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September 1, 2019

Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time



Rice



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**22nd Sunday in
Ordinary Time**

Can you imagine if Jesus threw a party? From the wedding feast at Cana, we know he wouldn't let the wine run out. From this Sunday's Gospel, we know there would be quite a lively array of

guests! We also knew who the most important people would be — everyone. Jesus advises throwing a party that turns everything upside down. Everyone should assume they're the least important attendee, and the guest list shouldn't include the neighborhood "who's who." Rather, we should go looking for *"the poor, the crippled, the lame, the blind"* and hope they RSVP. Jesus describes a particular posture towards our own hospitality.

Parties are about the other people. *"Do not recline at table in the place of honor."* How often can small talk become a one-upmanship of job promotions, home renovations, and our children's achievements? We've all been to parties where being the most interesting guest is the highest achievement. Yet so often, we know the best party guests are the ones who listen well to our stories. Whether we are guests or hosts, we have the opportunity to look on others with humility and awe.

Parties are opportunities to serve. Jesus advises us to be careful who we invite *"in case they might invite you back and you have repayment."* Does Jesus literally mean we shouldn't invite our friends over? Of course not! But he does invite us to special consideration when we offer hospitality. When we invite people over to our home, what motivates us? Who we want to spend time with? Who we'd like to impress? These ultimately have only ourselves in mind. How about asking: Who could use some extra care right now? Who could benefit from a fun evening out? In other words, who can I serve?

Immaculate Conception News

Journey of Faith

Dear Fellow Parishioners.....

Well we have arrived in September. It is now time to get serious about Religious Education. I am excited to get to work on the new year. I am so GRATEFUL for the amazing teachers that are returning for this year. Our teachers are the backbone of our program, without them we wouldn't have a program. In a past article I asked you to pray about helping out...wondering how that praying is going? I am looking for a few people to help out with Prayers (just listening to see if students know them), to help out on our Cookie Night (helping older kids with creating for our annual sale), Monitoring the Church (when students are in the Church for Reconciliation or Mass) or any other things that might arise. I am also looking for 1 more teacher this year as our classes are growing or maybe you would like to teach but not every time? Well we can always use some subs. If you have found it in your heart to help out please contact me. We are appreciative of all help and are very blessed by our great community. Many prayers to all the students heading back to school! May your year be blessed with many great things.

God of wisdom and might, we praise you for the wonder of our being, for mind, body and spirit.

Be with our children as they begin a new school year.

Bless them and their teachers and staff.

Give the strength and grace as their bodies grow; wisdom and knowledge to their minds as they search for understanding; and peace and zeal to their hearts.

We ask this through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Many Blessings to you! Jean

Stewardship Blessings

Adult Sunday	\$1,684.00
Visitors	\$92.97
Other Income	\$24.70
Building Improvement/Maintenance	\$42.00
Feast of the Assumption	\$220.00
Religious Education	\$660.00
Funeral Lunch.....	\$20.00
Total Income Last week	\$2,743.67
Year to Date Income	\$62,048.79
Year to Date Expenses.....	\$49,743.78

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

“Rather, when you hold a banquet, invite the poor, the crippled, the lame, the blind; blessed indeed will you be because of their inability to repay you.” ~Luke 14:13-14

We have a difficult time with the concept of giving without expecting something in return. Even when we give to charity we often want something in return. Yet, as Christian stewards, we need to remember that the true reward for giving awaits us in heaven.

Weekly Events

- Mon Labor Day Office Closed
- Tues 7:00pm Christian Women Meeting
- Fri 8:00am First Friday Mass
*After Mass-Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, Reconciliation and Benediction
- Sat & Sun Craft Fair Parking

Future Events

- September 9 Religious Education Registration Deadline
- September 11 Religious Education Teachers Meeting
- September 25 First Religious Education Class
- October 11,12,13 Rummage Sale



Our sincere appreciation is extended to those members that have completed their terms in the following leadership roles; Finance Council: Diane Wojtanowicz, Parish Council: Laura Douvier, Michael Marschel and Steve Maciej. Job well done!!

Religious Ed Registration

Please return the Religious Education registration forms you received in the mail to the basket in the narthex by Monday, September 9, 2019.



Catechist Orientation Meeting

This meeting is for all religion teachers. Please plan to be there September 11 at 6:30pm. Bless all of you who have volunteered to help our children bring their faith to light in their hearts this year.

Monthly Calendar



The September calendar is posted on our parish web site. Please refer to it for all the activities going on in the parish. There are a few printed copies available in the narthex.

