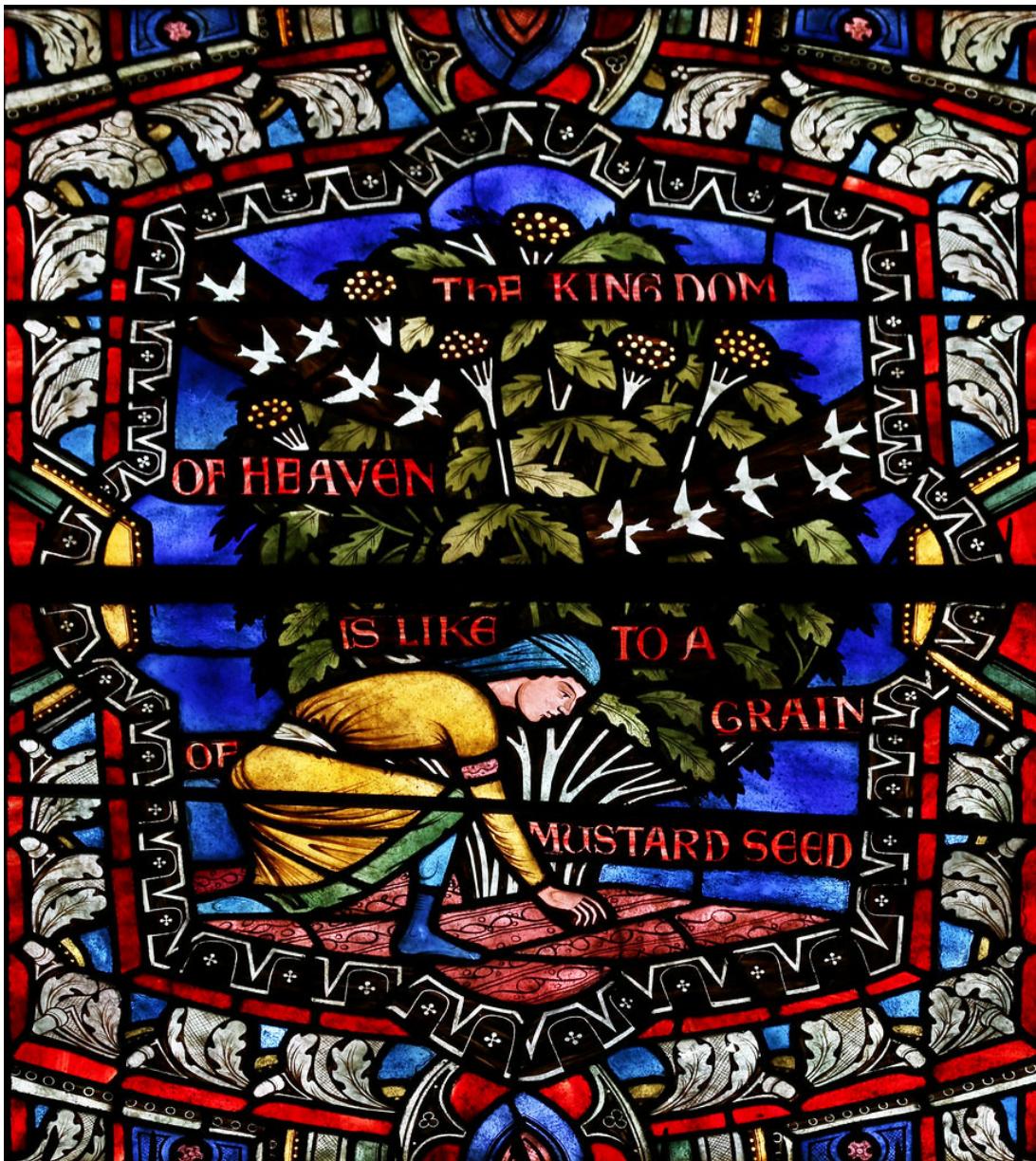


July 19, 2020

Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time



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O tempora, o mores!

That is a very old Latin expression, translated as “Oh the times, Oh the customs!” It seems like a fitting expression for the times we are going through right now. The everyday routine that we took for granted seems completely disrupted by the Covid-19 pandemic. Many people are still unemployed or only partly employed. Protests and even riots are taking place in some of our big cities, and violent crimes have gone up in those troubled areas. There are no movie theaters open, no baseball games, no outdoor summer festivals. We can’t even go shopping without wearing a face covering. More troubling than all else, many Catholics have been unable to attend Mass in person since the Spring. It almost seems like a “perfect storm” of trials and difficulties for us, even if we have not been personally touched by the virus itself.

