

# Church of the Maternity of the Blessed Virgin

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## Mass Schedule

Saturday 4:30 pm

Sunday 8:00 am

10:30 am (Live Stream)

Monday-Saturday 8:00 am

In the Holy Family Chapel

## Sacrament of Reconciliation

Thursday 7:15 pm-7:55 pm in Foyer at Door #4

First Fridays 7:30 am-7:55 am in the Chapel

Saturday 3:00 pm-4:00 pm in the Chapel

Sunday 7:30 am-7:55 am in the Chapel

9:45 am-10:20 am in the Chapel

## Parish Staff

### Pastor

Father Timothy Cloutier

### Parochial Vicar

Father Joseph Fink

### Permanent Deacon

Deacon Dennis Chlebeck

### Business Administrator

Nancy McMahan

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### Parish Secretary

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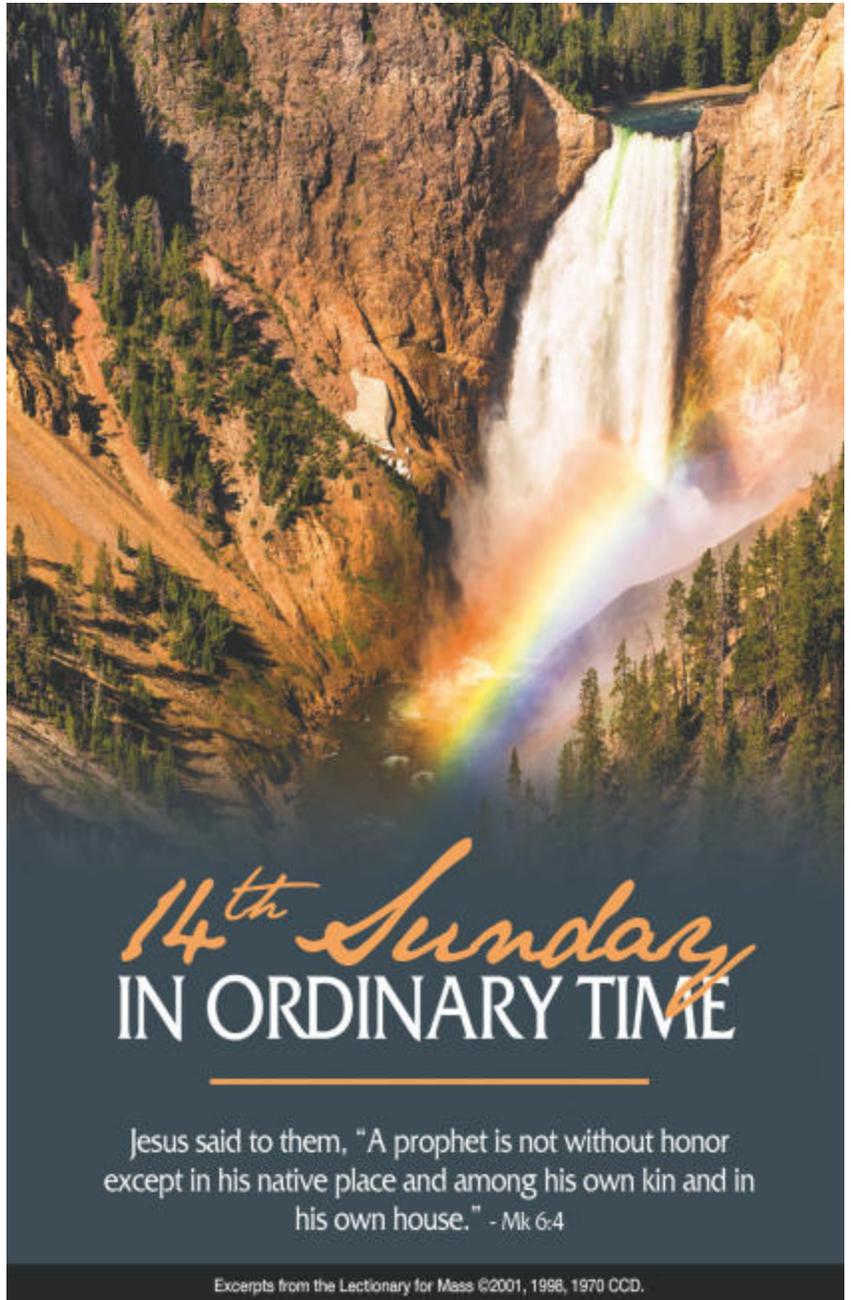
## Maternity of Mary/St. Andrew School

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### School Principal

Maggie Quast



*14<sup>th</sup> Sunday*  
**IN ORDINARY TIME**

Jesus said to them, "A prophet is not without honor  
except in his native place and among his own kin and in  
his own house." - Mk 6:4

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July 4, 2021

# From Father Timothy Cloutier

## SUMMER AND YOUR LIFE OF FAITH

School's out and vacations are in. Taking a break from study and work are welcome moments for everyone. Not only do we really appreciate being able to get away and engage in relaxation and entertainment, but we *need* to do that once in a while. It not only helps our performance and ability to achieve when we return to work or to school, but it contributes to a healthy mental balance as well.