Join us this Friday, September 6th for special prayer time. Immediately following the morning Mass here Eucharistic Adoration is held with the opportunity for the sacrament of Reconciliation. The prayer time is closed with Benediction at approximately 9:00am. Consider coming for this special devotion time.



Fall Rummage Sale

Our October Rummage Sale will take place on October 11, 12, & 13. Now is the time to set aside household items, clothing and any miscellaneous articles for the sale. No electronic items or TV's.



Annunciation News

Donut Sunday Looking for someone to do rolls after Mass on **Sunday Sept. 8th, Nov. 10th and Dec. 8th.** Please call Parish office if you are interested in helping out with one of these dates. Thank you.

First Graders/New Students

Anyone with First Graders or new students to our Religious Education program please call Shirley as soon as possible to get registered in this years Religious Ed program. Call Shirley at 320-259-4941. Thank you.

*First night of Religious Education Classes with all students and parents will be on Wednesday, September 11th at 6:30pm.

Catholic Charities Food Shelf is looking for volunteers to help work at the Food Shelf during the month of October. Shifts range from 3-4 hours, Monday, Wednesday or Friday. It is not difficult work but provides a real, necessary and meaningful service to others. If you are interested or have questions please call Peggy Weber from Sacred Heart. She will be signing up volunteers starting in September. Her number is: 320-259-7841. Thank you.

ACT- OBERFEST! Join us on Sun., Sept 22nd, at the Sauk Centre High School Auditorium for entertainment for the entire family. Bishop Kettler, Fr. Marv Enneking, Fr. Ron Dockendorf, the "Our Fathers", youth groups and community members will perform musical and comedy acts in a variety show from 2-4:30. Admission is free. There will also be a 50-50 raffle, live auction, food and beverages available for purchase. **All proceeds benefit Diocesan youth retreats and programs.** Brought to you by The Catholic Foundation and the Diocesan Council for Catholic Women. For more info., call The Catholic Foundation (320) 258-7656.

35th Annual Craft Sale St. John's Parish Swanville. Sat. Oct. 5th from 9-3 at the Swanville High School Gym. Crafters, Raffle, Cake walk, Lunch all day. Everyone Welcome.

Stewardship Blessings

Adult	\$2,524.26
Visitors.....	\$5.25
Youth	\$4.75
Votive Candles	\$34.25
Fall Festival	\$330.00
Mission- Fr. Denny Joseph	\$70.00
Total Income	\$2,968.51

Weekly Income needed to meet yearly budget 3,037.00

Weekly Events

Future Events

Wed. Sept. 11th 6:30pm First night of Religious Education Students and Parents to meet in The church proper.

Sun. Sept. 22nd 1:00pm Cancer Benefit for Gus Bemboom at the Sauk Rapids VFW.



Congratulations

to Donald and Karol Weyer who celebrated their 50th Wedding Anniversary on Sat. August 24th. May God bless you both and fill your life with more love, compassion, and happiness.

For the People of Our Parish

The Area Catholic Community of Mayhew Lake, Sauk Rapids, Sartell, and St. Stephen

Updates for the Meeting on Wednesday, July 31st, 7:00pm, St. Stephen:

The primary focus of this meeting was to identify and share the strengths and challenges of each of our 4 parishes. We shared elements of Word (Faith Formation), which includes programs for children, adults, and sacramental prep; the element of Worship, which includes Mass times and schedules; and the element of Community, which includes socials, hospitality, festivals, and welcoming new members.

Our next meeting will include the remaining elements of Service (outreach, vocations, social concerns), Leadership (staffing, vision/mission, pastoral/finance councils), Stewardship (finances, facilities, people resources), and Evangelization (sharing and witnessing the gospel).

We ask for your feedback relative to any of our elements. Provide to any member of your Area Catholic Community committee. We will utilize the various identified strengths and challenges of each parish as we create a plan to present to the bishop on how we will meet his vision: "How can our ACC make disciples in our community".

All parishioners are welcome to come and observe our ACC meetings. Should questions surface as a result of your observance, please share them with your parish representative outside the scheduled meeting time.

We continue our search for a name for our four parish community. If you have a suggestion, please contact your A.C.C. Representative. (Leonard Popp, Jean Bemboom & Shirley Scapanski)

Next meeting: Tuesday, September 3, 7pm at Sacred Heart (Sauk Rapids)

Happy Birthday: Ethen Hibbens, Colten Rothstein, Joshua Kuehn, Jane Thell, Keith Rothstein, Gene Kubat, Tami Spiczka, Kim Kubat, Ed Miller, Matthew Scheel.



