



16th

SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

He said to them, "Come away by yourselves to a deserted place and rest a while." So they went off in the boat by themselves to a deserted place.

- Mk 6:31b-32

Mass Intentions for the Week

Saturday, July 17th	4:00pm	Richard Coolidge
Sunday, July 18th	8:30am	For People of the Parish
	10:30am	Lanny Devieu
Tuesday, July 20th	12:10pm	Patricia Morrison
Wed, July 21st	12:10am	For People of the Parish
Thursday, July 22nd	11:00am	Karen Heeney (Bunkerhill)
Saturday, July 24th	4:00pm	Shirley Grieve
Sunday, July 25th	8:30am	Heeney & Ahlbaum Families
	10:30am	Patricia Morrison

***Please note that Father still does Mass intentions in a private Mass. when no public Mass is held.*

PRAY FOR OUR COMMUNITY

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Please email heather@saintsjcc.org if you have a seriously ill relative or friend, prayer need, or deceased to be added to our prayer list. Also please email any updates needed to the current list.

MINISTRY SCHEDULE FOR NEXT WEEKEND



Saturday, July 24th 4:00 P.M.

Sacristan Theresa Seman
Comm. Need 1
Lectors Need 1
EM Need 2
Greeters Need 4
Ushers Margaret Weyer, Pauline Bowyer, Need 2
Music Tech Need 1



Sunday, July 25th 8:30 A.M.

Sacristan Need 1
Lector Need 1
EM Rosemary Atwood
Greeters Need 4
Ushers Need 4



Sunday, July 25th 10:30 A.M.

Sacristan Margaret Weyer
Comm. Need 1
Lectors Need 1
EM Need 2
Greeters Need 4
Ushers Pauline Bowyer, Need 3
Music Tech Need 1



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Please check out our daily & weekly Rosary Groups!

All are welcome!

Mason Campus:

10:10am Sunday - Divine Mercy Chaplet
 11:30am Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday
 9:00am Friday
 7:00pm ~ 2nd Friday of each month ~
 Adoration and Divine Mercy Chaplet (livestream)
 9:00am Saturday

Online:

Wednesdays @ 7:00pm via Zoom
 Zoom Meeting Id: 876-1432-4681 Password: 829706
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RECONCILIATION

3:00PM SATURDAY (MASON)
 7:45AM SUNDAY (BUNKERHILL)
 OR
 BY APPOINTMENT
 CONTACT FATHER KUSI
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LITURGICAL LIFE

QUESTIONS OF THE WEEK

First Reading

The prophet Jeremiah spoke of God's negative reaction to "the shepherds" (false rulers) who neglected and mislead his "sheep" (the people of Israel and Judah). What characteristics make for an ideal leader?

Second Reading

Paul taught the Ephesians that through his cross and resurrection, Jesus established unity and peace for all believers. When have you experienced harmony in your faith community?

Gospel Reading

Jesus encouraged the apostles to retreat and rest after their successful missionary work, but the crowds made that difficult. What gets in your way from resting and retreating?



GOSPEL MEDITATION

Encourage Deeper Understanding of Scripture

There's an ordinary pine grove located on a tree farm not too far from town where life's stresses and demands seem to melt away. It is here that all that seemed so important out there no longer is and one can get lost in the rows of trees and majestic beauty. God is here and all is good. We need to connect with the Divine Source of all that is in order to understand what it is we are doing and why we are doing it. Otherwise, things stop making sense and bitterness can overcome one's spirit. It's okay to play once in a while and to discover that place of profound life and peace. People always have needs and there is constantly something to do. And while all of that is necessary and we are needed, there is also that inner solitude within that needs to be celebrated and released.

We all need a pine grove. It's that little place we can go and leave all that consumes us behind. It's a place where technology can be set aside and wonder, and awe given some time. We don't have to text, calculate, or orchestrate anything in the pine grove. It is a somewhat deserted place where all of that can be set aside and we can just be. The anger, frustration, exhaustion, discouragement, helplessness, and occasional apathy, all can fall to the ground like all of those pine needles that once held their place on the branch of a Frasier Fir. The needles can let go. We can let go. We are beings connected with Being and we all need to remember what really matters, who really matters and what life is truly all about. We need to find that place where we can rest and let go of all of the barnacles we accumulate. Rest, breathe, seek, and love.

