow; there they shall increase and multiply.

- Jer 23:3

PSALM

The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want.

- Ps 23

SECOND READING

In Christ Jesus you who once were far off have become near by the blood of Christ.

- Eph 2:13

GOSPEL

When he disembarked and saw the vast crowd, his heart was moved with pity for them, for they were like sheep without a shepherd; and he began to teach them many things.

- Mk 6:34

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JULY 25 GOSPEL MEDITATION

St. Oscar Romero said, "We cannot do everything, and there is a sense of liberation in realizing that. This enables us to do something and to do it very well. It may be incomplete, but it is the beginning, a step along the way, an opportunity for the Lord's grace to enter and do the rest."

There were a group of ladies many years ago who made quilts. They were beautiful creations reflecting inspirational designs artfully composed from the simple scraps of fabric each woman would bring to their individual pieces. There was no plan for the finished project as each finished work became the combined creation of what each woman contributed. They abounded in vibrant colors and dazzled the beholder with intricate patterns and their myriad textures. They were so beautiful that they became coveted family treasures passed from generation to generation. Those women never realized the power of their work. Countless babies rested in the comfort of those quilts warmly nestled in the legacy of tradition they were fortunate to inherit. They adorned countless homes with their beauty and brought joy and solace to many faces.



We cannot do everything. We are not meant to. Our work in life is to contribute our individual piece, a piece that reflects the unique thumbprint I claim as my own. We only have to do small things well. Then, as St. Oscar Romero reminds us, the Lord's grace will enter and do the rest. We have to trust that this is true just as those women trusted in the eventual beauty of their final work.

Eucharistic blessings are blessings that start small and multiply. We all come to life with only a few loaves of bread and a few fish. Not any single one of us has all that it takes to transform our world. Who knows what God will do with the little we have and how many will benefit from our kindness, compassion, wisdom, courage, conviction, love, warmth, zeal, faith, and hope? That young lad never dreamed that his few leftovers would do all that they did. God shows up in unexpected ways! Where would life's adventure and fun be if it were any other way? Being able to be part of bringing God's creative, transforming, healing to the world opens us up to wonder, awe, and excitement! We can all bring our little piece to the bigger work of God that can result in being a coveted jewel passed generation to generation. This is good news indeed!

Bread and wine transform into Christ's Body and Blood and we become what we eat. Trust that.



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