



Saint Michael Catholic Church

6912 Chestnut Rd. Independence, OH 44131

July 18, 2021

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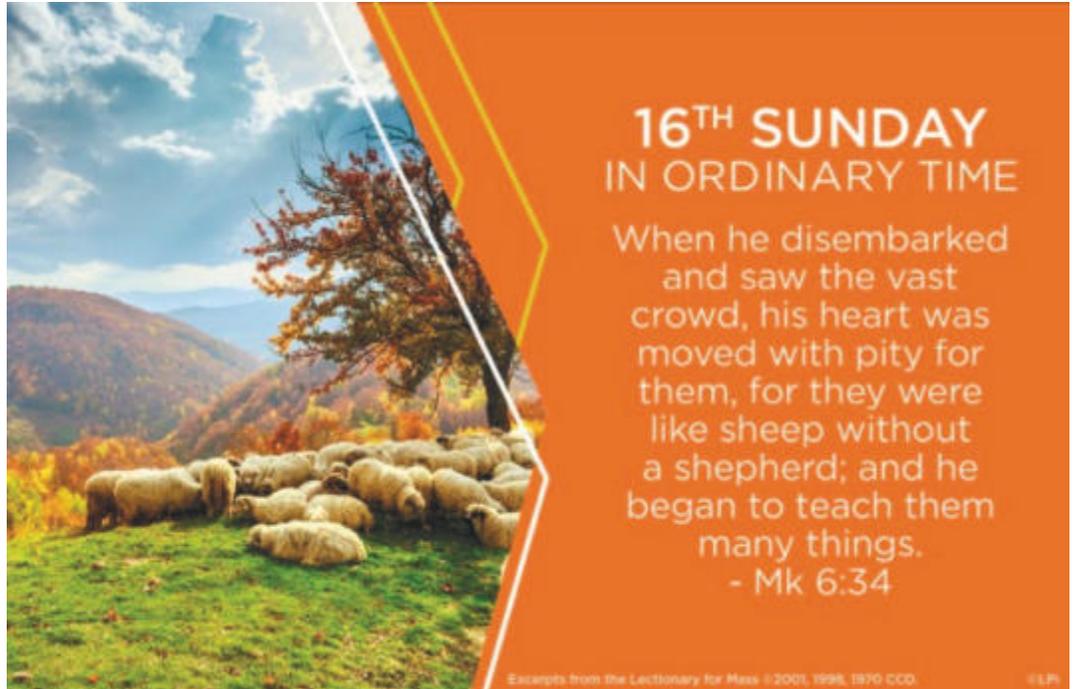
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Mass Schedule

Saturday—4:30pm
Sunday—8:00am
10:00am
12:00pm
Mon.-Wed. & Fri.—8:30am
Holy Days—8:30am
12:05pm
7:00pm
Legal Holidays 8:30am

Confessions

Saturday—3:30pm
and by appointment

Anointing of the Sick

by appointment

Weddings & Baptisms

please call the Rectory
to schedule

“Meeting Christ through prayer and
being Christ for the World”

The Summons



1. Will you come and fol - low me If I but
 2. Will you leave your - self be - hind If I but
 3. Will you let the blind - ed see If I but
 4. Will you love the 'you' you hide If I but
 5. Lord, your sum - mons ech - oes true When you but



call your name? Will you go where
 call your name? Will you care for
 call your name? Will you set the
 call your name? Will you quell the
 call my name. Let me turn and



you don't know And nev - er be the same?
 cruel and kind And nev - er be the same?
 pris - ners free And nev - er be the same?
 fear in - side And nev - er be the same?
 fol - low you And nev - er be the same.



