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Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time July 14, 2024

"Jesus summoned the Twelve and began to send them out two by two and gave them authority over unclean spirits." Mk 6:7



Today's work of art titled *The Apostle's Farewell* is a slightly unusual painting. There are 12 figures (see if you can find them all) in the foreground and middle ground who are preparing to depart the scene dressed in 15th century travel clothing. This painting fits well with the theme of today's gospel passage since the artist places the scene in contemporary (15th century) Bamberg, Bavaria (Germany). Three monumental buildings in the background tell us we are in Bamberg (and not 1st cen. Jerusalem). From the left on the hill there is the medieval castle *Altenburg*, in the center the distinctive four-towered Bamberg Cathedral, and on the right the Michaelsberg Abbey on a hill. In the foreground the Apostle's are all saying goodbye to one another as they begin their evangelizing mission (apostle in Greek literally means "one who is sent off"). The artist's placement of the gospel story in a contemporary setting can be read as his interpretation of our role in the history of salvation – it is relevant in all times and places.

GATHER HYMNAL PAGE 1135 FIFTEENTH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, July 13

4:00pm James "Mick" Price (20th Anv)

by Diane Collins

6:00pm Spanish

Sunday, July 14

7:30am Souls in Purgatory

by the Horrigans

9:00am Margaret Duffy, Rita Smith & Sharrie Grady by family

11:00am Joseph Fournier

Monday, July 15

9:00am Beth Lambert

by St. Luke Parish Family

Tuesday, July 16

9:00am Mark Gagnon

by Mary Driscoll

Wednesday, July 17

9:00am Hannah French (Birthday)

by Helen & Dennis Kay

Thursday, July 18

9:00am Fr. Walter Riley

by Knights of Columbus

Friday, July 19

9:00am Anthony Putnam

by Divine Mercy Cenacle

Saturday, July 20

4:00pm James & Elizabeth Power

by family

6:00pm Spanish

Sunday, July 21

7:30am Bob & Lee Mathieu

by family

9:00am Tim O'Neil

by St. Luke's Parish Family

11:00am Jean Marie Hope

by Women of St. Luke



We invite you to pray the Rosary everyday after the 9am weekday Mass Monday through Friday

Please Pray for...

Nicole Bates, Susan Bailey, Jonathan Tomashefsky, William Fargelli, Brian Howland, Michael LeBlanc, Mary Mahan, Becky Rawson Joan Sanders, Norman Beland, Bev Longime, James Wright, Evelyn Croteau Annabelle Duvane, Shirley DePalma, Agnes Limberger, Zachary Collins, Kupaa Keiley, Tiffany Kelley, Margie Morcone, Sharon Beaulieu, Mildred Raymond, Stephen & Kimberly Bankcroft, Toby Claufon, Joe Smith, Dawn Haight, Carol Aloisi, Teresa Putnam, Carmelia Potenti, Charles Arkle, Leanne McCann, Ellie Carlson, Jane Burke, Hayleigh Scott, Kellan Keough, Dorothy Clinton, Sr. Pamela Philbin, Karen Mooney, Sandy Thatcher Kerr, Sarah McMenemy, Helen Galica, Erik Olsen, Brendon Crowley, Richard Kane, Grace Roche, Jack Curtin, Jim Bennett, Kathleen Farrar, Kirolos Gergis, Gregg Merloni, Tome Valadao, Lynn St. Jean, Gene Buffo, Christine, Patrick, Robert & Coutinho family Maryann Bisco, Susan Garry, Melvin Boucher, T.J. Bautz, Joan Fallon, Edward Hubbell, Nancy Camp, David Perry, John Durnan, Linda Darby, Annie Mason, Nancy Santory, Laconya Mobley, Maria Matejko, Gary Wilson, Jr., Debbie Giroux, Kevin & Donna Brennan, Luz Chavez, Debbie Krikler, Dalene Stephens, Vicki Foley, Joel Rivera, Christina Narensky, James Thomas, Chloe Nascimento, Ann Martin, Michael Berthuime, Joan Sanders, Sofia Shahin, Sarah Cox, Hailie McLatchey, Barbara Auger, George Cabana, Beverly Taylor, Jeanne Amendola, Jack Walker, Daniel Baker Rebecca Coax, Robert Trant, Michael McAndless, Michael Del Pozzo, David Sawyer, Madison Knopf, Claire Kennedy, Susanne Ollman, Frank Sannelli, Pat & John Lusek, Michael Zancewicz, Kristy Cautello, Judy Melfa, Neil Kenny, Joseph Malzone, Lois Kerbel, Michael Turpin, Frank Murphy, Jr. Nick Johnson, Patricia Amorelli, Connor Blaney, Demetrius Mobley, Gary Shults, Erin Magrane, George Beecher

Let us remember to pray for all the men and women who are over seas in harm's way.

