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Our Parish COMMUNITY

August 1, 2021
Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time (B)
Ex 16:2–4, 12–15
Eph 4:17, 20–24
Jn 6:24–35

Bread of Life

Last week's stories about bread take a very different turn this week. In today's Gospel, Jesus uses the bread theme as a metaphor. Here bread symbolizes the teachings of Jesus that will nourish us, that will satisfy our deepest needs. Jesus employs a method of interpretation favored by the rabbis of his day. He refers to a passage from the religious tradition (the passage that happens to be the first reading for today), and then, step by step, explains its meaning for the people of his day. His "homily" is really a response to the challenge from those who demanded a sign that would give evidence of the authority with which he spoke.

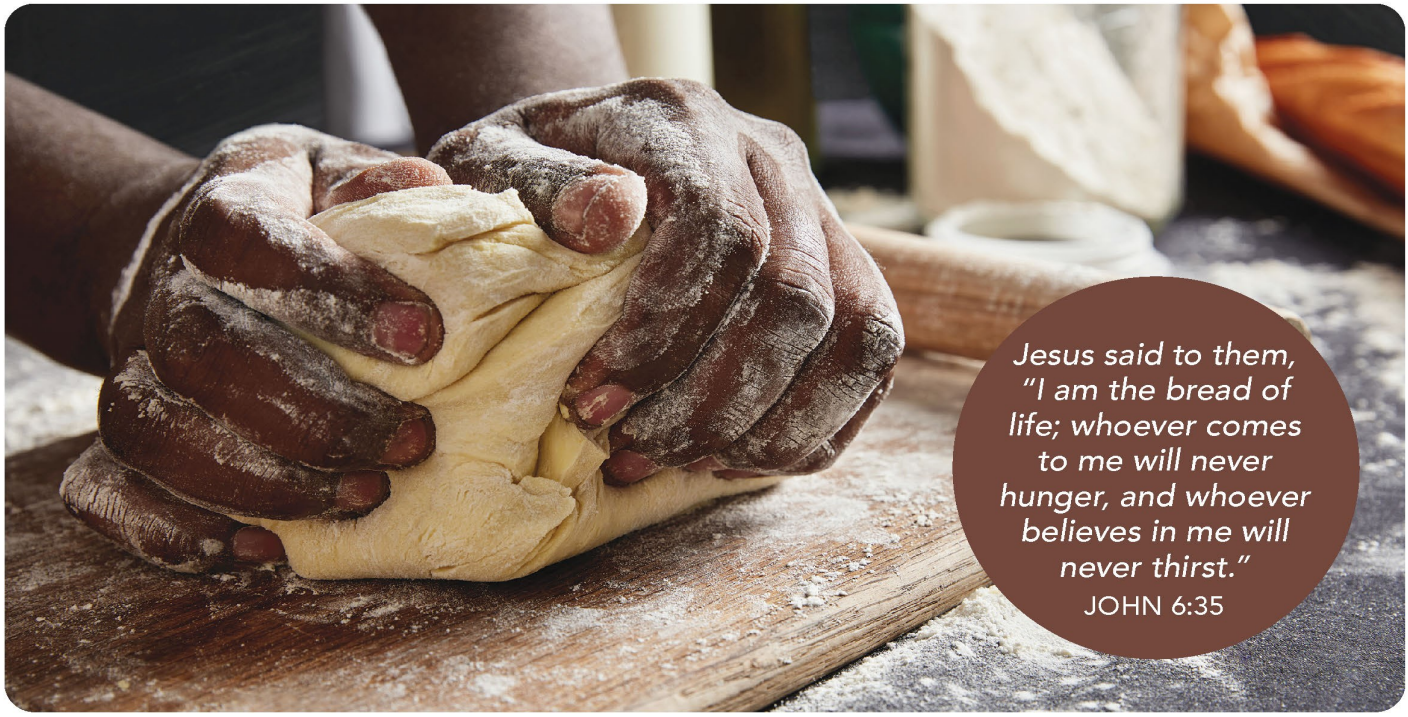
Those who challenged Jesus did so after they had been filled by the bread that he earlier miraculously provided. Jesus knew they weren't looking for signs of the presence of God in their midst. They simply wanted more food.

Jesus pointed out that the people of Moses' time had been called to trust that, day by day, God would provide them with food—as impossible as that might have seemed. Likewise, Jesus' hearers were called to trust his claims about his unique relationship with God, whom he called Father—as impossible as that might have seemed. This really isn't a story just about bread—the edible kind or the eucharistic kind. It is a story about believing in Jesus and accepting his teaching about the bread from heaven that promises eternal life.