Will you let my love be shown, Will you
 Will you risk the hos - tile stare Should your
 Will you kiss the lep - er clean, And do
 Will you use the faith you've found To re -
 In your com - pa - ny I'll go Where your



let my name be known, Will you let my
 life at - tract or scare? Will you let me
 such as this un - seen, And ad - mit to
 shape the world a - round, Through my sight and
 love and foot - steps show. Thus I'll move and



life be grown In you and you in me?
 an - swer prayer In you and you in me?
 what I mean In you and you in me?
 touch and sound In you and you in me?
 live and grow In you and you in me.

**Glory to God in the highest,
 And on earth peace to
 people of goodwill.**

**We praise you,
 we bless you,
 we adore you,
 we glorify you,
 we give you thanks
 for your great glory,
 Lord God, heavenly King,
 O God, almighty Father.**

**Lord Jesus Christ,
 Only Begotten Son,
 Lord God, Lamb of God,
 Son of the Father,
 you take away the sins
 of the world,
 have mercy on us;
 you take away the sins
 of the world,
 receive our prayer;
 you are seated at the right
 hand of the Father,
 have mercy on us.**

**For you alone are
 the Holy One,
 you alone are the Lord,
 you alone are the Most
 High, Jesus Christ,
 with the Holy Spirit,
 in the glory of
 God the Father,
 Amen.**

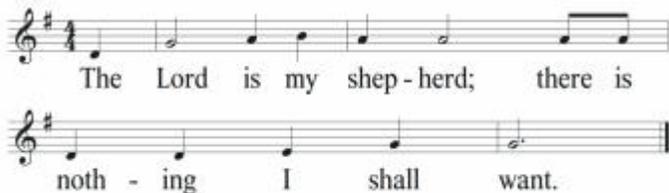
1st Reading - Jeremiah 23:1-6

A Reading from the Book of the Prophet Jeremiah

Woe to the shepherds who mislead and scatter the flock of my pasture, says the LORD. Therefore, thus says the LORD, the God of Israel, against the shepherds who shepherd my people: You have scattered my sheep and driven them away. You have not cared for them, but I will take care to punish your evil deeds. I myself will gather the remnant of my flock from all the lands to which I have driven them and bring them back to their meadow; there they shall increase and multiply. I will appoint shepherds for them who will shepherd them so that they need no longer fear and tremble; and none shall be missing, says the LORD. Behold, the days are coming, says the LORD, when I will raise up a righteous shoot to David; as king he shall reign and govern wisely, he shall do what is just and right in the land. In his days Judah shall be saved, Israel shall dwell in security. This is the name they give him:
"The LORD our justice."

The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

Responsorial—Psalm 23:1-3,3-4,5,6



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*The LORD is my shepherd; I shall not want.
In verdant pastures he gives me repose;
beside restful waters he leads me;
he refreshes my soul.*

*He guides me in right paths
for his name's sake.
Even though I walk in the dark valley
I fear no evil; for you are at my side
with your rod and your staff
that give me courage.*

*You spread the table before me
in the sight of my foes;
you anoint my head with oil;
my cup overflows.*

*Only goodness and kindness follow me
all the days of my life;
and I shall dwell in the house of the LORD
for years to come.*

2nd Reading - Ephesians 2:13-18

A Reading from the Letter of Saint Paul to the Ephesians

Brothers and sisters:
In Christ Jesus you who once were far off
have become near by the blood of Christ.

For he is our peace, he who made both one
and broke down the dividing wall of enmity, through his
flesh,
abolishing the law with its commandments and legal
claims,
that he might create in himself one new person in place
of the two,
thus establishing peace,
and might reconcile both with God,
in one body, through the cross,
putting that enmity to death by it.
He came and preached peace to you who were far off
and peace to those who were near,
for through him we both have access in one Spirit to the
Father.

The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**



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*My sheep hear my voice, says the Lord;
I know them, and they follow me.*

Gospel - Mark 6:30-34

The Lord be with you. **And with your Spirit.**

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Mark

Glory to you, O Lord.

