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AUGUST 4, 2019: EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Dear Friends in Christ,

It's good to be back with you! It was a joy to be with a dear friend as he was ordained a priest, but now I am looking forward to being with you all for the foreseeable future! After a very busy first couple weeks as your priest, I look forward to settling in for the long term as we continue to get to know each other better.

I was sorry to miss the Cass County fair-growing up the Warren County Fair was always the pinnacle of the summer and the fruit of a lot of work. Well done to all who worked so hard. This one-time 4-H Club President says 2 thumbs up!

Next week starting August 12th, you may run into a few new young faces wearing Roman Collars around town. A few of my classmates from the seminary in Rome are coming for a week's visit as we have our yearly summer reunion. They hail from the Dioceses of Houston TX, Camden NJ, Birmingham AL, and Arlington VA. A few of them were in Iowa for my ordination and were eager to return to the peace and calm of the Midwest. Several are big city priests looking forward to a week in a classic American small town! My office hours will remain largely the same while they are here and there will be no change in Mass times or other usual parish arrangements.

Christ exhorts us in the Gospel to store up treasures which last unto heaven. Elsewhere in the Gospels, Jesus says that wherever our heart is found, there is revealed what we truly treasure. What are our true treasures? Are we storing up heavenly treasures or just treasures of this world? May all truly seek out the treasures which will carry us to eternal life.

In the Lord,

Fr. Trevor Chicoine

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Parish Priest ..... Rev. Trevor Chicoine
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LITURGY AND SACRAMENTS

Reconciliation 3:30 PM Saturday (SSPP) 8:00 AM Sunday (St. Mary's)
Weekend Masses 4:30 PM Saturday (SSPP) 8:30 AM Sunday (St. Mary's) 10:30 AM Sunday (SSPP)
Weekday Masses 7:00 AM Tuesday & Friday (SSPP) 9:30 AM Wed (Care Facilities) 9:00 AM Thursday (St. Mary's)
First Friday Devotion Mass 7:00 AM followed by Eucharistic Adoration until Noon (SSPP)
First Saturday Devotions Mass 8:00 AM (SSPP)

WEEKLY READINGS

04 AUGUST, SUNDAY: EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
Eccl 1:2; 2:21-23/Col 3:1-5, 9-11/Lk 12:13-21

05 August, Monday
The dedication of the Basilica of Saint Mary Major
Nm 11:4b-15/Mt 14:13-21

06 August, Tuesday
The Transfiguration of the Lord
Dn 7:9-10, 13-14/2Pt 1:16-19/Lk 9:28b-36

07 August, Wednesday
Saint Sixtus II, Pope, and Companions, Martyrs; Saint Cajetan, Priest
Nm 13:1-2, 25—14:1, 26-29a, 34-35/Mt 15:21-28

08 August, Thursday
Saint Dominic, Priest, Memorial
Nm 20:1-13/Mt 16:13-23

09 August, Friday
Saint Teresa Benedicta of the Cross, Virgin & Martyr
Dt 4:32-40/Mt 16:24-28

10 August, Saturday
Saint Lawrence, Deacon and Martyr
2 Cor 9:6-10/Jn 12:24-26

11 AUGUST, SUNDAY: NINETEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
Wis 18:6-9/Heb 11:1-2, 8-19 or 11:1-2, 8-12/
Lk 12:32-48 or 12:35-40

TITHING

	2018	2019
28 July	**$4,052.16**	**$2,415.00**

MASS INTENTIONS

03 August, Saturday 8:00 AM (SSPP)
First Saturday Devotion
+Rosemary Leonard

03 August, Saturday 4:30 PM (SSPP)
+G.P. Lyons

04 August, Sunday 8:30 AM (SM)
+Paul Wessling

04 August, Sunday 10:30 AM (SSPP)
People of the Parish

06 August, Tuesday 7:00 AM (SSPP)
+Les Marousek

07 August, Wednesday 9:30 AM (Allen House)
+Beulah Eblen

08 August, Thursday 9:30 AM (SM)
+ Kim Jorgensen

09 August, Friday 7:00 AM (SSPP)
Communion Mass

10 August, Saturday 4:30 PM (SSPP)
+Marian Johnson

11 August, Sunday 8:30 AM (SM)
+ Dale Lantz

11 August, Sunday 10:30 AM (SSPP)
People of the Parish

SSPP HISTORY BOOKS

SS Peter & Paul's 125 Anniversary History Books are still available. If you have not received your complimentary copy or would like to purchase additional books, please visit the Parish Office.

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IOWA STATE FAIR

Look for a Catholic presence at the Iowa State Fair.

Iowa Catholic Radio will have a booth near the Bill Riley stage and Deacons from around the state will have a booth where you can ask questions about the faith.

Sunday Masses will be celebrated **August 11th and 18th** in **Pioneer Hall at 7:15 AM**.

Mass for the **Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary** will be **August 15th** in **Pioneer Hall at 7:30 AM**.

For those who may need a later Mass time, St. Joseph Church will have holy day Masses at 7 AM, 8:30 AM, and 6 PM and is located about a mile north of the main gate to the fairgrounds.

SECOND COLLECTION : AUGUST 11th

Next weekend, we will have a Second Collection for the Solidarity Fund for the Church in Africa.

While the Church in Africa is growing, many still lack access to basic resources as well as pastoral care. Many suffer due to high rates of poverty, unemployment, illiteracy, and poor education. The fund supports pastoral projects that strengthen communities in their faith and foster lasting peace and reconciliation in a continent often marked by division and tension.

To learn more, please visit *www.usccb.org/africa.*

FAITH FORMATION

Adults: Do you want to learn more about your faith?

Prayerfully consider being a catechist! Research has shown one of the best ways to learn something is to teach it. Classes will begin September 11th.

Contact Julie in the office for more information.

THANK YOU : FUNERAL LUNCHEON

Thank you to the following for helping with the **Howard Reed** funeral luncheon last week.

Jerry Sieck	Linda Fief	Marilyn Wenberg
Marilyn Stein	Lisa Antisdel	Regina Honke
Nancy Hepler	Marilyn Freund	Connie Johnson
Joyce Hayes	Connie Johnson	Marlene Feilmeyer

James, Theresa, Emily & Luke Hohenberger

We are also grateful to those who contributed salads and desserts.

Your kindness and generosity is greatly appreciated!

SAINT SIXTUS II & COMPANIONS

Freedom to assemble is one of the first liberties dictators deny to subjects. Emperor Valerian published his first persecution decree against Christians in 257, which included forbidding them to come together. Pope Sixtus had been pope for only one year when he and his four deacons were seized and put to death while presiding at the Eucharist in one of the underground caverns near the cemetery of Saint Callistus.

Let us remember this Thursday especially, how blessed we are to feel safe when practicing our faith!

St. Mary's Catholic Church

TITHING

	2018	2019
28 July	**$656.00**	**$295.00**

MASS TIMES WHILE TRAVELING

While traveling, check out *masstimes.org* to find the nearest Catholic Church.

PRAY FOR PARISHIONERS IN CARE FACILITIES:

Clara Baggenstoss, Helen Blum, Margery Crotty, Mary Faust, Cynthia Hensley, Lynn Lawson, Brenda Norman, Wayne Rice, Ruth Richter, Donna Rourick, Helen Schmitz, Florence Thelen, Dave Testa, Ron Wittrock, Irene Rydl

PRAY FOR PARISHIONERS SERVING IN THE MILITARY:

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