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15th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

"A man fell victim to robbers as he went down from Jerusalem to Jericho. They stripped and beat him and went off leaving him half-dead. A priest happened to be going down that road, but when he saw him, he passed by on the opposite side. But a Samaritan traveler who came upon him was moved with compassion at the sight." - Lk 10:30b-31, 33

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WELCOME

Please welcome Peyton Honeyman, St. Mary's new bookkeeper as of July 1st. Peyton is also the bookkeeper for St. Mary's in Red Oak and St. Patrick's in Imogene.

She lives with her husband, Bill, and 10 month old daughter, Betty, on their family farm outside of Emerson.



Pastoral Musings: Eternal Life through Acts of Kindness



While serving in Wisconsin a decade ago, I had four deacons, and one of them was extraordinary in showing compassion for the one in dire need or hurting in any way. Deacon Bill Miller was the Police Chief in Chicago, and he felt a strong call from the Lord and decided to serve the Lord and Church and took early retirement from Law Enforcement duty. His primary focus was sharing the compassionate care of the Lord with the people who were in most need. Many a time, I have seen him sitting down with a homeless man on the outskirts of the Church, and he does not mind spending long times and days with people in need until they are in a better place. We prayed about how best we could mobilize the local community and parish to create a homeless shelter, for many were sleeping on the street, especially during summer days. Although he was a big man both physically and in his stature as Police Chief in a big city, he was down to earth and very approachable; he reached out to people where they were. I recall in 2011, he came to the parish in Woodruff and took me to his parish amid Wisconsin winter and continuous snowfalls. He established a crisis fund and a team with other area Churches to go in rotation to visit families in need and provide support and help.

Whenever I read the story of the Good Samaritan, Deacon Bill comes to my mind and brings good memories and inspiration to serve the Lord with kindness and compassion, especially for those in need. The Good Samaritan story is one of the most beloved stories of Jesus. It encourages us to be unselfish, ready to help people in dire situations without hesitation, and go the extra mile. The parable of the Good Samaritan is precipitated by and in answer to a question posed by a lawyer: "Teacher, what shall I do to inherit eternal life?" (Lk 10:25). This question provoked a response from Jesus with a story of the Good and kind Samaritan. The report defines Jesus's disciples' relationship with the Neighbor, especially those in need. The Samaritan is the least likely to have shown compassion but has shown the highest level of empathy. People do not care how much you know, but they do care how much you care. Caring Love is the simple and profound way to find eternal life. Deacon Bill Miller was a Good Samaritan whose acts of kindness continue to shed the fragrance of Christ's love from heaven.

Martin Luther King reflected on the behavior of the characters: "The first question, the priest and Levite asked was: If I stop to help this man, what will happen to me? But... the good Samaritan reversed the question: *If I do not stop to help this man, what will happen to him?*"

The lessons of these parables are three-fold:

1. We should set aside our prejudice and show love and compassion for others.
2. Our Neighbor is anyone you encounter; we are all creatures of one Creator, and we learn to welcome and love all people as another Christ.
3. Eternal life is not a pie in the sky, but it begins with an act of kindness. Kindness is the name of the religion for Jesus. Without kindness and compassion, one cannot enter the Kingdom of God.

To feel the love divine: Do an act of kindness every day without any strings attached.

Reach out to someone you do not know in the Church or someone going through hard times.

Pope Francis urged, "Like the Good Samaritan, may we not be ashamed of touching the wounds of those who suffer, but try to heal them with concrete acts of love."

Blessings of Love and Peace!

Fr. Tom

Mass Intentions

FOR THE WEEK



Calendar of Events

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THUR	FRI	SAT
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
26	27	28	29	30	31	

Sunday 6:30 am 10:30am	July 10th - 15th Sunday in Ordinary Time No 6:30 am Mass +Paul E. Sturm
Monday No Mass	July 11th Fr. Tom's Day off—No Mass
Tuesday 12:10am	July 12th Communion Service
Wed 12:10pm	July 13th Communion Service
Thursday 12:10am	July 14th Communion Service
Friday 12:10pm	July 15th Communion Service
Saturday 3:30pm 4:30pm	July 16th Confessions
Sunday 6:30am 10:30am	July 17th No 6:30 am Mass Parishioners

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 11:00am-5:00pm

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 16th —4:30 pm — Blaine Maher
July 17th — 6:30 — Pete Wenstrand
July 17th —10:30 am — Gigi DeSa

Homebound Parishioners:

Evelyn Pontius
Betty Wells
Ken DeBaere
Helen Lewis
Mary Berning

**PLEASE NOTE:
NO 6:30 AM MASS FOR
THE
NEXT THREE WEEKENDS:
JULY 3rd, JULY 10th,
AND JULY 17th**

Financial Offering

July 10, 2022 Tithes	Report next week
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 July 10, 2022

Sunday: Dt 30:10-14/Ps 69:14, 17, 30-31, 33-34, 36, 37 or Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 11 [9])/

Col 1:15-20/Lk 10:25-37

Monday: Is 1:10-17/Ps 50:8-9, 16bc-17, 21 and 23/Mt 10:34—11:1

Tuesday: Is 7:1-9/Ps 48:2-3a, 3b-4, 5-6, 7-8/Mt 11:20-24

Wednesday: Is 10:5-7, 13b-16/Ps 94:5-6, 7-8, 9-10, 14-15/Mt 11:25-27

Thursday: Is 26:7-9, 12, 16-19/Ps 102:13-14ab and 15, 16-18, 19-21/Mt 11:28-30

Friday: Is 38:1-6, 21-22, 7-8/Is 38:10, 11, 12abcd, 16/Mt 12:1-8

Saturday: Mi 2:1-5/Ps 10:1-2, 3-4, 7-8, 14/Mt 12:14-21

Next Sunday: Gn 18:1-10a/Ps 15:2-3, 3-4, 5 [1a]/Col 1:24-28/Lk 10:38-4

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 715-410-7465. 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

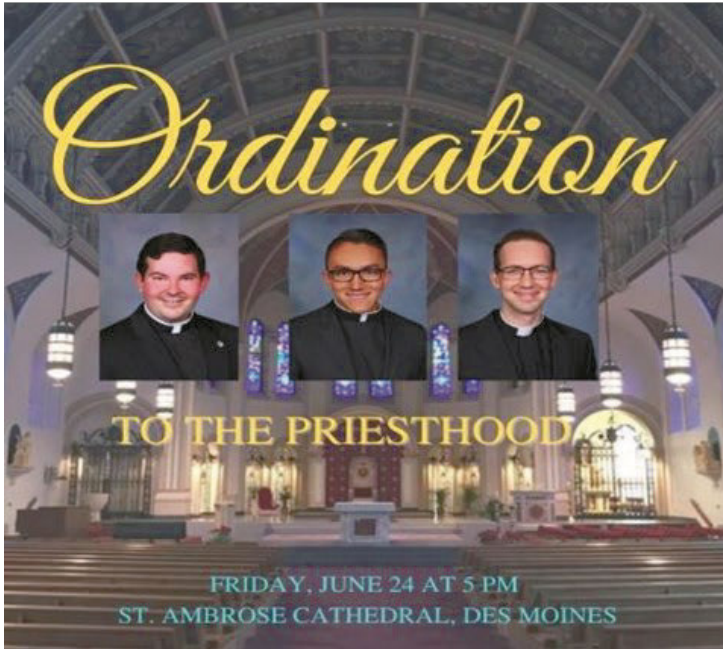
WHERE: St. Mary's Catholic Church Classrooms

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



Deacons Alex Kramer, Rodrigo Mayorga Landeros and Nick Smith were ordained as priests on June 24th at St. Ambrose Cathedral in Des Moines.

Let us keep them in our prayers as they embark on their new journey as priests in their service to the people of God.



Jose Dominguez	July 4
Linda Holman	July 9
Jackie McAlexander	July 12
Tyler Laughlin	July 14
Joslyn Mather	July 16
Ryan O'Rourke	July 18
Steve Ruiz	July 24
Millicent O'Brien	July 26
Elijah Schuster	July 26
Joshua Schuster	July 26

Congratulations and Best Wishes to Lynda Marshall in her new position with Iowa State Extension!

Lynda, pictured at left, will have a new expanded role with the Iowa State Extension Offices and will be External Bookkeeper for 17 County Extension Offices throughout Iowa. Lynda said she is looking forward to the road ahead. Go to KMA for more details.

God Bless you, Lynda, on your new endeavor!!

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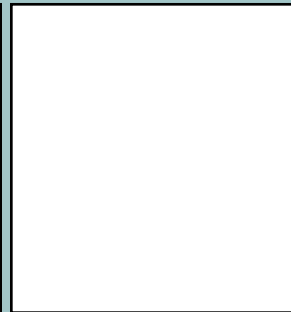
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