The apostles gathered together with Jesus and reported all they had done and taught. He said to them, "Come away by yourselves to a deserted place and rest a while."
People were coming and going in great numbers, and they had no opportunity even to eat. So they went off in the boat by themselves to a deserted place. People saw them leaving and many came to know about it. They hastened there on foot from all the towns and arrived at the place before them.

When he disembarked and saw the vast crowd, his heart was moved with pity for them, for they were like sheep without a shepherd; and he began to teach them many things.

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Nicene Creed

I believe in one God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible. I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ, the Only Begotten Son of God, born of the Father before all ages, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father; through him all things were made. For us men and for our salvation he came down from heaven (*bow*) and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin Mary and became man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate, he suffered death and was buried, and rose again on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead and his kingdom will have no end. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is adored and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. I believe in one, holy, catholic, and apostolic Church. I confess one baptism for the forgiveness of sins and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

Apostle's Creed

I believe in God, the Father almighty, Creator of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, (*bow*) who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried; he descended into hell; on the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty; from there he will come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Holy Catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body and life everlasting. Amen.

THE CRY OF THE POOR (PSALM 34)

John Foley, S.J.

Refrain

The Lord hears the cry of the poor. Bless-ed be the Lord.

Verses: Slightly faster

1. I will bless the Lord at all times, with praise
2. Let the low - ly hear and be glad: the Lord
3. Ev - 'ry spir - it crushed, God will save; will be
4. We pro - claim your great - ness, O God, your praise

1. ev - er in my mouth. Let my soul glo - ry in the
2. lis - tens to their pleas; and to hearts bro - ken, God is
3. ran - som for their lives; will be safe shel - ter for their
4. ev - er in our mouth; ev - 'ry face bright-ened in your

to Refrain

1. Lord, who will hear the cry of the poor.
2. near, who will hear the cry of the poor.
3. fears, and will hear the cry of the poor.
4. light, for you hear the cry of the poor.

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After everyone has received communion and after the Blessed Sacrament is reserved in the Tabernacle, you may be seated or kneel for a time of quiet prayer.

Prayer to St. Michael

**Saint Michael
the Archangel,
defend us in battle,
be our protection
against the wickedness
and snares of the devil;
may God rebuke him,
we humbly pray;
and do thou,
O Prince of the
heavenly host,
by the power of God,
cast into hell
Satan and all
the evil spirits
who prowl about
the world seeking the
ruin of souls.
Amen.**

LEAD ME, LORD

John D. Becker



1. Bless - ed are the poor in spir - it, long - ing for their
2. Bless - ed are the mer - ci - ful, for mer - cy shall be
3. Blest are they who through their life - times sow the seeds of



1. Lord, for God's com - ing king - dom shall be theirs.
2. theirs, and the pure in heart shall see their God.
3. peace, all will call them chil - dren of the Lord.



1. Bless - ed are the sor - row - ing, for they shall be con -
2. Blest are they whose hun - ger on - ly ho - li - ness can
3. Blest are you, though per - se - cu - ted in your ho - ly



1. soled, and the meek shall come to rule the world.
2. fill, for I say they shall be sat - is - fied.
3. life, for in heav - en, great is your re - ward.



Lead me, Lord, lead me, Lord, by the light of truth to



seek and to find the nar - row way. Be my way;



be my truth; be my life, my Lord, and lead me, Lord, to -



day. day. And lead me, Lord, to - day.

