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Our Parish COMMUNITY

September 5, 2021
Twenty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time (B)
Is 35:4–7a
Jas 2:1–5
Mk 7:31–37

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He Has Done All Things Well

Deep in the heart of each of us is a desire for a perfect world—a world of peace and harmony, where life flourishes and people care for one another. From beginning to end, our religious tradition promises that such a world is just ahead of us. Today's readings assure us that physical obstacles will not prevent its accomplishment, because the graciousness of God is stronger than any other power.

Today's reading from Isaiah instructs us: "Be strong, do not fear!" (35:4). It encourages us to believe in this promise of ultimate fulfillment and to trust that God will see it through. Our focus changes slightly in the Gospel passage. What was a promise of the future for Isaiah bursts forth as a reality in the Gospel, where the healing of broken bodies and troubled lives is realized by the warm words and gentle touch of Jesus.

Do such miracles really happen? Or are these fanciful stories that provide hope for people with little scientific understanding? Are miracles real? Of course they are. However, their true meaning might be much more profound than we realize. A miracle is a manifestation of divine power far beyond human control or comprehension. It is an experience of being made whole again, an occurrence in which peace and harmony are reestablished. Sometimes a miracle is spectacular; at other times it is far too deep to be seen. But always it is God working in our lives to create us anew.

Sr. Dianne Bergant, CSA

FOR *Reflection*

- *Where does your life need healing? What are you doing about it?*
- *How might you be a source of healing in the lives of others?*

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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.

(812) 357-6063

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MINISTRY OF PRAYER

SANCTUARY LAMPS
AUGUST 29, 2021
+Steve Houghland
St. Boniface Parish
+Claude VanHoosier
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.
www.sbcatholic.church/maintenance
www.smcatholic.church/maintenance

MINISTRY OF PRAYER
POPE FRANCIS' INTENTION

September 2021

AN ENVIRONMENTALLY SUSTAINABLE LIFESTYLE

We pray that we all will make courageous choices for a simple and environmentally sustainable lifestyle, rejoicing in our young people who are resolutely committed to this.

SICK AND INFIRM

Sylvia K, Rick F, Barb F, Michael K, Cathy B, Randy B, Kale B, Brother Jerome C, Rick S, John C, Joyce C, Mark R, Diane H, Joann R, LeeRay T, Ruth W, Bonnie S, Joseph F, Chester S, Father John, OSB, Walter T, Frank R, Gene H

IN MEMORIAM

Rich L. Fromme, Paula (Schaefer) Lutz, Ann (Sitzman) Bumm, Jackson Roark, Karen L. Tuley, Joseph Emil (Joe) Mullis, Steven Michael (Steve) Houghland, Sister Mary Karen Hill, OSB, Mary Ann (Bertke) Meyer

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 parishioners and their loved ones infected and affected by COVID-19, for students, teachers, school staff and parents from Perry Central, North Spencer, Southeast Dubois and the home school association school communities beginning the fall semester; for families caring for loved ones who are sick and infirm; for individuals and families dealing with mental health issues; 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, SEPTEMBER 4 **ANNUAL MISSION PRIEST APPEAL**

7:00	**a.m.**	**MCS**	**Mass** (May through October at 7 a.m.; November through April at 8 a.m.)	Monte Cassino Shrine
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** **+Bruno Heckel (Anniversary of Death)**	

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 5 **23RD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME** **MISSION SUNDAY**

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** **+Betty Wiederkehr**	
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, SEPTEMBER 6 **PARISH OFFICE CLOSED IN OBSERVANCE OF LABOR DAY**

4:15	**p.m.**	**SB**	**Mass** **Sanctification of Human Labor**	
6:00	**p.m.**	**CBH**	Boy Scout	Camp Black Hawk

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 7

7:15	**a.m.**	**SM**	**Mass** **+Mary Louise Gogel**	
1:30	**p.m.**	**SM**	Staff Meeting (office staff and coordinators)	Parish Office: Room G
5:30	**p.m.**	**Other**	Girl Scouts	St. Meinrad Park
6:00	**p.m.**	**PC**	Evangelization Commission	Parish Center

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 8

7:15	**a.m.**	**SB**	**Mass** **+Claude Boehm**	
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 with Communal Anointing of the Sick +Eleanor Denning (Anniversary of Death)**	
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 H

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 9 ***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, SEPTEMBER 10 ***PARISH OFFICE CLOSED ON THURSDAYS, FRIDAYS, HOLY DAYS AND OBSERVED HOLIDAYS***

7:15	**a.m.**	**SM**	**Mass** **+Kenny Aders**	

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 11

7:00	**a.m.**	**MCS**	**Mass** (May through October at 7 a.m.; November through April at 8 a.m.)	Monte Cassino Shrine
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, SEPTEMBER 12 **24TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME** **GRANDPARENTS DAY**

At all weekend Masses, grandparents will be recognized, prayed for and receive a blessing following the Prayer of the Faithful.