The world will need us again when we leave the pine grove. It will all be waiting for us, beckoning for our attention. But we will have prayed and will have marveled at the silence and the beauty of goodness. We can go back, ready, and eager to listen, to help, to heal, to cry, to embrace, and attend to all that is asked of us. But, having let go of the distractions in that deserted place we will have a renewed sense of purpose. We will know better Who it is we serve and what we are meant to do. It will all be clearer now that we have been Divinely touched and refreshed.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF JULY 18TH



Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Jer 23:1-6
Ps 23:1-3, 3-4, 5, 6
Eph 2:13-18
Mk 6:30-34

Monday

Ex 14:5-18
Ex 15:1bc-2, 3-4, 5-6
Mt 12:38-42

Tuesday

Ex 14:21 - 15:1
Ex 15:8-9, 10 and 12, 17
Mt 12:46-50

Wednesday

Ex 16:1-5, 9-15
Ps 78:18-19, 23-24, 25-26, 27-28
Mt 13:1-9

Thursday

Sg 3:1-4b or 2 Cor 5:14-17 or
Ex 19:1-2, 9-11, 16-20b
Dn 3:52, 53, 54, 55, 56 or
Ps 71:1-2, 3-4a, 5-6ab, 15 and 17
Jn 20:1-2, 11-18

Friday

Ex 20:1-17
Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 11
Mt 13:18-23

Saturday

Ex 24:3-8
Ps 50:1b-2, 5-6, 14-15
Mt 13:24-30

Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

2 Kgs 4:42-44
Ps 145:10-11, 15-16, 17-18
Eph 4:1-6
Jn 6:1-15



Dear Friend,

The Eagle. That is how the Gospel of Saint John is traditionally depicted in art. Why? Because the poetic prose of John's gospel repeatedly swoops deep and soars high in its penetrating contemplation of the things of God. That beauty and profundity was, no doubt, the fruit of decades of prayerful meditation upon the life of Christ, informed by the maternal insights of the Blessed Virgin Mary. This includes John's very distinctive approach to the miracles of Jesus.

While there are many miracles in the four gospels, there are seven in the Gospel of John which are developed at length. In the other gospels, Jesus' miracles are meant to introduce people to the inbreaking of the Kingdom of God. In John's gospel, these seven signs are meant to point to Jesus himself as eternal life and thus seeking faith in those around him. Take, for example, the first of these seven signs: The wedding feast at Cana.

"Jesus did this as the beginning of his signs in Cana in Galilee and so revealed his glory, and his disciples began to believe in him" (John 2:11).

Jesus had been reluctant to work any miracle at this point, telling his mother that his hour had not yet come. However, he had already gathered his disciples, who were present for this wedding, and perhaps Mary was wondering, "What is he waiting for?"

Jesus did come through and answered the need. In fact, he exceeded it. He produced an abundance of a vintage wine for the wedding guests. We, hearing this story, are usually struck by the same fact which the headwaiter said to the bridegroom: "you have kept the good wine until now" (John 2:10). Yet, our focus must be drawn away from the wine and onto the one who is the true bridegroom, Jesus.

That is why our opening line is so important. This sign was really all about his disciples and their coming to believe in him. At least, that is John's purpose in this gospel account. Jesus' care for the newly married couple, his response to his mother, his miraculous abundance of wine, while all good things, are not the real aim of this "sign." We are told at the beginning of this story that it happened on the third day (John 2:1), a clear allusion to the future resurrection. Jesus not only provides for far more than we can imagine; Jesus himself is far more than we can imagine.


