We hope your visit here will be a prayerful time as you enjoy the lakes region Please consider

St. Joseph's as your church away from home. Contact us at the Parish Office if we may serve you in any way.

We are committed to proclaiming the Good News of Jesus Christ and invite you to join us! May the Holy Spirit lead us in living as a welcoming Catholic community.

SAINT JOSEPH CATHOLIC CHURCH

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Mon.- Thurs.: 7:30 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Fri.: 7:30 a.m. - 12 noon **RECONCILIATION:**

30 minutes before each Mass **BULLETIN DEADLINE**

Tuesday 12 noon

MASS SCHEDULE:

Saturday at 4:30 p.m. Sunday at 8 and 10 a.m. Summer

Saturday at 4 and 5:30 p.m. Sunday at 7:30, 9 and 10:30 a.m.

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School begins in full this week for many in the Lakes area. As always, the days and weeks of our precious season of summer vanished so quickly, left with our memories of sun-filled days, uninhibited time with family and friends, and hopefully a few creative notions fulfilled. Though we realize education



By Fr. Tim Johnson

is a life long journey through our experiences, relationships, and curiosity, the formal schooling will always direct our energies and form a foundation for the quest to learn throughout our life. Nelson Mandela who was imprisoned for several years and upon his release, inaugurated as South Africa's president, provides a thoughtful reflection on our education regardless of where we live our level of education: "A good head and good heart are always a formidable combination. But when you add to that a literate tongue or pen, then you have something very special."

For the past three years Dale Hanna has maintained the dignity and upkeep of the building and grounds of our parish, allowing for the safety of our parishioners, visitors, and anyone who came seeking our hospitality and a presence of hope. Dale is retiring this fall before the first snowfall, desiring more time with his wife and to enjoy his interests and hobbies. Dale took over following Bill Cook's retirement after 17 years of service for our parish. At the same time Mark Johnson is retiring following his fall, knowing the seriousness of the injuries he sustained. He is recovering patiently with Deb's help but feels it may be time to step back considering the part time responsibilities and the desire to protect his health. I appreciate the work and responsibility Dale and Mark provided for our parish; especially their kindness and respect for parishioners, visitors and anyone who came to our parish. We are presently seeking to fill these positions. If you or someone you know may be interested please contact me at the parish office to explain the duties and responsibilities. Our full time position came with health care and vacation benefits.

"Thus says the Lord: I know their works and thoughts, and I come to gather nations of every language; they shall come and see my glory." In light of God's words from this Sunday's first reading, I find the following quote quite relevant: "More than ever before in human history, we share a common destiny. We can master it only if we face it together. And that, my friends, is why we have the United Nations." (Kofi Annan, former Secretary General of the UN)

God Bless.

Fr. Tim



CONGRATULATIONS and Best Wishes to Samuel and Kelly McBride who were married at St. Joseph on Sat., Aug. 17.

Our parish will offer gluten free 'consecrated' hosts at each weekend Mass, with the priest holding the container during Communion.

FAITH FORMATION

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By Sharon Mayer

HERE WE GO! This is early registration weekend for all of the families sending children to religious education classes at St. Joes this year. I will be out by the parish center with pre=printed forms for those who have had children in the program. If you are new or have a new student. blank forms are available. The fees are the same as before at \$30 per child or a family max of \$75.00 until the start of classes on Sept. 4th. After that date the fees are at the reqular rate of \$35 per child or \$85.00 max per family. Should this be a hardship for your family please let Fr. Tim know and we can make an adjustment.

I am very excited to begin the new learning year even though I am still not moving as fast as normal. My Catechists are in place except for 6th grade. I have moved 5th and 6th grade to the evening program so am hoping that will fit someone's schedule so that they can teach. Focus in the 6th grade year is on the Old and New Testament. Please contact Fr. Tim or myself if you can be a Catechist.

I will be welcoming everyone associated with the program on Wednesday night, August 28 at 7 p.m. This is where we get together to talk about the year and the expectations for everyone. Once it starts it really moves right along. I am already planning the Christmas program! For families with students who will be receiving Confirmation, or First Communion, there will be a parent meeting on Wednesday Sept. 4th at 5:15 for First Communion and 7 p.m. for Confirmation. If you have not received a letter about these Sacraments, please email me or call.