6:00	**a.m.**	**SB**	**Mass** **+Nester Boehm**	
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** **+Leo "Shank" and +Dixie Greulich**	
8:30	**a.m.**	**SM**	**Sacrament of First Holy Communion: Ava Marie Klem—daughter of Christopher and Rose Klem**	
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

Join us Sunday, September 19, 2021!
Outdoor Dining Pavilion • Live Music • BBQ Chicken Dinners • BBQ Pork Ribs • Pre-order Dinners
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Sunday Gospel: Mark 7:31–37

Family Corner

About the Gospel

Jesus did many wonderful miracles! In Sunday's Gospel, we hear about a man who could not hear and could not speak well. Jesus touched him and healed him. Jesus loves us so much. He takes care of all our needs.

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

In Church

Right before the Gospel is proclaimed, notice how everyone crosses their forehead (to remember God's word), their lips (to proclaim it) and their hearts (to love and feel what we learn in the Gospel).

Question of the Week

How can you use your voice to tell others about Jesus?

Family Prayer

Lord, help us to hear the Gospel, understand it, and tell others the Good News of Jesus. Amen.

Rincón de la Familia

Acerca del Evangelio

Jesús hizo muchos milagros maravillosos. En el Evangelio del domingo, escuchamos sobre un hombre que no podía escuchar y no hablaba bien. Jesús lo tocó y lo sanó. Jesús nos ama mucho y cuida de todas nuestras necesidades.

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

En la iglesia

Justo antes de la proclamación del Evangelio, noten que todos hacen una cruz en su frente (para recordar la Palabra de Dios), sus labios (para proclamarla) y sus corazones (para amar y sentir lo que aprendimos en el Evangelio).

Pregunta de la semana

¿Cómo puedes usar tu voz para hablarles a los demás sobre Jesús?

Oración en familia

Señor, ayúdanos a escuchar el Evangelio, a entenderlo y a llevar a los demás la Buena Nueva de Jesús. Amén.

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The Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

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Happy Labor Day!

Monday, September 6, 2021

In the Catholic tradition, work is more than a way to make a living; it is a form of continued participation in God's creative action. We pray for the men and women whose jobs have been impacted by the Coronavirus pandemic.

Patriot Day

Saturday, September 11, 2021

A PEOPLE CHANGED BY 9/11

"The years have gone by, but the memories remain for all who were involved in that one single day and its aftermath that changed the lives of so many and of our nation."

–Monsignor Robert J. Romano

We remember all those who lost their lives in the 2001 attacks. We pray for all victims of violence and terrorism around the world, and for their families, that they may find comfort and peace.

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WEEKLY BIBLE REFLECTION ON STEWARDSHIP: *23d Sunday in Ordinary Time*

"Did not God choose those who are poor in the world to be rich in faith and heirs of the kingdom that he promised to those who love him? " - James 2:5

What is more important – being rich in faith or rich in possessions? Society tells us that possessions are most important. God teaches a different lesson. When we are rich in faith, we keep God first and experience true joy and peace. When we put possessions first, we soon realize we can never have enough and happiness is fleeting. When we put faith over possessions we truly realize it is better to give than receive.