Sr. Dianne Bergant, CSA

FOR *Reflection*

- *Give thanks for God's day-by-day care for you and your loved ones.*
- *Pray for a deep and solid trust in God.*



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THE MISSION OF OUR PARISH FAMILY

St. Boniface Parish and St. Meinrad Parish exist to nurture an intentional faith-filled Catholic Community which inspires and empowers all people to follow Jesus Christ. We will continue to "Keep our eyes fixed on Jesus" (Hebrews 12:2) by living the Word of God, celebrating the sacraments with meaningful worship, and calling one another to prayer, Christian Service, and fellowship rooted in the living tradition of a rich German-Catholic heritage.

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by appointment only
Closed Holy Days and Observed Holidays
All times Central Time

IN CASE OF EMERGENCY If you are in need of a priest due to severe illness or death at anytime, call the switchboard at the Archabbey, **(812) 357-6611.** Please leave a message with the attendant, including your contact information. Father Anthony will be contacted and will follow up as soon as possible.

PRAYER REQUEST

Make a prayer request, personal petition or add to the Prayer Wall.

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MINISTRY OF PRAYER

SANCTUARY LAMPS
AUGUST 1, 2021
+Robert and +Agnes Vinson
St. Boniface Parish
+Lester Gogel
St. Meinrad Parish

REMEMBERING OUR LOVED ONES

BAPTISM Parents are encouraged to contact the parish office before their child is born. Two sacrament preparation sessions are required for parents and godparents, a minimum of two months before the sacrament is celebrated. Complete online registration before the initial meeting.
www.sbcatholic.church/baptism
www.smcatholic.church/baptism

MARRIAGE Registered parishioners desiring to celebrate the Sacrament of Marriage are to contact the parish office a minimum of six months before the proposed wedding date to reserve the church and other parish spaces and to request an initial meeting with the pastor. Complete ***Getting Married? Start Here!*** online registration before the initial meeting.
www.sbcatholic.church/marriage
www.smcatholic.church/marriage

WEDDING ANNIVERSARY Registered parishioners desiring to receive a blessing for significant marriage anniversaries at Mass contact the parish office a minimum of three months in advance at info@myparishfamily.church

MAINTENANCE REQUEST If you find a location or facility that needs attention, repair, have a safety concern, or items restocked, please notify a facilities & grounds coordinator by completing an online form.
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MINISTRY OF PRAYER
POPE FRANCIS' INTENTION
August 2021

THE CHURCH

Let us pray for the Church, that she may receive from the Holy Spirit the grace and strength to reform herself in the light of the Gospel.

SICK AND INFIRM

Randy B, Kale B, Brother Jerome C, Rick S, John C, Kerber Family, Joyce C, Mark R, Diane H, Joann R, LeeRay T, Ruth W, Bonnie S, Joseph F, Joseph S, Chester S, Father John, OSB, Xyla A, Gene V, Walter T, Mary Ann T, Frank R, Carole Lee S, Ron B, Randy M, Robin H, Vernita D, Cash W, Ruth W, Chris S, Chris B, Carl H, Gene H, JoAnn F, Don M, Philip M, Bo H, Steve K, Larry P

IN MEMORIAM

Jackson Roark, Karen L. Tuley, Joseph Emil (Joe) Mullis, Steven Michael (Steve) Houghland, Sister Mary Karen Hill, OSB, Mary Ann (Bertke) Meyer, Elizabeth "Betty" Tempel, Jeanne Logsdon, Timothy W. Fischer, Steve C. Boehman, Brother Angelo Vitale, OSB

SPECIAL INTENTIONS

For the sick, infirm and homebound members of our parish family and community; members of our parish family who are in the care of others; and for the names, prayers, and petitions written in our parish books of prayer and petition and received through our home page prayer request portal —for families caring for loved ones who are sick and infirm; for individuals and families dealing with mental health issues; for families experiencing loss, especially pets; for an adolescent in need of peace and self-esteem; for God's care, comfort, and protection of the sick, suffering; for young parents and their pain; for the protection of the unborn.

THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH FAMILY: *ministries, programs and activities*

CLICK/TAP 24/7 OUR PARISH FAMILY WILL CONTINUE TO LIVESTREAM DAILY MASS
Masses and sacred liturgies are available Livestream and simultaneously recorded for viewing with a searchable directory. Parish-based volunteers generously provide this ministry. When a volunteer cannot cue the audio and video resources needed to provide this service, no broadcast will air Livestream. Contact Tina Boehm, finance and resource coordinator, to receive a downloadable digital copy for personal use or share with others. Policy Revised June 2021
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SATURDAY, JULY 31

7:00 a.m.	**MCS**	**Mass** (May through October at 7 a.m.; November through April at 8 a.m.)	Monte Cassino Shrine
7:00 a.m.	**SB**	St. Boniface Parish Annual Summer Picnic Set-up begins (with lunch provided)	Parish Center and Shelter House
7:00 a.m.	**SB**	St. Boniface Parish Annual Summer Picnic Fulda's Famous Soup Preparation (with lunch provided)	Shelter House
1:00 p.m.	**PO**	Formation Session: Preparation for Sacraments	Parish Office: Room H
3:15 p.m.	**SB**	Confession (sacrament celebrated in confessional located at the south entrance of church)	
3:35 p.m.	**SB**	Rosary: Sanctification of Life, Marriage, Family Life and Vocations within the Church	
4:00 p.m.	**SB**	**Mass** ***Missa Pro Populo*** **"Mass for the People"**	

SUNDAY, AUGUST 1 18TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

6:00 a.m.	**SB**	**Mass** **+Agnes (Beier) (Hanser) Dilger**	
8:00 a.m.	**SM**	Confession (sacrament celebrated in Room 1 - glass chapel located in the southeast corner of church)	
8:00 a.m.	**SM**	Rosary: Sanctification of Life, Marriage, Family Life and Vocations within the Church	
8:30 a.m.	**SM**	**Mass** **+John Wilson**	
9:30 a.m.	**SB**	**St. Boniface Parish Annual Summer Picnic** thru 2 p.m. Central Time	Parish Center and Shelter House
9:30 a.m.	**SMA**	**Mass with monastic community, visitors and guests are welcome.**	Archabbey Church
10:00 a.m.	**PO**	Formation Session: Preparation for Sacrament	Parish Office: Room G

MONDAY, AUGUST 2

4:15 p.m.	**SB**	**Mass** **+Mary Jane Baehl**	
6:00 p.m.	**CBH**	Boy Scout Camp Black Hawk	

TUESDAY, AUGUST 3

7:15 a.m.	**SM**	**Mass** **+Leo "Schank" and +Dixie Greulich**	
1:30 p.m.	**SM**	Staff Meeting (office staff and coordinators)	Parish Office: Room G
6:00 p.m.	PC	**Faith Formation Commission**	Parish Center: Room 105

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 4

7:15 a.m.	**SB**	**Mass** **+Herb Collignon (Anniversary of Death)**	
8:00 a.m.	**SB**	Church reserved for liturgical music practice until 10 a.m.—with the exception of Bereavement Ministries	
3:15 p.m.	**SM**	Eucharistic Adoration: Holy Hour for Sanctification of Life, Marriage, Family Life and Vocations within the Church	
3:30 p.m.	**SM**	Confession (sacrament celebrated in Room 1 - glass chapel located in the southeast corner of church)	
4:05 p.m.	**SM**	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament concludes with Benediction	
4:15 p.m.	**SM**	**Mass** **+Betty Wollenmann**	
5:30 p.m.	**SM**	Confession (sacrament celebrated in Room 1 - glass chapel located in the southeast corner of church)	
6:00 p.m.	**PO**	Formation Session: Preparation for Sacraments	Parish Office: Room G

THURSDAY, AUGUST 5 ***PARISH OFFICE CLOSED ON THURSDAYS, FRIDAYS, HOLY DAYS AND OBSERVED HOLIDAYS***

7:30 a.m.	**SMA**	**Mass with monastic community, visitors and guests are welcome.**	Archabbey Church
9:00 a.m.	**SM**	Church reserved for cleaning and sanitizing until 11 a.m.—with the exception of Bereavement Ministries	
9:30 a.m.	**SHM**	**Mass** **(Due to COVID-19, area care centers will not have guests for Mass until further notice.)**	Scenic Hills at the Monastery
6:00 p.m.	**SM**	Church reserved for liturgical music practice until 9 p.m.	

