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August 4, 2019

Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time



Rice



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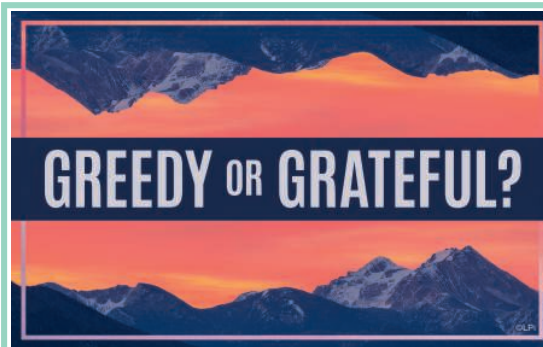
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Sat 5:00pm & Sun 8:00am

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Saturdays at 4:00pm

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**18th Sunday in
Ordinary Time**

The cake is frosted, the guests have arrived, and the gifts are piled high. One by one, the packages are opened, and one by one, the child reaches for another. Who among us

hasn't seen a child who appears crestfallen when the gifts run out? Even the abundance isn't quite enough. Today's Gospel tackles a key question in the spiritual life - grateful or greedy?

"There was a rich man whose land produced a bountiful harvest." We all recognize the need to be practical. Raising a family, there's need to save for all sorts of things beyond normal day-to-day costs - medical bills, family vacations, private school, rainy day funds, retirement. Jesus doesn't critique the rich man for simply having an abundant harvest. It's his mentality. Does the rich man sell off the extra to make the needed repairs to the back fence or to invest in some additional livestock to grow the business? Perhaps donate some of the excess to the poor? No. "You have so many good things stored up for many years, rest, eat, drink, be merry!" The man wants to hoard and indulge with no concern for others.

Jesus doesn't condemn prudent saving or owning necessary items. He calls us to purify our attitudes. "Guard against all greed... one's life does not consist of possessions." We are called to be good stewards. This means being practical. It also means remaining open to God's invitation with our resources. Are we tithing to our parish? Do we give alms to the poor? Does our weekly entertainment far outstrip what we offer to others? Life is not about "stor[ing] up treasure for [our]selves." The more we grow in gratitude and generosity, the more we become "rich in what matters to God."

Immaculate Conception News

Journey of Faith

Dear Fellow Parishioners....

Here we find ourselves in August already. We are embarking on the last month before school starts again. August can be busy with preparations for the upcoming year....you may be buying school supplies for the first time, some may even be buying them for the last time, some are sending a child off to college for the first time and some are getting ready for the last year of college. I also know that some are getting ready to send their child off to a branch of the military. Whichever you are preparing for, know that the Good Lord has your back. Some may struggle with these milestones and some are excited for what the future may hold. As we prepare for the new school year we also need to prepare for our Religious Education Year. We will be sending out our annual Fall Newsletter with the Religious Education registration form and schedule for the year. We also have the on-line registration form ready to go. Please make sure you are detailed in filling out the forms so that we have all needed information. Please include your email as this is our main form of communication with parents. We will also be looking for a few helpers during our Religion Year. We are in need of a few Prayer Helpers as well as 1 more teacher and a couple subs that we can call on in a pinch. If you are able to help out in any way please let me know.



Many Blessings to you! Jean

Weekly Events

August 11 Annunciation Parish Picnic

Future Events

August 13 Finance Council Meeting
 August 14 Parish Council Meeting
 August 20 Summerfest wrap up meeting



Reception

Join us after all Masses this weekend for a retirement reception for Deacon Carl Nord. Please offer your thanks and best wishes to him. He will remain living in the area but is cutting back his duties of Deacon to our parishes. Thank you Deacon Carl for your service to our parish.

Summerfest Chair Meeting

There will be a follow up meeting regarding our festival on Tuesday, August 20th, 6:30pm at the Creamery. All Summerfest Chair people are asked to attend the meeting to offer your input. As a thank you for your leadership, dinner will be provided! See you there!

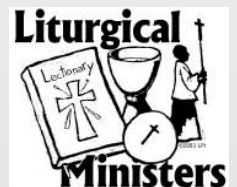


Assumption Masses



The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary celebrates that God has indeed "lifted up the lowly"—Mary has been assumed body and soul into heaven. The feast of the Assumption is a holy day of obligation. Masses will be Thursday, August 15 at 8:00am in Mayhew Lake and 7:00pm in Rice.

- ◆ The fall Ministry Schedule will be completed soon. Please call or e-mail Patti at the office with any changes or special request days needed for the months of September, October and November by August 19th.



- ◆ Volunteers are needed to help in all areas of ministries. If you are interested in helping as a greeter, usher, lector Eucharistic minister, or Mass server please call the office. It is a wonderful opportunity to offer our works of service to God.



