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For I know the plans I have for you declares the Lord,
plans to PROSPER you and not to harm you, plans to GIVE you
hope and a future. Jeremiah 29:11



Congratulations to our Graduates



*Sami Hudrlik
Ben Anderson
Caroline Cardenas
Margaux Cardenas*

*Sarah Sickler
Abbie Welsch
Mark Dunn
Carter Swanson*

Not pictured:

*Vincent Benzmilller
Ryan Harazin*

*Halle Brindley
Patrick Murphy*



Pentecost Sunday



05.23.21

Welcome New-member registration
forms are available in the
church entrances and on our website. One
Eucharistic family united on our faith
journey: Welcome Home!

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"How Does Your (Spiritual) Garden Grow?"



*There will be a
Memorial Day Mass at
Calvary Cemetery at
8:45am on May 31st.
Fr. Andrew Whiting will
be presiding.*



During the last few days, God has blessed us with some needed rainfall; was it enough, too much or, just right? It has been amazing to see how the grass, flowers and fields have responded to a little moisture and some warmth. Perhaps nature is pointing to a spiritual dynamic as we end the Easter Season with the celebration of Pentecost today and move back to Ordinary Time? I hope that you have been praying, "Come, Holy Spirit," this past week and feel the effects of this amazing gift from Jesus and the Father. This might be an apt time to take a closer look at your spiritual garden to assess how the graced seasons of Lent and Easter have prepared you for ongoing spiritual growth during the coming days, weeks and months.

One caveat: I am not much of a gardener. If I can keep a few plants, especially some basil, alive on my patio, it's a good growing season. However, I have always remembered a retreat master's comment comparing the spiritual life to a garden, mentioning a spiritual writer or two. The basic insight I gleaned was the need to tend one's own garden if you truly want to be of service to others. We are human beings, spiritual beings, not just doers, and require good soil, adequate precipitation, sufficient sunlight and solid nourishment. A good gardener also recognizes the need to weed and prune. As you garden, or watch others garden, ponder how your garden is growing and what graces you experienced during the forty days of Lent and the fifty days of Easter. Were there any spiritual practices that made a difference for you this year? Which liturgies or readings resonated more deeply in your heart? Have you made any changes in your habits, schedule or activities that truly make a difference?

Remember that the "ordinary" of Ordinary Time refers to the counting (like ordinal numbers) of time, not that these days and weeks are less important. All time is sacred, a gift from our loving God and we want to use this precious resource wisely. What we have experienced during Lent and Easter should help propel us closer to God and our neighbor. Consider how spiritual practices of prayer, fasting and almsgiving might relate to the gardening of your soul and how they are necessary during all times of our lives. Lent might be a more intense period of weeding or pruning, but these tasks bear more fruit when addressed on a regular basis. Maybe you didn't feel comfortable or take the time for the Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession) last year; perhaps one of these "ordinary" days might be a graced time for this practice. You might have discovered an enriching resource for Lent and/or Easter, in printed format or online, and now want some spiritual reading (or podcast) for the summer months. Service opportunities, in the parish or larger community, have been limited for quite a while and you may now be more confident to return or try a new ministry or volunteer opportunity. As I've mentioned before, my hope and prayer are that we exit this pandemic experience with greater spiritual vitality and fruitfulness. Blessings on your spiritual gardening!

Sincerely in Christ,

Father Tim Reber

**time to
UPDATE**



PLEASE UPDATE YOUR INFORMATION WITH US

- We still have A LOT of emails and phone numbers in our system that are incorrect. If you have a moment, could you please verify that your registration information is correct? You can do this yourself by visiting <https://winona.parishsoftfamilysuite.com/> and setting up an account or you can submit a parishioner update form on our website sjwhf.org and we will compare the information for you. Thanks in advance!