FRIDAY, AUGUST 6 ***PARISH OFFICE CLOSED ON THURSDAYS, FRIDAYS, HOLY DAYS AND OBSERVED HOLIDAYS***

7:15 a.m.	**SM**	**Mass** **+Eugene Hedinger**	

SATURDAY, AUGUST 7

7:00 a.m.	**MCS**	**Mass** (May through October at 7 a.m.; November through April at 8 a.m.)	Monte Cassino Shrine
10:00 a.m.	**SB**	**Memorial Mass for Yoneko "Yoko" Bertke**	
11:00 a.m.	**PC**	Bereavement Luncheon for Yoneko "Yoko" Bertke	Parish Center: Room 103;105
1:00 p.m.	**PO**	Formation Session: Preparation for Sacraments	Parish Office: Room H
3:15 p.m.	**SB**	Confession (sacrament celebrated in confessional located at the south entrance of church)	
3:35 p.m.	**SB**	Rosary: Sanctification of Life, Marriage, Family Life and Vocations within the Church	
4:00 p.m.	**SB**	**Mass** **Deceased Members of the Linne and Powers Families**	

SUNDAY, AUGUST 8 19TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

6:00 a.m.	**SB**	**Mass** ***Missa Pro Populo*** **"Mass for the People"**	
8:00 a.m.	**SM**	Confession (sacrament celebrated in Room 1 - glass chapel located in the southeast corner of church)	
8:00 a.m.	**SM**	Rosary: Sanctification of Life, Marriage, Family Life and Vocations within the Church	
8:30 a.m.	**SM**	**Mass** **+Thomas M. Kloeck**	
9:30 a.m.	**SMA**	**Mass with monastic community, visitors and guests are welcome.**	Archabbey Church
10:00 a.m.	**PO**	Formation Session: Preparation for Sacrament	Parish Office: Room G

The deadline is **Tuesday at 10:00 a.m.** to submit news and information to be featured in an upcoming edition of the weekly bulletin, "One Family In Faith," and request the creation of website listings and Flocknote messages promoting parish ministries, programs and activities. Send information to **www.sbcatholic.church/info** | **www.smcatholic.church/info**. The printing schedule for the paper edition is Wednesday.

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Sunday Gospel: John 6:24–35

Family Corner

About the Gospel

Sunday's Gospel introduces us to the gift Jesus wants to give us. He gives us *himself* (Body and Blood, Soul and Divinity) in the Sacrament of the Holy Eucharist (Communion). Jesus reminds us that he is the Bread of Life. Jesus wants to fill our physical and spiritual needs.

Visit **www.usccb.org/bible/readings** to read this Sunday's Scripture.

In Church

The Eucharist is our church family's special meal. Look for a special table in the church (the altar).

Question of the Week

Why does Jesus tell us that if we eat the bread he gives us, we will never be hungry? What does that mean?

Family Prayer

Lord, you gave us everything you had: your life, your Body, and your Blood. Teach us to give everything we have to you! Amen.

Rincón de la Familia

Acerca del Evangelio

El Evangelio del domingo nos presenta el don que Jesús quiere darnos: el don de *sí mismo* (Cuerpo y Sangre, Alma y Divinidad) en el Sacramento de la Sagrada Eucaristía (Comunión). Jesús nos recuerda que él es el Pan de Vida. Jesús quiere satisfacer nuestras necesidades físicas y espirituales.

Visita **www.usccb.org/bible/lecturas** para leer las lecturas de este domingo.

En la iglesia

La Eucaristía es el alimento especial de nuestra familia de la iglesia. Encuentren una mesa especial en la iglesia (el altar).

Pregunta de la semana

¿Por qué Jesús nos dice que si comemos del pan que él nos da, nunca volveremos a tener hambre? ¿Qué significa esto?

Oración en familia

Señor, tú nos diste todo lo que tenías: tu vida, tu Cuerpo y tu Sangre. Enséñanos a darte todo lo que tenemos también. Amén.

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The Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

AUGUST 1, 2021

The Transfiguration of the Lord

August 6, 2021

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In Year B, the reading for the Transfiguration comes from Mark's gospel. (The Transfiguration also appears in the other two synoptic gospels, Matthew and Luke.) In Mark, Jesus takes Peter, James, and John up a high mountain, apart from the other apostles and disciples.

There, Jesus is transfigured (changed in form and appearance) and appears in dazzling white clothes. Elijah, the great prophet, and Moses, through whom the Israelites were given the law, appear with Jesus. A cloud appears, overshadowing them, and a voice states, "This is my beloved Son. Listen to him." Jesus charges the three to not share with anyone what they had seen "except when the Son of Man had risen from the dead." They keep their experience to themselves, pondering what Jesus meant by rising from the dead.