Raised Garden Materials

The Benton County Public Health Department is offering free materials to construct a raised garden bed. In turn you would raise vegetables to share with people in need and or the area Food Shelf. The garden could be used this season or next summer. If you are interested please contact Patti at the office.

Stewardship Blessings

Adult Sunday	\$3,057.00
Visitors	\$131.00
Other Income	\$16.01
Building Improvement/Maintenance	\$152.00
Summerfest Silent Auction	\$156.00
Total Income Last week	\$3,512.01
Year to Date Income	\$48,964.81
Year to Date Expenses	\$33,089.51

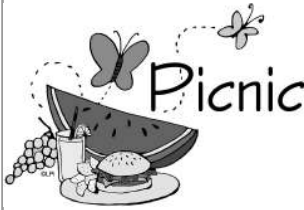
Weekly Income needed to meet yearly budget \$5,029.77

"Take care to guard against all greed, for though one may be rich, one's life does not consist of possessions."

Luke 12:15

The Gospel message today is contrary to our modern culture where advertising continually tries to convince us that our value lies in the things we possess. Jesus showed us that our true value lies in the way we live our lives. He challenges us to not hoard material possessions, but rather to live a grateful and generous lifestyle and become more "other-centered" and less "self-centered."

Everyone Welcome



Parish Picnic, Sunday, August

11th: Starting with 10:00am
Mass at the ballfield, followed by
a roast beef sandwich potluck—
Groups St. Wilfred bring side dish/
beans, St. Roger's bring potato's,

and St Francis bring salads. Free will offering will be accepted. There will be a bean bag tournament—\$1/person with a prize awarded to the winning team, water balloon sling shot long distance to hit a target—free will offering. Bake Sale and Silent Auction. Items can be brought to the hall the week before during office business hours. See attached flyer for more details.

A Special Thank You to Deacon Carl

for your years of service here at Mayhew Lake. We send our Prayers and Blessings out to you in this new chapter in yours and Nancy's life as you retire from your Deacon duties.



Concert in the Park TODAY, Aug. 4th at 7:00pm at the Park in Swanville. The three churches in Swanville get together a wonderful group of singers and musicians who put on the concert in the park. All you need to do is bring a lawn chair and enjoy the music and free refreshments. All are Welcome.

Cancer Prayer Service All are invited to a cancer prayer service at 5:30 p.m. on Wednesday, August 28, at the Church of St. Anthony, 2405 1st St N, St. Cloud. The prayer service will include a Mass, Anointing of the Sick for those struggling with cancer or other illnesses/chronic conditions, along with a special blessing for health care workers. This is an opportunity to bring families, friends and neighbors together in prayer, hope and gratitude for the gift of life. Refreshments will be served in the Parish Center after Mass.

Stewardship Blessings

Adult.....	\$1,117.05
Visitors	\$63.25
Youth.....	\$5.75
Votive Candles.....	\$11.00
Total Income	\$1,197.05

Weekly Income needed to meet yearly budget 3,037.00

Weekly Events

Sun. Aug. 11th 10:00am Mass/Parish Picnic @ Ballfield

Future Events

Sun. Aug. 18th 10:00am Fr Joseph Denny will be here to Talk about the Missions.

Life Leadership Camp MCCL's annual pro-life summer camp for high school students on Aug. 4-7th in Paynesville. Contact dmunson@mccl.org

Koinonia Retreat Join us for the next Koinonia retreat to see just how much Jesus LOVES YOU. Koinonia is people joining together to get to know Jesus, God, each other, and ourselves as we experience Christian Community. We take central teachings of our faith and show how it applies to our daily lives. He calls us each by name... to be one with each other. Join us in this Christian Living experience designed for adults age 20 and older. Retreats are held in Belle Prairie at the TEC center 3 miles north of Little Falls. The next retreat will be held on September 13-15, 2019. The weekend starts at 5:30 pm Friday and ends Sunday afternoon. Applications can be completed online on our website: centralmknkoinonia.org. To get a paper application call Kathy at 320-630-1880 or contact us by email at cmkoinonia@gmail.com to get an application. Cost of the weekend is \$70 includes meals and lodging. Scholarships are available for those in need.

Retrouvaille SAVE a marriage. Are you or someone you know, living in the pain of a marriage in trouble? Retrouvaille can help. The next program starts Sept. 13, 2019 @ Country Inn & Suites in St. Cloud. Call 320-255-5314 or check the website www.helpourmarriage.org. Pre-registration is required. Space is limited.

Natural Family Planning Learn about the benefits of NFP as you plan your family in harmony with nature and God's plan for married love. NFP is effective, healthy and marriage building. Mtg on Mon. Aug. 5 at 6:30pm at Immaculate Conception Church. Contact Ann Marschel 320-290-6311.

