

July 5 & July 12, 2020

# St. John the Baptist Church, Osgood

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### Sacramental Ministers: Father John Geis and Father William Turner.

Saturday **Mass:** 4:00 PM  
Sunday **Mass:** 10:00 AM

Sacrament of **Reconciliation**  
Saturday: 3:30-3:45 PM  
Sunday: 9:30-9:45 AM

Sunday **Mass:** 8:00 AM

Sacrament of **Reconciliation**  
Sunday: 7:30-7:45

Saturday **Mass:** 6:00 PM  
Sunday **Mass:** 12:00 noon

Sacrament of **Reconciliation**  
Saturday: 5:30-5:45PM  
Sunday: 11:30-11:45 AM

**Sacrament of Baptism** is scheduled by appointment.  
Please call the parish office about sacramental preparation and to schedule your celebration.

Preparation for the Sacrament of **Marriage** requires at least six months.  
Call the parish office before setting the date for your wedding.

Sacrament of **Anointing** is available upon request.

**July 4, 2020**

Here in the Independence as a nation in 1776. The was bloody and a sad way to begin a often tried to preserve our union and the world to gain or retain their

As we prepare to celebrate this personal freedoms from dominating We can pray as well for the sacredness of other dependencies and relationships which assist our God-given identities.

It is not easy to determine what dependencies are sacred and which ones are ill. It is not easy either to know when our in-dependencies are healthy or ill as well. We come to the Eucharist to express our healthy dependence on God's love and receive the challenges to use freely God's many gifts in the service of peace and justice.



United States we are celebrating our resulting war to secure that separation nation's history. Instead, we have our liberties and assist other areas of identities.

week's liturgy, we might pray for forces within our souls and our bodies.

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**July 5, 2020**

**14th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**"Take My Yoke Upon You and Learn from Me."**

**O Lord!**

**We are burdened indeed. We have poisoned the air,  
neglected the inequities, and there is this virus.**

**Augustine told us You came so that**

**"The Bread might hunger, that**

**The Fountain might thirst, that**

**The Way might be tired on his journey, that**

**The Truth might be accused of false witness, and that**

**The Healer might be wounded."**

**You know our humanity so well, and the suffering we can cause.**

**So, Jesus, we come to you,**

**Please show us your heavenly Father, who loves every hair on our head.**

**Let us learn from You, and follow You,  
and find rest.**

**(Anne Osdieck)**

**Sunday Readings**

**Zechariah 9:9-10** – Behold: your king is coming to you....Humble and riding on a donkey.

**Romans 8:9, 11-13** – If you live according to the flesh, you will die, but if by the spirit you put to death the deeds of the body, you will live.

**Matthew 11:25-30** – Jesus said, "Come to me, all you who labor and are burdened, and I will give you rest."

Jesus declares, "All things have been handed over to me by my Father." The pinnacle of this is the handing over of "the Spirit who raised Jesus from the dead." Christ assures us that what the Father has handed over to him is the ability to console those "who labor and are burdened."



These things of heaven are "revealed to little ones" because they refuse to rely on themselves, and thus they remain best disposed to receive all that God is eager to give. They "rejoice heartily" and "shout for joy" at the coming of our meek King, who, by his very presence, "proclaims peace to the nations."

**PRAYER** Lord, you give rest to the weary of heart. Help me create space in my life to rest in your presence.

*From Faithful Meditations for Every Day  
Rev Warren J Savage and Mary Ann McSweeney*

### Reflection Questions:

“Come to me...I will give you rest.” What powerful words these are in today’s Gospel. After all that we may have experienced these past few months, let us never forget these compassionate words of Christ, our God.

- How can I yoke myself to Jesus, my Lord and king?
- What burdens, stressors or disappointments can I hand over to God this week?

### Living Stewardship – Pillar of Prayer

Jesus loves us more than we can imagine. When you pray to Him do not be afraid to ask Him to guide you through your sufferings.

For those who are suffering from the effects of the coronavirus. We pray to the Lord...

### A WORD FROM POPE FRANCIS

To do good...that is what God wants. He, who became small for our sake, asks us to offer something for the least of his brothers and sisters. Who are they? They are those who have nothing to give in return, the needy, the hungry, the stranger, the prisoner, the poor.



*Homily, January 6, 2018*



# July 12, 2020

## 15<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

"A Sower Went Out to Sow Some Seed."