Mass Schedule

Tues 8:30 am (ML) †Muriel Gans Zimmer
Wed 8:00 am (R) †Gloria Rudolph-J.R.
Thur 8:30 am (ML) †Audrey Posch
Fri 8:00 am (R) †Erma Popp
Sat 5:00 pm (R) †Marcel Kelash-M.& C.K.
Sun 8:00 am (R) People of the Parishes
10:00 am (ML) †Ed Rajkowski

*After Friday Mass-Exposition of the Blessed
Sacrament, Reconciliation and Benediction

Week of September 2-8

Rice Ministry Schedule

Daily Mass Lector: Colleen Burton

Cantor

Sat 5:00 pm Caleb Larson
Sun 8:00 am Jubilation Choir

Lector

Sat 5:00 pm Lori Mader
Sun 8:00 am Colleen Burton

Servers

Sat 5:00 pm Ethan & Evan Mader
Sun 8:00 am Kaitlyn & Rebekah Kimman

Greeters

Sat 5:00 pm Scott & Sue Beierman
Sun 8:00 am Nancy Nord, Ray Thompson

Ushers

Sat 5:00 pm Jim Schlangen, Steve Fiedler
Sun 8:00 am Darlene Hiscock, Rose Deters,
Tom Skinner, Ray Thompson

Body of Christ

Sat 5:00 pm Mary Lepinski
Sun 8:00 am Deacon Carl Nord

Blood of Christ

Sat 5:00 pm Joanne Karls, Pat Popp,
Bill & Pat Rauch
Sun 8:00 am Cassandra Beierman, Catherin Held,
Darlene Hiscock, Roxanne Saldana

Communion at Home: Deacon Carl Nord

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

Mayhew Lake Ministry Schedule

10:00 AM MASS

Lectors:

Sun. Shirley Scapanski & Judy Kiffmeyer

Eucharist:

Sun. Clara Knettel

Ushers:

Sun. Jeff & Lisa Popp, 2 Volunteers

Servers:

Sun. David Stamm & Noah Lentner

Greeters:

Sun. Volunteers

News for Both Parishes



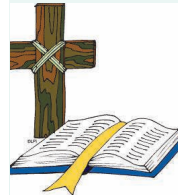
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"Please join me and other Catholics from throughout the diocese at DMD Sept 30 at St. John's University. Keynoter and local author Laura Kelly Fanucci will share her message on "Our Baptismal Call to be Priest, Prophet and King." There will be learning sessions & lunch conversations on prayer, spirituality, family life, liturgy, parish planning, Catholic social teaching, youth ministry and much more. Don't miss the optional retreat the night before — join me afterward for "Beer, Brats and Bishop." Come relax and have fun with ministry colleagues from around the diocese. Learn more and register at www.stdio.org/dmd2019. I look forward to seeing you!

~Bishop Donald Kettler

Donations Needed

Domus Transitional Housing in St. Cloud is in critical need of diapers and wipes. Donations are being accepted at Catholic Charities North Campus located at 911 18th St. N. St. Cloud, Monday through Friday from 8am to 4:30pm. Catholic Charities Domus Transitional Housing, is a voluntary program that provides a temporary home and support services to motivated women with custody of children under the age of 12. Clients cooperate with case managers to develop a long-term stability plan that removes barriers to permanent housing.



Daily Scripture Readings for September 1-8

Sunday:	Sir 3:17-18, 20, 28-29/Ps 68:4-5, 6-7, 10-11 [cf. 11b]/Heb 12:18-19, 22-24a/Lk 14:1, 7-14
Monday:	1 Thes 4:13-18/Ps 96:1 and 3, 4-5, 11-12, 13 [13b]/Lk 4:16-30
Tuesday:	St. Gregory the Great (Memorial) 1 Thes 5:1-6, 9-11/Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14 [13]/Lk 4:31-37
Wednesday:	Col 1:1-8/Ps 52:10, 11 [10]/Lk 4:38-44
Thursday:	Col 1:9-14/Ps 98:2-3ab, 3cd-4, 5-6 [2]/Lk 5:1-11
Friday:	Col 1:15-20/Ps 100:1b-2, 3, 4, 5 [2b]/Lk 5:33-39
Saturday:	Col 1:21-23/Ps 54:3-4, 6 and 8 [6]/Lk 6:1-5
Next Sunday:	Wis 9:13-18b/Ps 90:3-4, 5-6, 12-13, 14-17 [1]/Phlm 9-10, 12-17/Lk 14:25-33

Inspiration of the Week

"The deeds you do may be the only sermon some people will hear today."

- St. Francis of Assisi

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