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

LITURGICAL MINISTER AND PASTORAL MINISTRY AND ACTIVITY VOLUNTEER ASSIGNMENTS							
		Sunday, September 5, 2021				Sunday, September 12, 2021	
Bulletins for Mailing [1]	Randy Brahm			NOT FILLED			
Bulletins for Mailing	Joyce Brahm			NOT FILLED			
Bulletins to Parish Church	Mary Rahman			Mary Rahman			
Bulletins to Care Centers	Teresa Lynn			Teresa Lynn			
Sanctuary Lamp [2]	NOT FILLED			NOT FILLED			
Porter (pre-Mass) [3]	NOT FILLED	LeeRay Tempel	NOT FILLED	Earl Peters	NOT FILLED	NOT FILLED	
Sacristan [4]	Samantha Haefling	LeeRay Tempel	Benjamin Mangum	Lisa R. Schaefer	Eric Tuley	Mike Brentlinger	
Sacristan [4]		Clara Tempel	Karen Mangum	NOT FILLED		Janelle Brentlinger	
Livestream (Rosary) [5]	NOT FILLED		NOT FILLED	Carol J. Waninger		NOT FILLED	
Rosary	Mike Gudorf		Sally Gravatte			Sally Gravatte	
Rosary	Amanda Gudorf						
Bell #1	NOT FILLED	NOT FILLED		NOT FILLED	NOT FILLED		
Bell #2	NOT FILLED	NOT FILLED		NOT FILLED	NOT FILLED		
Bell #3	NOT FILLED	NOT FILLED		NOT FILLED	NOT FILLED		
Livestream (Mass) [5]	Seth Deom	NOT FILLED	NOT FILLED				
Cantor/Ensemble	Courtney Blalock	Mike Edwards	Francie Borho	Mike Edwards	Crystal Welch	Amelia (Mimi) Lutz	
Organist/Accompanist	Taylor Blalock	Taylor Blalock	Taylor Blalock	Taylor Blalock	Taylor Blalock	Taylor Blalock	
Hospitality (main door) [6]	Jeff Blalock	NOT FILLED	NOT FILLED	Jeff Blalock	NOT FILLED	Gary Graman	
Hospitality (main door) [6]	NOT FILLED	NOT FILLED	Kevin Hedinger	NOT FILLED	NOT FILLED	Nancy Graman	
Hospitality (north door) [6]	NOT FILLED	NOT FILLED		NOT FILLED	NOT FILLED	Diane Flaherty	
Hospitality (south door) [6]	NOT FILLED	NOT FILLED		NOT FILLED	NOT FILLED	NOT FILLED	
Principal Celebrant	Missionary Priest	Missionary Priest	Missionary Priest	Father Anthony, OSB	Father Anthony, OSB	Father Anthony, OSB	
Concelebrant							
Deacon							
Acolyte of the Altar [7]	Seth Deom	Marshall Snyder	NOT FILLED	Wyatt Gudorf	Marshall Snyder	J.D. Brentlinger	
Acolyte of the Word	Michael Blalock	Clark Schaefer	Tyler Ruxer	Maddie Gudorf	Michael Blalock	Caleb Mohr	
Crucifer (Cross Bearer)	Parker Gudorf	NOT FILLED	Melanie Fetter	Connor Sitzman	Emerson Schaefer	Dalton Fetter	
Candle Bearer	(sub request)	NOT FILLED	Jayden Gray	Kasen Hildenbrand	Clark Schaefer	Jake Arnold	
Candle Bearer	Aidan Haefling	NOT FILLED	Lane Vaal	Kyler Hildenbrand	NOT FILLED	Claudia Ebert	
Proclamation of the Word (R1)	Jenny Kunkler	(sub request)	Vic Ippoliti	Carol J. Waninger	Vickie Snyder	Jodi Fetter	
Proclamation of the Word (R2)	Riley Kelley	(sub request)	Hunter Gray	Daniel Roos	Kerry Snyder	Teresa Ippoliti	
Proclamation of the Word (PF)	Jenny Kunkler	Vic Ippoliti	Sandy Seckinger	Carol J. Waninger	Vickie Snyder	Sue Kloeck	
Offertory (Stewarship Gifts)	Jeff Blalock	Pat Berg	Keyan Mullis	Jeff Blalock	Pat Berg	Jeff Ebert	
Offertory (Stewarship Gifts)	Paul Haefling	Paul Gerlach	Scott Mullis	Paul Haefling	Denny Rickelman	Keyan Mullis	
Offertory (Stewarship Gifts)	Ryan Hildenbrand	Denny Rickelman	Mark Ruxer	Ryan Hildenbrand	Eric Tuley	Scott Mullis	
Offertory (Stewarship Gifts)	Earl Peters	NOT FILLED	Jerry Sitzman	NOT FILLED	NOT FILLED	Mark Ruxer	
EMHC	Seth Deom	Alison Collignon	Benjamin Mangum	Ron Boehm	Alan Waninger	David Fromme	
EMHC (Choir Loft)	Earl Peters	(sub request)	Landon Mullis	(sub request)	Kerry Snyder	Kathy Ruxer	
EMHC	Becky Wesner		Ginger Mullis	Kasey Wagner		Larry Waninger	
EMHC	Jenny Kunkler		Mary L. Denning	Hayley Waninger		Caleb Mohr	
Porter (post-Mass) [8]	Earl Peters	NOT FILLED	NOT FILLED	NOT FILLED	Clara Tempel	NOT FILLED	
Sanitize (Narthex and Pews)	Earl Peters	Alfred Birchler	Sue Wiederkehr	NOT FILLED	LeeRay Tempel	NOT FILLED	
Santize (Restrooms and Sacristy)	Earl Peters	Alfred Birchler	Sue Wiederkehr	NOT FILLED	NOT FILLED	NOT FILLED	
report (*csv.) Ministry Scheduler	**9/2/2021**						