**In this familiar parable of the sower and the seed, Jesus is encouraging us to be the rich soil - to take his words to heart and let them take root in our lives. Today there are obstacles to accepting Jesus' teaching, just as there were when Jesus told this parable. Often there is brief enthusiasm, followed by a kind of spiritual short attention span. There are also temptations and troubles that**

**bring doubt and straying. But always Jesus invites us back, calling us to open our ears to hear God's Word. And when we respond, we become the rich soil that produces fruit - the product of a life of faith.**

### Sunday Readings

**Isaiah 55:10-11** – So shall my word be that goes forth from my mouth. It shall not return to me empty, but shall do what pleases me.

**Romans 8:18-23** – Hope that creation itself would be set free from slavery to corruption and share in the glorious freedom of the children of God.

**Matthew 13:1-9** – Jesus said, “Whoever has ears ought to hear.”

**PRAYER** Lord, you completed God’s work on earth. Help me know and accomplish God’s will.

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### Living Stewardship – Pillar of Formation

This upcoming week, try to read the daily Gospel reading for each day. May we allow the seed of God’s Word to enter into our hearts and grow.

That our parish may be like the rich soil that allows God’s Word to grow. We pray to the Lord....

### Reflection Questions:

“I consider that the sufferings of this present time are as nothing compared with the glory to be revealed for us.” May these words from today’s First Reading give us hope and encourage us.

- How often do I spend time outdoors enjoying nature?
- What messages from God can I find in the natural world today?

### A WORD FROM POPE FRANCIS

Every worker...should have the right to decent remuneration, to social security and to a pension. Among you here are....workers in grassroots jobs who are excluded from labor rights, who are denied the possibility of unionizing, whose income is neither adequate nor stable. Today I ...join my voice to yours and support you in your struggle.



*World meeting of popular movements  
October 28, 2014*

The story is told of a father who sat at the supper table one evening reflecting upon his life. At that time his life was in ruins. He had been divorced two years ago and his eldest son had written \$5,000 worth of bad checks. This man was living in the basement of a home and his son was coming to live with him.



The day his son came to live with him he was high on drugs, so the father put him to bed. He went back to his chair and began to pray the Our Father. He so badly wanted a relationship with his son. The next morning at breakfast he said to his son, "I know what you have done. We both know what has been wrong, but we are going to start over. You are forgiven for all the money you have stolen, for all you have done in the past and we are starting over. *I will never bring up your past. Do not repeat it. It is past.*" The Father said that was the turning point in their lives.

Jesus makes that same statement to us. "You are forgiven. Don't ever bring it up again. Forget it." WOW! Those are almost unbelievable words. What a gift! What words of consolation!



**PARISH SUPPORT**

June 16 - Collection                      \$ 1,480.00  
 June 16 - Education of Priests        1,725.00  
 June 18 - Collection                      540.00  
 June 23 - Collection                      1,490.00  
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**SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION**

Our priest will be hearing confessions this Saturday. The location for this sacrament is the sacristy on the right side (as you face the altar). You will be going face to face with the priest.

**MASS INTENTIONS:**

July 4                      Diane Earls  
 July 11                    Emily Mathes  
 July 18                    Jeff & Gene Ogden  
 July 25                    James McCain

**How would you like to receive the bulletin?**

Thanks to all who contacted me about the choices of receiving the bulletin. If you have not had a chance yet, please contact me –

Sharon Voegeli at 513-505-8884 (text or voice) or email: [saavoegeli@gmail.com](mailto:saavoegeli@gmail.com) to let me know if you would like to continue receiving your bulletin

- In the Mail
- Read it online
- Have it emailed to you.

Thank you.

***Masks in Church***

The following questions have recently been asked:

1. Why wear masks in church if we are sitting 6' apart?
2. Why wear them when other churches are not requiring them?
3. When will we no longer wear them?

When we began preparations for reopening our churches the recommendation came from the Archdiocese to have all people wear masks in church. Yes, we are sitting 6' apart in church but when approaching Holy Communion and when exiting church people are not always keeping their distance. Also, it would not be safe for those distributing Holy Communion if masks were not worn.

I will continue recommending wearing masks until the Office of Worship says otherwise. It is one way to show respect and concern for other parishioners.

Thank you for your understanding and pray that "this too shall pass."

**IN OUR THOUGHTS AND PRAYERS**

Joe Kelly	Linda Bear	Drew Willa	Amy Kinker	Pat Grieshop	Molly Ronaldson
Natalie Brown	Amy Castner	Todd Castner	Brooke Teer	Dennis Sanders	Madeline Ronaldson
Mike Raney	John Newhart	Gary Payne	Jennifer Hayness	Marsha Meister	Gerald Hermesch
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