SHARE THE
LIGHT
OF
HOPE

If you think of all the ways that Jesus served people, that is what we are called to do as Deacons. I grow spiritually every time that I visit people that are home bound and see the great faith that they have. I don't know one deacon that does not continue to grow in faith every day. I am grateful to everyone that supports the Catholic Ministries Appeal. By donating, it helps us attend classes, retreats, and be able to travel across the diocese to help others in need. Every gift is appreciated!

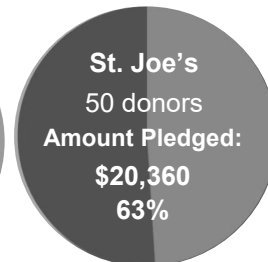
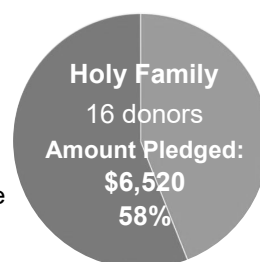
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Parish Goals

SJW: \$32,066

HF: \$9,755



Stewardship of TREASURE

Holy Family

May 16, 2021
\$1,465.10

Fiscal Year to Date
\$93,360.11 Actual
\$90,701.61 Budget

St. Joseph the Worker

May 15 & 16, 2020
\$3,460.00

Fiscal Year to Date
\$340,185.29 Actual
\$300,390.86 Budget

*Congratulations to Steve Kaiser,
the "301" winner of \$100 for May 15!*

LITURGICAL MINISTERS ARE STILL NEEDED

See the schedule below for the unfilled spots. Please
Contact Kathy at kmoldan@sjwhf.org or call the
office 507-388-3766 by Thursday if able to fill what is
needed for the following week. Thanks!

Liturgical Ministries

SATURDAY, MAY 29

SJW—5:00 P.M. MASS

Reader: Joyce Wilcox

Servers: **Needed**

ECM: Cookie Oberle

Backup ECM: **Needed**

Ushers: Gwen Stavenau, Al Honermann

Musicians: Cindy Lawrence

SUNDAY, MAY 30

HF—8:30 A.M. MASS

Reader: Katie Parsons

Servers: Nettie & Nev Parsons

Backup ECM: Pat Jones

Ushers: Chuck Slama

Musicians: Erika Seppmann, Sheila Sickler

SJW—10:30 A.M. MASS

Reader: **Needed**

Servers: **Needed**

ECM: Susan Peller

Backup ECM: **Needed**

Ushers: Anne Richardson, Pat Debill, Randy Haley

Musicians: Olivia Flack, Bob Dickhudt

Doorkeeper: Terri Michels

Mass Schedule & Intentions

Tuesday, May 25:

HF 11am - Funeral Ron Held

SJW 12:05pm - **No Mass**

Wednesday, May 26:

Hillcrest 9:30am - Word and Communion

Pathstone 10:00am - Word and Communion

SJW 12:05pm - †Susan Wheeler

Thursday, May 27:

HF 8:30am - †Francis Jenkin

Friday, May 28:

SJW 12:05pm - †Arvid & Charlotte Wilder

Saturday, May 29: The Most Holy Trinity

SJW 5:00pm - †John Keefe

Sunday, May 30: The Most Holy Trinity

HF 8:30am - For the Parishioners

SJW 10:30am - †Martha Bromberck

Mon: Acts 1:12-14/ Ps 87: 1-3, 5-7/ Jn 19: 25-34

Tues: Sir 35: 1-12/ Ps 50: 5-8, 14, 23/ Mk 10: 28-31

Wed: Sir 36: 1, 4-5a, 10-17 / Ps 79: 8-9, 11, 13 / Jn 17:20-26

Thurs: Sir 42: 15-25/ Ps 33: 2-9/ Mk 10:46-52

Fri: Sir 44: 1, 9-13/ Ps 149: 1b-6a, 9b / Mk 11:11-26

Sat: Sir 51: 12cd-20 / Ps 19: 8-11/ Mk 11: 27-33

Sun: Dt 4: 32-34, 39-40/ Ps 33: 4-6, 9, 18-20, 22

This Week at a Glance

Tues. 5/25: 8:15am ECFE Screening - SJW Gym

Weds. 5/26: 6:00pm Building and Grounds Mtg. - SJW

Thurs. 5/27: 11:15am ECFE Screening - SJW Gym
6:30pm Music practice - SJW

Sat. 5/29: 4:00pm Confession - SJW

Sun. 5/30: 8:00am Confessions - HF

Parish & Area Events

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Games ...

