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Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

August 2, 2020

Thus says the Lord:
All you who are thirsty,
come to the water!
You who have no money,
come, receive grain and eat;
Come, without paying
and without cost,
drink wine and milk!

Isaiah 55:1

Our readings today remind us of our hunger and thirst, and how God works within us. We human beings are created dependent on food and water, and much more. And God deeply desires that our needs be met. Our physical hunger and thirst point to our deeper hungers: our need for meaning, purpose, and belonging; and most of all, for unity with God. In Matthew's Gospel passage today, Jesus' heart is moved with compassion for the people. Jesus not only cures the

sick and feeds the multitude, he also establishes bonds of community through the shared meal. Saint Paul shows us that nothing can ultimately separate us from God. Isaiah reminds us of God's ongoing invitation to us to come and receive. God's gifts cannot be earned or purchased. God's grace is offered in abundance. God's nourishment is the very best possible, and we should accept no substitutes.

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EIGHTEENTH
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Mass Intentions

Saturday, August 1, 2020 – 5:45pm

Parish Family of St. Patrick

Sunday, August 2, 2020 – 9:00 am

+Adele Kalinowski req. by Steve & Grace Niemiec

Monday, August 3, 2020 – 9:00 am

NO MASS

Tuesday, July August 4, 2020 – 9:00 am

NO MASS

Wednesday, August 5, 2020 – 9:00 am

NO MASS

Thursday, August 6, 2020 - 9:00 am

+Dennis Schubert req. by Steve & Grace Niemiec

Friday, August 7, 2020 - 9:00 am

NO MASS

Adoration from 9am until 10am

Saturday, August 8 – 5:45pm

Parish Family of St. Patrick

Sunday, August 9, 2020 – 9:00 am

+Larry Walsh req. by Dan & Judy Robbins

SATURDAY, August 8, 2020 – 5:45pm	SUNDAY, August 9, 2020 – 9:00am
USHER/GREATER: Mike & Katie Horath	USHER/GREATER: Dan & Cathy Gesell
LECTOR: Cameron Luehrs	LECTOR: Sarah Hoehn
	COUNTERS: Boyle & Kotesa

STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE

For the new fiscal year beginning July 1, 2019, the weekly Sunday collection goal is
\$2,090.37

Sunday, July 20.....\$1,125.00

Thank you for your support of our Parish

St. Patrick Parish depends on offertory donations for ongoing expenses. Please visit our parish website to set up online giving, if you have not already done so. Our parish website can be found at: www.stpatrickwiltoncenter.org – Online Giving is simple, convenient, and secure. Thank you



Please Participate!
Your Gift Makes a Difference!

Parish Goal:	\$ 10,200.00
Amount Pledged:	\$ 10,632.00
Amount Paid	\$ 9,407.00

Thank you for your generous response.



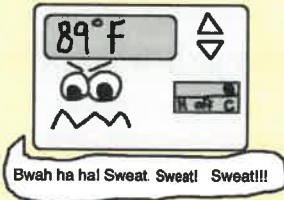
REMINDER! MASKS ARE MANDATORY
WE HAVE A FEW AVAILABLE,
THERE WILL BE A CHARGE OF \$1.00 EACH



RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CLASSES
BEGIN SEPTEMBER 13, 2020 AFTER THE 9AM MASS
PLEASE TURN IN ALL REGISTRATION INFORMATION
AS SOON AS POSSIBLE
IF YOU ARE INTERESTED IN VOLUNTEERING AS A
TEACHER PLEASE CONTACT THE PARISH OFFICE.
THANK YOU



Our Two Week Candle is
burning for
A special intention for
FR. JIM LENNON



The new air conditioning unit is working well; the cost of the unit with installation was \$7,200. We appreciate everyone who has donated to help cover this cost. So far we have received \$520 toward the new unit. Thank You.



MASS ETIQUETTE

Remember that entering the house of God is a sacred place and the Scriptures instructs us to show proper reverence to God, specifically in the way that we dress and the way we act. We should attire ourselves appropriately at Mass to show God that we consider his liturgy as the source and summit of our Catholic faith. Being modest is part of obeying the law of Chastity because how we dress reveals our standards. The way you dress is a reflection of what you are on the inside and influences the way you and others act. Ask yourself, "Would I feel comfortable with my appearance in the presence of the Lord?" Dressing modestly not only shows our faith in the Lord, but shows our gratitude and respect for our bodies, which are gifts from God. Men remember to remove your hats, women may wear chapel veils. Gum chewing is not permitted and it does break the fasting rule before communion. Also remember that the use of electronics during Mass is unacceptable, so please turn off all electronics and cell phones. Finally during this difficult time of stricter rules and regulations because of the pandemic, be kind to those working so hard to keep the doors open. They are following the guidelines set down by the diocese so we all can participate in celebrating the Mass. None of us like these rules, but we must follow them for our safety and the safety of those around us. Thank you for your cooperation.



SCRAP METAL DRIVE
Religious Education Annual Scrap Metal Drive
Will be on Saturday, October 10, 2020
From 8am until Noon
In the East parking lot.

Prayers needed: Fr. Jim Lennon was diagnosed with Acute Leukemia. Fr. Jim, is asking for you to please keep him in your prayers. Please respect Fr. Jim's privacy during this time.

Cards can be sent to : Fr. James Lennon
100 N. Scott St.
Joliet, Illinois. 60432

**WE ARE HAPPY TO WELCOME
EVERYONE BACK TO
ST. PATRICK CHURCH**

**REGULAR SCHEDULE IS:
SATURDAY 5:45PM – MASS
SUNDAY 9:00AM – MASS
THURSDAY 9:00AM – MASS**

**RECONCILIATION AFTER THURSDAY MORNING MASS
OR BY APPOINTMENT
FRIDAY 9:00am TO 10:00am
ADORATION**

Currently, adoration is limited to only 10 attendees at one time.