Happy Birthday:

Emma Brenny, Katie Dietman, Randy Leabch, Anna Scapani, Nancy Getads, Brooke Thell, Melissa Boron, Joanie Krueger, Dorothy Nelson, Margaret Peterson, Katelyn Scapanski, Mya Brenny, Rodney Kaeter, Lauren Popp, Brian Schenavar.



Mass Schedule

Tues 8:30 am (ML) †Conrad Brenny Jr.—D.B.
Wed 8:00 am (R) †David Popp-M.L.
Thur 8:30 am (ML) Sp. Int. (Choose Life)
Fri 8:00 am (R) †Renee Helmin
Sat 5:00 pm (R) †Gloria Rudolph-J.R.
Sun 8:00 am (R) People of the Parishes
10:00 am (ML) †Henry Zimmer

Week of August 5-11

Rice Ministry Schedule

Daily Mass Lector: Catherin Held

Cantor

Sat 5:00 pm Irene Kloss
Sun 8:00 am Marc Kelash

Lector

Sat 5:00 pm Deacon Carl Nord
Sun 8:00 am Sandy Durant

Servers

Sat 5:00 pm Ellie Scherping
Sun 8:00 am Darby & Joshua Sukut

Greeters

Sat 5:00 pm Jan Solarz
Sun 8:00 am Sherri Sykora, Ray Thompson

Ushers

Sat 5:00 pm Joe Voigt, Allen Popp
Sun 8:00 am Mark & Roxanne Saldana,
John Wollak, Bob Kerestes

Body of Christ

Sat 5:00 pm Joanne Karls
Sun 8:00 am Diane Wojtanowicz

Blood of Christ

Sat 5:00 pm Pat & Bill Rauch,
Jean Skroch, Karen Wolbeck
Sun 8:00 am Cassandra Beierman, Colleen Burton,
Catherin Held, Peggy Kerestes

Communion at Home: John Gottwalt

*Call Deacon Carl Nord if you want communion at home 223-3724

Mayhew Lake Ministry Schedule

10:00 AM MASS

Lectors:

Sun. Judy Kiffmeyer & Brianna Rajkowski

Eucharist:

Sun. Jean Bemboom

Ushers:

Sun. Peter Ackerman, Jenny Zwilling,
Chuck Wocken and Randy Miller

Servers:

Sun. Noah Lentner & David Stamm

Greeters:

Sun. Volunteers

News for Both Parishes



Baptism Class

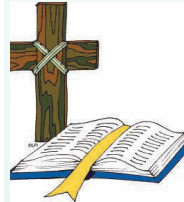
Classes for both parishes will resume on a monthly basis beginning on Wednesday, August 28th, 7:00pm at Mayhew Lake. All parents are expected

to attend before their baby is baptized if you haven't attended a class here in the past. It is a good experience to grow in your faith and deepen your understanding of the Sacrament of Baptism. Call one of the parish offices to register for the class. Thank you!

Shepherd of the Pines Church

invites anyone who would like to help make quilts to join them on their summer schedule; August 21st & 28th from 5:30-8:30pm.

No sewing skills required. Come whatever time you can. Bring a friend and have some fun, maybe meet someone new in your community.



Daily Scripture Readings for August 4-11

Sunday:	Eccl 1:2; 2:21-23/Ps 90:3-4, 5-6, 12-13, 14, 17 [1]/Col 3:1-5, 9-11/Lk 12:13-21
Monday:	Nm 11:4b-15/Ps 81:12-13, 14-15, 16-17 [2a]/Mt 14:13-21
Tuesday:	Transfiguration of the Lord (Feast) Dn 7:9-10, 13-14/Ps 97:1-2, 5-6, 9 [1a and 9a]/2 Pt 1:16-19/Lk 9:28b-36
Wednesday:	Nm 13:1-2, 25-14:1, 26a-29a, 34-35/Ps 106:6-7ab, 13-14, 21-22, 23 [4a]/Mt 15:21-28
Thursday:	St. Dominic (Memorial) Nm 20:1-13/Ps 95:1-2, 6-7, 8-9 [8]/Mt 16:13-23
Friday:	Dt 4:32-40/Ps 77:12-13, 14-15, 16 and 21 [12a]/Mt 16:24-28
Saturday:	St. Lawrence (Feast) 2 Cor 9:6-10/Ps 112:1-2, 5-6, 7-8, 9 [5]/Jn 12:24-26
Next Sunday:	Wis 18:6-9/Ps 33:1, 12, 18-19, 20-22 [12b]/Heb 11:1-2, 8-19 or 11:1-2, 8-12/Lk 12:32-48 or 12:35-40

Inspiration of the Week

“Each time we acknowledge our brokenness and bring it to God for healing, we have a new opportunity to experience God’s love and power.”

- Richard J. Hauser, SJ

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