

sent me." Matthew 10:37-42

June 28th, 2020 13th Sunday in Ordinary Times

An Ever-growing Eucharistic Community Boldly Serving Others Through Gods Love

Sacrament of Reconciliation: Saturdays: 6:30 pm - 7:30 pm

Daily Mass: 8:30 am

(Monday, Wednesday, Friday)

Weekend Mass Schuedule

Saturday 8:00 pm

Sunday: 8:00 am

11:00 am

Sunday Mass can be viewed on our

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Weekly Words from The Rock

My Catholic Life has a series of questions and answers on the Catholic Faith. It can be found at the site "Catholic Questions and Answers: Questions and Answers from My Catholic Life!" I am going to share with you some of their questions and answers in the weeks ahead.

Q. I was excited to watch the announcement of the new pope... I even got to watch it live. When it was over, I heard Pope Francis gave an indulgence even to people who watched on TV. I've heard of an indulgence, but I'm not really sure what that is. Can you explain it?

A. Indulgences are one of those gifts within our Church that few understand. I think, in the old days, they were practiced and spoken about far more often. But, perhaps because of confusion and misuse, they slowly drifted out of our regular church conversations. In recent years it is my experience that indulgences are being spoken of more often.

So, what is an indulgence? The official definition of an indulgence is this: "An indulgence is the remission in the eyes of God of the temporal punishment due to sins whose culpable element has already been taken away." Hmmm, so what exactly does that mean? I think the best way to understand this definition is to look at sin and its effects upon us. When we sin we need forgiveness. Forgiveness is offered to us freely through the Sacrament of Reconciliation. If our sin is grave then we deserve eternal punishment. Confession eliminates this eternal punishment. Confession also forgives the guilt of our smaller sins. However, just because we have been forgiven does not mean that our attachment to that sin is eliminated also. For example, if someone confesses, with true sorrow, that they have been using foul language on a daily basis, then God will forgive them completely for all the times in the past that they have used foul language.

However, this forgiveness does not necessarily mean that they have completely and totally broken the habit of sin. There is a good chance that, upon leaving the confessional, if they trip and fall down, they will be immediately tempted to use foul language. So what does this illustrate? It illustrates that we need not only forgiveness but also the grace to completely and totally detach ourselves from the habit of sin and the unhealthy attachment we have to sin. This is hard! It takes true conversion. But this is the reason for an indulgence.

The Church, specifically the pope, has the authority on earth to unlock the storehouse of grace in Heaven and let the faithful know that if they perform certain acts of piety, faith and devotion, they can be assured of the fact that God will pour down His graces upon them to help them enter more deeply into a complete detachment to all sin. So, for example, if someone spends at least a half an hour in prayer before the Blessed Sacrament they can receive a plenary indulgence as long as they also go to Confession and Communion within seven days before or after and offer prayers for the intention of the pope.

When this is done, they receive a plenary (or full) indulgence. This means that every grace they need is available to them to completely detach from sin and to live in a perfect state of grace. Therefore, if they went to confession, received the indulgence and fully opened their heart to this grace through their conversion and love then, if they were to die at that moment, they would go straight to Heaven.

I think the most important thing to understand is that indulgences are simply another way of receiving the outpouring of grace that our God wishes to bestow upon us! This grace is given specifically for the purpose of detaching from our tendency to sin. And, it is for certain, that every grace we are given from God is necessary and should be sought out and received with much anticipation and gratitude. Hope that helps!

God's blessings! Fr. Peter Schuster, Pastor

Parish News



Welcome Michelle Perrier as our new Music and Choral Director & Coordinator of Liturgy. Michelle, a native of Washington State, has been working for the Catholic Church since 2005. Michelle has two vocations in life, one to serve the Church, the other to be a performer and opera singer. Through both, she constantly ministers her brothers and sisters in Christ, welcomes all peoples to discover God's love, and spreads the light of Christ to everyone she can. With her compassion for all peoples and her enthusiastic nature, she continually uses her gifts to that end.