I have special sympathy for parents with pre-teenage children. Not only have they been out of school since March, but most of the summer activities for them have been cancelled. And yet, one possible blessing in disguise is that families are spending more time together than ever before. I see families together in parks, on bicycles and in stores. (I have heard that bicycle tires are in short supply lately, because so many people are bicycling.) Maybe they wish they were doing something more exciting, like a vacation to Disney World or some other fancy destination. But what they do have is the presence of their family! In any case, these families are learning what it means to live as a family. Sometimes we learn the most from the ordinary events of our life.

I sometimes hear parents say they used to feel like chauffeurs or taxi drivers, rushing their children from activity to activity. Well, for all the difficulties of this present time, it certainly is a chance for families to spend a little more “ordinary” time together. Not time filled with travelling or scheduled events, but simply time to do ordinary things as a family. When I pass by a house in these days of social distancing, I see children in the yard playing the kind of simple games I remember from my own childhood. Sometimes they look and wave, or say “Hello”, even though they don’t know me. It’s the kind of thing I remember neighbors doing many years ago, something I had not noticed for quite a few years. While most of us are looking forward to the day our schedules get back to what we consider normal, maybe God wants us to use this time to recall some simpler things. Some of these things are patience, charity toward family and neighbors, and appreciation for what we have. God gave us our family for these very things.

In God’s love,

Fr Matthew Kowalski

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Deacons Round Table

WSFI 88.5 FM Catholic Radio

Fourth Saturday of the Month at 7:00 pm

Lively conversations and interviews
examine how to live a life of faith.

Farewell

Father Michael McGovern will return to St. Raphael the Archangel the weekend of August 29/30. This will give us an opportunity to congratulate Bishop McGovern and thank him for his four years of service as our Pastor.

Altar & Rosary Sodality (ARS) Women's Group

The Women's Group takes a break over the summer from its monthly meetings and will not be meeting again until Monday, September 28 at 7 pm. There will, however, be a Game Day on Monday, July 20 at 11:30 am. Potluck for a light lunch, followed by board & card games.

If interested contact Nancy January at nanjanil@sbcglobal.net

Spiritual Direction

Spiritual direction is a relationship with a trained director with whom to discuss and pray about what is happening in your life in God. During the pandemic, Deacon Greg is available to talk privately online. To schedule a time, email Deacon Greg at brotherinthestole@gmail.com.

St. Peter Canisius Pipe Organ Project

We are still in the process of restoring the St. Peter Canisius pipe organ to our choir loft. Through the use of volunteers, and my own spare time, we have made a lot of progress. We have installed the first sets of refurbished pipes and returned to operation the 84 year old air blower. Some of the pipes are over 9ft. tall! Our next volunteer days, to be determined, will involve stripping paint from 28 large pipes that make up the facade of the organ, and repainting them to match our church. If you are interested in helping, please e-mail Music Director Alex Fries at: alex@alexfries.com or call the parish office.

Please see www.frieskeyboardworks.com/straphael for a detailed look at this project!"

Please pray for those in our parish and community who are sick:

Annabelle Diaz
Paula Emmerth
Dean Pedersen

Bob Geske
Rod Loomis
Residents of Rolling Hills

Please join us from home to continue our tradition of the Sunday morning Rosary at St. Raphael.

Although we are not yet meeting each Sunday to pray the Rosary together, please continue to pray the Rosary at home, asking for God's mercy and blessing through the intercession of His Blessed Mother. The Rosary is one of the treasures of our faith through which we ask for the Mercy and help of God. Especially at this time, we ask God to help us through this difficult point in our country and world, and to keep us safe from Covid 19. And we pray for those who are ill and their families. Until we are able to return to our regular Sunday Rosary schedule, please everyone join us from your homes.