PADRE'S POST
23RD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

As we gather for Mass this weekend we hear from the Prophet Isaiah, Chapter 35; Isaiah's prophesy of the messiah's coming. He speaks of the messiah's coming, remembering that the people were waiting for God to come and save his people, bringing blessing and mercy. Isaiah understood that those who would believe in the messiah, the anointed one, would receive true freedom and an everlasting inheritance. In Isaiah's message the gifts anticipated by the messiah, the gifts of the church, we often take for granted and believe they will always be there. We hear from the Letter of St. James, Chapter 2, there is no favoritism with God. God chose those who were poor according to worldly standards to become rich in faith. How do we define our happiness, our riches? Are they of this world or through Christ and his call to discipleship?

In today's gospel Jesus cures a deaf mute. To the people of the world who knew this man, many had written him off as a sinner, poor in the riches of the world as well as God's blessing. However, Jesus taking him aside, cures him, asking him to keep it secret. But the man proclaimed the cure he had experienced through Christ's healing, all the more. Again, we return to the question asked among those present – who is Jesus and where did he get his power? Remember the word messiah means the anointed one. Jesus, the second person of the Trinity came into the world to open our ears and to give us the gift of faith to be disciples and evangelists, sharing the word of God and living and renewing our lives through the sacraments. Make time for Jesus. Make time to worship in spirit and truth in your parish. It is important for us to encounter Christ daily, especially on the sabbath, and we have the freedom to do so.

Today, this freedom is often confused with the right to worship versus the convenience to worship. The Ten Commandments aren't suggestions. The Third Commandment, keep the sabbath holy, commands us to go to church on Sundays and Holy Days of Obligation. This isn't to be done when it is convenient or when it works for you, this is part of the sacrifice that strengthens our gathering for the eucharistic sacrifice. We need God in our life.

I often wonder how many people take a moment to think about the religious freedom we have today in our country. In recent happenings in Afghanistan, I have been thinking about what has happened over the last 20 years during our country's occupation of Afghanistan. As we celebrate the Labor Day holiday, let us keep in mind our troops serving throughout the world. Especially all who are in harm's way, the injured, and those who have died through global terrorism, including Marine Humberto Sanchez, 22 of Logansport, Indiana, one of the 13 military men and women who lost their lives in an airport suicide bombing on August 26 in Kabul, and their families who grieve this tragic loss of life.

Welcome Father Simon Njuguna Waweru, a priest of The Augustinians of the Assumption (Assumptionists). Born in Kenya, Father Simon is here to ask for our support of the annual mission appeal we host on Labor Day weekend. I pray that you are open to his message and that you pray for the work of the Assumptionists. Please be generous with your financial resources, making a difference in the world. Father Simon will arrive on Saturday and will be staying at the Archabbey Guest House and Retreat Center. He will preside and preach at all weekend Masses.

God bless you. Let us continue to pray for parishioners and loved ones whose lives are fragile and who are suffering in body, mind or spirit.

May Christ be their peace and comfort. PAX -

Father Anthony, OSB.

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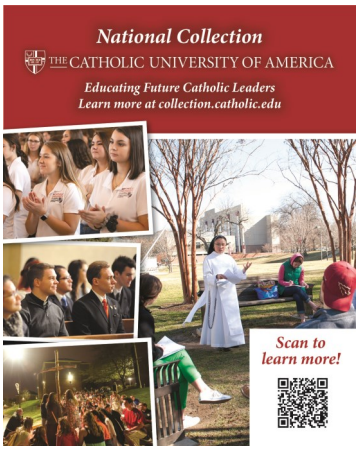
Sunday, September 12, 2021



Join Archbishop Thompson and brothers and sisters throughout the archdiocese on Sunday, September 12, for the National Collection for The Catholic University of America.