We wouldn't even think of not caring for our bodies during our time away from "the grind". For many, it's really the only time in the entire year for seriously engaging in healthy exercise. Not only do we not stop eating, but barbeques and picnics are the order of the day. We may spend more time awake during the summer months even without daylight savings time, but no one would intentionally impose upon oneself an unhealthy sleep deprivation.

But, what about the health of our souls? What about our spiritual wellbeing? The benefit of exercise lasts as long as we maintain its regularity. The benefit of relaxation and entertainment lasts as long as the game, the party, the show, or whatever it may be, then it's over. We can draw from our spiritual health strength, insights, values, principles, and faith for a fuller and better life *any time*. No more than giving up sleeping, eating, socializing, quality time with the family, don't deprive yourself – or your loved ones – of a spiritually healthy soul and mind.

Pray each day. Don't neglect the Day of the Lord, which is *your day of thanksgiving* and *God's day of blessing*. Don't set aside the deepening of your understanding of your Catholic Christian faith through the reading of God's word and of the Catechism. Both are sources of light, inspiration, peace, and strength. Both are, in themselves, occasions of refreshment and rest for the tired and wearied soul.

We are also celebrating our nation's birthday today, Sunday, the Day of the Lord. I've written about this national holiday specifically in the past, but this year offer you only one thought that ties in with what I have said above. Bring your faith not only into your Independence Day celebrations, but try to be aware of the many ways that your faith can – and should – also make you a better citizen.

## Scripture Reflections for Next Sunday, 15th Sunday in Ordinary Time:

**Amos 7:12-15** This prophet's own vocation reminds us that openness to God's call is the only qualification we need to receive it and to respond to it.

**Ephesians 1:3-14** Our universal call is "to be holy and without blemish before him," bringing with it "every spiritual blessing in the heavens."

**St. Mark 6: 7-13** Sent by Jesus "two by two," the Apostles were to witness first of all to their mutual love, and leaving aside other "baggage" they were to witness to their trust in God who had called and sent them also to provide for them, as He does us.

### Mass and Confession Times

**Daily Mass** Monday-Saturday 8:00 am in Chapel - Enter through Door 5

**No Mass on First Monday of the Month July 5th**

**Saturday** Mass 4:30 pm Enter through Door 2

**Sunday** Masses 8:00 am and 10:30 am Enter through Door 2

**Confessions:** Thursday 7:15 pm-7:55 pm in Foyer at Door #4

First Fridays 7:30 am-7:55 am in the Chapel

Saturday 3:00 pm - 4:00 pm in the Chapel

Sunday 7:30 am-7:55 am in the Chapel

9:45 am-10:20 am in the Chapel

**Adoration:** Thursday 8:30 am - 8:00 pm in the Chapel

### Live Stream of Sunday Mass

The 10:30 am Mass will be Live Streamed each week.

Join us via this link: [Maternity of Mary Youtube Page](#)



### Blessing of Religious Articles

Religious articles (rosaries, chaplets, medals, etc.) will be blessed on the first weekend Masses of every month. At the end of Mass the celebrant will bless the religious articles. The article does not need to be in church, but the person desiring the blessing does need to be present. Water is an exception and does need to be present for the blessing.

**Blessings will be this weekend July 3-4.**



### Welcome Back Created For Communion

With the COVID-19 pandemic subsiding, we can safely return to the Communion for which we were created. That is, we are created for communion with each other, and we are created for Holy Communion, "the source and summit of the Christian Life." (CCC 1324). We are created for fellowship. Just as the Father, Son and Holy Spirit have a living union, so are we created to reflect their union in our relationships with others. It is through our relational nature that we recognize our vocations and grow in love and holiness. We are created for the Eucharist. During the holy sacrifice of the Mass, Jesus Christ becomes truly present in the Eucharist. The Catechism tells us "The principal fruit of receiving the Eucharist in Holy Communion is an intimate union with Christ Jesus." (CCC 1391) How beautiful that Jesus has given us a way to be intimate with Him. Welcome back to that for which you were created!



