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July 14, 2019
*Fifteenth Sunday in
Ordinary Time*



**Rev. Paul van de Crommert
Pastor**

"Teacher, what must I do to inherit eternal life?"

- St. Luke



More than a half-a-century ago, the people of North Mankato were asking another question. They were asking how we can prevent water from invading our community, our comfortable homes and our cellars. Through lots of sweat, tears and sand bags, the community was saved from even more devastating flooding than could have occurred through the volunteer efforts of so many people.

As I write this on a Wednesday afternoon, I just completed another funeral. I believe it is the fourth funeral in just these recent days. Yet, it is at funerals where I learn a good deal of the local lore, history and even the urban legends. Some time back I discovered a bit of history when I buried one of the former city managers of North Mankato. At the time of his Funeral Mass, I learned that our North Mankato Fun Days which is again being held in Wheeler Park this weekend; was initially begun as a way to thank the community for their "neighborly spirit" to help stranger, neighbor, family and friend and to avoid the devastating effects of the flood waters. ***Today, I suspect that most of the people that come to Wheeler Park for North Mankato Fun Days, to win a prize or perhaps go on a ride, are not aware that the roots of this event is rooted in "neighborliness"!***

In today's Gospel account from St. Luke, a scholar of religious law comes to the Lord to ask the most basic and key question of our faith. In short, he simply asks: "**HOW DO I GET TO HEAVEN.**" The Lord reminds this smart soul that if you want to one day reach the celestial heights, than you have to **LOVE THE LORD AND HIS LAWS, AS WELL AS TO LOVE the PEOPLE AROUND YOU WHO ARE YOUR NEIGHBORS. SO IF WE ARE GOING TO MAKE IT TO HEAVEN, THAN WE HAVE TO BE MERCIFUL.**

But the question and the answer about getting to heaven was written 2,000 years ago. How do I get to heaven in 2019, in plain, straightforward language? Simply put, you need to follow the rules of the faith and you need to find time each day to reach out to those that

are in need around you. So practically speaking, on Sunday you need to go to Mass and show your love for God and on Monday you need to share and serve your neighbor to show your love for him/her. If either one of those elements is missing, than we might in fact miss the Messiah and miss the hope of everlasting life.

So, as we enter more deeply into these weeks of summer, which is quickly passing away as we have already reached the weekend of North Mankato Fun Days; I invite you to not only come to the Holy Eucharist each week and call it even as a devout Roman Catholic. I also invite you to take a stroll through Wheeler Park, and greet your neighbor that you know or maybe that stranger than you do not know and work on our golden reputation of "Minnesota Nice".

Since we are in the middle of the summer of 2019, I had intended to put in this column several weeks ago this fairly new poem from 2013, written by a man by the name of John Read. Unfortunately, there have been so many other areas were calling for attention from this column so this poem had to be put on hold until now. So, here it is. It is better a little late than never. Welcome to all of our visiting and returning friends and family of North Mankato. Enjoy the weekend! Thank you to our local city officials for organizing and putting this annual event on for our enjoyment! Happy Summer!

Summer of Our Lives

***Stop and smell the roses,
Summer's sweet perfume
A place to view the daffodils,
God's nature all in bloom.***

***Sit beneath a willow tree,
Sheltered from the sun.
A wish on every bough,
Where all our dreams begun.***

***Listen for all the sounds,
As summer plays its tune.
An orchestra of angels,
Flowers all in bloom***

***Birds singing in the tree tops,
In perfect harmony.
All creatures great and small,
God's greatest symphony.***

*Be amazed by all God's beauty
Make each precious moment last.
A moment to capture and treasure,
A golden memory for your past.*

*Stop and smell the roses,
Life's summer's sweet perfume.
Take time to view the daffodils,
For it's over all too soon.*

- John Read



Kids enjoying the first North Mankato Fun Days in 1965 - Photo courtesy of the Mankato Free Press

Rockin' on the Hill

 Rockin' on the Hill is a family-friendly outdoor music event that will be held July 20th, on Good Counsel Hill in Mankato. This summer music fest will feature great live music, food trucks, spirits, pull tabs, traveling boutiques and more! Bands will play from 5:30 to 11 p.m., with gates opening at 5 p.m. Invite your friends and bring your lawn chair for a fantastic evening! All ages welcome. For tickets, go to: www.rockinonthehill.com.



Stewardship Of Gratitude

We began our new Fiscal Year of 2019-2020, starting on July 1st, and we have closed the Fiscal Year of 2018-2019. While I don't want to give you a "spoiler" regarding our upcoming financial report, I will tell you that we ended in the "black". We were blessed with a couple of memorial gifts of those that had passed and remembered the parish in their wills. (*I would encourage you to review your final wishes and to remember your parish of Holy Rosary in this regard.) Unfortunately, our parish weekly collections fell by a strong 7% in this past fiscal year. (Many are stating that parishes' revenues have dropped by 10-20% due to the after-shock of the Church crisis.) Hopefully we will not reward serious sin with a lack of charity or limited stewardship.