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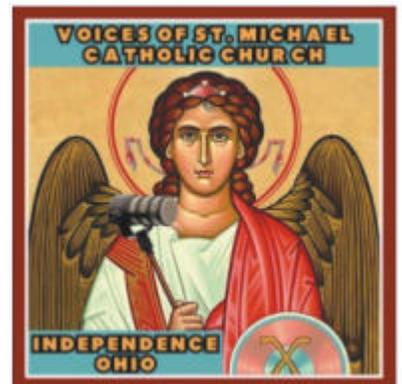
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from the Pastor

Fr. John J. Mullee

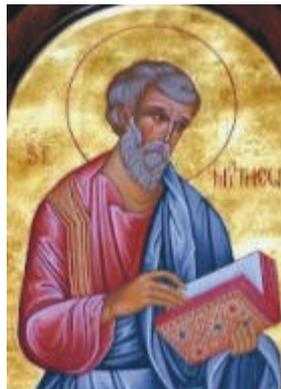


*Dear friends in Christ:
I pray that you are able to gather with your family during these few months of summer in prayer and reflection for our human family who are suffering.*

We are in need of servers and lectors for the weekend Masses. Please call the office if you can help with the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass. I will train anyone interested in serving.

Thanks to a team of parents who have established a service project with the kids; to instill in them a sense of what it means to be a follower of our Shepherd. "Saint Paul says that he wishes to be one with Christ in order to know him and the power of his Resurrection. That power will constantly be revealed in your lives too, for he came to give you life, and life in abundance. If in your heart you can learn to appreciate the beauty of this message, if you are willing to encounter the Lord, if you are willing to let him love you and save you, if you can make friends with him and start to talk to him, the living Christ, about the realities of your life, then you will have a profound experience capable of sustaining your entire Christian life." (Pope Francis)

Our Lady of Fatima: Pray for Us



Matthew 25

Then they will answer and say, 'Lord, when did we see you hungry or thirsty or a stranger or naked or ill or in prison, and not minister to your needs?' He will answer them, 'Amen, I say to you, what you did not do for one of these least ones, you did not do for me.'



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Mass Intentions

Saturday, July 17

- 1:00 Wedding -
Cara Luce & Anthony Fantone
4:30 + Martin & Margaret Dougherty &
Family
(John & Karen Dougherty)

Sunday, July 18

- 8:00 Parishioners
10:00 + Tom Gulick
(The Mass Family)
12:00 + George & Lillian Bodrock
(Son & Family)

Monday, July 19

- 8:30 + Kevin Yuknavich
(Helen Mikel)

Tuesday, July 20

- 8:30 + Angie & Sandi Scaravilli
(Family)

Wednesday, July 21

- 8:30 + Frank & Rose Mass
(Family)

Friday, July 23

- 8:30 + Harriette T. Bukowski
(Linda Hecker)

Saturday, July 24

- 4:30 + Mary Macko
(Daughter—Beverly)

Sunday, July 25

- 8:00 Parishioners
10:00 + Narcisso Porras
(Sister)
12:00 + Ella Krogman
(Mary Fink)

In the event the Mass Intention for the weekend is for your loved one and you would like to bring up the gifts, please see the ushers in the back of Church prior to Mass, thank you!

OFFERTORY 7/4/2021

Regular Collection	\$10,527
Parish Maintenance	\$2,648
School Endowment	\$221

Thank you!

Due to an early publishing deadline, the 7/11/2020 offertory information will appear in next week's bulletin.

A Prayer for our Military:

*Almighty God, we commend to your gracious care and keeping all the men and women of our armed forces at home and abroad. Defend them day by day with your heavenly grace; strengthen them in their trials and temptations; give them courage to face the perils which beset them; and grant them a sense of your abiding presence wherever they may be; through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.*

PFC Joshua Strenk, National Guard
1LT Zak Zubic, Marine Corps
LTJG George Ponce, Navy
Lt. Col. Michael Oetjens, Air Force
Ensign Kevin Clymer, Navy

Please Remember in Your Prayers Our Sick
Father of goodness and love, hear our prayers for the sick members of our community and for all who are in need.

Joyce R.	Charlenea Fabrizo
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Sylvia Priebe	Mafalda Fiorentino
Rita Matthis	Donald Keller
Maryann Cohara	Patrick Baker
Michelle Murach	The White Family
David Pichert	Mary Jane Blue
Sal Loparo	Levi



Wedding

Cara Luce & Anthony Fantone
July 17, 2021

Congratulations!



