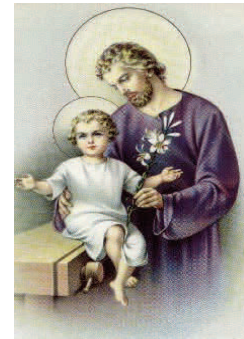


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17th Sunday in Ordinary Time- Year B
July 29, 2018



Multiplication of the Loaves (John 6:1-15)

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Welcome! We extend our hearts and hands to all who celebrate with us at St. Josephs. We would like to invite any guest to fill out the form below, if interested in becoming a registered member of this Parish.

Thank you for worshipping with us! Again Welcome, Bienvenidos, Benvenuto, Willkommen, Nno-nu, Byenveni!

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e-mail address: _____

[] New Parishioners, please send a Parish Registration Form

[] We've Moved, here is our new information

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, July 28

7:45 a.m. Morning Prayer
8:00 a.m. No Intention
8:30 a.m. Rosary
4:00 p.m. Confessions
4:35 p.m. Rosary
5:00 p.m. Manuel Ramirez + By Gloria & Gerry Riveros

Sunday, July 29

7:10 a.m. Rosary
7:30 a.m. Parish Family
9:40 a.m. Rosary
10:00 a.m. Emily Rose Kobryn + by Mike & Gail Kobryn

Monday, July 30

7:45 a.m. Morning Prayer
8:00 a.m. Leonard Smythe +
8:30 a.m. Rosary

Tuesday, July 31

7:00 a.m. Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament
7:45 a.m. Morning Prayer
8:00 a.m. Fathers of Gene & Kay Keys
8:30 a.m. Rosary
8:30 a.m. Confession

Wednesday, August 1

6:25 p.m. Rosary
6:45 p.m. Evening Prayer
7:00 p.m. Dorothy Huseman +

Thursday, August 2

5:00 p.m. Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament/
Adoration
6:30 p.m. Evening Prayer
6:45 p.m. Litany of the Eucharist & Benediction
7:00 p.m. Tricia Gruss +

Friday, August 3

7:45 a.m. Morning Prayer
8:00 a.m. Mother of Judy Bayne
8:30 a.m. Rosary

Saturday, August 4

7:45 a.m. Morning Prayer
8:00 a.m. No Intention
8:30 a.m. Rosary
4:00 p.m. Confessions
4:35 p.m. Rosary
5:00 p.m. Jane Case +

Sunday, August 5

7:10 a.m. Rosary
7:30 a.m. Parish Family
9:40 a.m. Rosary
10:00 a.m. Lily Sunio & Purita Sumabat +

17th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME– YEAR B - July 29, 2018

If you have ever wondered, the Gospel readings we hear each Sunday at Mass are not simply chosen at random. Instead, the Church has formed a three year cycle from which the Sunday readings come. This cycle is labeled as Year A, Year B, and Year C. In Year A, we read mostly from the Gospel of St. Matthew. In Year B, the Gospel of St. Mark, and, Year C, the Gospel of St. Luke. The Gospel of St. John, not be forgotten, is read primarily during the Easter Season in all three years of the cycle. Through this cycle, by our faithful attendance at Sunday Mass, we will hear from the majority of the four Gospels.

A new year in the cycle will always begin at the start of the liturgical year, or the First Sunday in Advent. This year, we are currently in Year B, meaning we are hearing primarily from the Gospel of St. Mark. Starting this weekend, however, our Gospel readings from St. Mark will be interrupted by readings from the 6th Chapter of the Gospel of St. John, often referred to as the Bread of Life discourse. Over the next several weekends, we will hear Jesus' very clear teachings regarding the Eucharist, His Body and His Blood, taken from St. John. This interruption is no accident, but was intentionally included by the Church when the three year cycle was set.

We celebrate today the 17th Sunday in Ordinary Time. There are a total of 34 Sundays in Ordinary Time. This means that, today, we are truly in the middle of the liturgical year. Not only, then, are we in the middle of the liturgical year, but, as we are in Year B of our three-year cycle of Scripture readings, we are truly in the center of the whole three-year cycle itself. This means that, in our proclamation of the Gospel, the Church has placed our Lord's teachings from John 6 on the Eucharist at its very center. In the same way, we, as a Eucharistic people, must make the Eucharist the very center of our lives.

If we were to continue from where we had left off last Sunday in the Gospel of St. Mark, we would now be hearing St. Mark's description of the Feeding of the Five Thousand (Mark 6:34-44). As this miracle, however, is the only miracle story accounted in all four Gospels, we find ourselves hearing St. John's telling of the miracle, referred to as the Multiplication of the Loaves (John 6:1-15).

In our first reading, from 2 Kings, we hear of a similar miracle, though on a much smaller scale, performed by the prophet Elisha. This passage of the Old Testament would have been forefront on the minds of the large crowd present when our Lord multiplied the loaves. For this reason, the crowd calls our Lord "the Prophet" and, having fulfilled their physical needs, wish to crown Him as their king. They wished to make Jesus the center of their worldly life, but He instead withdraws Himself.

Jesus does not wish to simply to be our worldly king, but, instead, our Savior. To fill not simply our worldly hungers, but the deepest longings of our hearts. To truly become the very center of our lives. As St. Paul describes in our second reading, we "put on the new self" when we encounter our Lord. In meeting Jesus, our very lives are changed. We can no longer continue in our selfish ways, but, in meeting Jesus, are turned outward. And, we meet Him in a very intimate way each and every time we receive Him in the Eucharist. How will we allow this encounter to change us? How will we allow Jesus to become the very center of our lives?