Music ...

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Team Work Skills ...

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VBS BOOT CAMP For 5th - 12th Graders

July 8th & 9th

8:00am to 11:00am

at St. Joseph the Worker Gym

This Boot Camp is for anyone
Interested in volunteering at
Vacation Bible School
July 12th through 16th
at St. Joseph the Worker

As a Crew Leader, Assistant
Crew Leader, or
VBS Preschool helper.

come test out the projects, games,
and music in advance ...

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL For 4 year olds to 4th grade

July 12th - 16th

**The fun starts at 8:00am and
ends at 11:00am.**

at St. Joseph the Worker gym

Preschool VBS - 4 & 5 Year olds
Elementary VBS - Kindergarten
through 4th (in the fall of 2021)

Tuition Fee is \$30 per Child or
\$90 per Family Fee (4 or more children)
Tuition is waived if you volunteer to
help as a Station Leader,
Crew Leader or Aid.

Volunteers contact Val at vkoch@sjwhf.org

Online Registration is available on SJWHF website at sjwhf.org
(online payment available) OR

Print out Registration forms and drop off or mail to
parish office: 423 W. 7th St., Mankato, MN 56001

"Indeed for your faithful Lord, life is changed not ended..." -Roman Missal

FUND THE FENCE!

Every year thousands of visitors stroll through one of Mankato's most beautiful parks. That park is Calvary Cemetery. Visitors come to Calvary for its beauty, its serenity, its history and its important place as the bridge between this world and the next. Calvary is the tangible expression of the promise of eternal life. It is important that this sacred park be always well kept for the many families who have invested more than just money there.



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Calvary Cemetery

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Mankato, MN 56002

or contact Terry Miller 507-995-1010

Additional Announcements

DIG IN AT THE LAKE CRYSTAL COMMUNITY GARDEN! Do you love the feel of cool soil in your hands? Do you love the smell of a fresh tomato? Or do you like the sound of a freshly snapped bean? The Lake Crystal Community Garden is seeking volunteers to help plant this year's crop! Families, businesses, and community groups are also needed to weed the Community Garden! Pick a date and weed a few rows or the whole garden! Like us on Facebook and contact farmer Tom to save your date at 507.382.5778 or cooper7383@gmail.com. All produce is donated to the food shelf and throughout the community!



Loyola Catholic School

Phone: 388-0600, Website: loyolacatholicschool.org

Adam Bemmels PreK-12 Principal

Lucky 20 Raffle: Fourteen days left! Loyola's Lucky 20 Raffle supports the school's need-based scholarship fund, allowing more students to attend Catholic school in Mankato. By purchasing a Lucky 20 ticket, you will not only be supporting Loyola and its students, you will also have the chance to win big! Details of the raffle: Grand Prize Winner \$10,000, One (1) \$5,000, One (1) \$1,000, Two (2) \$500, Fifteen (15) \$200. Winners will be drawn Monday, June 7, 2021. Need not be present to win. If you would like to support Loyola's mission by purchasing a ticket, please contact Loyola: 507-388-0600 Thank you!

Rockin' on the Hill: Saturday, July 17, 2021, on Good Counsel Hill Save the date for Mankato's premier summer bash, supporting Loyola Catholic School! Gates open at 5pm. Rockin' on the Hill is an annual outdoor community music festival featuring great live music, food trucks, spirits, pull tabs, traveling boutiques and more! For additional information visit www.rockinonthehill.com and follow us on Facebook @rockinonthehill *We will be adhering to COVID-19 guidelines, watch our website for updates.