I do try to keep parents apprised of what is coming up. Email works the best for me but I also use the weekly bulletin and monthly newsletter. We also have the website and facebook. Each family should pick up a handbook with the calendar, rules and such. If there is a Diocese sponsored event. I will let families know about that as well. If a family has children registered and they attend on Wednesday that is wonderful but not complete. Making sure you are attending Mass as a family completes the job. After all, we only have them for an hour or so a week, you have them always and letting them know that Mass attendance is an expectation goes a long way to them understanding their faith, As always, if children ask a question about church that you cannot answer, let them ask here and we will get them the right answer. Looking forward to seeing everyone again.

UPCOMING EVENTS



8 p.m.: AA in Nazareth Hall; Al-Anon in NW.

Tuesday, Aug. 27

8 a.m. to 5 p.m.: Eucharistic Adoration.

Wednesday, Aug. 28

5:15 p.m.: Praise Band Practice, church. 6 p.m.: KC's meet in church basement. 7 p.m.: Catechist Inservice, Nazareth.

Thursday, Aug. 29

8 a.m.: Bible Study, Nazareth

Friday, Aug. 30

7 a.m. to 5 p.m.: Labor Day Treasure Check garage sale. Final sale for the season and final sale under Mary Lou Schroeder's leadership.

10:30 a.m.: Mass at Milford Care Center.

Saturday, Aug. 31

8 a.m. to 12 noon: Labor Day Treasure Check garage sale. Final sale for the season and final sale under Mary Lou Schroeder's leadership

AT ALL MASSES: Rosary/Altar cinnamon rolls on sale.

Calling all Miracle Choir Members - the Miracle Choir will begin singing monthly again in September. They will sing on Sunday, Sept. 29 at the 10 a.m. Mass with a rehearsal prior at 9 a.m. A practice will be held on Wed., Sept. 25 at 5:15 p.m. in the church. New members are welcome and invited to join! For more information contact Cain at cain@stjosephmilford.org or by phone at 712.336.2274, ext. 11.

Don't forget Bible Study on Thursday morning, 8 a.m. in Nazareth Hall. Fellowship. Fun. Refreshments.

Today's reading from Isaiah describes the Israelites bringing their offering to the Lord "in clean vessels." The gift of



myself--my patient endurance and fidelity to the will of God--is an importnat as the monetary gift I offer.

Weekly budget needs are \$7,582

Aug. 17-18, 2019

Weekly: \$5,783.00 Kids: \$93.00 Loose: \$5,818.87 Candles: \$181.90 2nd Coll Rel Ed/Youth: \$1.202.7 Endow: \$22.00 P & J: \$60.00 Retired Rel.: \$485.00 Poor Box: \$4.49 Haiti: \$5.00 Quilts: \$231.00 Building: \$122.00 Misc.: \$43.03

2IST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



Welcome to our visitors who are worshipping with us this weekend. May your time in the lakes region be special.

22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time Saturday, Aug. 31 @ 4 p.m.

EMES: (6) Donna Elser, Jerilyn Streit, Terry and Lori Gray, Kathy Eilers, Marlene Nelsen

GREETERS: Volunteers **LECTOR:** Lois Eckard

SERVERS: Kailee Herman, Isabel Nelson **USHERS:** Jim and Kathleen Baumgard

GIFTS: Jim Thompson Family

Saturday, Aug. 31 @ 5:30 p.m.

EMES: (6) Jim and Irene McCoy, Chris and Connie

Jones, Brad Shell, Bernie Kramer

GREETERS: Volunteers **LECTOR:** Molly Mulqueen

SERVERS: Rick Wittrock, Tyler Wittrock

USHERS: Kraninger Family **GIFTS:** Jim McCoy Family

Sunday, Sept. 1 @ 7:30 a.m.