How are we to understand the Transfiguration? The story of the Transfiguration is also proclaimed on the second Sunday of Lent—a key part of Jesus' journey towards the Cross. The *Catechism of the Catholic Church* draws parallels between Jesus' Baptism and the Transfiguration. Jesus is baptized at the start of his public ministry. His baptism proclaims the mystery of our first regeneration—we die and rise again with Christ. The "Transfiguration 'is the sacrament of the second regeneration': our own Resurrection (St. Thomas Aquinas, STh III, 45, 4, ad 2). From now on we share in the Lord's Resurrection through the Spirit who acts in the sacraments of the Body of Christ.

The Transfiguration gives us a foretaste of Christ's glorious coming, when he 'will change our lowly body to be like his glorious body (Phil 3:21)'" (*Catechism of the Catholic Church*, no. 556). During the Prayer after Communion, we pray that God might "transform us into the likeness of your [his] Son, / whose radiant splendor you willed to make manifest / in his glorious Transfiguration." The Collect, or opening prayer, tells us that the mystery of the Transfiguration "prefigures our full adoption to sonship." The Transfiguration, initially revealed to Peter, James, and John, reveals to all of us a taste of what is yet to come.

The Transfiguration is the fourth of the Luminous Mysteries of the Rosary.

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LITURGICAL MINISTRIES: *celebrating the sacraments and serving one another*

KEY:	[1] **Thursday Afternoon, Assemble Bulletins for Distribution and Postal Delivery**	[2] Saturday Morning, Replace Sanctuary Lamp with Assigned Luminary	[3] Upon Arrival Set Panic Bars in the Retracted Position, Unlock Flush-bolt on Front Door, Secure Offertory Collection in Safe		[4] Cue Livestream for Scheduled Service using Boxcast Ap and Instructions for Connecting Converter Box to A/V Devices	[5] Arrive 25 Minutes Before Mass, Open Front Door as Parishioners and Guests Arrive, Offering Weekly Bulletin, Close South Interior Door during Opening Hymn (SM)	[6] Record Mass Attendance Count, Sacristan Duty at Daily Mass sbcatholic.church/record | smcatholic.church/record
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Floral Arrangements in Sanctuary							
Seasonal Arrangements in Sanctuary							
Plants throughout the Church							
Funeral Floral Arrangements to Care Centers							
Prepare Bulletins [1]					.		
Bulletins to Sacristy							
Bulletins to Care Centers							
Sanctuary Lamp [2]							
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Porter [3]							
Sacristan for Mass							
Livestream [4]							
Rosary							
Cantor/Ensemble							
Organist/Accompanist							
Hospitality [5]							
Hospitality							
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Concelebrant							
Deacon							
Acolyte of the Altar [6]							
Acolyte of the Word							
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Proclamation of the Word (R1)							
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Proclamation of the Word (PF)							
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WEEKLY BIBLE REFLECTION ON STEWARDSHIP: *18th Sunday in Ordinary Time*

"Each day the people are to go out and gather their daily portion;
thus will I test them, to see whether they follow my instructions or not." – Exodus 16:4

When the Israelites gathered more than their daily portion of manna, the surplus became wormy and rotten. In the same way today, self-reliance, pride and ego leads to hoarding and excessive surplus of goods and money. Living a stewardship lifestyle helps us discern our "wants" from our "needs". Living a grateful and generous lifestyle reminds us that God will provide all that we need and that we have plenty to share.

PADRE'S POST
18TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Have you ever found yourself asking for or wanting a sign that the things in life that may make us anxious or are unknown will be okay; that a relationship you are in is going to be okay? The miracle moments, the crosses we are carrying and the relationships we have in our life should never be taken for granted. How we respond to these moments (how we recognize them), we sometimes fail to realize the wonderful things God has done for us in the miracles, crosses and relationships in life. How we respond in these situations often reflects the values, goals and needs we identify with and that even define our moral character. In a relationship that is for the long haul, hard work is involved. For a marriage to become a lifelong covenant, there is hard work involved. The hard work within any vocation seems to stem from the values, goals and needs manifested organically over time.

Whether assisting a couple discerning their call to celebrate the Sacrament of Marriage or with an individual discerning the call to consecrated life or priesthood, I often find myself listening carefully for the values, goals and needs grounding their vocation. At times we may forget to respond or recognize these moments in life. We may find ourselves seeking evidence that everything is going okay, evidence that may be contrary to our values due to a lack of faith in God or the relationships that God has blessed us with.

