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HOLYROSARYNORTHMANKATO

July 11, 2021

Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time



Rev. Paul van de Crommert
Pastor

the Quill and the Cloth

Amaziah, priest of Bethel, said to Amos, "Off with you, visionary, flee to the land of Judah. There earn your bread by prophesying in Bethel; for it is the king's sanctuary and a royal temple."

- First Reading -The Book of the Prophet Amos

My Mother's memory becomes more vivid to me, especially in these days; for if she were alive we would have recently celebrated another birthday with her. The other day, as I was washing the windows of the basement on a Tuesday, I could hear her say as I walked down the stairs, *"I travel up and down the stairs of this house a hundred times a day."* Even when she passed her 91st birthday, and it was decided she was to move to an apartment in town, we returned to the farm and she insisted on going upstairs, in spite of my discouragement.

I guess like Mother like son. I too, travel up and down the stairs many times each day, whether it is to the basement or to the second floor. It was already four years ago that I spent every spare moment travelling down the basement steps to clean and paint the rectory basement, a task that had not been seriously addressed, I believe, since back in 1925. Recall, it is already four years ago that the sewer in the rectory was failing after 90 years. Everything wears out after 90 years, from parents to pipes.

My smart phone reminds me of the pictures I took on a certain date, and I recall in the summer of 2017, travelling down the steps, many a day off, and many a spare hour or two in the evening scrubbing and painting. (Don't you just love before and after pictures?)

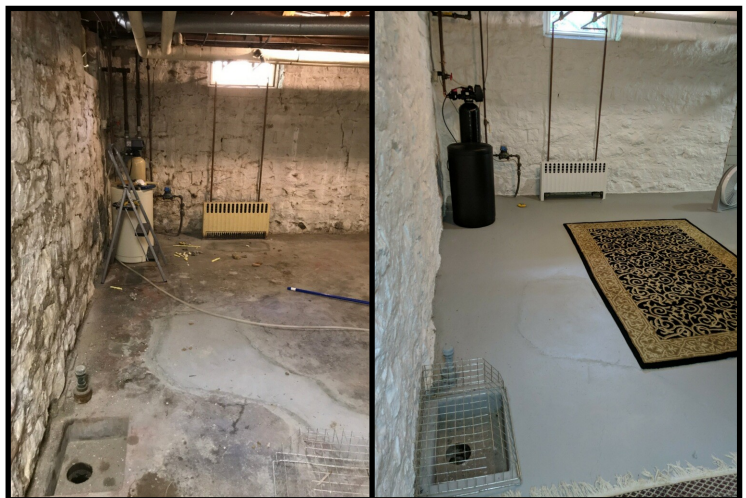
If there is a Good News word that links together the readings, it would be the word TRAVELLING. From the Prophet Amos in the first reading, to the gospel and those personal followers of our Precious Lord, they are all travelling. Of course, they are not travelling into basements to do dirty physical work, but rather the dirty spiritual work of dealing with the depths of sin, through the restorative work of preaching, teaching, and healing. Certainly today's Gospel from St. Mark is a wonderful "Before and After Story," as the passage closes with the words: *"So they went off and preached repentance. The twelve drove out many demons, and they anointed with oil many who were sick and cured them."*



The summer months, for most of us, are a time of travelling, not to restore basements, but rather to rest and vacation. Like the prophets and the apostles, may our travels include the Almighty by attending Mass, and perhaps offering the rosary in the family car, so that one day when we pass from this world we might make the long journey not to the bowels of the basement of eternal punishment, but to the bright light of everlasting life. Have a great week!


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P.S. We welcome all of our guests who have come to celebrate with us our North Mankato Fun Days! Enjoy!



Did You Know?