(Note: Even after the lift of the COVID-19 Sunday Mass obligation dispensation, dispensations always remain in place for moral or physical)

### Banns of Marriage

July 17, 2021—Emily Wallrich and Charles Westholm



# MMSA School News

## God, Our Father, Giver of Life,

We Entrust our Nation to your loving care. You are the rock on which this nation was founded. You alone are the true source of our cherished rights to life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness.

Reclaim this land for your glory and dwell among your people.

Send your spirit to touch the hearts of our nation's leaders.

Open their minds to the great worth of human life and the responsibilities that accompany human freedom.

Remind your people that true happiness is rooted in seeking and doing your will.

We ask this through Christ, Our Lord, Amen.



## Holiday Bazaar

The date has been set for our annual Holiday Bazaar! **If all goes well, the date will be Saturday, November 13, 2021.**

It's not too early to reserve your spot. If you are interested in renting a table and selling your wares, please contact Shelley Harrington at [shelleybean13@usfamily.net](mailto:shelleybean13@usfamily.net) OR 651-248-3608 She will give you all the details!



## Registration for 2021-2022



The MMSA Difference  
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There is a great energy at MMSA, born out of the many relationships that exist among our school and parish, parishioners, students, parents, alumni, faculty and staff. While we cherish the traditions that exist within our school and parish community, we look forward with great hope as we develop new relationships as new students and parents embrace the true mission of MMSA Catholic School.

Registrations are being accepted for the 2021-22 school year. Our preschool is accredited by MNSAA and is 4-Star Parent Aware rated. If you would like to learn more about our school, please call our office, 651-489-1459, to set up an appointment to tour and learn about all we have to offer. You can also find information on our website; [www.mmsaschool.org](http://www.mmsaschool.org)

## Parish Life

### Our Parish Library

The volunteer staff welcome you all (young and old) back to visit our parish library. There you can take advantage of the many Catholic resources that are available for your use. We intend to be open before and after all the weekend Masses. At our reopening we tip our hats to parishioner Renee Baglio. Renee was one of the best patrons to come into the library very often before Mass to check out spiritual books to read.

We pray that she will be blessed with renewed health so that she is able to come once again, visit the library, and faithfully resume her habit for instilling spiritual growth by using our inspirational resources.



### Red Cross Blood Drive

Tuesday, July 20th, the Red Cross will be here for the annual Summer blood drive between 1 pm-7 pm in Sirba Hall. Volunteers and donors are needed. Contact Lisa Basso for more information 651-695-1764



### Stop Your Tax Dollars From Going To Abortion

The Hyde Amendment and similar laws have protected taxpayers from funding elective abortion for 45 years. Now, powerful members of Congress want to take away these laws that both Democrats and Republicans have supported for nearly half a century. Billions of taxpayer dollars could be used to pay for abortion. It is critically important for Catholics to send a strong message before Congress moves forward to impose taxpayer-funded abortion.

Sign the petition today: [www.notaxpayerabortion.com](http://www.notaxpayerabortion.com)

### Confessional Remodel

We are pleased to be moving forward on the confessional remodel project that we first initiated back in 2018. Thank you to all of you who designated donations for the project, we have held those funds, totaling \$20,620 and will be moving ahead with the reworking of the confessional on the north side of the Church. Our goals with the project are to create a divided room to ensure a safer environment, improve air circulation and add a powered-door to allow easier access, particularly for those with a wheelchair or walker. Our contractor has ordered materials and work is scheduled to begin in July. With the increasing cost of construction materials, the project is budgeted to cost \$23,125. If you would like to make a donation, you can still support this project! Thank you for your generosity and for your patience. We look forward to improving this space and hearing confessions in the Church once again.



### Confirmation Classes For Those With Disabilities, Age 16 And Over

Confirmation classes for those with disabilities will be held August 7 and August 21 from 9:30 am-11:30 am at the Church of St. Richard in Richfield. Both classes are mandatory for guardians and candidates. For those who complete the classes, the sacrament of Confirmation will be available at the Mass for Persons with Disabilities on Sunday, September 19 at 3:00 pm, at St. Mary's Chapel, Saint Paul Seminary. Archbishop Bernard Hebda will officiate.

To register contact Deacon Eric Gunderson or Sonya Flomo at the 651.291.4488 or [flomos@archspm.org](mailto:flomos@archspm.org).