Alumni news: On Sunday, May 24th, Loyola's class of 2021 will become alumni! Please keep each of them in your prayers as they graduate and move into their next phase of life. We are proud to share that all graduates will be enrolling in post secondary education. Every dollar given to our Crusader Fund allows Loyola to provide need-based tuition assistance scholarships for our families. To help us allow even more children to discover the Loyola difference please contact Brian Thomas or Matt Fink at (507) 388-0600 or at development@loyolacatholicschool.org.

Admissions/Enrollment: We are excited to say that Loyola is filling up fast! If you are interested in discovering the Loyola difference and how a Catholic education is a great investment, please contact Kerstyn Cafarelli at admissions@loyolacatholicschool.org or 507-386-5399. Applications are still being accepted, and financial aid is still available. Schedule a tour today!

Employment opportunities: Loyola is currently accepting applications for the following positions: Full time high school English teacher, Full time preK teacher, Part time preschool teacher & Girls varsity basketball coach. For more information, please see Loyola's website: www.loyolacatholicschool.org. Open positions are listed under the About Us section. To apply for a position, please send a cover letter, resume, and three letters of recommendation to employment@loyolacatholicschool.org

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To bring together men of all ages to grow in relationship with Jesus Christ. With the direction of our Priest, encouraging each other to be servant leaders in our Church.

Parish Office Hours

Mon-Thurs: 8:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

Fri: 8:30am-12:00pm
or by appointment

Contact Information

Office Phone.....388-3766

Parish Email.....office@sjwhf.org

SJW Prayer Chain.....Joan: 388-5986

HF Prayer Chain.....Margaret: 317-4785

Email: margaretbuss@yahoo.com

Calvary Cemetery.....Terry Miller: 387-5784

Pastoral Staff

Rev. Timothy T. Reker - Pastor

Nicole Hermer - Director of Parish Activities

Glenn Barnette - Bookkeeper

Kathy Moldan - Office Assistant

Sister Janet Wermerskirchen - Music Director

Jon Hermanson - SJW Custodial Engineer

Mike Murrain - SJW Custodian

Ben Moldan - HF Custodian

Sacraments

Baptism - Please contact Fr. Reker in the parish office to schedule the baptism and the baptism preparation class.

Marriage - Congratulations on your engagement! Please contact Fr. Reker at least 6 months in advance to begin preparation.

Anointing of the Sick - If you or a family member is homebound or in the hospital and would like a pastoral visit, please notify the office.

Prayers for Healing

Richard Johnson, John Allen, Jerry Schultz,
George Larson, Tom B.

Bulletin Brought to you by:



Email bulletin notices to
office@sjwhf.org by Tuesday at noon.



(SJW) Last week: 17lbs. **Items Needed this Week: Condiments.**

PENTECOST SUNDAY



Send Us Your Spirit

O God,
throughout the ages you are mighty,
and when your Spirit came upon
the apostles,
they ceased to be afraid.
Out they went, into the world, filled
with your love.
Send us your Spirit,
renew the earth,

make all fear cease.
The world hungers for wisdom
and knowledge,
for understanding,
for fear of the Lord, for counsel,
for piety, for fortitude.
Send these gifts in abundance,
that we might do your work in the world.
We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

May 23, 2021
The Mighty Acts of God



Today's readings: Acts 2:1–11; Psalm 104:1, 24, 29–30, 31, 34; 1 Corinthians 12:3b–7, 12–13 or Galatians 5:16–25; Sequence: Veni, Sancte Spiritus; John 20:19–23 or John 15:26–27; 16:12–15. Imagine yourself gathered in the locked upper room with your friends, all who share your fear. And then in an instant, a driving wind comes through the room and tongues of fire descend on each one of you. Suddenly, you are no longer afraid. Leaving the room, you speak of the mighty acts of God, and all who hear you understand the language you speak.