Did you know that the Diocese of New Ulm is closing another parish in our Diocese? The Church of St. Gregory the Great will hold their final Mass in celebration of the parish's long service to the community on August 8th, 2021. Since 1995, more than 1,000 Catholic Churches have closed in the United States alone. Many of these churches that have closed have been in rural areas, which have been depopulating for decades due to the technology and advanced modern mechanization practices in farming. However, in 1995, there were 57.4 million Roman Catholics in the United States. In 2013, the Catholic population has increased in nearly 20 years to 66.8 million. That is a substantial increase. Prior to the pandemic, Holy Rosary was slightly growing, one of the few parishes in the Diocese. Presently, our parish is maintaining its population. At least we don't have to worry about closing any time soon. Pray for our beloved Church and parishes.



Thought For the Week



"... Do to others whatever you would have them do to you. This is the law and the prophets. Enter through the narrow gate; FOR THE GATE IS WIDE AND ROAD BROAD THAT LEADS TO DESTRUCTION, AND THOSE WHO ENTER THROUGH IT ARE MANY. How narrow the gate and constricted the road that leads to life. And those who find it are few."

-St. Matthew 7:12-14



Kitchen Update

We are well on our way to getting our kitchen in the school cafeteria up and running once again. This past week, the stove has been moved in, and new stainless steel tables have been ordered to create more needed work space in this area. A newer, updated convection oven will soon be here as well, as our old convection oven had passed its prime. I am anticipating that the kitchen should be operational by the close of July or for sure by the beginning days of August. (**Please note that any hot food preparation will need to take place in the school kitchen until further notice.*)

Stewardship of Gratitude 7/4/21



Our Gifts to God & Holy Rosary

Adult Contributions	\$4,729.00
Electronic Giving	\$1,431.52
Plate Collection	\$230.00
Junior Collection	\$26.50
Fuel Collection	\$5.00

Weekly Offering Total \$6,422.02

Weekly offering goal is set at \$10,300.00

Bridging the Gap \$3,877.98

Additional Weekly Income \$1,788.00

Grand Total \$8,210.02

Total weekly stewardship goal is set at \$13,200.00

Thank you for your gifts of gratitude to God!

May God reward your generous spirit!

Stewardship of Gratitude

When summer hits and the temperature goes up, it seems that the stewardship and sacrificial giving tends to go down. Although this summer has been exceptionally hot (*with high temperatures in the 90's*), this week we saw our stewardship tumble downwards as we completed the first week of the new fiscal year. There is no cause for alarm, as our new fiscal year of 2021-2022 is in its infancy. We still have 51 weeks to go before we close this fiscal year.

As I stated last week, we closed out the year in a very good way. We were able to complete about \$150,000 of projects inside and outside the church, as we continue to catch up on maintenance, maintenance, maintenance. Certainly, installing a new air-conditioning system in this hot summer from hades was, as they say, "PERFECT." So far, the new system has run like a charm. I pray that it will continue.

Thank you for your stewardship again this week. May God reward you in your generosity. If you are going to be travelling throughout the summer, how about becoming an e-giver? Remember, stewardship and the bills never take a holiday! Thank you for your gifts!

The Week Ahead

Monday, July 12th: Weekday

8:30 am - Mass - Dolly Meyer† (*note time change)

Tuesday, July 13th: [Saint Henry]

Private Mass - Joe Cook†

Wednesday, July 14th: Saint Kateri Tekakwitha, Virgin

11:00 am - Margaret Goettlicher† Memorial Mass

Thursday, July 15th: Saint Bonaventure, Bishop and Doctor of the Church

12:00 pm - Mass - Paul Gerlach†

Friday, July 16th: [Our Lady of Mount Carmel]

12:00 pm - Mass - Peter & Jelaine Schreiner Family

Saturday, July 17th: Weekday [BVM]

5:00 pm - Mass - Jan Willaert

Sunday, July 18th: 16th Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:30 am - Mass - People of Holy Rosary Parish

10:00 am - Mass - Ron Ulmen†

(Please note the Sacrament of Reconciliation will be available after any daily Mass as well as following all of the Masses on the weekend.**)**

Ministry Schedule July 17th & 18th

Rosary Leader:

5:00 pm Steve Enderle
8:30 am Sharon Lenz
10:00 am Donna Wolf

Lector:

5:00 pm Brian Eggersdorfer
8:30 am Linda Olson
10:00 am Cindy Gawrych

Eucharistic Ministers:

5:00 pm Pat & Wanda Hull
8:30 am Arlyce Anderson, Sharon Lenz
10:00 am Darlene Schorn, Ryan Howe

Ushers:

5:00 pm Steve & Barb Enderle
8:30 am Craig Amundson, Jim Theuninck
10:00 am Bob Wegscheid, Doug Helget

Music Ministry:

5:00 pm N/A
8:30 am Kurt Schoeder/Tom Bachmann
10:00 am Vicki Galli/Mark Frahm



Upcoming Parish Events

- **Margaret Goettlicher Memorial Mass** - Wednesday, July 14th, 11:00 am, Church
- **Summer Spirituality Splash** - Wednesday - July 21st, 6:30 pm, home of Gary & Mary Zellmer, 1591 Sharon Dr., North Mankato
- **Summer Spirituality Splash** - Wednesday - August 4th, 6:30 pm, home of Bob & Barb Wegscheid, 149 Creekside Dr., Mankato
- **Education Committee Meeting** - Wednesday, August 11th, 6:30 pm, Lower Church Hall
- **Summer Spirituality Splash** - Wednesday - August 18th, 6:30 pm, home of Blaine & Teresa Kolstad, 508 Wood Dr., Mankato
- **Mass in the Park** - Sunday, September 19th, 10:00 am, Wheeler Park
- **Finance Council Meeting** - Monday, October 4th, 7:00 pm, Conf. Rm 1

Free Depression Help for Older Adults



Depression is a true and treatable medical condition, not a normal part of aging. However older adults are at an increased risk for experiencing depression. Depression is not just having "the blues" or the emotions we feel when grieving the loss of a loved one. It is a true medical condition that is treatable, like diabetes or hypertension.

PEARLS is an evidence-based program offered by VINE to reduce symptoms of depression and improve quality of life for those age 65+ living in Blue Earth, Nicollet, and Le Sueur counties. PEARLS provides confidential high-quality mental health care for those who want to improve the way they feel. During 6-8 sessions over a 6-month period, participants will work with a VINE coach on learning problem-solving skills and behavioral techniques. There is no cost to this program thanks to a Live Well at Home grant from the MN Department of Human Services. For more information, contact Glenda at (507) 386-5571.



SINCERE SYMPATHY

To the family of
Margaret Goettlicher†
- May she rest in peace.



"In the Neighborhood" Summer Spirituality Splash

We had another successful outdoor Mass in the neighborhood in our effort to evangelize. We had between 50-60 people from both the parish and neighborhood who came and prayed, and later participated in a light supper at the home of Pat & Karen Zenk in upper North Mankato.

So, how about you? Why not come for an hour or so. All you need to do is bring yourselves and a lawn chair. (**If you want to bring a desert to pass that would be fine too, but it is not required.*) I found it a great opportunity to actually talk with some folks besides a rushed hello on the weekend as people run out the door, or a fundraiser when you are busy with some other task.

We hope to see you on **Wednesday, July 21st** at the home of **Gary & Mary Zellmer at 1591 Sharon Dr., Mankato.**

Future gatherings will be:



Wednesday, August 4th - 6:30 P.M.
Bob & Barb Wegscheid
149 Creekside Dr., Mankato



Wednesday, August 18th - 6:30 P.M.
Blaine & Teresa Kolstad
508 Wood Dr., Mankato



Apostolates – Past and Present

For the past 6-7 years, we have worked hard to support the work of the ECHO Food Shelf as a parish of Holy Rosary. As we now begin to focus our apostolate commitment to Simon Ministries, and taking care of the needs of another group in need in our local area; I thought you might be interested to know what we have contributed to the ECHO Food Shelf over these past years. To date, the parish contributed a total of \$19,433.56, or a bit shy of \$20,000. That still buys an awful lot of groceries, plus the thousands of non-perishable food items that you donated. Thank you so much. (**Please note we will still collect food at Thanksgiving time as well as during the Lenten season.*)

Last weekend, the parish took in a total of \$593.00 through the second collection for the needs of the poor through Simon Ministries. As always, thank you for your gifts!