You must register at:

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/904054FAEAE2FA3F58-stpatricks>

Entrance into the Church will only be through the east side door.

Our leadership team has prepared the church so that it is safe for our time of worship.

The following guidelines are recommended by our Diocese and the CDC.

1. Face covering is required.
2. Social distancing will be maintained. Households may sit together.
3. The Church has been disinfected and will be disinfected after every Mass/ rite or event
4. Arrive 10 -15 minutes earlier as there is a check-in process
5. If you have been exposed to someone that tested positive to COVID self-quarantine and don't attend. If you have flu-like symptoms, please respect the health and safety of other attendees and stay home to get well. The dispensation from the obligation to attend Mass on Saturday/Sunday and Holy Days of Obligation is extended until further notice.
6. Please follow the guidance of the ushers/greeters through the check-in, seating and exiting process.

If you are interested in volunteering, please send me an email. We need ushers, greeters and cleaners for each service.

Also, the weekend Masses will be available for you to attend on St. Patrick's website and Facebook page.

Thank You and may God Bless You. Fr. Sebastian



Wedding Anniversary Mass

Live-Streamed
Cathedral of St. Raymond

August 23, 2020
2:00 PM

The 42nd Annual Diocesan Wedding Anniversary Mass will be Live-Streamed on Sunday, August 23 at 2 pm from the Cathedral of St. Raymond in Joliet. Couples celebrating anniversaries of 25 years, 50 years, and more than 50 years, are welcome to view the Live-Stream celebration and receive an anniversary certificate sent in the mail. Bishop Richard E. Pates will celebrate the Mass and will lead all couples in a special renewal of wedding promises. To receive your certificate in the mail, please register by August 14 by calling the Office of Family Ministry at 815-838-5334 or register online at <https://bit.ly/3fBY3VN>.



PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

Marge Flint; Nancee Long, Shay Phelan, Lisa Bernhard, Cecelia Mundt; Fr. Jim Lennon; Gary Ulman; Nicole Flint; Brett Burkhalter ; Cathy Engler; Grace Niemiec; Russ McClellon; Bob Johnson ; Steve Niemiec;

PLEASE CONTACT THE OFFICE IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO BE PUT ON THE PRAYER LIST.

Intention of the Holy Father MONTH OF AUGUST

- We pray for all those who work and live from the sea, among them sailors, fishermen and their families.

If you or a loved one would like to be put on the prayer list because of illness, rehab, or living at a health care center please let the office know. If there is an emergency and you need a priest, Fr. Sebastian will be available and can be reached at : 1(815) 478-3440 ex. 102 or 815-476-7491 and then press 1.



READINGS FOR THE WEEK

August 2, 2020



Monday: Jer 28:1-17; Ps 119:29, 43, 79, 80, 95, 102; Mt 14:22-36

Tuesday: Jer 30:1-2, 12-15, 18-22; Ps 102:16-21, 29, 22-23; Mt 14:22-36 or Mt 15:1-2, 10-14

Wednesday: Jer 31:1-7; Jer 31:10-12ab, 13; Mt 15:21-28

Thursday: Dn 7:9-10, 13-14; Ps 97:1-2, 5-6, 9; 2 Pt 1:16-19; Mt 17:1-9

Friday: Na 2:1, 3; 3:1-3, 6-7; Dt 2:35cd-36ab, 39abcd, 41; Mt 16:24-28

Saturday: Hb 1:12 – 2:4; Ps 9:8-13; Mt 17:14-20

Sunday: 1 Kgs 19:9a, 11-13a; Ps 85:9-14; Rom 9:1-5; Mt 14:22-33

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCE

Sunday: Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Tuesday: St. John Vianney

Wednesday: Dedication of the Basilica of St. Mary Major

Thursday: The Transfiguration of the Lord

Friday: St. Sixtus II and Companions; St. Cajetan; First Friday

Saturday: St. Dominic



NOTHING CAN SEPARATE US

Today's passage from Saint Paul's letter to the Romans concludes Chapter 8 with a flourish. It is the exclamation point of Paul's teaching on the presence of the Spirit within them and among them. The church in Rome faced great suffering as they were marginalized and persecuted for their faith. Paul names both social and cosmic forces that oppress them, over which they have no control. Their trials likely provoked questions that led them to wonder, "Where is God?"

Paul teaches that God is so deeply present within us that nothing can separate us from God. This includes our own forms of resistance. Even when we find myriad ways to avoid and run away, God is waiting patiently. Even when God seems distant or absent, God continues to invite, to welcome, and to speak to us.

IMAGINING GOD'S ABUNDANCE

When reflecting upon today's Gospel passage from Matthew, the story of the feeding of the multitude, we might consider the role of Jesus' disciples. Unlike the very similar story in Matthew 15, Jesus responds to the disciples by saying, "Give them some food yourselves". Jesus is pushing his disciples to think beyond the apparent scarcity, and to open their imaginations to God's abundance. They are to join in with what God is doing. Jesus then takes, blesses, breaks, and shares the bread (anticipating his action at the Last Supper), and the disciples share the loaves with the crowd.

The stories of the feeding of the multitudes also point ahead to the practice of Eucharist in the Church. The Eucharist itself points ahead to God's banquet at the consummation of the reign of God, when all will share God's abundance. We the Church are called to open our imaginations to God present and active, who continually works toward God's promised future. We are to share in God's passionate desire to feed the people, and join in what God is doing here and now.

Today's Readings: Is 55:1-3; Ps 145:8-9, 15-16, 17-18; Rom 8:35, 37-39; Mt 14:13-21

8/2/2020