As I have mentioned over the past few weekends in my column and homilies, I often wonder what it was like for Jesus' disciples to encounter the call to discipleship from Jesus himself. They heard their commission was to go out into the world to share the gospel: they, firsthand witnesses to the miracles that Jesus applied to life. To see and hear Jesus at work through his prayer and presence to his mission and ministry in the world, you would think they would need no further evidence. This was not the case for the disciples. As we continue this Sunday in the Gospel of John, chapter 6, Jesus' disciples and the crowd, curious about becoming one of Jesus' disciples, gathered and questioned who he is and how he could do what he did.

Remember, the disciples just witnessed the miracle of feeding over 5,000. However, there seems to be a need for further evidence, even among his own disciples. In today's Gospel, there are a series of interactions between Jesus and those gathered who seek more evidence. First, the crowd, having followed Jesus to Capernaum, asks a very matter-of-fact question: "Rabbi, when did you get here?" Jesus replied in a very matter-of-fact way by naming their need in pursuing him. Jesus physically fed them. Jesus acknowledges this need-based behavior, challenging them to see beyond the fulfillment of their material needs. The crowd is making the connection that Jesus can help with their physical need to be fed, but not yet making the connection that Jesus is the source of spiritual food.

In all of this, it seems the crowd might be on their way to accepting Jesus and his mission and ministry when asking, "What can we do to accomplish the works of God?" However, in Jesus' reply, he instructs that they need to have faith in the one sent from God. As the conversation with the crowd continues, the crowd reveals their inability to see Jesus' true identity. They need more evidence, a sign from Jesus so that they might know that Jesus is from God.

Here we see that the crowd is unable to see beyond the surface of the sign. You may know what this feels like for yourself. It is here that the crowd seems to understand what they are experiencing in their interpretation of the sign that came through Moses. Moses feeds with the manna - bread. They identify Jesus with Moses. The crowd is needing a sign so they will know that Jesus is from God. The crowd cannot see that God is standing before them. Jesus corrects their misinterpretation, saying that the manna received by their ancestors came from God. As God fulfilled their ancestors' needs in the desert, so God has provided them with food for eternal life. In the bread they have received from Jesus, they have received physical nourishment and spiritual nourishment. Jesus wants the crowd to see beyond the surface to the One who provides true nourishment.

Revealing to the crowd their blindness, Jesus takes this moment and turns it into a teachable moment. In the end, the crowd asks Jesus for what he has just told them, for what they have just found: "Sir, give us this bread always." Jesus' answer to their request is that he is the Bread of Life. Jesus satisfies both physical and spiritual needs. Let us be mindful that we have this gift from Jesus in the Eucharist, praying together and thanking God for all that he has given to us, especially for the gift of eternal life and the Eucharist.

Have a blessed week! Look for the moments of grace and gratitude, signs of Christ's prayer and presence among us. Thanks to all who have been working toward the goal of celebrating our heritage and providing an opportunity for us to gather, reestablish and build community in preparing for and hosting the annual summer picnic at St. Boniface Parish. Notwithstanding the many obstacles experienced from COVID-19 and its short-term, long-term and permanent impacts within the parish community and greater community, we have much to be thankful for. I encourage all to discern well how you and your loved ones can support and participate in this year's picnic. Over the past couple of years many additions have been made to ensure that the heritage celebration and the picnic's mission to gather parishioners, friends, and neighbors of St. Boniface Parish as a community to visit and enjoy each other's company. For many, the annual summer picnic is a reunion. Considering what many have gone through since March of 2020, I imagine this year's picnic will be no exception. Make the most of the coming days, have fun and enjoy.

New summer picnic features for 2021: Expanded outdoor covered seating for dining on the south side of the parish center and additional handicap parking are new additions for 2021. Hospitality is available throughout the day, including shuttle service to and from the picnic area. Guest pickup and drop-off areas are the handicap-accessible parking area on the north side of the church and the parish center.