Sisters and brother, we are the disciples of Jesus. We think we know what we can expect of God and of his servant, Jesus. Yet, we are clueless. Jesus will always be far more than we expect. We need to allow ourselves to be surprised by our God, to be open to the unimaginable. And that is what is being offered to us if only we too "begin to believe in him." Assuring you of my prayers, I am sincerely yours in Christ,

+ Earl Bishop of Lansing



Knights of Columbus Corner

Upcoming Events for Mason Council #9182



July 25 - After 8:30 AM Mass will be the Installation of Knights of Columbus Officers for Mason and Leslie Councils.

July 25 - 5:00 PM Mason Council K of C Officer's Meeting.

July 25 - 6:00 PM Knights Angles Meeting.

July 25 - 6:00 PM Regular Mason Council K of C meeting.

In the month of July there will be the Divine Mercy Chaplet prayers being said at 10:10 AM each Sunday morning before Mass.

Family Vocation Night at the Ballpark will be on August 13, with a 7:00 PM game at the Jackson National Ballpark. Tickets will be coming available. So mark your calendar. Call the church for more details.

The deadline for free membership has been extended to December 31, 2021. Join the Mason Knights of Columbus by going to kofc.org/joinus, and enter the password of MCGIVNEY2020. Once you are a member, we will get you into our council. If you sign up before December 31st, your dues will be free for all of 2021.

To learn more about Mason #9182 Knights of Columbus Council visit www.masonknights.org, or contact any council member at Church.

4 WAYS TO GIVE


ONLINE


SMART PHONE


MAIL


SUNDAY

A portion of our 4% Christian Service Tithe has been sent to:

Coats for Kids





Thank you to our sponsor this week:

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STEWARDSHIP

St. James, Cornelius & Cyprian

Last Week's Collections

July 11 th	\$12,581.00
Last Year	\$14,140.76

(61 EFTs, 79 envelopes from 860 registered households)

Fiscal Year to Date (since July 1st)	\$20,200.12
Year to Date Last Year	\$24,387.76

LITURGICAL LIFE

RESPONDING *to the Call*

EVERYDAY STEWARDSHIP

Recognize God In Your Ordinary Moments

The Steward's Work Is Never Done

Woe to the shepherds who mislead and scatter the flock! When you hear these strong words from the Old Testament, you're probably thinking, thank goodness I don't have any sheep — dodged that bullet. Nobody misled here! No flock scattered on my watch! However, we are all shepherds of a kind, called to tend our own sheep: our families, our parishes, our communities.

But it's exhausting. Don't we all sometimes just want to take a break from being a steward? The excuses are so familiar: we're tired, we've done enough, we've given all we can, what more does the parish (or my spouse, or my kids, or my boss, or my friends, or my community) want? We give ourselves permission to be selfish. So, what if the flock scatters just a little?

Jesus gets that. We can just imagine him weary with exhaustion, can't we? We see him on his boat, attempting to sneak away for a quick break — maybe just a chance to eat a bite of food in peace. He is God, but he was still human, after all. Even the most dedicated shepherds need to sleep. But people couldn't leave him alone. They were hungry for him. They needed what he could offer, and they needed it now.

As tough as it is, that's the example we are tasked with imitating. Everyday Stewardship demands accountability. It demands our showing up even when we are tired. It demands that we look at our lives, our time, our energies, our talents, our hearts, our bank accounts and think: where do I still have more to give?

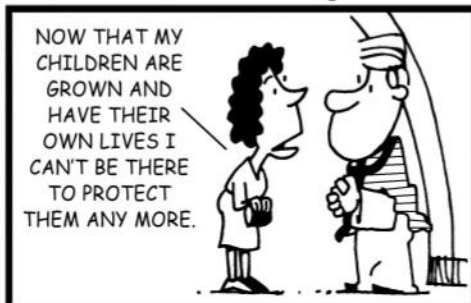
— Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS

Smart Loving Fertility

An online course for learning how to manage fertility naturally in context of the Catholic faith. Based on the Sympto-Thermal method, the course incorporates a unique blend of scientific insights, relationship frameworks and Catholic Theology. From 16 July - 31 August you can register for the course at 50% off to celebrate Natural Fertility Awareness Week.



16TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



WHY DO WE DO THAT?