We remember those who have died

EXPOSITION OF THE
BLESSED SACRAMENT & ADORATION
TUESDAY 9:30AM TO 6:00PM
Divine Mercy Chaplet 3:00pm
Prayers For Sanctity of Life 5:00pm
BENEDICTION AT 6:00PM



It often happens that I wake up at night and begin to think about a serious problem and decide I must tell the Pope about it. Then I wake up completely and remember that I am the Pope.

~ Blessed Pope John XXIII ~

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SCHOOL SUPPLY DRIVE

St Luke's Outreach is partnering with Westborough Youth & Family Services to collect school supplies for local kids in need. There will be a drop off box in the Parish Center, and donations will be accepted through Monday, August 19th.

Supplies needed include: Backpacks for all ages, Ticonderoga pencils, Scissors, Crayola Crayons 16 & 24 count, Crayola colored pencils, glue sticks, Markers - washable Crayola thick & thin, Pencil boxes, 3 Ring Binders,

Pens - black & blue, Sharpie Markers, Pocket Folders, Notebooks-Subject spiral Composition Notebooks, Highlighters and Erasers.



THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT!

Nan Ford, St. Luke Outreach

July 17th Last Date to Register for 2024 Vacation Bible School

This year, we will have an amazing time diving into friendship with God at the First United Methodist Church, 120 W. Main Street, Westborough. Monday-Friday, August 5th-9th, 9am-12pm Campers are age 3 to 6th grade, including CITs Volunteers are 7th grade to adult

The online registration form can be found at https://firstumchurch.com/vacation-bible-school

If you have any questions, you may contact Dianne Patrick at diannempatrick@yahoo.com

At the community college, a local band put on a mini-concert to publicize their upcoming appearance. They performed over the lunch hours in the cafeteria. Many students got up and danced, or clapped, nodding their heads in rhythm with the band. In an article in the newspaper, one

student was quoted as saying, "With music, you just

have to dance. It is not a spectator event."

Jesus sends the Apostles out, two by two, to try their hand at proclaiming the Gospel. It was not a time to watch and see, but rather a time to say and do. They expelled demons, anointed the sick and cured many. The Kingdom of God comes in power, moving aside anything that stands in its way. It is music to the soul that causes its listeners to proclaim, to love, and to serve. Faith is not a spectator sport!

God calls each one of us. From the moment of your Baptism, you are given spiritual gifts to be used for the sake of the whole community. You are to serve as best you can, advancing the cause of the Gospel and announcing in all you say and do that the Kingdom is at hand. By word and deed, we live the Gospel, witnessing to the saving power of grace, and the joy of faith that gives life purpose, meaning and power. Are you still on the sidelines watching? It's time to be part of the mission, time to find and use your gifts. Pray, work, serve, and lead. It's time to be His disciple.

James Gaffney

Volleyball Pick Up Games

When: Every Wednesday from June 12th to August 14th

Where: St. Rose Of Lima Parish 244 W. Main Street, Northborough,

Time: 5:30 pm to 7:00 pm - Come when you can! **Who Can Play:** 7th Grade through 12th Grade. Bring a friend. All are welcome! Come and enjoy some friendly competition, fun, and fellowship. We will start with a short practice, a game or two and fun around the firepit (weather permitting).

If you have any questions, please contact Marisol at St. Rose of Lima - 508-393-2413 x6.

Thank you to all who donated to Mustard Seed for this month. Your generous contributions amounted to \$1550! The Mustard Seed staff was truly excited to receive the funds which will provide several meals for those in need. Thank you, thank you!

Wishing you a truly wonderful and blessed summer, Sue Black

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Saint of the Week

Kateri Tekakwitha

1656-1680 Feast Day-July 14

Kateri Tekakwitha is revered today as the first Native American saint. Only 24 when she died, Kateri is an example of purity, prayer, and most especially endurance in faith. Born in 1656, in a Mohawk village in what is now upstate New York, she was an outsider. Her mother was an Algonquin who was catechized and baptized Roman Catholic by French missionaries in TroisRivières, east of Montreal. Her mother was captured by the Mohawks in a raid and was taken to be the wife of the Mohawk chief Kenneronkwa near present-day Auriesville, New York.

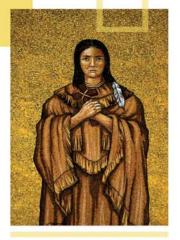
At an early age, Kateri's village suffered a severe smallpox epidemic, which killed her parents and left her scarred and her vision impaired. Her name, "Tekakwitha", means "she who bumps into things." She was adopted by her Mohawk relatives who survived the epidemic, and the survivors of the plague moved to the new village of Caughnawaga.

Like her mother, Tekakwitha sought out instruction from Catholic missionaries that led to her eventual baptism at the age of 19 and her taking the name "Kateri" after St. Catherine of Siena on Easter Sunday 1676.

Kateri faced severe obstacles from the Mohawk tribal leaders, as well as from her adopted family. On Holy Days, Kateri received no food, since she prayed rather than work in the fields.