STEWARDSHIP CORNER

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

Paid to Date: \$0.00
DUE: \$89,576.81

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

Paid to Date: \$0.00
Goal: TBD

Loyola Catholic School Assessment:

Pd to Date: \$0.00
DUE: \$153,150.75

Total Paid to Date 2021-22: \$0.00
Apostolate stewardship for 2021-22: \$242,727.56

To see these new stewardship goals for the coming Fiscal Year of 2021-2022, is, well, nothing less than a little intimidating! I always wonder, with a little lack of faith, where all of this money is going to come from for the Catholic School and the Catholic Pastoral Center, much less for our parish Church of Holy Rosary. But through God's good graces and your generosity, we always somehow find a way to cover all of these costs.

This year, the Diocese has increased their assessment by 1%, or the actual dollar amount from last year by \$834.47. The Catholic School assessment last year came to \$162,257.53. As our number of students attending the Catholic School is slightly decreasing, our assessments are also slightly decreasing, as this year we will have 40 students enrolled at Loyola.

I am hoping in the near future to give you a fairly accurate bid on the work that we anticipate to perform in the church in the summer of 2022. At this point, we have only some preliminary figures. We also are anticipating the soft goal from the Diocese of New Ulm regarding the annual appeal. I wish I could tell you that it will be a light year for our stewardship, but I do not think that this will be the case. Recently, one of my former parishioners called and said I should return to my former assignment, as there was again a lot of structural work that needed to be done. I politely passed on his proposal, as we have much more work to perform on our parish before we are all caught up. Thank you for all that you did last year to help us reach our goals for the Fiscal Year of 2020-2021. I have enough faith to say THANK YOU for all that you will do in the coming year to help us achieve our new stewardship goals. And as always, thank you for your gifts!



The RECYCLE SALE is coming!

The dates and times for the Recycle Sale are:

- Wednesday, August 11th, 9:00 am - 3:00 pm – move in and setup
- Thursday, August 12th, 9:00 am – 3:00 pm - set up; 3:00 – 6:00 pm - Early bird sale open
- Friday, August 13th, 7:30 am – 6:00 pm – sale is open
- Saturday, August 14th, 7:30am - 12:00pm – sale is open; 12:00 – 1:00 pm - Free for All (*select items will not be offered for free*)
- Free for All will be open for 1 hour after each weekend Mass

House plants, perennials, and produce will be accepted beginning Thursday, August 12th. Handmade craft items can be brought any time, but be sure to price them. Service hours will be available for Confirmation and Loyola students during the times listed above. Thank you for all the donations already brought in – keep it up! Bring your donations to the Parish Center cafeteria any time between 8:00 am and 5:00 pm Monday-Friday. If you have questions or would like to volunteer on any day/time listed, call Mary Grams at 507-327-6479. Thank you.



Christmas in July

Merry Christmas to us!
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Merry Christmas to Holy Rosary! Merry Christmas to us. I announced last

weekend that the parish had purchased 40 tickets for a Christmas concert of John Denver music that is to be held in Rochester on Saturday, December 4th. As I am writing this at the start of the week, we have about 65% of the tickets spoken for at this time. We have about 15 tickets still remaining to be claimed. We are presently working out chartering a tour bus/coach to take our Holy Rosary group to the event and will then make available the final cost. We also will be planning to have a meal at one of the area restaurants in Rochester. Please call the parish office sooner than later to reserve your tickets for a fun evening. (*Pray that our weather will be favorable!*) *"The season is upon us now, a time for gifts and giving. And as the year draws to its close, I'm grateful for my living..."*



Faith Formation



Finding Those to Teach the Faith

A week ago you may have read in the parish bulletin telling you of our plans for the fall semester for our Faith Formation program through our Education Committee minutes. Our plans for this fall are to return to a full in-class environment of learning and the passing on of the faith.