Patrons can stop by the hospitality center next to the parish center to buy tickets for bulk soup and all food and beverage items with cash, check, debit or credit card or purchase food court and bulk soup tickets before arriving through mobile ordering. Patrons who choose to use **mobile ordering** will receive a confirmation email and are to pick up their prepackaged tickets at the hospitality center upon arrival. This year's picnic sponsorship is a record with over 100 sponsors and in-kind gifts. This year's picnic honor roll features over 50 designees **"In Memory / In Honor"** of loved ones. The deadline for mail-in picnic sponsorship enrollment forms was July 26, 2021. Picnic sponsorship and **"In Memory / In Honor"** designees made online through Monday, August 2, 2021, will be featured on the parish website and in upcoming editions of The Criterion, Spencer County Leader and Ferdinand News when the 2021 picnic honor roll and sponsorship listing is published.

+ Be Healthy, + Be Smart, + Be Holy. Let us continue to pray for one another, especially families preparing to embark on a new school year and for all listed on the **parish prayer wall** and in our books of prayer and petition.

PAX - Father Anthony, OSB.

ANNOUNCEMENTS: *local church and local community*

PARISH LEADERSHIP

CUB SCOUTS
Mike Gudorf

BOY SCOUTS
Scott Gries

GIRL SCOUTS
Kathy Seckinger

SUMMER PICNIC
Vacant

FALL PICNIC
Nancy Graman

LADIES SODALITY (SB)
Brenda Kleiser

MEN'S SOCIETY (SB)
Jim Gogel

LADIES SODALITY (SM)
Cindy Sitzman

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS #5599 (SM)
Rodney Vaal

KAREN LYNNETTE (HALL) TULEY

In your charity, please pray for the repose of the soul of Karen L. Tuley, age 61, of Dale, Indiana. Karen died peacefully in the Lord Friday, July 16, 2021, in hospice care at her home in Dale. Mother of Eric (and Shannon) Tuley of St. Boniface Parish; Sister of Sandy (and Mike) Seckinger of St. Meinrad Parish. Funeral services will be held at 2 p.m. Central Time, Sunday, July 25, 2021. Arrangements in care of https://www.nassandson.com/

YONEKO "YOKO" BERTKE

A Celebration of Life with Memorial Mass is scheduled for Saturday, August 7, 2021, 10:00 a.m. at Historic St. Boniface Catholic Church with luncheon to follow at 11:00 a.m. at the parish center. Yoko died peacefully in the Lord on February 11, 2021. All times are Central Time. See https://www.becherfuneralhome.com/.

FINANCIAL STEWARDSHIP

JULY 22 - 28, 2021

ST. BONIFACE PARISH		ST. MEINRAD PARISH
$218	ONLINE GIVING	$170
N/A	OFFERTORY	N/A
	FY 2020-2021	
175	# OF HOUSEHOLDS	221
426	# OF SOULS	463
	MASS COUNTS	
IN-PERSON	JULY 25, 2021	LIVESTREAM
69	4:00 p.m.	19
63	6:00 a.m.	15
124	8:30 a.m.	19

SEPTEMBER PRAYER BOOKS AVAILABLE!

Give Us This Day

Complimentary copies of Give Us This Day: Daily Prayer for Today's Catholics available at all courtesy tables throughout parish churches and the last section of pews. Give Us This Day is a great resource to enhance your daily prayer and Catholic faith and includes daily Mass readings, highlights from the saint of the day, and inspiring stories, art and writings from contemporary men and women who, just like us, long for a greater relationship with Christ in the Church. ***PRAY WITH US!***

1	St. Boniface Parish Summer Picnic
6	The Feast of the Transfiguration of the Lord
9	Finance Commission (SM)
10	Finance Commission (SB)
10	1st Day of Classes for Perry Central
11	1st Day of Classes for North Spencer
11	1st Day of Classes for Southeast Dubois
15	Solemnity of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary
17	Facilities and Grounds (SM)
24	Heritage, Fundraising and Marketing (SB|SM)

The annual St. Boniface Parish Summer Picnic will be held Sunday, August 1, on the church grounds from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Central Time.

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Live music by Sweetwater Band and guided tours of the historic church, which is listed on the National Register of Historic Places, will be held throughout the day.

Handmade quilts from parishioners and local artisans will be available for purchase, beginning at 10 a.m.

Featured food items include Fulda's Famous Soup, sold by the bowl for $3 or bulk for $16 at the shelter house, and grilled sandwich or soup combos at the food court. Soup by the bowl and grilled sandwich combos include complimentary assorted chips and drink. Grilled options include fried chicken, cheeseburgers and hamburgers. Hand-dipped ice cream will be available. All food items are dine-in and carry out while supplies last.