# Mass Intentions & Readings

## Weekday Mass Intentions July 6-10

Tuesday 8:00 am † Betty Achartz  
Wednesday 8:00 am † Luella Jelen  
Thursday 8:00 am † Gisele Moundziola  
Friday 8:00 am † Dolores Freppert  
Saturday 8:00 am † Arlene Knott

## Next Weekend Mass Intentions July 10-11

Saturday 4:30 pm † Marlene LaRue  
Sunday 8:00 am Parish  
10:30 am † Alice Janish

## Readings for the week of July 4:

Sunday: Ez 2:2-5/Ps 123:1-2, 2, 3-4 [2cd]/2 Cor 12:7-10/Mk 6:1-6a  
Monday: Gn 28:10-22a/Ps 91:1-2, 3-4, 14-15 ab [cf. 2b]/Mt 9:18-26  
Tuesday: Gn 32:23-33/Ps 17:1b, 2-3, 6-7ab, 8b and 15 [15a]/Mt 9:32-38  
Wednesday: Gn 41:55-57; 42:5-7a, 17-24a/Ps 33:2-3, 10-11, 18-19 [22]/Mt 10:1-7  
Thursday: Gn 44:18-21, 23b-29; 45:1-5/Ps 105:16-17, 18-19, 20-21 [5a]/Mt 10:7-15  
Friday: Gn 46:1-7, 28-30/Ps 37:3-4, 18-19, 27-28, 39-40 [39a]/Mt 10:16-23  
Saturday: Gn 49:29-32; 50:15-26a/Ps 105:1-2, 3-4, 6-7 [cf. Ps 69:33]/Mt 10:24-33  
Next Sunday: Am 7:12-15/Ps 85:9-10, 11-12, 13-14 [8]/Eph 1:3-14 or 1:3-10/Mk 6:7-13

## Observances for the week of July 4:

**Sunday:** 14th Sunday in Ordinary Time; Independence Day  
**Monday:** St. Anthony Zaccaria, Priest; St. Elizabeth of Portugal  
**Tuesday:** St. Maria Goretti, Virgin and Martyr  
**Friday:** St. Augustine Zhao Rong, Priest, and Companions, Martyrs  
**Saturday:** Blessed Virgin Mary  
**Next Sunday:** 15th Sunday in Ordinary Time

## Advertise On The Back Of Our Bulletin

If you own a business and would like to advertise on the back of our bulletin, please contact the parish office for more information. 651-489-8825 Thank you to all of those who do advertise already! Thank you for patronizing the businesses who advertise on the back of our bulletin—their support makes our bulletin possible!

## Financial Blessings

### Envelope and Plate Summary

#### Sunday giving + weekly tithing for week ending June 20, 2021

Envelope/Plate/eGiving Received	\$ 10,665
Envelope/Plate/eGiving Budget	\$ 13,000

#### Sunday giving + weekly tithing for week ending June 27, 2021

Envelope/Plate/eGiving Received	\$ 21,619
Envelope/Plate/eGiving Budget	\$ 11,000

### Total Received to Date

Envelope/Plate/eGiving Received	\$ 636,741
Envelope/Plate/eGiving Budget	\$ 646,800
<b>Fiscal Year Deficit</b>	<b>(\$ 10,059)</b>

## Parish Pastoral Council (PPC)

Parishioners are encouraged to contact any council member with items they would like to see discussed or addressed in future meetings. Parishioners are also invited to observe any council meeting. The PPC may be reached by emailing:



[Parishcouncilfeedback@maternityofmarychurch.org](mailto:Parishcouncilfeedback@maternityofmarychurch.org)

### Parish Council Meeting Minutes from June 15, 2021

- The school is having food trucks on Thursday evenings and feedback is positive. Over 300 people attended the first night. Suggestion was made that we consider having food trucks at the parish picnic in September.
- New music director, Elena, is interested in looking at new hymnals for the church. There are many options to choose from. Samples could be put out for review for parishioner input.
- Neighborhood outreach: 316 homes sold within the parish boundaries within the past year. A mailer would be a better way to reach out. Also suggested that we try to build on the food trucks that are coming as a community builder and for church presence.

Next Parish Pastoral Council Meeting is Tuesday, August 10th at 7:00 pm in Sirba Hall. Please note, PPC does not meet in July.



### Summer Parish and School Office Hours

Parish office hours 8:30 am-2:30 pm Monday—Thursday.

In Observance of Independence Day, the parish office will be closed **Monday, July 5th.**

School office hours 8:00 am-1:00 pm Monday-Thursday.

The school office is closed the week of July 5th-9th.

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