I am pleased to report that as we enter the month of July, about 50% of the volunteers needed for our program are in place. I still have some calls to make to those that have assisted the program in the past as catechists, to see if they will be returning. I am hoping to have the complete list of volunteers done before the month of July is completed. Thank you to all of you who have already said "Yes!" for this important area of ministry and essential tool for evangelization!

Pre-School Sunday School



Plans are also in the works again this September to begin offering a time of dismissal during the 10:00 A.M. Mass for our younger children. In the past years, we have had a great response to this program through the support of our younger parents. We hope that this will be the case again this year. Please watch the bulletin on this program for further details and updates!

Welcome to Holy Rosary!



Are you new to the area and would like to join our growing Holy Rosary parish family? Just go to holyroarynorthmankato.com/membership-registration and download the registration forms to fill out. You can also simply send us your contact information via an easy-to-use form and we will mail you a hard copy of those forms. Come join our growing Holy Rosary parish family!





LOYOLA CATHOLIC SCHOOL NEWS

Rockin' on the Hill

Join us Saturday, July 17, 2021 for Rockin' on the Hill, supporting Loyola Catholic School. Featuring great live music, food trucks, spirits, pull tabs and more! Get your tickets online at www.rockinonthehill.com or at any Mankato Hy-Vee or Cub Foods locations. Gates open at 4:30pm; 5:00pm Tyler Herwig; 6:00pm Them Pesky Kids; 8:00pm HEADLINER Viva Knievel. Mankato Brewery will once again be creating their one-of-a-kind Lemonade Rhubarb Beer. The rhubarb is hand picked from the gardens of Good Counsel Hill. Come and enjoy a taste of summer!

Advancement News: Loyola is hosting an alumni gathering prior to Rockin' on the Hill on July 17th. Come join the fun at 4:00 PM and reconnect with your classmates and friends! Want to have your class reunion at the concert? Contact Matt Fink or Brian Thomas at (507) 388-0600 for more information.

Admissions/Enrollment: Applications are still being accepted, and financial aid is still available. Schedule a tour today! Please contact Kerstyn Cafarelli at admissions@loyolacatholicschool.org or 507-386-5399 with any questions.

Employment opportunities: Loyola is currently accepting applications for the following positions: Full time high school English teacher; Part time morning bus driver: Loyola will soon be offering bus service to some of our students outside of the District 77 bus routes. We are seeking a driver for the morning route, with the potential of adding an afternoon route. \$18 per hour; Loyola will pay for a driver to get licensed. For more information, please contact Trudi Clements, 507-388-0606. For more information regarding open positions, please see Loyola's website: www.loyolacatholicschool.org.

**YOUR PARISH SUPPORT MAKES ALL WE DO,
LEARN, AND CELEBRATE AT LOYOLA POSSIBLE.**

Leading through Faith, Academic Excellence, and Service.



This Week's Sanctuary Light Intention:
Paul & Karen Harguth Family

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

Arnie & Eileen Wadekamper, Mary Kelly, Ruth Fitterer, Steve Fitterer, Dave Neubert, Anne Doyle, Kathy Fredrickson, Jerry Winters, Kimberly Wegscheid, Karen Etzell, Nancy Elibert, Marion Giefer, Joan Karpinsky, Marilyn Rieff, Lester Kopp, Bob Meyer, Margaret Goettlicher, Bob Meyer, Mary Helen Kennedy, Leroy Gappa

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	Lavonne Rauchman
Tuesday	Bob Leiferman
Wednesday	Brad & Mary Eggersdorfer
Thursday	Steven & Jean Anderson
Friday	Renee Cramer
Saturday	John & Janet Jagerson
Sunday	Richard & Cathleen Ahern

**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		

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.

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)
 Weds: 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: Jer 23:1-6/Eph 2:13-18/Mk 6:30-34 (107) Pss IV