Adoration Chapel Meditations

Brothers in Christ Ministry of St. Michael
(www.brothersinchristcmf.org/blog)

Achieving Herd Immunity to Sheep Anonymity

One of the worst things you can call someone in today's world is a sheep. That word connotes someone without an identity who anonymously follows a crowd of other like-minded sheep. But 2000 years ago, a man identified his followers as sheep, and himself as their shepherd. And he identified with THEM too. That man would be Jesus the Christ.

"My sheep hear my voice, says the Lord; I know them, and they follow me," we read from John's gospel (**Jn 10:27**). And Mark tells us that when Jesus saw a vast crowd seeking his guidance, *"his heart was moved with pity for them, for they were like sheep without a shepherd; and he began to teach them many things."* (**Mk 6:30-34**)

One of those things was to love each other as he loved them. That requires knowing each other as he knew us—as individuals, not as numbered sheep. As many parents of children with "disabilities" like autism will tell you, however, their kids tend to become known among "normal" people (medical and non-medical) as being the same kind of "special." An acquaintance of one such family having two autistic sons even asked, "Do you ever have trouble telling them apart?" The Dad told him he was surprised at that question—and at the fact he couldn't see beneath the labels our society puts on some of its children.

So it's probably that way with God our Father, when we fail to recognize *all* of his children for what makes each one of us "special"—what makes each of us so unique in His eyes that *"our very hairs are numbered."* (**Luke 12:7**). It's much easier for us humans to see humanity as a herd as opposed to being God's loved ones.

As one who started out as an expert in persecuting people by groups, St. Paul eventually learned that he had a much more important destiny in front of him: as one of the many unique members of the body of Christ—"You are Christ's body, and individually parts of it." (**1COR 12:12**). But as we hear in this Sunday's second reading from his letter to the Ephesians (**Eph 2:13-18**), he teaches the importance of those parts working in concert—of breaking down *"the dividing wall of enmity, through [Christ's] flesh,"* and *"putting that enmity to death [by that one body.]"*

If we could all get as good at appreciating our shepherd's presence in our lives as he is at celebrating the specialty with which he blessed each one of us, we might yet achieve herd immunity from the evils of fear-imposed anonymity.



**Remembering all of our
beloved deceased, especially**

Carol Stegmaier

Ben Vitron

Eternal rest, grant unto them, O Lord,
and let perpetual light shine upon them.
May the souls of all of the faithful departed
through the mercy of God rest in peace.
Amen.

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*****Early Deadline Notice*****