I am pleased as pastor to tell you that I am proud of Holy Rosary that we have concluded our 5th year in a row in very sound stewardship and all the while remaining above budget. May the year ahead be equally as good. Thank you for your gifts.



The Week Ahead

Monday, July 15: St. Bonaventure, Bishop and Doctor of the Church

8:05 am – Rosary

8:30 am – Mass - John Klaseus†

Tuesday, July 16: (Our Lady of Mount Carmel)

No Morning Mass

Wednesday, July 17: Weekday

*9:15 am - Mass at Oak Terrace - Peter & Jelaine Schreiner Family

Thursday, July 18: (St. Camillus de Lellis, Priest)

8:05 am – Rosary

8:30 am – Mass - Tom Brunner†

Friday, July 19: Weekday

8:05 am – Rosary

8:30 am – Mass - Roseann Reinhart†

Saturday, July 20: (St. Apollinaris, Bishop and Martyr)

BVM

4:30 pm – Sacrament of Reconciliation

4:30 pm – Rosary

5:00 pm – Mass - Chuck Grausam†

Sunday, July 21: 16th Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:30 am – Rosary

8:00 am – Mass - People of Holy Rosary Parish

9:30 am – Rosary

10:00 am – Mass - Sebastian, Gloria, Joseph Lena†,
Emmanuel & Hilda Anthonisamy†, Imparajah†

K. of C. Council #5551 News

July 25 - General Meeting

August 8 - Planning Meeting



Walnut Wood For Sale



Are there any woodworkers in the parish that would like some new walnut wood? We recently cut down part of a walnut tree in the backyard of the parish grounds. If there is someone handy with a saw, they could make some wonderful things with this wood. We are asking for these two logs a total of \$200.00 or your best offer. Please call the parish office and speak to Jim or Father. Thank you.



This Week's Sanctuary Light Intention:

Ruth Fitterer



Weekend Ministry Schedule July 20th & 21st

Lectors:

- 5:00 pm Liam Rooney
- 8:00 am Michelle Fischer
- 10:00 am Cindy Gawrych

Eucharistic Ministers:

- 5:00 pm Mary Beth Nygaard, Karen Winters, Brenda Voracek, Rick Gruber, Tom & Mary Clare Wyrowski
- 8:00 am Arlyce Anderson, Craig Amundson, Jane Younge, Mary Homan, Terri Compton, Bernie Bastian
- 10:00 am Maxine Davis, Sherry Henrickson, Julie Schoettler, Dennis Haga, Brent Friedrichs

Altar Servers:

- 5:00 pm Anne Wingert, Brendan Isenberg, Zachary Chelstrom (C/B/B)
- 8:00 am Timothy Cain, James Younge, Danielle Fischer (C/B/B)
- 10:00 am Hailey Barker, Dennis Muga, Ethan Westermann (C/B/B)

Presentation of Gifts:

- 5:00 pm Younge Family
- 8:00 am Dave & Cathy Neve
- 10:00 am Roger & Mary Mueller

Ushers:

- 5:00 pm Dan Voracek, Gary Wintheiser, Mark Weingartz (*Head Usher*)
- 8:00 am Mary Zellmer, Leroy Gappa, Frank Weber, Gary Zellmer (*Head Usher*)
- 10:00 am Teresa Kolstad, Isaac Kolstad, John Jagerson Blaine Kolstad (*Head Usher*)

Rosary Leaders:

- 5:00 pm Steve Enderle
- 8:00 am Elmer Heirigs
- 10:00 am Donna Wolf

Music Ministry:

- 5:00 pm Joe Kunkel/Jeanne Makela
- 8:00 am Corinne Ort/Vicki Galli
- 10:00 am Julie Gruber/Jeanne Makela

Money Handlers:

- 5:00 pm Jim Theuninck
- 8:00 am Dolores Portz
- 10:00 am Sherry Henrickson

Money Counters - July 2019: John Wolf, Helen Anderson, Donna Wolf, Maxine Davis

Bulletin Folders - July 2019: Betty Rykhus, Dolores Portz, Lenora Hickey, Amy Williams



Stepping Up in Faith

Collected this week:	\$1,095.00
Received to date:	\$82,557.22
Goal:	\$156,000.00

Thank you for another generous week in stewardship towards our "Stepping UP in Faith" project. Your faithful, weekly support is a sign of your strong approval of this most practical project. Please remember that we "actually" took in nearly \$2,200.00 this week, as every dollar that you are giving, is being matched dollar for dollar. So when you give for this designated project you are actually giving two times. So please keep this faithful stewardship coming as we come ever closer to beginning this project in the coming weeks. We are still waiting for the bids to come in to the parish office. We hope that they will be in this week, but of course this is a busy time of construction for many of these businesses. Patience makes perfect as they say. Thank you for your support.