Michelle earned a Master of Music from the University of Arizona and holds a Bachelor of Music from attending both Gonzaga University and the University of Arizona. She is currently completing a Certificate of Liturgy from the University of Notre Dame. She has worked for numerous parishes in the Dioceses of Spokane and Tucson. Her latest positions are the Director of Music and Liturgy at St. Frances Cabrini Parish, a vocal artist with Arizona Opera's outreach troupe, and a member of St. Augustine's Cathedral Fine Arts Committee, all located in Tucson. Michelle has collaborated with many ensembles with an emphasis on contemporary music. She has also performed in various roles across the United States and Europe.

Whenever she finds free time, Michelle enjoys dancing blues and Argentine tango, playing board games, and working on a myriad of crafts, from making rosaries to creating stage sets with her power drill. She continues to root for the Gonzaga Bulldogs. Most importantly, she continually renews her commitment as a daughter of Christ and uses her gifts to the best of her abilities.

Liturgical Ministries July 4th/5th.

If unable to fulfill your ministry as scheduled, please find a substitute. Thank you.

Ministry Schedule as of June 15th, 2020

Ushers

8:00 pm Liz Hanson 8:00 pm Josh Noser, Fred Noser

8:00 am Denise Koster 8:00 am Kenneth Mueller, NOT FILLED

11:00 am Thomas Kelly 11:00 am Brett Maronde, Jacob Maronde

Greeters

8:00 pm Tara Engel, NOT FILLED Sacristans

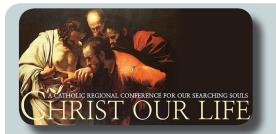
8:00 am Gretchen Cutshall, Dianne Plager 8:00 pm Judith Pelowski 11:00 am Vince Meyer, Char Stocker 8:00 am Nancy Hass

11:00 am NOT FILLED

Wedding

May the Peace of Christ Live in their hearts and home

Matthew Cyr and Emma Hermes June 27th, 2020 Kevin Geraghty and Joy Viceroy June 28th, 2020 (Dublin, Ireland) Their Mailing address is: Joy Viceroy, 15 Chapelhill, Martin's Row, Chapelizod, Dublin 20, D20 V351, Ireland.



Christ Our Life Conference

Wells Fargo Arena 233 Center St Des Moines, IA Saturday, September 26, 2020 8 AM to 9:30 PM; Sunday, September 27, 2020 8 AM to 1:30 PM Doors open at 7AM each day

You are invited to one of the largest conferences of its kind in the United States. Hear world-class speakers, celebrate Mass among many thousands, attend Reconciliation, visit Jesus in Adoration, fill your spirit with music and feel your soul rejoice! Ticketholders will be provided with a wristband good for a weekend pass to all sessions.

Ticket Sales information: Purchase online at christourlifeiowa.com

Sales end on Sep 26, 2020. We realize that participants may have varying comfort levels about attending a large gathering. In addition to the in-person event, COL plans to offer livestreaming of the conference. This means the events will be available in "real time" online for a fee to cover this additional expense. We will send you a password two days before the event that will enable you to attend the conference in real time - online from your location.

Single Live Stream Ticket - (for online attendance) \$25.00 +\$2.24 Fee; Select quantity: Single Live Stream Ticket - (for online attendance)

SPEAKER LINE UP

Father Donald Calloway, MIC As a former member of the Japanese mafia, Fr. Don's stunning conversion to Catholicism is miraculous and mesmerizing. Now an international author, leader of Marian devotion and Divine Mercy, (and capable surfer) his devotion to the Faith and the Rosary motivate countless souls.

Sister Miriam James, SOLT Known as One Groovy Nun, Sr. Miriam energetically displays her strong zeal for Jesus in all she does, whether engaged in speaking about forgiveness and mercy... topics she personally has experienced, or simply playing volleyball with kids.

Deacon Harold Burke-Sivers This on-fire Catholic deacon enflames hearts for Christ by co- hosting EWTN national radio program Morning Glory, hosting and co-hosting EWTN television programs and preaching throughout the world. His Benedictine spirituality richly enhances his deep faith.

Mirjana Soldo Author of My Heart Will Triumph, referring to Blessed Mother Mary's heart, Mirjana has received apparitions from Mary since age 16. This gentle and holy woman encourages the faith of hundreds of thousands in Medjugorje each year.

Magnus MacFarlane-Barrow Again this Scottish founder and CEO of Mary's Meals returns to share recent experiences and insights from throughout the world. Mary's Meals now feeds more than 1.6 million impoverished children at their place of education daily.

