

The Church of the Sacred Heart

The Mother Church of East Central Minnesota



15th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

“But a Samaritan traveler who came upon him was moved with compassion at the sight.” - Lk 10:33

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Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time, July 14, 2019

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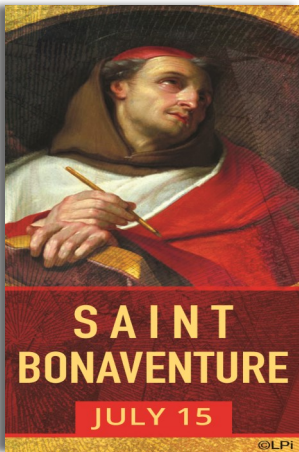


LIVE THE LITURGY

INSPIRATION FOR THE WEEK

We have heard the story of the Good Samaritan so many times. Have we ever realized that it is an enemy and outcast who is the hero of the story? Freed from laws that limit acts of mercy and compassion, the Samaritan becomes the example of how to love God by loving our neighbor. Our minds know what our faith teaches, and our mouths know what words to speak. Ultimately, deep down in our conscience, we know how we ought to act. Yet, as we encounter each new day, do we always do what we are called to do? Our neighbors live next to us and far away. They are down the street, sitting beside us, living in Mexico, Honduras, Ecuador, Guatemala, Poland, Russia, China, Korea, and Iraq. Our neighbors are even found in people who want to hurt us. How do we love them as Jesus asks us to? How we answer this question will determine how much we really love God.

Feast of St. Bonaventure: Do you ever get stuck with the tough



jobs? It's well known that the Franciscan Order was incredibly influential throughout history. But one of the most challenging times for a new movement is surviving the death of the founder. Bonaventure joined the Franciscan Order almost two decades after the passing of St. Francis. Initially, the young man's theological insights earned him a prime faculty position at the University of Paris. More than his academic skill, however, he was known for his deep devotion to Christ. He was elected the General Minister of the Franciscan Order, right in the thick of controversies. Some friars had conflicting

views of how to interpret St. Francis' poverty as the order grew. Others started a new heresy, saying that the Franciscan Order began a new era of the Holy Spirit, replacing the era of Jesus and the authority of the Church. St. Bonaventure weathered these crises with grace, restructuring the order when necessary and offering a more organized perspective on the insights of St. Francis.



GOSPEL MEDITATION -

ENCOURAGE DEEPER UNDERSTANDING OF SCRIPTURE

Loving isn't too difficult, right? Many of us are surrounded by kind, lovely people trying to do the right thing. Indeed, to "love ? your neighbor as yourself" seems like it should be easy enough. Treat people like you would like to be treated. Bring the new neighbors some baked goods (normal and gluten-free, just in case). Chat with the bank teller about his holiday weekend.

Write an occasional card to your sister "just because." There were probably varieties of these acts of kindness in Jesus' day. Perhaps substituting figs for cookies. But "exchange pleasantries with the traveling cloth merchant" isn't the example Jesus gives.

"A man fell victim to robbers... they stripped him and beat him and went off leaving him half-dead." The righteous pass by the scene of the dying man. The hero of the story is the one on the margins of Jewish society, who perhaps would not have been welcomed, in other circumstances, by the man now in the ditch.

His neighborly love causes him to halt his journey, to tend wounds, and to pay for the man's care out of his own savings. Are we interruptible? Are we attentive to the hurts of others?

Are we generous with our money and possessions?

In the past few weeks, who has crossed your mind as someone in need of help? Perhaps it's an acquaintance suffering from cancer. Maybe you were invited to donate or volunteer to a local social cause, but it just won't stick in your mind (or schedule) to make it happen. The needs of people are many and varied. We can't help everyone, but God does place opportunities in our path for compassion and courageous love. This week, be "the one who treated him with mercy."

Prayer to End Human Trafficking

Oh God, we didn't see them.

But you did.

The hundreds and thousands of human beings trafficked each year to join the millions who are trapped in modern-day slavery.

Under terrible conditions, they work in factories, plow fields, harvest crops, work quarries, fill brothels, clean homes, and haul water.

