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Dear Parish Family of St. Mary's,

THANK YOU very much for your kindness. We were able to collect many items for the Shenandoah Community Food Pantry during our drive, and this will help many families in our community. Your generosity is much appreciated. May God continue to bless you abundantly.

Peace,

Ms. Gigi and the Youth Ministry Team. Pictured are (1. to r.) Jeannine Liljedahl, Gigi DeSa, Auri Trowbridge, Ray DeSa, and Victoria Adkisson.



Pastoral Musings: The Cost of Discipleship



Dear Friends,

By the grace of Baptism, we are all called to be the disciples of Christ. This week's Scripture readings remind us of the excellence and expectation of being a disciple of Christ. St. Luke tells us that Jesus was resolutely determined to make his final journey to Jerusalem to accomplish his mission on earth. He experienced resistance and opposition on the way but told the disciples to remain calm and persistent in their journey and not to use firepower to get their goals accomplished. He encountered many kinds of disciples on the way. To those who wanted to follow Jesus, he reminded them of the cost of such a great journey and put high expectations on them; to be willing to let go and surrender their lives for the mission of accomplishing the Kingdom of God.

Jesus invited people to follow him but experienced many excuses. Jesus was uncompromising to them and said, "Let the dead bury the dead" (Lk 9:55). This means do not be worried about your family or other preoccupations. The mission of the Kingdom should be the priority. "Go and proclaim the Kingdom of God. Gospel of Mathew (6:33) tells the same differently: "Seek first the kingdom and all other things will be added unto you. No one who sets a hand to the plow and looks to what was left behind is fit for the kingdom of God." (Lk 9 62). Dietrich Bonhoeffer who sacrificed his life in his fight against Nazism, said, "Cheap grace is baptism without the church discipline, communion without commitment, grace without the cross. It is only because he became like us that we can become like him".

The main question for us is this: How do I fit the practice of faith and life of discipleship into the demands of everyday life? Putting our faith into action is the challenge of every faithful disciple. We are pulled between making time for prayer and good works on the one hand and raising a family and holding down a job on the other. It is difficult to pray the rosary or study Bible when supper needs to be prepared. The kids need a ride to soccer or baseball practice or work overtime to complete special projects. Keeping our minds focused on the Kingdom of God is challenging when so many other demands are made on our time and energy. Nonetheless, Jesus calls us to love him more than anything, no matter the circumstances of our life. We are to set our hearts in him and give ourselves totally in his service whether we are housewives or farmers, or nurses.

Paul tells us how to balance our faith with the demands of life in the 21 st century. "Serve one another through love" (Gal 5:13). Love is the calling of every disciple. It makes everything we do pleasing to God. This love is not a feeling or emotion but the state of being devoted to God and the mission or ministry we are called to be one body of Christ caring and supporting one another. I am so inspired by the dedication and excellent service of many to our church and community. At the same time, I fail in my duty as a minister of God if I do not call all of you to ministry and invite you to offer your life in service of others. Our community needs to have many more people step up to do the liturgical ministry of lecturing, ushering, hospitality, music and or social ministry, gardening, cleaning, etc. Also, there is a great need to lend your time and skill to continue to help our parish through various ministries such as visiting the home-bound, taking communion to the sick and faith formation, parish leadership team, and many more. We cannot take anything for granted; nothing happens without generous support and faithful service. "The best way to find ourselves is to lose ourselves in service" (Gandhi). May the readiness of Elisha and Elijah and the devotion of the early disciples of Christ inspire our hearts to ministry of service, prayer, and care for one another.

Let us rise up to the expectation of Jesus to be his faithful followers. Fr. Tom



Sunday June26th 13th Sunday in Ordinary Time

6:30 am

10:30am + Laura & Paul Sturm

Monday

June 27th

No Mass

Fr. Tom's Day off

Tuesday

June 28th

12:10am

Wed June 29th

12:10pm

Thursday June 30th

12:10am

Friday July 1st

12:10pm

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11—5 pm

pm Adoration

Saturday

July 2nd

3:30pm

Confessions

4:30pm

+Maureen Hansen

Sunday 6:30am

July 3rd

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Parishioners

10:30am

Parishioners

Mass Intentions Invited

Mass Intentions are encouraged. If you would like to offer special Mass Intentions for birthdays, anniversaries, or to pray for any of your beloved ones who are sick or passed away you can contact the office and make dedications for Mass Intentions. We appreciate your support and collaboration.