Jon Leonetti Radio host, author, presenter and national parish mission leader, Jon has served as Christ Our Life's emcee since the first conference in 2010. Jon's devotion to the Sacraments, prayer, the saints and family life inspire all to lead holy lives.

Steve Angrisano A perennial favorite of Christ Our Life audiences, Steve returns to provide the ideal combination of music and story-weaving in a sensitive and timely manner, enhancing the conference experience for thousands.

The dispensation from the obligation of Sunday Mass and Holy Days of Obligation remains in effect until further notice.

Monday 29 Jun Acts 12:1-11/Ps 34:2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9 [5b]/2 Tm 4:6-8, 17-18/ Mt 16:13-19

Daily Mass 8:30 am

Office Walk in hours: 10:30 am - 3:30 pm

Tuesday
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Am 3:1-8; 4:11-12/Ps 5:4b-6a, 6b-7, 8 [9a]/Mt 8:23-2

Office Walk in hours: 9:00 am - 3:30 pm

Wednesday

1 July Am 5:14-15, 21-24/Ps 50:7, 8-9, 10-11, 12-13, 16bc-17 [23b]/

Mt 8:28-34

Daily Mass 8:30 am

Office Walk in hours: 10:30 am - 3:30 pm

Money Counters: 9:00 am

Thursday 2

July

Am 7:10-17/Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 11 [10cd]/Mt 9:1-8

Office Walk in hours: 9:00 am - 3:30 pm

Friday

3 July Eph 2:19-22/Ps 117:1bc, 2 [Mk 16:15]/Jn 20:24-2

Daily Mass 8:30 am Office Closed

Saturday

4 July Am 9:11-15/Ps 85:9ab and 10, 11-12, 13-14 [cf. 9b]/Mt 9:14-17

Sacrament of Reconciliation 6:30 pm - 7:30 pm Mass 8:00 pm

Church doors locked after Mass to clean and disinfect

Sunday

5 July Zec 9:9-10/Ps 145:1-2, 8-9, 10-11, 13-14 [cf. 1]/Rom 8:9, 11-13/

Mt 11:25-30 Mass 8:00 am

Church locked after Mass until 10:30 to clean and disinfect

Mass 11:00 am

Church locked after Mass until 1:00 pm to clean and disinfect

Community News

Scrip Summer Hours at Lourdes High School: Monday through Thursday: 9:00am - 1:00pm. Masks are required. Markers will be in place on the floor for social distancing. Walk-in purchases would be from existing limited stock, so it is best to pre-order if possible. No Scrip sales at Church offices at this time. Pre-order purchases are strongly encouraged by Monday morning 10:00am deadline: Place your orders at ShopWithScrip.com. Email your order to Teresa Goodrich at tgoodrich@rcsmn.org. Leave a phone order at 507-280-0349. Pre-orders will be available for pickup starting Wednesday at 11:30 a.m. No Scrip orders or sales week of July 4th (June 29-July 3).

The Mayo Clinic Hospice is offering a free one-day camp for children and teens (ages 5-17) who have experienced the death of a significant person in their life. We are proud to offer this event at no charge to campers; thanks to the generous support from both Rochester Methodist and St. Mary's Volunteer Leadership Councils utilizing funds generated by hospital gift shop profits at both campuses. If you know of anyone who might benefit from the grief camp experience, please share the information. If you have any questions or wish to be removed from our mailing list, please call Mayo Clinic Hospice at 507-284-4002 or 1-800-679-9084 or email at RSTHOSPICEBEREAVEMENT@mayo.edu

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While in one of his adventures in the Sea of Galilee, Lukas met Jesus and was so impressed and gratified that now together with his old friend Noah, a turtle survivor of Noah's Ark, gather and tell the greatest stories of all times of Jesus and all the Saints that Lukas met through the ages... Discover how these stories full of music and fun changed the lives of the youngest of the reef: Ana, Paul, Agnes and Peter.