Catholic University is a national research university with over 5,700 undergraduate and graduate students in more than 250 academic programs in the heart of Washington, D.C. By giving to the collection, you are supporting both future Catholic leaders, religious and lay, who are being formed by an exceptional, Faith-rooted education and the University's various research and training initiatives that support dioceses and parishes in responding to the most pressing needs of their faithful. The Catholic Project - an initiative that aims to heal the breach of trust many have experienced as a result of the current crisis in the Church, a master's program in Ecclesial Administration and Management, and a credentialing program that prepares recent graduates to serve as campus ministers are a few examples how the University is serving the Church and nation. Please give generously. Learn more at: collection.catholic.edu. of the Catholic University of America.

For your convenience in your Sunday Stewardship Envelope series, an envelope for the National Collection for The Catholic University of America is included in the September envelope packet. Also available with online giving in Realm®, you can make one-time or recurring gifts using debit cards, credit cards, or eChecks (ACH) St. Boniface Parishioners Make a Gift Here | St. Meinrad Parishioners Make a Gift Here.

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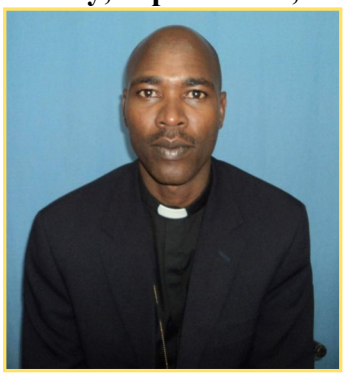
MISSION PRIEST
Support Annual Mission Priest Appeal
Sunday, September 5, 2021



Our parish family welcomes Father Simon Njuguna Waweru of The Augustinians of the Assumption (Assumptionists) for our annual Mission Sunday Appeal. Father Simon will celebrate and preach Masses on September 4 and 5, making the archdiocesan annual missionary appeal to support the work of the Assumptionists.

By our baptism, we are all called to be disciples and evangelists. Each year at this time, we are reminded that, through our prayerful support and financial resources, we can make sure the message of Jesus Christ is carried to nations filled with conflict. Through your help, the peace of Christ and the mystery of faith the Church professes can be transmitted beyond the comfort of our little piece of the world. Financial gifts to The Assumptionists may be placed in the weekly stewardship collection through the end of September. An envelope for My Gift to Support Sunday's Mission Priest is included in the September envelope packet, as a lavender envelope. Please make sure your check is made payable to the parish church, clearly marking in the memo Mission Priest (4032.400). If you use online giving in Realm®, you can make one-time or recurring gifts using debit cards, credit cards, or eChecks (ACH) St. Boniface Parishioners Make a Gift Here | St. Meinrad Parishioners Make a Gift Here.

For more information about The Augustinians of the Assumption (Assumptionists) visit: https://www.assumptio.org/

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girl scouts

You're Invited!

It's time to press play.

Fun with friends. New adventures. Making a difference.
You're ready to go, and Girl Scouts is ready for you.

See for yourself what Girl Scouts has to offer.
All girls at Nancy Hanks Elementary are invited to join us!

Girl Scout Information & Registration Meeting
Tuesday, September 7, 2021
5:30-6:30 PM
St. Meinrad Park Shelter House

Our troop meets the 1st & 3rd Tuesday of each month from 5:30-6:30 PM.

Get more information about Girl Scouts at girlscouts-gssi.org or contact Kathy Seckinger at (812) 480-2299 with questions.

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ANNOUNCEMENTS: *local church and local community*

PARISH LEADERSHIP

CUB SCOUTS — Amanda Gudorf (Interim)
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

St. Meinrad Parish fall picnic set for September 19

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Parishioners, friends, and neighbors are invited to enjoy the outdoor dining pavilion with live music throughout the day, weather permitting. Featured food items include barbecue chicken dinners for $12 and barbecue pork ribs for $25.

Parishioners and patrons are encouraged to pre-order all food and drink items for dine-in, carry out and drive-thru with cash, check, debit or credit card. Mobile ordering or purchasing tickets for all food and beverage items with cash, check, debit or credit card on picnic day, is available at the picnic hospitality center located south of the church near the entrance of the outdoor dining pavilion.

