

July 27, 2025

Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Scripture readings is # 998 in the **Journeysongs Hymnal**

“Lord, on the day I called for help, you answered me.”

Heaven and Earth Can Coincide

People often imagine huge distance between Earth and a Heaven beyond the horizon of the universe. But Jesus Christ taught us to pray “Thy will be done on Earth as it is in Heaven.”

How can this come about? Jesus identified two areas on which we need to focus to help make Heaven and Earth share the same space.

“Give us this day our daily bread.” This petition is very real for most inhabitants of the world—a plea for the necessities of life to stave off real hunger. If we respond to this plea, we can change a Hellish situation to a place where Heaven and Earth coincide.

“Forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us.” But, first to Shakespeare: “The quality of Mercy is not strained. It falleth as the gentle rain of Heaven on to the place beneath.”

If we develop a hardness of heart which refuses to show forgiveness, then we are like earth concreted over and are unable to absorb God’s forgiveness into our own lives. When we forgive someone, we become more able to absorb the gentle rain of heavenly mercy and forgiveness.

So, Heaven and Earth need not be as distant as supposed. Our Lord has shown us how we can help make these dimensions of existence coincide.

We could take a moment to resolve to pray the “Our Father” by our lives, helping to provide evidence for our acclamation:

“Holy, Holy, Holy Lord God of Hosts, Heaven and Earth are full of your Glory.”

Fr. Michael Tate

Religious Education

Classes resume September 17 with Elementary at 3:30 PM and Middle/High School on Wednesdays from 6:00–7:30 PM. We’ll be using the *Spirit of Truth* program from Sophia Teachers.

We’re seeking teachers (including substitutes), a meal coordinator, and a Director of Religious Education (with stipend); a parent meeting will be held September 3. A questionnaire will be available then. If you’re able to help in any role, please contact the parish office.

Weekend Contributions:

<u>St. John’s July 20, 2025</u>		<u>Holy Rosary July 20, 2025</u>	
Envelopes:	\$ 1050.00	Envelopes:	\$ 135.00
Plate:	\$ 1072.00	Plate:	\$ 193.00

Mass Intentions

We have openings for Mass Intentions.
\$10.00 per Mass
Contact the Parish Office
(218) 387-1409 or stop by
Monday - Thursday from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

Saint John’s Catholic Church - Grand Marais

Holy Rosary Catholic Church - Grand Portage

10 East 5th Street, P.O. Box 549, Grand Marais, MN 55604

Parish Office Hours: 9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

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Saint John's — Grand Marais

Monday 8:15 a.m.	Weekday +Communion Service	07/28/25
Tuesday 7:45 a.m. 8:15 a.m.	Weekday Rosary +Communion Service	07/29/25
Wednesday 8:15 a.m.	Weekday + Communion Service	07/30/25
Thursday 7:45 a.m. 8:15 a.m.	Weekday Rosary + Communion Service	07/31/25
Friday 8:15 a.m.	Weekday + Communion Service	08/01/25
Saturday	Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time	08/02/25
10:00-11:00 a.m. 4:00-4:30 p.m. 5:00 p.m.	Sacrament of Penance Sacrament of Penance + Mass — <i>Irene Sobieck</i>	
Sunday	Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time	08/03/25
8:00-8:30 a.m. 9:00 a.m.	Sacrament of Penance +Mass — <i>Charlotte Maciejewski</i>	

Holy Rosary — Grand Portage

Sunday	Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time	08/03/25
11:30 a.m.	+Mass — <i>For the People</i>	

Liturgical Roles for St. John's

Saturday, July 26th:

Lector: Bill Gabler

Eucharistic Ministers: Maggie Waldrop, Dennis Waldrop, **NEED**

Ushers: Mark Quello, Jerry Kohl

Sunday July 27th:

Lector: Jack Stone

Eucharistic Ministers: Linda Bauer, Kathy LaVigne, Francis Toms

Ushers: Douglas Hurth, Charlie LaBoda

Saturday, August 2nd:

Lector: Kevin Hanson

Eucharistic Ministers: Maggie Waldrop, Dennis Waldrop, **NEED**

Ushers: Ben Petz, Harvey Sobieck

Sunday August 3rd:

Lector: Ken Wielinski

Eucharistic Ministers: Linda Bauer, Michelle Lewis, Francis Toms

Ushers: Douglas Hurth, Charlie LaBoda

Scripture Readings for 08/03/25

Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

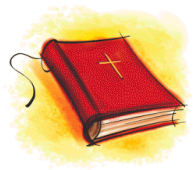
Ecclesiastes 1:2; 2:21-23

Colossians 3:1-5, 9-11

Luke 12:13-21

Please Pray For...

We pray for all parishioners facing life-threatening illnesses, especially John Benschoter. May they find peace, strength, and the deep comfort of God's healing presence.

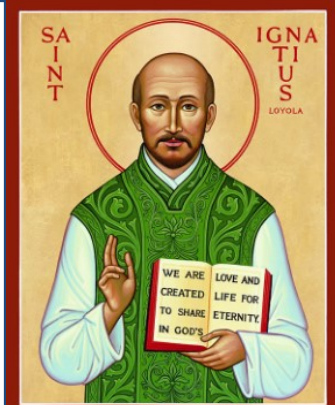


Pope's Intention for August For Mutual Coexistence

Let us pray that societies where coexistence seems more difficult might not succumb to the temptation of confrontation for ethnic, political, religious, or ideological reasons.



St. Ignatius of Loyola was a Spanish priest and theologian who founded the Jesuit order in 1534 and was one of the most influential figures in the Counter-Reformation. Known for its **missionary, educational, and charitable works**, the Jesuit order was a leading force in the modernizing of the Roman Catholic Church.



Ask, and it will be given to you; search, and you will find; knock, and the door will be opened to you.

Luke 11:9