All pre-order bulk soup orders will include a plastic gallon container with a lid. The soup stand opens at 9:30 a.m. with priority pre-order pickup at the north side of the shelter house. For picnic-day purchases of soup, the cost is $16 per gallon for patrons bringing their own containers. On picnic day, patrons may request a plastic gallon container with a lid for an additional cost of $1 per gallon. Patrons may purchase bulk soup with cash, check, debit or credit card by purchasing tickets at the hospitality center.

This year's picnic is modified due to wholesale suppliers having a limited number of items in stock for the parish's traditional food stands and the pandemic protocols in place for the health and safety of all patrons. Individuals 65 years or older who are immunocompromised or have pre-existing health concerns or families with children under age 12 who are not comfortable with the outdoor covered dining area are encouraged to pre-order food items (with priority pickup lines from 9:30 to 11 a.m.) and to join virtually at **www.sbcatholic.church/live**. There is no indoor dining this year.

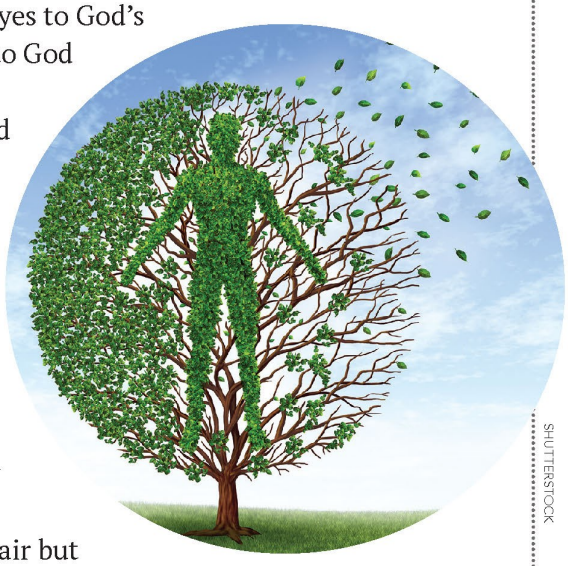
The parish church is open daily throughout the year from dawn to dusk. For a complete list of news and information about upcoming events, visit **www.sbcatholic.church/news**.

For more information about the annual summer picnic, visit **www.sbcatholic.church/summer-picnic**.

Dear Padre,

My elderly aunt is suffering from a terminal illness, and says she wants to die. Is this all right?

Popular psychological writings on death and dying often list the five different stages that people might go through when they are dying, namely: denial, anger, bargaining, depression, and acceptance. For Christians, the last stage of acceptance is saying yes to God's will. They may have been reconciled to God and others, said the things they have wanted to say, finished any unfinished business, and feel ready to leave this world and return to God.



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For the dying person with faith, there may come a time when the desire to be fully united to her loving God takes priority over all other concerns and she actually desires to die. Her eyes turn toward the next life and she is not only ready to go but desires to go. This desire to leave this life is not the result of despair but rather the fruit of Christian hope.

We have a different situation when someone is not dying or is in good physical health, for the desire to die may indicate desperation or depression rather than acceptance and hope. Such persons may need personal and professional help to regain a zest for the life God has given them until the time comes that God calls them to himself.

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Do you have a question for the Padre?

Go to **DearPadre.org** to share your question and to learn more about *Dear Padre*.

A WORD FROM *Pope Francis*

Dear brothers and sisters who are ill, your sickness makes you in a particular way one of those "who labor and are burdened," and thus attract the eyes and heart of Jesus. In him, you will find light to brighten your darkest moments and hope to soothe your distress. He urges you: "Come to me."

WORLD DAY OF THE SICK, FEBRUARY 11, 2020

Calendar

Monday
AUGUST 2
Weekday
Nm 11:4b–15
Mt 14:13–21

Tuesday
AUGUST 3
Weekday
Nm 12:1–13
Mt 14:22–36 or
Mt 15:1–2, 10–14

Wednesday
AUGUST 4
St. John Vianney, Priest
Nm 13:1–2, 25—14:1, 26–29a, 34–35
Mt 15:21–28

Thursday
AUGUST 5
Weekday
Nm 20:1–13
Mt 16:13–23

Friday
AUGUST 6
Transfiguration of the Lord
Dn 7:9–10, 13–14
2 Pt 1:16–19
Mk 9:2–10

Saturday
AUGUST 7
Weekday
Dt 6:4–13
Mt 17:14–20

Sunday
AUGUST 8
Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time
1 Kgs 19:4–8
Eph 4:30—5:2
Jn 6:41–51

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