

July 19 & July 26, 2020

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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:** Cancelled

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

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 19, 2020

16th Sunday in Ordinary Time

The Kingdom of Heaven is like a Mustard Seed...

Lord, you have given to the smallest seeds whatever it needed to become the largest of plants in the garden.

Like the mustard tree, with the birds of the sky dwelling in its branches, you have given all of us everything we need to grow into your loving family, caring deeply for each other and for our environment with its air, branches and birds.

Help us grow. Nourish us with your grace.

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Sunday Readings

Wisdom 12:13, 16-19

Your might is the source of righteousness, your mastery over all things makes you lenient to all.

Romans 8:26-27

The Spirit...comes to the aid of our weakness; for we do not know how to pray as we ought.

Matthew 13:24-43 or 13:24-30

In today's Gospel reading, we are told the parable about the wheat and the weeds. This parable reminds us that the world is not perfect and that on Earth there will be good people and evil people. This parable should remind us to not get discouraged and lose faith when we hear of all the evil in the world. Jesus said, at harvest time I will say to the harvesters. "First collect the weeds and tie them in bundles for burning, but gather the wheat into my barn.

Christ's parables today make this conjoined point: God in his providence will use even the apparent evil that attends us in life to some perfecting purpose; out of our littleness, our emptiness, our nothingness, God's greatness will flower in an astonishing way. The parables show that our God is the God who has "the care of all"—of every situation, every circumstance, every moment. God shows his might precisely when "the perfection of his power is disbelieved." "The Spirit comes to the aid of our weakness." We can cave in to our weakness out of despair...or we can pray with faith: "Power, whenever you will, attends you."

For those who have hurt us, and those whom we have hurt, We pray to the Lord.

PRAYER

Lord, you revealed the power of the kingdom of heaven on earth. Help me plant the seeds of love, compassion and peace in the hearts of all people.

Faithful Meditations for EveryDay
Rev Warren J Savage & Mary Ann McSweeney

Reflection Questions:

God would be fully justified to reprimand every vice of his creatures, yet he chooses mercy.

- Do I more readily imitate God's judgment, justice or mercy?
- How can I practice all three?

Living Stewardship – Pillar of Hospitality

In today's Responsorial Psalm, we praise God for being good and forgiving. We are also called to practice a good and forgiving nature. This week, pray for those who have hurt you and begin on the path of forgiveness.

A WORD FROM POPE FRANCIS

There are no unemployed people in the kingdom of God. Everyone is called to do their part and there will be a reward from divine justice for everyone in the end...the salvation that Jesus Christ acquired for us with his death and resurrection, a salvation which is not deserved, but donated..



Angelus. September 24, 2017

July 26, 2020

17th Sunday in Ordinary Time

The Kingdom of Heaven is like...

a treasure buried in a field; is like searching for fine pearls;
is like a net thrown into the sea...

In today's Gospel reading the parables of Jesus point to the value of God's Kingdom above all else. Both the merchant and the man working in the field go and sell everything they have to buy the object they have found.

It seems that Jesus is telling us that when the kingdom of God is found, its value causes all else to diminish in comparison. It is worthy of all our time, our efforts and our resources. Perhaps these parables call us to discern what is essential and what is superfluous in our lives.

What is your "precious pearl" and what would you be willing to give up to possess it?



Sunday Readings

1 Kings 3:5, 7-12

Give your servant, therefore, a listening heart to judge your people and to distinguish between good and evil.

Romans 8: 28-30

We know that all things work for good for those who love God.

Matthew 13: 44-52 or 13: 44-46

Jesus said, "The kingdom of heaven is like a treasure buried in a field, which a person finds and hides again, and out of joy goes and sells all that he has and buys that field."

As Christians, we should strive every day to live the way Christ wants us to live, so as to be with Him in His Kingdom. The Gospel reading describes to us, in parables, the awesomeness of the Kingdom of Heaven.

Reflection Questions:

We come to understand our treasure is not found in wealth, but in the glorious vestment of baptismal faith.

- What are you searching for? Will you make sacrifices for it?
- Do riches have a stronger hold on you than God?

A WORD FROM POPE FRANCIS

How nice it is to feel that our school, or the places where we father, are a second home....School then ends up being one big family. A family where, together with our mothers and fathers, our grandparents, our teachers and friends, we learn to help one another, to share our good qualities, to give the best of ourselves.



*Our Lady Queen of Angels School
September 25, 2015*

PRAYER

Lord, you reveal the kingdom of heaven on earth. Help me be more aware of God's presence.

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

Living Stewardship – Pillar of Service

As stewards, we understand that one of the best ways to live as God wills of us to be at the service of others. Remember, whatever we do for the least of our brothers and sisters, we do for Him.

For those who are without a home, we pray to the Lord...

FORGIVE: FOR HEAVEN'S SAKE Be Tenderhearted to One Another



We all know that forgiveness is beautiful and necessary and yet, under the sting of hurt, we quickly toughen ourselves and withhold the grace of forgiveness. If we are honest, forgiveness does not come naturally or easily, even for one who is close to the Lord. What comes naturally is nursing our wounds,

repeating the offense over and over again in our minds, and harboring bitterness inside where others cannot easily see. Ruth Chou Simons says, "We call it forgiveness when we have moved on, but I think forgiveness is when you let tenderness move in." Have you allowed *tenderness* to move into your heart this year of "forgiving, for heaven's sake?"



PARISH SUPPORT

June 30 - Collection \$ 2,010.00
July 7 - Collection 2,329.00
July 13 - Collection 1,900.00
Peter's Pence 136.00
Cemetery 21.00

"Thank You for Your Generosity!"

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 18 Jeff & Gene Ogden
 July 25 James McCain
 August 1 Dale Young
 August 8 Pat Schuman

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- In the Mail
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Thank you.

BANDS OF MARRIAGE



Jessica Ann Strassell and **Jason Robert Manlove** will be united in marriage on Saturday, July 25, 1:30 PM at St. John Parish.

PRIESTLY CHANGES

Fr. Bill Turner will be the Sacramental Minister for St Maurice and for St John, Osgood. Fr. Santhosh Yohannan will be Sacramental Minister for Immaculate Conception, Millhousen. He will also offer sacrament assistance for St Maurice and for St. John as needed. Fr. John Geis will most likely concelebrate the 4:00 PM Mass with Fr. Bill.



St. Louis Parish will now be linked with St. Anthony, Morris, and St. Nicholas will be linked with St. Charles, Milan. There may still be further changes.

SUNDAY CHICKEN DINNER 11AM to 5PM

All Saints Parish – Carry out and outdoor seating
St. John, Dover: July 19
St. Martin, Yorkville: July 26
St. Paul, New Alsace August 9



Visit allsaintscatholic.net for more information.

The Funny Side

A four-year-old boy told his father: "Dad, I have decided to get married."

"Do you have a girl in mind?" the father asked.

"Yes," the boy replied. "Grandma! She said she loves me. I love her, too, and she is the best cook and storyteller in the whole world!"

"That's nice." The father replied, "but we have a small problem here. She happens to be my mother. How can you marry my mother?" "Why not?" the boy replied. "You married mine!"

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
Jeff Hafft	Tom Noah	Katie Smith	Joe Pesek	Mary Jane Jansing	Evelyn Nimeskern
Kelly Spiller	Tammy Meister	Henry Peters	Eileen Ogden	Linda Baurley	Ron Hensley