Order forms for purchasing food and raffle tickets are available in the church narthex. They can be turned in at the parish office through the mail slot located at the west (carport) entrance until September 10. You can also pre-order food at www.smcatholic.church/fall-picnic.

FINANCIAL STEWARDSHIP

AUGUST 26 - SEPTEMBER 1, 2021

ST. BONIFACE PARISH		ST. MEINRAD PARISH
$518	ONLINE GIVING	$285
$1,180	OFFERTORY	$1,700
	FY 2020-2021	
175	# OF HOUSEHOLDS	221
426	# OF SOULS	463
	MASS COUNTS	
IN-PERSON	AUGUST 28, 2021	LIVESTREAM
75	4:00 p.m.	12
50	6:00 a.m.	11
100	8:30 a.m.	20

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Tri-State Catholic Radio

2020 PARISH GOALS
UNITED CATHOLIC APPEAL
ST. BONIFACE PARISH

Goal $7,627 ***Pledged*** **$5,985** *78% to goal*

ST. MEINRAD PARISH

Goal $10,741 ***Pledged*** **$7,215** *67% to goal*

Update August 31, 2021

HOW IS A PARISH GOAL SET?

Each parish throughout the archdiocese has a set goal for the annual appeal using a formula averaging the last three year's Sunday and Holy Day collection totals.

MAKE YOUR UCA GIFT TODAY

PAULA JEAN (SHAEFER) LUTZ

In your charity, please pray for the repose of the soul of Paula (Schaefer) Lutz, age 60, of Haubstadt, Indiana. Paula died peacefully in the Lord Friday, August 13, in hospice care at North River Health Campus in Evansville, Indiana. Daughter of Pauline Schaefer of St. Meinrad Parish. Arrangements in care of **Wade Funeral Home, Inc.,** Haubstadt, Indiana.

VIEW CEMETERY DIRECTORY

To view a ***CEMETERY DIRECTORY*** online or to learn more about the The 1847 Society and The 1861 Society, access the parish home-page. In the search box at the top of the homepage, type ***1847*** or ***1861***. In the search results, click on Online Cemetery Directory

1 World Day of Prayer for the Care of Creation
6 Labor Day
7 Evangelization Commission (SB|SM)
8 Communal Anointing of the Sick
11 Patriot Day
12 St. Pius V Fall Festival - Troy, Indiana
12 Grandparents Day
12 Collection for The Catholic University of America
14 Facilities and Grounds Commission (SB)
15 Hispanic Heritage Month Begins
18 Ferdinand Folk Fest—Ferdinand, Indiana
19 In-service for parish-based Family Faith Formation (F^3) for preschool - grade 9 parents and students to receive Fall 2021 F^3 Family Folders after weekend Masses
19 Catechetical Sunday
19 Blessing of Catechists at weekend Masses
19 St. Meinrad Parish Annual Fall Picnic
20-26 National Migration Week
21 Monthly Meeting of Priests for the Tell City Deanery
21 Pastoral Ministries and Activities Commission (SB|SM)
22 Parish-based Family Faith Formation (F^3) for preschool - grade 9 begins
25 In-service for parish-based Family Faith Formation (F^3) for grade 10 students and parents in preparation for celebrating the Sacrament of Confirmation
26 World Day of Migrants and Refugees
27 Perry County Bookmobile - Adyeville, IN
28 Long-Range Planning and Stewardship Commission (SB|SM)

SCOUT ME IN

Cub Scout Pack #102 is open to children in grades kindergarten –5 from Southeast Dubois, North Spencer, Perry Central schools and home school associations. Pack meetings begin in September, typically meeting on Monday, 6 p.m. Central Time, at St. Boniface Parish Center.
For more information, visit www.beascout.scouting.org or contact Amanda Gudorf, interim pack leader, at 812-631-9507.

Girls in grades kindergarten - 12 are invited to join Girl Scouts. An information and registration meeting will be held on Tuesday, September 7, at 5:30 p.m. Central Time, at St. Meinrad Park Shelter House. Meetings are typically held on the 1st and 3rd Tuesdays of each month, 5:30 – 6:30 p.m. Central Time, at St. Boniface Parish Center. For more information, go to www.girlscouts-gssi.org or contact Kathy Seckinger, troop leader, at 812-480-2299.

Dear Padre,

Martyrs and people who commit suicide willingly sacrifice their lives, so how are they different? If I deliberately put myself in a position to be killed—even for a worthy cause—isn't that a form of suicide?