Mass Intentions

Week of July 19, 2020		Intentions for:	Requested by:
Saturday, July 18, 2020	8:30 am	† Eliza Moreno Vasquez † Donald O'Neill and Amil Pavelski	The Cardenas Family Donna and Paul Pavelski
Sunday, July 19, 2020	9:00 am	Parishioners of St. Raphael The Archangel † Carol Wywialowski Linda Foley	Annette Wynn Sean Foley
Monday, July 20, 2020	8:30 am	† Anne Centko	The Centko Family
Tuesday July 21, 2020	8:30 am	† Joseph Dziedzic	The Lincoln Farmily
Wednesday, July 22, 2020	8:30 am	Bishop Michael McGovern	SRCC Parishioners
Thursday, July 23, 2020	8:30 am	Rev. James Presta	
Friday, July 24, 2020	8:30 am	† Francis Cardinal George	
Saturday, July 25, 2020	8:30 am	The Siron Family † Sophie Boutell	Evelyn Ong The Boutell Family
Sunday, July 26, 2020	9:00 am	Parishioners of St. Raphael The Archangel	
		† Sophie Boutell	
		† Betty W. Dahlgren	
		† William E. Dahlgren	
		† Frank Link	

If you would like to have a Mass said for a beloved family member, friend, or special intention,
please call the parish office at 847.395.3474. (†Deceased)



Sacred Heart Statue outside of St. Raphael in a semi-circle of blooming roses

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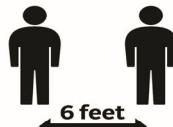


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Catholic Charities Lake County Services School Supply Project 2020

Every year, Catholic Charities supports low-income families in the Lake county area by collecting and distributing donated school supplies. The project allows children of these families to be well-prepared for the upcoming school year. For children experiencing poverty, school supplies are a luxury that many go without. Each year, we strive to ensure that each child will have a backpack with the basic school supplies to start the upcoming year. We desperately need donations of backpacks and school supplies to meet the needs of the families we serve. Each donation you make helps ensure that any family seeking help from Catholic Charities can start the school year successfully! All supplies must be new and should be delivered **no later than August 4** to Catholic Charities, located at 671 S. Lewis Ave. in **Waukegan**, between the hours of 8:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday. For more information, contact the Project Coordinator Sue Fowler, (847) 782-4126 or sfowler@catholiccharities.net. Thank you for your consideration.

Catholic Charities Meals on Wheels Drivers Needed

Catholic Charities partners with Meals on Wheels America to provide a noontime meal for those who are homebound or unable to prepare their own food due to physical or mental difficulties. Many of them would be unable to live independently without home-delivered meals. Volunteers are needed throughout Lake County, but the need is greatest right now in **Fox Lake, Wauconda, and Mundelein**. More information at: www.volunteerbridge.com or contact Sue Fowler at (847) 782-4126 or sfowler@catholiccharities.net.



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Hello, St. Bede Community,

Today, you received from OCS the Reopening with Trust: A Planning Framework for the 2020/2021 School Year. This plan is a framework that summarizes how to open our school safely. The health and safety of our students, families and educators are our top priority in all decisions made pertaining to the reopening of our school. We will be working with the St. Bede school board and other community partners to implement the plan knowing it must be customized for the school. Communication is a priority as we plan for reopening school for our students. We will be sending more information out as the summer progresses. Thank you for your support of St. Bede School and we continue to ask for your patience as we begin to work through our plan.

Peace and joy,
Kari Rybarcyk
St. Bede School, Principal



Sandlot Day (Park Meet Up)
Thursday, July 23rd (3pm - 6pm)
Hastings Lake Forest Preserve,
Lindenhurst, IL 60046

Now that restrictions are lifting slowly, we can finally meet up at a park and let the kids play. They can pick up a game of kickball or whiffle ball... whatever feels right! Let's meet up at the playground and go from there! Bring some snacks or a picnic and whatever will make you comfortable. This is purely optional for those who want to and feel comfortable participating. While restrictions are lifting, social distancing guidelines are still in place. Please instruct your children, that while they can see friends and play at the park, they should always maintain 6 feet from others. Thank you.

"Let every day recess begin!"

On Friday, July 10th we honored Mrs. Swiss with a Retirement Parade through the St. Bede School parking lot. Thank you for all your years of dedication to St. Bede School! You will be greatly missed!



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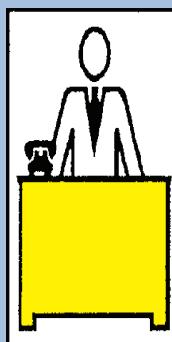
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