Many are children with tiny fingers for weaving rugs and small shoulders for bearing rifles.

Their labor is forced, their bodies beaten, their faces hidden from those who don't really want to see them.

But you see them all, God of the poor. You hear their cry and you answer by opening our eyes, and breaking our hearts and loosening our tongues to insist: No more. No more.

Amen

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Celebrants

Wednesday, July 17th

Fr. Shane Sacred Heart 9:00 AM

Saturday, July 20th

Fr. Nygaard Sacred Heart 4:00 PM

Fr. Shane St. Gregory's 5:00 PM

Sunday, July 14th

Fr. Nygaard Sacred Heart 9:00 AM

Fr. Shane St. Gregory's 9:30 AM

""The remedy for fear is trust in God." | Caryl Houselander

Liturgical Roles

Saturday, July 20 at 4:00 pm

Lectors: Diana Granlund

Communion: Mary Petschl, Ginny Thorn

Gifts: Kosloski Family

Ushers: Al Petschl

Servers: Don Kirchberg

Sunday, July 21 at 9:00 am

Lectors: Sue Roth, David Prickett

Communion: Beth Churchsmith, Jean

Peno, Mary Pat Hesbeck

Gifts: Moore Family

Ushers: Joe Moore, Don Belland

Servers: Mikayla Ertz, Maggie Roth

Needing our Prayers

When you Pray, God Listens. When you Listen, God Talks. When you Believe, God Works. ~Unknown

Tony Lenneman

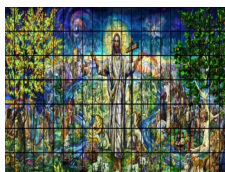
Erika Matzke-Stoltz

Danielle Peter

Sue Roth

Jim Kirchberg

Bill Wolff



Mass Intentions



July 20th † Ralph Anderson

July 21st † Douglas DuWayne Hanson

July 24th Open

Financial Update

Totals for the weekend of: 7/7/19

Plate 418.90

Envelopes 1596.00

Peter's Pence 10.00

Bldg. Maint Env. 110.00

EFT money 224.00

Prison Ministry 44.00

Sabbatical reimbursement 8461.16

Total: \$ 10,864.06



S.H Rosary Devotion

Rosaries Said:

7/7: 36

To Date: 1582

Thank you for your generosity !



News



A final decision on this years Fall Festival will be made this **Monday, July 15th at 6:30 pm** in Wey hall. The decision will involve either limiting this year's activities to the chicken dinner and raffle or to forego the Fall Festival for 2019. Your input is greatly needed so please attend this important meeting.

DETOUR: Due to the Rush City parade next Saturday, the 4th street entry to our parking lot will be closed. All Saturday mass goers are asked to use the Frandsen ave. entry for the 4pm mass.

DON'T FORGET YOUR PARISH

The summer months are truly a time for us to enjoy the wonders of God's creation. When you are away on vacation, please remember how important your weekly offering is to your parish. As you are planning your vacation, remember to add "mail in offertory envelopes" to your "to do list" or drop them off to the Church office. Thank you for your continual support.



Baptized into the Family of God

Cayden James Loerzel
Son of Dan and Jacqueline

May God's grace and blessings that you receive on your Baptism, guide you throughout your life.

OUR LADY OF MOUNT CARMEL

The origins of this feast reach all the way back to the Old Testament. In the book of Kings, we read the story of the prophet Elijah. Much of his prayer, fasting, and public ministry occurred from Carmel, a mountain in Israel. Christian hermits -- seeking solitude -- made their homes on the mountain during the first millennium. Over time, the hermits assembled into a community and were given a Rule of Life. They named their church after Mary -- Our Lady of

Mount Carmel. Political upheaval forced the Carmelite order out of the Holy Land and into Europe, where they established monasteries for both men and women across the continent. Many great saints and doctors of the Church have come from the Carmelite order, including St. Teresa of Avila, St. John of the Cross, St. Therese of Lisieux, and St. Edith Stein. Our Lady of Mount Carmel. Pray for us!