When she walked to chapel, she was cursed and pelted with stones. Nevertheless, she persevered. She refused to marry despite pressure from her tribe. According to Fr. Pierre Cholenec, a Jesuit priest who was a mentor, Kateri said, "I have deliberated enough. For a long time, my decision on what I will do has been made. I have consecrated myself entirely to Jesus, son of Mary, I have chosen Him for husband and He alone will take me for wife."

The French missionaries encouraged her to leave her hostile environment and travel to Canada to the St. Francois Xavier mission. Her uncle opposed this move, because he was suspicious of the French and feared it was a ruse to depopulate the village. Even so, Kateri prevailed and traveled the 200 miles by foot and canoe to Canada, where she lived a devout and exemplary life. Called the "Lily of the Mohawks," she is a symbol of chastity and purity as she sought to do penance to commit her life to God. When she died due to failing health, witnesses noted that her face was miraculously transformed so that all her smallpox scars disappeared. Over the years, people have asked Kateri for divine intercession when suffering from serious illnesses, and their prayers have been answered. Her legacy of healing continues. St. Kateri Tekakwitha was canonized on October 21, 2012.



A mosaic of St. Kateri Tekakwitha is seen in the Trinity Dome at the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception in Washington.



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"He instructed them to take nothing for the journey but a walking stick – no food, no sack, no money in their belts." Mark 6:8Imagine taking nothing but a stick when you go on a trip. The Apostles must have really trusted in God's providential care. Think of all the material things "we can't live without" in today's world. We make our life's journey more difficult because of all the material baggage that we drag along. Putting God first in everything and putting our money and possessions second gives us freedom because we don't become "slaves" to wanting to acquire more things.

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REGISTRATION FOR FALL RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CLASSES

Emails have been sent to all previously registered families.

Please see the St. Luke's website at <u>www.stlukes-parish.org</u> or contact the Religious Education Coordinators for more details.

Melissa Baril-Lower (Grades preK-6) mbarillower@stlukes-parish.org (508)366-8509 x16

Denise Pelkey (Grades 7 and up) dpelkey@stlukes-parish.org (508)366-8509 x17

ATTENTION HIGH SCHOOL BOYS Please join us in a Retreat for Young Men

Date: September 28, 2024 Time: 7:45 am - 5:00 pm Where: St. Benedict Abbey 252 Still River Road, Harvard, MA

Breakfast & lunch will be provided. Let us know of any special dietary needs. \$33 per person.

If interested, please contact Denise Pelkey at dpelkey@stlukes-parish org for a permission slip.



BENEFIT CONCERT FOR HAITI

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Parish Center Summer Hours 10:00am — 3:00pm Monday Thursday July & August



The Daily **Examen** is a technique of prayerful reflection on the events of the day in order to detect God's presence and discern his direction for us. The **Examen** has

five simple steps. Many people choose to practice this prayerful review of their day before going to bed. The **EXAMEN** is a simple prayer for busy people who are continually seeking to do God's will.

DAILY EXAMEN

Ask God for light.

God, I believe at this quiet moment I am in your presence and You are now loving me. **Come Holy Spirit**.

Give thanks.

God, I acknowledge Your love for me in the various gifts for which I am very grateful. **Thanks be to God**.

Review the day.

God, help me now to review the events of this day in order to recognize you in all parts of my life. **Lord, I want to see**.

Face your shortcomings

God, please forgive the times I have fallen short, and strengthen my attempts to follow You. **Lord have mercy**.

Look toward the day to come.

God, enlighten me so that my future choices praise, reverence, and serve You above all else. **Show me Your way**.

Conclude with an Our Father



The Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults or RCIA constitutes a path for one to learn more about the Catholic faith, and if sense a calling by God, to prepare for the Sacraments of Initiation into Christ's pilgrim church. We are always happy to meet in-

quirers and invite inquirers to contact us anytime. For more information on RCIA, please call the St. Luke's secretary, Maria Gasser, at 508-366-5502 or the RCIA Team Lead, Bob Thompson, at 508-341-7677. We are anxious to meet and welcome future inquirers!

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Mass Schedule

Saturday: 4PM, in Spanish 6PM

Sunday: 7:30AM, 9:00AM, 11:00AM

Weekday Masses
Monday through Friday,
9:00 AM

NEW TO THE PARISH WELCOME

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Please call Maria at 508-366-5502 for information

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturday from 3:00 to 3:45PM ~ also by personal request. Reconciliation Room is handicapped accessible

SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE

Please contact a Priest at least six months in advance

RCIA

Contact the parish secretary if interested in becoming Christian in the Catholic faith tradition.

VISITATION OF THE SICK

Our extraordinary ministers are always pleased to bring the Eucharist to parishioners who are unable to join us for weekly worship. If you or a family member would like to receive Communion, please call Julie at 508-366-8509. If you know of someone from the parish who is in the hospital, please let us know.

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