Lectors for Next Week
July 2nd —4:30 pm — Terry Engelmeyer
July 3rd —6:30 am — Pete Wenstrand
July 3rd —10:30 am — Joan Bloom



Homebound Parishioners:
Evelyn Pontius
Betty Wells
Ken DeBaere
Helen Lewis
Mary Berning



Knights of Columbus Council 1479 meets the second Tuesday of each month. Meal @ 7pm followed by meeting in the St. Mary's Parish Hall in Shenandoah.

Legion of Mary group meets @ 10:30 am on Wednesdays in the Parish Hall. Contact Joan Bloom for more information @ 712-534-2645.

St. Mary's Ladies Guild is on summer vacation June, July, and August. Meetings will resume in September.

Date and time will be announced later.

Bible Study has resumed on Mondays at 10:30 am in the parish hall. All are welcome.

Adoration will be the First Friday of every month from

St. Mary's Youth Ministry will again be selling fireworks in the Wal-Mart parking lot from June 25th through July 4th.. Come support our efforts to attend NCYC in 2023! Thank you!



Financial Offering

June 12, 2022 Tithes	\$1,274.26
ADA 2022 Goal	\$32,042.00
Gift paid	\$29,222.80
Remaining Goal	\$2,819.20
Total Donors to date	52

God bless you for your generosity. Those who have not yet given, please prayerfully consider your gifts for the Annual Diocesan Appeal to complete our goal for the year 2022.

THIS WEEK'S READINGS

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Readings for the week of June 26, 2022

Sunday: 1 Kgs 19:16b, 19-21/Ps 16:1-2, 5, 7-8, 9-10, 11/Gal 5:1, 13-18/Lk 9:51-62

Monday: Am 2:6-10, 13-16/Ps 50:16bc-17, 18-19, 20-21, 22-23/Mt 8:18-22

Tuesday: Am 3:1-8; 4:11-12/Ps 5:4b-6a, 6b-7, 8/Mt 8:23-27

Wednesday: Vigil: Acts 3:1-10/Ps 19:2-3, 4-5/Gal 1:11-20/Jn 21:15-19 Day: Acts 12:1-11/

Ps 34:2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9/2 Tm 4:6-8, 17-18/Mt 16:13-19

Thursday: Am 7:10-17/Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 11/Mt 9:1-8

Friday: Am 8:4-6, 9-12/Ps 119:2, 10, 20, 30, 40, 131/Mt 9:9-13

Saturday: Am 9:11-15/Ps 85:9ab and 10, 11-12, 13-14/Mt 9:14-17

Next Sunday: Is 66:10-14c/Ps 66:1-3, 4-5, 6-7, 16, 20 [1]/Gal 6:14-18/

Lk 10:1-12, 17-20 or 10:1-9

Parish Office Arrangements

Parish office will
be open on Mondays, Tuesdays and Wednesdays from 9:00 to Noon. Sue Hanna will be in
the office. Bulletin dead line is Monday, at
10:00 am. Please contact Fr. Tom at
frtomcc@gmail.com or call him at 715-4107465. He will get back to you as soon as possible.

Parish Mission Statement

"In the heart of Mary,
our parish community welcomes all
people as Christ,
offering a place of peace, love and
prayer."



WHAT: VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

WHO: YOUTH 4 years to 6th grade in Shenandoah and surrounding area

WHEN: 4-day event; July 31-August 3rd evenings

WHERE: St. Mary's Catholic Church Classrooms

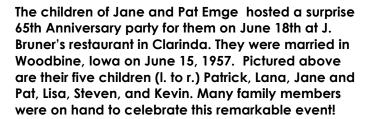
WATCH: for registration forms coming in July

WHY: Because God loves you and wants to celebrate with you!

For More Information Contact: Kim Leininger;

jkleininger@mchsi.com or 712-215-1505







Cristian Ramos June 4 Mark Feller June 4 Carter Sells June 7 Jonathan Adkisson June 8 Kristy O'Rourke June 8 **Lindsay Campin** June 15 June 19 **Anthony Meyer** June 22 Michelle Adkisson Jason Goltz June 24 **Kendrick Hodges** June 24 Rita Paar June 26 Lyla Mather June 27 June 28 Noli Danao Josh Fuxa June 28 Ali Fuxa June 29





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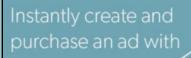


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