In Christ,
Fr. David

SCRIPTURE/MASS READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Mon., July 30 - Seventeenth Week in Ordinary Time - St. Peter Chrysologus, Bishop and Doctor of the Church - Jer 13:1-11/ Mt 13:31-35

Tues., July 31 - St. Ignatius of Loyola, Priest - Jer 14:17-22/ Mt 13:36-43

Wed., Aug. 1 - St. Alphonsus Liguori, Bishop and Doctor of the Church - Jer 15:10,16-21/ Mt 13:44-46

Thurs., Aug. 2 - St Eusebius of Vercelli, Bishop; St. Peter Julian Eymard, Priest - Jer 18:1-6/ Mt 13:47-53

Fri., Aug. 3 - Jer 26:1-9/Mt 13:54-58

Sat., Aug. 4 - St. John Vianney, Priest - Jer 26:11-16,24/ Mt 14:1-12

Sun., Aug. 5 - Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time - Ex 16:2-4,12-15/ Eph 4:17,20-24/ Jn 6:24-35

*"Let no one ever come to you
without leaving better and happier. Be
the living expression of God's kindness:
kindness in your face, kindness in your
eyes, kindness in your smile."*

Mother Teresa



Our Love & Prayers Go Out To... Bud & Sharon Miller, Genevieve Lohmuller, Becky Biberstein, Fern Britton, Evelyn Morrissey, Betty Meyer, Ron Payne, David Carr, Ronnie & Bonnie Burns, Michael Green, Rick Cotterman, Frances Carr, Kelsey Peters, Tom Richhart, Carol Lochtefeld, Priscilla Rhodes and Tom Williams.



From Death To New Life

In your charity, please pray for the repose of the soul of
James A. Yonker, Sr., father of Jim (Dee) Yonker,
who died Thursday, July 19, 2018

May God welcome him home, fill him with peace and
bless those who will miss him.

Eternal Rest Grant unto him O Lord, and let Perpetual light shine
upon him. May his soul and the souls of all the faithful
departed through the mercy of God rest in Peace. Amen.

PARISH CALENDAR FOR AUGUST 2018

- Wed., Aug. 1- Parish Council meeting following 7:00 p.m.
Mass—approximately 7:30 p.m.
- Thurs., Aug. 2- All day Adoration/Exposition of the Blessed
Sacrament. Mass at 8:00 a.m., Adoration 8:30 a.m. - 7:00 p.m.,
Evening Prayer— 6:30 p.m./Litany of the Eucharist/Benediction—
6:45 p.m./ Mass— 7:00 p.m.
- Tues., Aug. 7- Knights of Columbus Meeting— Rosary 6:40 p.m.
in the Church/ Meeting at 7:00 p.m. in the social hall.
- Wed., Aug. 8- Adoration/Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
5-7:00 p.m./ Mass— 7:00 p.m.
- Sat., Aug. 18- Religious Education Pizza/Sundae Bar
(Registration)- Immediately following 5:00 p.m. Mass in the
social hall.
- Sat., Aug. 19- Juice/Milk & Donuts after 7:30 & 10:00 a.m.
Masses served by Knights of Columbus
- Fri., Sat., & Sun., Aug. 24, 25 and 26- Marriage Encounter
Weekend. Registration forms available in the narthex.



ALL DAY ADORATION/ EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

Thursday, August 2, 2018 - 8:30a.m. - 7:00 p.m. /
Evening Prayer— 6:30 p.m. /Litany of the Eucharist/
Benediction— 6:45 p.m. /Mass— 7:00 p.m.
Please sign up on the sheet in the narthex and come
spend an hour with Jesus in quiet prayer.



MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER WEEKEND

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Registration Forms in the Narthex!

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WEEKEND OF August 4/5, 2018

CANTORS:

5:00 Knights of Columbus
7:30 Donna Geisel
10:00 Marita Crawfis

LECTORS:

5:00 Knights of Columbus
7:30 Carol Butler
10:00 Glenn Ryan

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS:

5:00 Knights of Columbus
7:30 Barb Ault, Dave Gruss, Jill Morrissey
10:00 Monica Harris, Diana Cole, Tammi Helm, Ann Reif-
steck, Steve Higgins

MINISTERS OF HOSPITALITY:

5:00 Knights of Columbus
7:30 Doug/Janet Lehman
10:00 Dan/Larisa Sudhoff, Mike/Brenden Kobryn

SERVERS:

5:00 Knights of Columbus
7:30 Mark/Beth Geisel, Jacqueline Mayer
10:00 Quinn Dreiband, Catherine Crawfis, Grant Reifsteck

Collection for Weekend of July 21/22, 2018

Adult Envelopes- \$3,291.00
Child Envelopes- \$17.50
Loose- \$292.75
Religious Ed. Fund- \$135.00
Repair/Rainy Day Fund- \$25.00
Total- \$3760.75

*Thank you for your gifts
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The amount needed each week to make budget is \$5,116.40

We are \$1,355.65 behind of budget
from last week.

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Let's Honor The Lord With Our Giving

"Remember this, whoever sows sparingly will also reap sparingly.
And whoever sows generously will also reap generously."
2 Corinthians 9:6

Please remember,
to support your parish,
St. Joseph, this summer
while you are away on
vacation or traveling.
Thank you!

STEWARDSHIP CORNER

**We should ask God to give us wisdom
to comprehend the brevity of life.**

"Show me, O Lord, my life's end and the number of my days;
let me know how fleeting is my life" (Psalm 39:4).

WATCH THE BULLETIN!

Training date(s) for
Extraordinary Ministers of
Holy Communion and Lectors will be
posted in the bulletin sometime in
August; after school begins.
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Lectors and Monica Harris will be
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h - is it helpful?
i - is it inspiring?
n - is it necessary?
k - is it kind?