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ANTIPHONS FOR THIS WEEK'S MASSES	SCRIPTURE READINGS FOR THIS WEEK
<p>Monday 7/19</p> <p>ENTRANCE Psalm 54:6, 8—See, I have God for my help. The Lord sustains my soul. I will sacrifice to you with willing heart, and praise your name, O Lord, for it is good.</p> <p>COMMUNION Psalm 111:4-5—The Lord, the gracious, the merciful, has made a memorial to his wonders; he gives food to those who fear him.</p>	<p>7/19 Exodus 14:5-18 Exodus 15:1bc-2,3-4,5-6 Let us sing to the Lord; he has covered himself in glory. Matthew 12:38-42</p>
<p>Tuesday 7/20</p> <p>ENTRANCE Psalm 54:6, 8—See, I have God for my help. The Lord sustains my soul. I will sacrifice to you with willing heart, and praise your name, O Lord, for it is good.</p> <p>COMMUNION Psalm 111:4-5—The Lord, the gracious, the merciful, has made a memorial to his wonders; he gives food to those who fear him.</p> <p><u>Saint Apollinaris, Bishop & Martyr</u></p> <p>ENTRANCE—This holy man fought to the death for the law of his God and did not fear the words of the godless, for he was built on solid rock.</p> <p>COMMUNION cf. Matthew 16:24—Whoever wishes to come after me, must deny himself, take up his cross, and follow me, says the Lord.</p>	<p>7/20 Exodus 14:21-15:1 Exodus 15:8-9,10&12,17 Let us sing to the Lord; he has covered himself in glory. Matthew 12:46-50</p> <p><i>St. Apollinaris, Bishop & Martyr</i> Ezekiel 34:11-16 Ps.23:1-3a,4,5,6 The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want. John 10:11-16</p> <p>7/21 Exodus 16:1-5, 9-15 Ps.78:18-19,23-24,25-26,27-28 The Lord gave them bread from heaven. Matthew 13:1-9</p>
<p>Wednesday 7/21</p> <p>ENTRANCE Psalm 54:6, 8—See, I have God for my help. The Lord sustains my soul. I will sacrifice to you with willing heart, and praise your name, O Lord, for it is good.</p> <p>COMMUNION Psalm 111:4-5—The Lord, the gracious, the merciful, has made a memorial to his wonders; he gives food to those who fear him.</p> <p><u>Saint Lawrence of Brindisi, Priest & Doctor of the Church</u></p> <p>ENTRANCE cf. Psalm 132:9—Your priests, O Lord, shall be clothed with justice; your holy ones shall ring out their joy.</p> <p>COMMUNION cf. Matthew 24:46-47—Blessed is the servant whom the Lord finds watching when he comes. Amen, I say to you: He will put that servant in charge of all his property.</p>	<p><i>St. Lawrence of Brindisi, Bishop & Doctor of the Church</i> 2 Corinthians 4:1-2, 5-7 Ps.40:2&4ab,7-8a,8b-9,10,11 Here I am Lord, I come to do your will. Mark 4:1-10, 13-20 or 4:1-9</p> <p>7/22 <i>St. Mary Magdalene</i> Song of Songs 3:1-4b Ps.63:2,3-4,5-6,8-9 My soul is thirsting for you, O Lord my God. John 20:1-2, 11-18</p>
<p>Friday 7/23</p> <p>ENTRANCE Psalm 54:6, 8—See, I have God for my help. The Lord sustains my soul. I will sacrifice to you with willing heart, and praise your name, O Lord, for it is good.</p> <p>COMMUNION Psalm 111:4-5—The Lord, the gracious, the merciful, has made a memorial to his wonders; he gives food to those who fear him.</p> <p><u>Saint Bridget, Religious</u></p> <p>ENTRANCE—The woman who fears the Lord herself will be praised. Her children have called her most blessed, her husband has sung her praises.</p> <p>COMMUNION cf. Matthew 13:45-46—The kingdom of heaven is like a merchant who travels in search of fine pearls and who, on finding one of great price, sold everything and bought it.</p>	<p>7/23 Exodus 20:1-17 Ps.19:8,9,10,11 Lord, you have the words of everlasting life. Matthew 13:18-23</p> <p><i>St. Bridget, Religious</i> Galatians 2:19-20 Ps.34:2-3,4-5,6-7,8-9,10-11 I will bless the Lord at all times. John 15:1-8</p>
	<p>7/24 Exodus 24:3-8 Ps.50:1b-2,5-6,14-15 Offer to God a sacrifice of praise. Matthew 13:24-30</p> <p><i>St. Sharbel Makhlof, Priest</i> Sirach 3:17-24 Ps.15:2-3ab,3cd-4ab,5 The just one shall live on your holy mountain, O Lord. Matthew 19:27-29</p> <p>7/25 2 Kings 4:42-44 Ps.145:10-11,15-16,17-18 The hand of the Lord feeds us; he answers all our needs. Ephesians 4:1-6 John 6:1-15</p>





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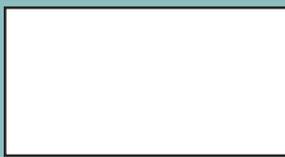
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