Catholic Life Explained:

Question:

I've heard that we become angels when we die. Is this what the Church teaches?

Answer:

As human beings, we are both spiritual and corporeal. We are body and soul. This makes us unique in all creation. No other physical creature — plant or animal — possesses an immortal soul made in God's image and likeness. Like the distinction with plants and animals, angels have an entirely different sort of existence. Angels are pure immortal spirit, and they have been so since the moment of their creation. While they may take on an appearance of a body in Biblical history, they are not a body like we are. Angels are neither male nor female, despite the art we often see.

As the result of the Fall, human beings experience death. Our souls are temporarily separated from our bodies. However, we do not become something other than human. Every Sunday in the Creed we profess "I believe in the resurrection of the body." As Jesus was united with his body on the third day, so too will we be united with our bodies at the end of time.

KIDS CORNER

READ THE GOSPEL AND COMPLETE A PUZZLE!



Find and circle these words from today's Gospel:

PLACE
APOSTLES
ALONE

GOING
BOAT
CROWD

SHEPHERD
PEOPLE
TEACHING

F T G E R T H A O S P
E A L O N E L R T U E
R P N D I T O J S H O
B O A T O N L D I M P
E S V R T I G T H Y L
P T H A D O N G A C E
N L U G T B U T S R M
T E A C H I N G Y O A
P S O C L W C O I W N
G A S H E P H E R D T

SHARING THE GOSPEL

Have you ever just wanted to be alone for a while? Jesus and his disciples knew what that felt like. They wanted to be alone to talk and rest, but crowds of people were surrounding them. Even when Jesus and his disciples tried to slip away unnoticed, people followed them anyway. They arrived only to find more crowds of people. This was certainly not the quiet time they had planned on. Being patient and kind, Jesus gave up what he wanted, and he began to teach the crowds.

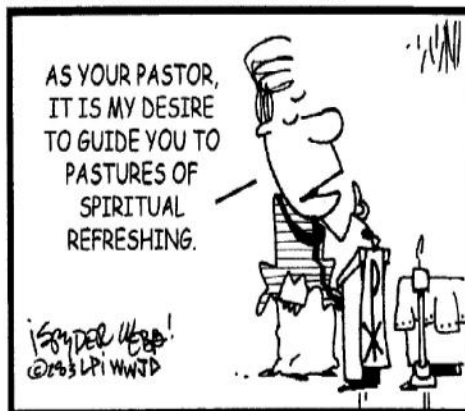
PRAYER

Dear God, thank you that Jesus gave up what he wanted, just so he could help other people. Help me to follow his example. Amen.

MISSION FOR THE WEEK

Spend some alone time with Jesus tonight. If you get interrupted because someone else needs help, that's okay. Go help, and then come back to your alone time with Jesus again.

16TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME





Women's Club Meeting
Monday, July 26th at 6:00pm
Keating Hall

All ladies of the parish
are invited to attend!

The church gardens are in need of weeding. If you would like to help spruce up our grounds, there is a small group meeting in the gazebo garden on no-rain Mondays from 11:00-12:30. Bring rake, shovel, knee pads... whatever you think you will need. We have a wheelbarrow available to us. Many hands make light work. Thank you! Please contact Paulette Fox at 517-676-1807 for more info.



Job Opportunities

Are you interested in serving the Church in the Diocese of Lansing? We have a number of teacher openings throughout the diocese as well as several positions in our Diocesan Central Offices that include Multi-Media Journalist, Associate Superintendent, and Accounting Specialist. To learn more about our open positions and apply, please visit our website at www.dioceseoflansing.org/employment.

2021 KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS NIGHT OF VOCATIONS

FAMILY VOCATION NIGHT AT THE BALLPARK
FRIDAY, AUGUST 13, 2021
7:00PM AT JACKSON FIELD STADIUM

In years past, roughly 2,000 Catholics from around the Diocese of Lansing enjoyed a game with Bishop Ryan!
Thanks to everyone who participated!



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Group sales contact Kyle England, (517) 488-4888, ext. 246.



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