Life is a gift from God. While both martyrdom and suicide contradict the natural human disposition to preserve and perpetuate life, the former is a totally self-giving act; the latter, a self-inflicted one.

The early Church believed that martyrs went directly to heaven because their sacrifice of life was the ultimate Christlike expression. Their courageous endurance of indignities and tortures—their heroic willingness to die in defense of the faith or to save another's life—demonstrates a supreme love of God and neighbor over love for life itself (*Catechism of the Catholic Church*, 2473).

Those who take their own lives to end personal suffering or despair make a decision that belongs to God alone. It's an action that can revolve totally around the "self," often with little thought given to its consequences. It's a sin against hope (*CCC* 2091) that reveals a lack of faith and trust in God. Conversely, martyrdom is a profound expression of faith, trust, and hope in God. Nevertheless, our compassionate God fully knows the intensity of suffering that triggers suicide and "can provide the opportunity for salutary repentance" (*CCC* 2283).

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Fr. Byron Miller, CSsR / Sundaybulletin@Liguori.org

Do you have a question for the Padre?

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

A WORD FROM *Pope Francis*

Remember that story about the poor widow lady…Her husband had committed suicide; he jumped from the bridge into the river. And she wept. She said, "I am a sinner, a poor woman. But my poor husband! He is in hell."…And the Curé of Ars said, "But wait a moment, ma'am, because between the bridge and the river, there is the mercy of God."

HOMILY, MARCH 18, 2019

Calendar

Monday
SEPTEMBER 6
Weekday
Col 1:24—2:3
Lk 6:6–11

Tuesday
SEPTEMBER 7
Weekday
Col 2:6–15
Lk 6:12–19

Wednesday
SEPTEMBER 8
The Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary
Mi 5:1–4a or
Rom 8:28–30
Mt 1:1–16, 18–23, or
1:18–23

Thursday
SEPTEMBER 9
St. Peter Claver, Priest
Col 3:12–17
Lk 6:27–38

Friday
SEPTEMBER 10
Weekday
1 Tm 1:1–2, 12–14
Lk 6:39–42

Saturday
SEPTEMBER 11
Weekday
1 Tm 1:15–17
Lk 6:43–49

Sunday
SEPTEMBER 12
Twenty-fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time
Is 50:4c–9a
Jas 2:14–18
Mk 8:27–35

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St. Pius Fall Festival

Hwy 66, Troy, IN

Sunday, Sept. 12, 2021

Fried Chicken or Roast Beef Dinners
Ready at 11am CDT- Eat-in or Carry Out

Great Raffle!
Cash-Quilt-Prizes!

BINGO!

Chinese Auction
Games for Everyone!

Live Music

Hamburgers,
Hot Dogs, and
Polish Sausage!

FAMOUS SOUP
BY THE BOWL OR GALLON- BRING YOUR OWN CONTAINERS IF POSSIBLE.
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2021 FALL PICNIC
BBQ CHICKEN DINNER AND BBQ PORK RIBS
PRE-ORDER FORM

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Barbecue chicken dinners will be served beginning at 10 a.m. Dinners include scalloped potatoes, green beans, slaw and a homemade dessert. Cold drinks are available at an additional cost. Food is available for dine-in, carry out and drive-thru with a **pre-sale order** option at **www.smcatholic.church/st-meinrad-fall-picnic**.

The deadline for mail-in picnic pre-order food order forms is Friday, September 10, 2021. **Picnic sponsorship** and **"In Memory / In Honor"** designees made online through Monday, September 20, 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.

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RETURN SECTION BELOW BY SEPTEMBER 10, 2021.

MAKE CHECK PAYABLE TO: **St. Meinrad Catholic Church**

MEMO: **Fall Picnic Food Items**

RETURN FORM WITH PAYMENT TO: **PO Box 8 Saint Meinrad, IN 47577-0008**

FIRST MIDDLE INITIAL LAST NAME	MOBILE #	EMAIL ADDRESS	
	( ) -		
MAILING ADDRESS	**CITY**	**STATE**	**ZIP CODE +4**
			-
COUNTY OF RESIDENCE		**DATE OF BIRTH**	**CHECK #**
FOOD ITEMS	**UNIT PRICE**	**# UNITS REQUESTED**	**TOTAL**
BBQ Chicken Dinner $12 per dinner – **Dine-In** (Stand #718)	$12	____ x $12	
BBQ Chicken Dinner $12 per dinner – **Carry Out** (#718)	$12	____ x $12	
BBQ Chicken Dinner $12 per dinner – **Drive-Thru** (#718)	$12	____ x $12	
BBQ Pork Ribs $25 per package – **Dine-In** (Stand #717)	$25	____ x $25	
BBQ Pork Ribs $25 per package – **Carry Out** (Stand #717)	$25	____ x $25	
BBQ Pork Ribs $25 per package – **Drive-Thru** (Stand #717)	$25	____ x $25	
TOTAL			