Mass in the Park - Coming Soon!

This year Holy Rosary Parish will be celebrating our 15th Annual Outdoor Mass at Wheeler Park on September 15th. The day will include a Mass, Music, (*even a song or two on the guitar from this priest*) and of course a complimentary meal. It is such an important day to connect with friends and family after we have been scattered over these months of summer. Again, "save the date", and mark your calendars. Let us see if we cannot break last year's attendance! Hope to see you there!



SINCERE SYMPATHY

To the family of **Avis Pettersen†**

May she rest in peace.

Stewardship Corner

Diocesan United Fund (D.U.F.), Diocesan Priest Pension Fund/ Medical, Care Comp Ins, Priest Care Fund, & Audit:

Pd. to Date: **\$0.00**
Due: **\$80,442.69**

Annual Diocesan Ministries Appeal (D.M.A.):

Rec'd. to Date: **TBD**
Due: **\$36,832.99**

Loyola Catholic School Assessment:

Pd. to Date: **\$50,000.00**
Due: **\$179,571.97**

Total Paid to Date 2019-20: **\$50,000.00**
Apostolate Stewardship 2019-20: **\$296,847.65**

With the start of the new Fiscal Year of 2019-2020, our "Stewardship Corner" has returned. Again we must climb the steep stewardship mountain. The Good News is that it is not quite as steep as last year. Due to the changing demographics and fewer children, our assessment to Loyola Catholic Schools went down from last year by \$18,644.69. In addition, we have decided to pay forward into the new Fiscal Year of 2019-2020, the amount of \$50,000.00 to Loyola. This is 28% of our total appeal goal that has already been paid now at the start of this new fiscal year. This will help our local Catholic school during these months of summer when stewardship is in very short supply. Although we do not have a figure yet from the Diocese of New Ulm for our Diocesan Ministries Appeal, we have decided to take last year's total and to make an adjustment when the actual figure is given to us later this year. (*Most likely the amount we will be asked to raise will be higher than the previous year.*) Our Diocesan assessments went down this year by \$233.90. Later, I will inform you of an additional, sizable charge that the Diocese is billing our parish and all of the parishes of the Diocese. As always, thank you for your faithful and relentless stewardship year in and year out. May God bless you in your generosity. Thank you so much!!!

2019 ECHO FOOD SHELF COLLECTION

•Total Amount Collected: **\$17,085.00**

*This collection started in March 2017





Faith Formation

Confirmation Parent Letter



They say that when the 4th of July has passed, summer is already half-way over. It seems as though summer is just getting started, but we are already heading quickly to the middle of July. I guess it is not too early to be planning for the fall and faith formation. In this week of July 14th, a parent letter is being sent to all potential Confirmation students in the 9th and 10th grades. Both parents and students are encouraged to take a time to read the letter and to familiarize themselves with some of the proposed changes in our program for the fall. (*A more detailed letter will be coming out following our August Education Committee Meeting.*) It is important that all our parents are present for the meeting in September after the Labor Day holiday. Please call the parish office if you know there are certain days that numerous families would not be able to attend due to community conflicts. As we enter more deeply into the summer of 2019, may we know that the best way to prepare for the Sacrament of Confirmation (and really any sacrament in the Catholic Church), is through praying the sacraments. Please remember that the best and most perfect prayer that we can pray is the Sacrifice of the Mass. Make Mass part of your summer weekend experience. May God bless you!!!

Education Committee Members Needed

We welcome Donna Wenkel, who is our newest member on our Education and Catechesis Committee. We are still seeking out 2-3 more new members for this advisory committee. Are you interested in directing the passing on the faith to this and the next generation? We will be meeting about 4-5 times throughout the calendar year. Please call the parish office if you might be interested in serving in this area and giving a bit of your time and talent. Thank you!

Counting on Catechists



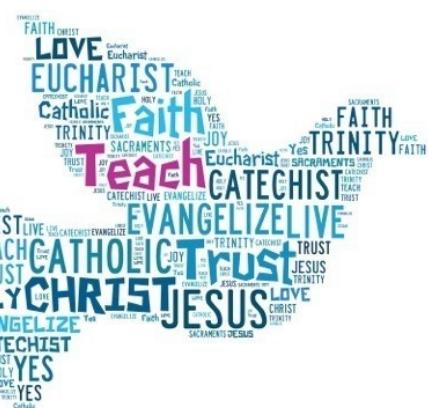
We are still trying to finalize the last of our catechists. While trying to recruit through the parish bulletin, might not be the best means to find suitable catechists; you who are reading this article, "Why can't you teach the faith to our young people this year?" Listen to your excuses. "I am getting to old to teach." "I do not know the faith that well." "I am too busy." "My kids are out of school, ask someone else." Many years ago, after we were all out of the house, the pastor of my home parish made an appeal in the bulletin and from the pulpit for more teachers to teach in their religious education program. My Dad told the pastor that if he wanted an old Dutchman with a strong accent, he would be willing to give it a try. He taught for several years and both he and the students enjoyed each other. It is a wonderful memory of faith that is remembered by his children far more than so many other "important" things he did in his daily life. It is so easy to say "NO", when it comes to teaching the faith. It takes great faith to say "YES". Ask yourself this simple question: "WHAT WOULD JESUS WANT YOU TO DO?" If you have an open heart, call the parish office this week. We will work with you to be a success!



THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

"Faith without works is dead."

-St. James



Lord, Hear Our Prayers

Prayers and support for all of our sick and injured of Holy Rosary Parish

Our prayers go out to all of the sick and injured in our parish who are at home, in the hospital, nursing homes or assisted-living residences. May God bless them and keep them under His guidance and protection!

For Those Who Are Ill & Special Needs

Julie (Braam) Spagnoli, Louise Theissen, Ruth Baker, Chuck Frost, Pat Roemildt, Laurice Telshaw, Arnie & Eileen Wadekamper, Mary Kelly, Donald Theissen, Molly Viehweg, Esther Zellmer, Mary McVicker, Rihanna Flynn, Lois Kodet, Ellen Amsden, Steve Drummer, Jim Levandowski, George Ernst, Ruth Fitterer, Joe Galli, Trina Danay, Lucille DeSutter, Clair Huettl, Dave Grams, Charles Wesely, Dale Nickel, Pat Goodrich, Cindy Flynn, Steve Fitterer

Home Visitation: If you wish to have yourself or a loved one receive the sacraments, Holy Communion or a personal pastoral visit, please call our coordinator, Lorraine Klaseus at 507-388-4932

For Our Families

Monday	Timothy & Marya Flynn
Tuesday	Lucy Nelson
Wednesday	Dan & Brenda Voracek
Thursday	Helen Neubert
Friday	Jerome & Patricia Kopel
Saturday	Joe & Jolayne Gilbert
Sunday	Ruth Baker



For Those in the Military

Nick Blace	Matt McGraw	William Backes
Jared Hiniker	Christopher Schmidt	Ben Barsness
Dana Schiller	Anna Drummer	Timothy Eick
Mark Hansen		

This Week's Readings

- Mon: Ex 1:8-14, 22/Mt 10:34—11:1 (389)
- Tues: Ex 2:1-15a/Mt 11:20-24 (390)
- Wed: Ex 3:1-6, 9-12/Mt 11:25-27 (391)
- Thurs: Ex 3:13-20/Mt 11:28-30 (392)
- Fri: Ex 11:10—12:14/Mt 12:1-8 (393)
- Sat: Ex 12:37-42/Mt 12:14-21 (394)
- Sun: Gn 18:1-10a/Col 1:24-28/Lk 10:38-42 (108) Pss IV



Learn about Loyola Catholic School (PS-12). Visit

www.loyolacatholicschool.org

Contact Angela at acasteel@loyolacatholicschool.org or 507.388.0615 to schedule family tours.

Please prayerfully consider a planned gift to Loyola Catholic School when choosing your **legacy**.

Congratulations to the Loyola class of 2019! This year's Loyola grads received over \$832,000 in post-high school scholarship dollars, an average of over \$34,000 per student!

Join us for **Family Fun Night for preschool/kindergarten families** on July 17th, 6:30-7:30pm. Enjoy a free, casual evening of ice cream & kids' activities, and find out more about Loyola's early childhood programs.
507-388-0600 www.loyolacatholicschool.org

ROCKIN' on the HILL - Summer Music Fest

Saturday, July 20, 2019 Good Counsel Hill, Mankato Food Trucks, Spirits & More Gates open at 5:00pm Tickets \$10 Advance/\$15 Gate On sale at: Hy-Vee, Cub Foods & online at www.rockinontheshill.com Follow us on Facebook @rockinontheshill

Host an Exchange Student this semester/year!

There is 1 international student that has expressed interest in attending Loyola in the fall and are seeking out families to host them for the academic semester/year 2019-20. Families do not need to be Loyola families to host one of these students. Erik is from Germany and will be in the 11th grade. He will be attending for the fall semester only. He enjoys math and physics and enjoys the outdoors. If you are interested in possibly hosting one of these students and would like more information or are interested in hosting a student in the future please contact Scott Morgan- International Experience Coordinator at iasmorgan4@yahoo.com.



Prayer Chain

If you have a short term prayer request or prayer of thanksgiving for our prayer chain to pray for, please call Teresa Kolstad at 327-9810.