Mass Intentions

Private Daily Masses Jun 30 & Jul 2nd by Fr. Schuster/Fr. Shawn for the Mass intention below

Mon	Jun	29	8:30 am	†Joan Sudman
Tues	Jun	30	8:30 am	†Marie "Mitz" Sharpe
Wed	Jul	1	8:30 am	† Jerry Goodman
Thu	Jul	2	8:30 am	Fr. Schuster
Fri	Jul	3	8:30 am	†Jan Helgren
Sat	Jul	4	8:00 pm	For the Parish
Sun	Jul	5	8:00 am	†Sharon Heppelmann
Sun	Jul	5	11:00 am	†Casper Mueller

The southwestern corner of Minnesota has been hard hit by the COVID outbreak. Nobles County (the Worthington area) has had the largest number of COVID cases per population in the state, and many of the people most affected do not qualify for government assistance. As we continue to assess the needs of the people in our area who have been affected by the COVID outbreak, Catholic Charities of Southern MN has started a "Worthington Deanery COVID Relief Fund".

This fund is helping people in this area (the counties of Rock, Pipestone, Nobles, Murray, Jackson and Cottonwood) who have reduced income (lost employment or reduced hours) because of the COVID outbreak, and do not qualify for other means of assistance (unemployment, stimulus money, etc.). We will help those who have "fallen through the cracks" with rent or utilities up to \$500. This fund is currently supported solely by donations. If you would like to help, donations can be mailed to: Catholic Charities of Southern MN

111 Market Street, Suite #2

PO Box 739

Winona, MN 55987

Checks should be made payable to "Catholic Charities" but it is very important to designate your gift by writing "Worthington COVID Relief" in the memo line of the check.

If you are in need and would like to apply for assistance, contact Lisa Kremer at 507-360-3423 or email: lkremer@ccsomn.org.

We thank you for your support and for your prayers and concern for those who are suffering during these difficult times.

Faith Formation



News from Stacey, Grades 1-5, Family Ministry, dre1to5fm@rescathroch.org or 288-5528 x108

Welcome Back to Mass: We are able to attend Mass again. Following the recommended guide lines will make the liturgy look and sound different but we are grateful to be back in the pews. Much needed prayer is essential for us, especially during this time. Our children may need to be reminded of when to genuflect, sign of the cross, and praying the Our Father together. Thank you to everyone who has been watching the weekend Mass on TV or on our website during the

last couple months. Your prayers have sustained us and given us hope. Let us continue to pray for all the people that are not able to return to Mass right now. We can continue to pray for healing and recovery for everyone.



Celebrate with the Apostles: St. Peter and St. Paul share one feast day together on June 29th. The New Testament clearly shows Peter as the leader of the apostles, chosen by Jesus to have a special relationship with him. With James and John he was privileged to witness the Transfiguration, the raising of a dead child to life, and the agony in Gethsemane.

His mother-in-law was cured by Jesus. He was sent with John to prepare for the last Passover before Jesus' death. At the same time, Paul's experience of the risen Jesus on the road to Damascus was the driving force that made him one of the most zealous, dynamic, and courageous ambassadors of Christ the Church has ever had.

St. Thomas the Apostle is remembered on his feast day July 3rd. He is the patron saint of architects, builders, and construction workers. Thomas has been called "Doubting Thomas" but he also believed. He made one of the most explicit statements of faith in the New Testament: "My Lord and My God!" Thomas should be equally well-known for his courage when he said to the other apostles, "Let us also go to die with him."





News from Sheila, Birth-KG; Grades 6-12, Children and Youth Ministry, RCIA dresscm@rescathroch.org or 288-5528, x 101

Make history and join us for the first ever Steubenville LIVE! While we know that nothing can quite match the energy and emotion felt during a Steubenville Conference weekend, we are hoping this opportunity can deepen your faith and the faith of those around you!

If you want to tune in on your own or with your family, you are more than welcome to do so! Using the various interactive methods such as chat, social media, and aspects of the platform, you will be able

to bring the conference to life in your own living room!

VIRTUAL STEUBENVILLE

JOIN US LIVE JULY 17: 6PM-9PM CST JULY 18: 11AM-7PM CST

ACCESS WILL BE AVAILABLE BEYOND CONFERENCE WEEKEND

Registration information coming soon!

\$40 for a family ticket—this allows siblings/family to watch the conference together at home for a single price from one access point! Target audience grades 9 through 12.