Raffle tickets and other charitable gaming items must be paid with a check separate from food and other non-charitable gaming items.

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 dining area are encouraged to pre-order food items and to join virtually at **www.smcatholic.church/live**. There is no indoor dining this year.

On behalf of the parish family of St. Meinrad Parish in Spencer County, and our friends, neighbors and benefactors, thank you for your time, generosity, and continued support of our mission and ministry.

FALL PICNIC LEADERSHIP FOR 2021

Nancy Graman, chair
Karen Mangum, marketing
Jerry Sitzman, logistics
Jeff Mohr, food stands
Carol Schwoeppe, vendors

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2021 FALL PICNIC
CHARITABLE GAMING BULK TICKET PRE-ORDER FORM

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The celebration will conclude with a quilt raffle, featuring two handmade quilts, followed by an all-cash raffle with $5,000 in prizes. Winners will be announced at 1 p.m., livestream and in-person at the hospitality center on picnic day.

Raffle tickets are available beginning July 27, through the parish website, by contacting a parishioner, a parish staff member at the parish office or the picnic hospitality center on picnic day. Learn more about our simple, secure way for pre-sale ordering at **https://smcatholic.church/fall-picnic**.

The deadline for mail-in bulk ticket forms for cash raffle and quilt raffle is September 10, 2021.

All raffle winners 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.

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RETURN SECTION BELOW BY SEPTEMBER 10, 2021.

MAKE CHECK PAYABLE TO: St. Meinrad Catholic Church

MEMO: Fall Picnic Charitable Gaming

RETURN FORM WITH PAYMENT TO: PO Box 8 Saint Meinrad, IN 47577-0008

FIRST MIDDLE INITIAL LAST NAME	MOBILE #	EMAIL ADDRESS	
	( ) -		
MAILING ADDRESS FOR CASH PRIZE	**CITY**	**STATE**	**ZIP CODE +4**
			-
COUNTY OF RESIDENCE		**DATE OF BIRTH**	**CHECK #**
FALL PICNIC ITEMS	**UNIT PRICE**	**# UNITS REQUESTED**	**TOTAL**
Cash Raffle Ticket (Stand #723) $5 per ticket	$5	____ x $5	
Quilt Raffle Ticket (Stand #700) $1 per ticket	$1	____ x $1	
TOTAL			

Cash Raffle Ticket $5

All cash raffle tickets for $5,000 in cash prizes are $5 each. First place cash prize $1,000. Presales are available at https://smcatholic.church/fall-picnic through September 10. Cash raffle winners are announced at 1 p.m., livestream and in-person at the hospitality center on picnic day. (Indiana Gaming Commission 2021 License Number #002566.)

Quilt Raffle Ticket $1

Pre-order your chances for the special quilt raffle using this form. The deadline for mail-in bulk ticket order forms is September 10. This year's raffle features two handmade quilts from parishioners and local artisans. Buy tickets at https://smcatholic.church/fall-picnic through September 10, 2021, for $1 each. Quilt raffle winners are announced at 1 p.m., livestream and in-person at the hospitality center on picnic day. (Indiana Gaming Commission 2021 License Number #002566.)

Raffle tickets and other charitable gaming items must be paid with a check separate from food and other non-charitable gaming items. Any funds received after September 10 will be considered a charitable gift to the parish.

On behalf of the parish family of St. Meinrad Parish in Spencer County, and our friends, neighbors and benefactors, thank you for your time, generosity, and continued support of our mission and ministry.

Jeremy Schipp and Amy Dilger
CASH RAFFLE STAND CHAIRS

Gary and Nancy Graman
QUILT RAFFLE CHAIRS

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2021 FALL PICNIC QUILT RAFFLE

Carpenter Star (94 x 105) *black, gray and white*

Double Irish Chain (112 x 103) *blue and white*

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