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*Sharing the loaves and fishes,
You gave us an image of solidarity with the hungry, O Lord.
Sharing yourself in the bread and wine,
You called all to the table, O Lord.
Give me the hunger to be a part of the feeding
And the healing of this world.
Nourish me with your Grace,
So I may work with joy to serve your children.
Open my eyes and my heart
To recognize those in poverty
And increase my awareness
Of the structures and systems
That need to be changed
So we may all break bread together.
In your name we pray for the end of hunger.*

(Education for Justice)

MASS SCHEDULE

Monday	8:00am
Tuesday	8:00am
Wednesday	8:45am
Adoration	9:30am –12:00pm
<i>Confessions</i>	<i>11:00am—12:00pm</i>
Thursday	8:00am
Friday	8:00am
Saturday	5:00pm
<i>Confessions</i>	<i>3:30-4:30pm</i>
Sunday	8:00am / 10:30am



7/25	Sunday	8:00am	Kamua Family +
		10:30am	Michael Murray +
7/26	Monday		Conner White +
7/27	Tuesday		Bob Hansen +
7/28	Wednesday		Franz Schneider +
7/29	Thursday		Jeremiah Tapia Arteaga +
7/30	Friday		Frank Reichert +
7/31	Saturday		Al & Irene Dalsky +
8/01	Sunday		Frank Reichert + Assumption Parishioners

FOOD SUNDAY



WEEKEND

Please remember next weekend, July 31/August 1 is Knights of Columbus Food Sunday. You may bring your items to church and members of the Knights will be on hand to accept your donations. Thank you in advance for the sharing of your loaves and fishes.

Bishop Daly has announced the re-opening of **Immaculate Heart Retreat Center**. Beginning Sun, Aug 1, IHRC will once again be available for use as a place of retreat, quiet and prayer for the People of God.

In addition to traditional retreats and days of recollection, IHRC offers a full slate of programs and opportunities for spiritual growth and enrichment.

Immaculate Heart Retreat Center has been an important part of our Diocese since 1959.

Come take advantage of its spacious grounds, prayerful atmosphere and all it has to offer.

Please call 509-448-1224 or email kparker@ihrc.net for more information.

Learn more at www.ihrc.net

A gentle reminder — at this time, Communion is to be received in the hand only—not on the tongue.

We all need to continue to be cautious and respectful for the health and well-being of our community. Thank you for your understanding.

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Patti Quinn, Lee Bartol, Carol

Pelo, Dan Myron, Fr. Tom Caswell, Tina, Marlena Pethers, JoAnn Hamad, Justin Futia, Nancy Brady, Karen Crum, Darlene Daul, Peggy Smet, Joyce, Ben Trudeau, Danielle Basta, Susan, George Swagel, Joan Hastings, Bailey Cooper, Sean, Clara Fischer, Peg Walsh, and all who are sick or recovering from surgery. If you have a prayer request for the bulletin, please call Barbara Rice (327-8124) or Kathryn Overland (328-8523).



17th Sunday in Ordinary Time

July 25, 2021



Lots of ink has been spilt over the recent statement of Pope Francis in relation to the celebration of Mass in Latin—whether in the ‘novus ordo’ (the current celebration of Mass that we are most familiar with in Latin) or in the extraordinary form (the Tridentine liturgy that was the common celebration since the late 16th century). As with many things in the formal life of the Church, there are different layers to formal statements—and there are just a few things to point out.

First, the desires of both Pope St. John Paul II and Pope Benedict were to create an avenue of reconciliation and rapprochement for those who had been separated in the Church following Vatican II’s ‘Sacrosanctum Concilium’ call to ‘aggiornamento’ and ‘resourcement’ (bringing ‘up to date’ and ‘returning to the source’) for the liturgy. Regardless of one’s opinion, ‘Sacrosanctum Concilium’ is a **dogmatic** constitution by an **ecumenical council**, the highest teaching level of the Church—it was not simply a consensus opinion, but was instead debated, argued, discussed and voted on by all the bishops in attendance at the Council. It was passed nearly unanimously by a vote of 2,147 to 4. The problem that has since arisen is that the decision to celebrate Mass in either the ‘novus ordo’ or ‘extraordinary form’ has been left to the priest celebrant, rather than at the discretion of the diocesan bishop. While it may seem unimportant to most people, it has further created divisions in the presbyterates of the Church, particularly in English-speaking countries—the desire for a ‘holier’ or more mystical and transcendent experience of the liturgy has caused some to seek out that form of celebration to the exclusion of participation in the life of their own parish communities. When some bishops have directed that the priests in their dioceses to primarily celebrate Mass in the ‘ordinary form’ in the vernacular (English), some priests have defied that instruction and have gone to the statements by Pope St. John Paul II and Pope Benedict which created the loophole that allowed them to celebrate Mass in whatever way they have chosen.

Pope Francis’ statement effectively closed that loophole, leaving the responsibility for the mode of celebration in each diocese up to the local bishop. The concerns that some have raised that this is an attempt to ‘get rid’ of the Latin celebrations is incorrect. Quite specifically, Pope Francis’ statement encourages local bishops to designate parishes for the regular celebration of Mass in Latin, whether in the ‘novus ordo’ or the ‘extraordinary’ form, as the community calls for and is formed by the liturgy. What does that mean for us? First, the nature of our parish community is one that has been formed by the celebration of Mass in the vernacular (English), and the governing structure of our parish is still in accord with both ‘Sacrosanctum Concilium’ and ‘Lumen Gentium’ as well as the diocesan policies that have been put in place over the last 50 years. At this time, I do not foresee either a need or a demand for the celebration of Mass in either the ‘novus ordo’ or ‘extraordinary form.’ If directed by the bishop to do so, I would be willing to celebrate in that fashion—as a point of faithfulness to my promise to follow the direction of the local bishop made on the day of ordination. I anticipate that Bishop Daly will designate a few parishes around the diocese to be those communities where Mass will be celebrated in Latin either in the ‘novus ordo’ or ‘extraordinary’ forms.

Most importantly, we all need to continue our prayers for an end to the divisions that exist among us and work for the unity we can all have in our greatest sacrament, Eucharist.



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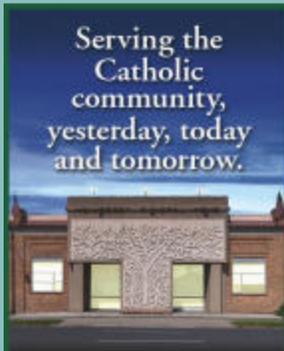
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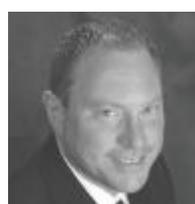
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