Today's reading from Acts depicts the change that comes over the apostles when the Holy Spirit entered their lives. They now have what they need to preach the Gospel to all nations, as Jesus had commanded them.

Each one of us received the gifts of the Spirit in our baptism and later, in their fullness, when confirmed. Throughout our lives, we are able to ask the Spirit to strengthen these gifts in us, so that we might have what we need to do the work God has called us to in the world. Take some time to consider how you see people use the gifts of the Spirit: fortitude, knowledge, counsel, understanding, wisdom, piety, and fear of the Lord. The lives of the saints may be looked to for an embodiment of these gifts, but saints also dwell around you.

For Pentecost, pray to the Holy Spirit for a strengthening of your gifts. Celebrate, too, this solemnity of the Church. The event in the upper room affected the whole world for all time.



THIS WEEK AND BEYOND

Monday, May 24

Experience Pentecost

Read Acts 2:1–11 aloud, either to yourself or with your family. What do you notice in the Scripture? Which words or phrases stand out for you? What emotions would the disciples feel? Meditate by writing about or drawing the events of Pentecost. If you have children, act out the reading as a family activity. Consider using special effects, such as fans for the “driving wind.”

Tuesday, May 25

Piety and Fear of the Lord

Reflect on the Spirit’s gifts of piety and fear of the Lord. Piety involves respect for what is holy, but also delight. What would it mean to delight in God? Fear of the Lord is harder to grasp. This gift allows us to regard God with reverence because of his place in our lives. Practice these gifts by seeking to spend the day in a spirit of humility.

Wednesday, May 26

Wisdom, Knowledge, and Understanding

The gifts of wisdom, knowledge, and understanding may seem to be similar gifts, but they are not identical. Wisdom helps us to see rightly with our hearts. Wisdom also helps us to see ourselves and others accurately, recognizing our limitations and our dependence on God. Knowledge is knowledge of God. Understanding is about perspective. Choose a saint to read about and consider how that person used these gifts. Read Matthew 22:37–39. Do you think this passage tells us what it might mean to have these gifts?

Thursday, May 27

Counsel and Fortitude

Counsel helps us to judge things rightly and to discern, while fortitude helps us to do what is right even when it is difficult. We can all think of times when we have needed these gifts. Sometimes it can be so hard to know what the right thing is. Practice becoming quiet and sitting in a posture of listening. As you consider a problem or decision, invite God into it. Then envision all the possibilities. Where do you feel the most peace and consolation? This is counsel. As for fortitude, even St. Paul had trouble following through with what he knew to be right sometimes, doing instead, he tells us, “what I hate.” Virtue is a habit of acting rightly. Research the virtues and see which ones you might practice to help you build strength in your spiritual life so that you might be more capable of accepting the gift of fortitude.

Friday, May 28

Come, Holy Spirit!

Copy the prayer, “Come, Holy Spirit and fill the hearts of your faithful and kindle in them the fire of your love.” Hang the prayer in your home throughout Ordinary Time, and allow it to remind you of the Spirit’s presence in your life and the nudgings from God in your heart.

Saturday, May 29

Celebrating Ordinary Time

Ready yourself and your home for Ordinary Time by changing your prayer area to green. Throughout this season, we are able to contemplate the mysteries we have celebrated as we are invited into deeper engagement with the entire life of Jesus. Ordinary Time is so named because we count the weeks, using ordinal numbers (first, second, third). In the secular world, we are entering summer, when many people’s lives settle into a calmer routine. During this season, take time to be present in the moment, whether in prayer, with your family, or during the course of your day.



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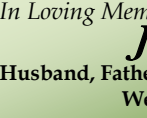
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Bill & Marie Sturm, Donny, AnnaBelle & Mary Ann
Missing You — Peg

IN LOVING Memory of my daughter, Kristin and husband, Larry Volk. We love and miss you.