EMES: (5) Mary Dunleavy, Ron Swartz, Deb Travis, Chris and Connie Biornstad

GREETERS: Volunteers **LECTOR:** Darlene Moritz

SERVERS: Jocelyn Heller, John Garcia **USHERS:** Julie Reynolds, Jeff and Pat Rolfes

GIFTS: Volunteers

Sunday, Sept. 1 @ 9 a.m. **Praise Band**

EMES: (8) Holly and Paul Skopec, Aaron Hyatt, Donna Clark, Susan Willette, Dori Lippon, Marlys

Nolan, Connie Lange **GREETERS:** Volunteers **LECTOR:** Susan Willette

SERVERS: Addison Frerichs, Will Anderson

USHERS: Harmelinks

GIFTS: Dennis Lippon Family PC TECH: Jack and Julie Kliegl Sunday, Sept. 1 @ 10:30 a.m.

EMES: (6) Mick Baack, Bill and Cheryl Aumer, Larry

Arndt, Connie Hinrichs, Jean Petitti **GREETERS:** Bob and Kay Sewell **LECTOR:** Joseph Schmidt

GIFTS: John Willison Family

SERVERS: Caleb Jones, Brian Jones **USHERS:** Mark and Molly Foss

DON'T FORGET to pick up your Lifetouch Photos in the office this week



WELCOME to the Catholic Faith to Gabriel Steven Richard Ripley, son of Samantha Ripley and Kevin Shaw, who was baptized Sat., Aug. 3 at St. Joseph.

IT'S APPLE PIE TIME....The KC's annual pie project begins Fri., Aug. 23. Unbaked pies will be on sale for \$10 each both Friday and Saturday, Aug. 23-24. Pie sales should continue until Sept. 14-15. Call Terry Abbas at 712-330-9131 if you wish to purchase a pie.

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, Aug. 24

4 p +Stan Norman, Sr. 5:30 p +Darold Haberman

Sunday, Aug. 25 7:30 a Special Intention (JW)

9 a +Jim & +Donna Murray

10:30 a +Floyd Sporrer +Bill Ruml

Monday, Aug. 26

7:30 a +Al & +Mary Schultz Tuesday, Aug. 27

5:15 p +Liv/Dec CDA Mem +Bill and +Elvera Kane

Wednesday, Aug. 28

7:30 a +Halbur/Johnson

Thursday, Aug. 29

7:30 a Liv/Dec +Don Brown Fam Friday, Aug. 30

7:30 a +Greg Deman

10:30 a Special Intention (JLW) Saturday, Aug. 31

Roth/Myers Vows +Stan Norman, Sr. 4 p +Rita Wuebker

+Tom Wuebker +Joyce Fear

5:30 p +Betty Newman +Michael Newman

Sunday, Sept. 1

+Sharon Knudtson 7:30 a

> +Ken Knudtson +Lynn Knudtson

+Jim & +Phyllis Streit +Bill Budding

+Betty Orthman 10:30 a +Lorraine Kenney



Please pray for these St. Joseph Parishioners:

Mary Ann Sigler, Dennis and Alma Klute, Jerry Clark, Joan Langel Irene Clark, Robert Rowland. Bill James, Marie Van Hofwegen, Ethel Wilson, Steve Painter, Ginny Yore, LaDonna Jansen, Dale Langel, Finley Brunsvold, Dee Bryant, Phyllis Hintz, Terry Abbas, Susan Robinson, Leona Spieker.

Other Special Persons: Everett Ward, Jan Wolf, Peggy Price, Joan Mertz, John Bruening, Joene Edwards, Ann Willette, Ashlyn Clark, Jerry Wolford, Harvey Baxter, Jr., Kami Svoboda, Darrel Wedeking, Dan Mulder, Pam Meyer, Peri & Vern Hughes, Dan Donovan, Leah Brevik, Colleen Mulder. Jamie O'Neill, Carol Willette, Nancy Younie, Pat Juza, Bea Reiter, Paula Bernardy, Mary Jones, Andy Bensman, Todd Clausen, Zach Budden, Jan James, Sharon Forsman, Aden Remme, Jeff Harbst, Esther Baxter, Melissa Hruby, David Smith, Jean Stilley and Howie Holdenried. Please call to add persons.