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greed, for though one may be

rich, one's life does not consist

of possessions." - Lk 12:15

Pastoral Musings: Be Rick in Matters of God



Dear Friends,

Jesus cautions us to watch the tendencies of greed and addictions in us as he tells the story of the rich fool who wanted to enlarge his barn and store up material possessions for oneself. It is said that the world has enough for our need but not for our greed. How do we discern the difference between greed and need? Our material necessities are food, water and shelter. Our psychological needs are friendship, support and care. Our spiritual needs are prayer, devotion and intimacy with the Lord. How do we take care of our need vs. greed?

The more we cater to our greed, the more we crave for, and there is no limit to, the path of consumerism, addictions and possessiveness. It can make us feel unhappy and depraved inside and feel poor connections with the Lord. This is the culture of vanity that the book of Ecclesiastics discussed. "For what profit comes to man from all the toil and anxiety of heart with which he has labored under the sun? All his days sorrow and grief are his occupation; even at night his mind is not at rest." Paul also reminds us to purge the possessiveness of self and put on the self of a new person: "Put to death, then, the parts of you that are earthly: immorality, impurity,

passion, evil desire, and the greed that is idolatry. Stop lying to one another, since you have taken off the old self with its practices and have put on the new self, which is being renewed, for knowledge, in the image of its creator". Whereas the more we take care to enrich ourself with spiritual joy and richness, we feel healthy, and wholesome at all levels; physical, psychological and spiritual levels. Here is the story of Tagore who illustrates how the spirit of generosity and giving brings greater joy and reward in our life.

I had gone a-begging from door to door in the village path, when thy golden chariot appeared in the distance like a gorgeous dream, and I wondered who was this King of all kings! My hopes rose high and methought my evil days were at an end, and I stood waiting for alms to be given unasked and for wealth scattered on all sides in the dust. The chariot stopped where I stood. Thy glance fell on me and thou come down with a smile. I felt that the luck of my life had come at last. Then of a sudden thou didst hold out thy right hand and say, "What hast thou to give to me?" Ah, what a kingly jest was it to open thy palm to a beggar to beg! I was confused and stood undecided, and then from my wallet I slowly took out the least little grain of corn and gave to thee. But how great my surprise when at the day's end I emptied my bag on the floor to find a least little gram of gold among the poor heap. I bitterly wept and wished that I had had the heart to give thee my all.

Generous people are always looking for opportunities to help others and greedy people are always asking, "What's in it for me?" What do I do with the gifts of time, talent, and treasure?

Blessings of Peace,

Fr. Tom



Sunday July 31st - 18th Sunday in Ordinary Time 6:30 am **Parishioners** 10:30am **Parishioners** Monday August 1st No Mass Fr. Tom's Day off—No Mass Tuesday August 2nd 12:10am Wed August 3rd 12:10pm Thursday August 4th 12:10am Friday August 5th 12:10pm Paul Aust+ 11 - 5pm Adoration August 6th Saturday 3:30pm Confessions 4:30pm Sunday August 7th—19th Sunday in Ordinary Time 6:30am **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
August 6 —4:30 pm — Terry Engelmeyer
August 7 — 6:30 — Pete Wenstrand
August 7 —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 is on break and will resume the end of August. Date and time will be announced later.

Adoration will be the First Friday of every month from 11:00am-5:00pm.

Financial Offering

July 24, 2022 Tithes	\$2,531.67
ADA 2022 Goal	\$32,042.00
Gift paid	\$30,412.80
Remaining Goal	\$1,629.20
Total Donors to date	54

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.

S WEEK'S READINGS

Readings for the week of July 31, 2022

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: Jer 28:1-17/Ps 119:29, 43, 79, 80, 95, 102/Mt 14:13-21

Tuesday: Jer 30:1-2, 12-15, 18-22/Ps 102:16-18, 19-21, 29 and 22-23/Mt 14:22-36 or

Mt 15:1-2, 10-14

Wednesday: Jer 31:1-7/Jer 31:10, 11-12ab, 13/Mt 15:21-28

Thursday: Jer 31:31-34/Ps 51:12-13, 14-15, 18-19/Mt 16:13-23

Friday: Na 2:1, 3; 3:1-3, 6-7/Dt 32:35cd-36ab, 39abcd, 41/Mt 16:24-28

Saturday: Dn 7:9-10, 13-14/Ps 97:1-2, 5-6, 9/2 Pt 1:16-19/Lk 9:28b-36

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/

Parish Office Arrangements

Parish office will be open Mondays, Tuesdays and Wednesdays from 9:00 to Noon, with Sue Hanna in the office at that time. Peyton Honeyman, Bookkeeper, will be in the office the first and third Wednesdays of the month. Bulletin dead line is Monday, at 10:00 am. Please contact Fr. Tom at his email addressfrtomcc@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 pray-



WHAT: VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

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

WHEN: 4-day event; July 31-August 3rd, 5—8:15 pm

WHERE: St. Mary's Catholic Church Classrooms

WATCH: for registration forms coming in July. If not pre-registered, you may do so the first night at 4:30

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

For More Information Contact: Kim Leininger; jkleininger@mchsi.com or 712-215-1505





Our Annual Mission Appeal has been postponed until sometime in the month of October.

Watch for updates in the bulletin and we will have more information as it is received.

The support you give will be a wonderful way to extend our Catholic mission to the whole world.

Jose Dominquez	July 4
Linda Holman	July 9
Jackie McAlexander	July 12
Tyler Laughlin	July 14
Joslyn Mather	July 16
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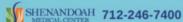
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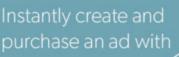
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