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**AUGUST 23, 2020**

## 21<sup>ST</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



"I will give you the keys to the kingdom of heaven. Whatever you bind on earth shall be bound in heaven; and whatever you loose on earth shall be loosed in heaven." - Mt 16:19

# “The Way of the Disciple”

Dear parishioners and friends,

I have started to read for my spiritual nourishment the book of Erasmo Leiva-Merikakis, now Father Simeon, a Trappist monk at St Joseph's Abbey in Spencer, Mass., titled “**The Way of the Disciple**” and I immediately opened the way of discipleship with the scenes of St Peter and Jesus. My mind and heart were with this beautiful parish, people, and employees. I like his deep knowledge and understanding of the human heart in front of God. I also read his book on meditations on the Gospel according to St. Matthew which I use extensively in preparing my Sunday homilies.

In “The Way of the Disciple”, he says right at the beginning of the book about the way of the disciple:

“When Jesus one day showed his apostles how to bring in an overwhelming catch of fish, Peter's reaction was to fall down at Jesus's knees and exclaim: ‘Depart from me, I am a sinful man, O Lord.’(Lk 5:8) But Peter's reaction was very different on the occasion when Jesus presented himself to the world as the Bread of Life and many found the teaching difficult and began to turn their backs on him. As the Lord pointedly asked the Twelve, ‘Will you also go away?’ Simon Peter answered him, ‘Lord, to whom shall we go away? You have the words of eternal life.’ (Jn 6:67-68)

**These are indeed the two apparently opposite impulses that define the essence of discipleship:** on the one hand, the consciousness of one's utter unworthiness to abide in the presence of the holy God and, simultaneously, one's desperate need precisely to abide in that presence, only source of lasting life and joy. [...] We will see that the passion for simply abiding in the company of Jesus, the need continually to *be with Him* in every sense of that verb, is the very heart of discipleship. But now how does one become a disciple? What various stages of initiation does Christian discipleship include? Does the initiative in this process primarily reside with the disciple's desires or with the Teacher's election? What is the goal of long-term discipleship of Jesus?”

There is a prerequisite attitude before answering all these compelling questions that the book addresses and I would love to point out here for me and for you, **the willingness to abandon the old, what is behind us, and begin to desire to be created again by the power of God's Holy Spirit.** By the time you will read this article I will have completed my small Pilgrimage to the Shrine of Our Lady of Good Help near Green Bay, Wisconsin. I brought all of us there at the feet of the first disciple Mary who said to Adele in her youth, based on the account told by Sister Pauline LaPlante: **“What are you doing here in idleness while your companions are working in the vineyard of my Son?”**

Our Lady of Good Help makes possible our way to discipleship of Jesus in unity with our Church.

Your Pastor, Father Ettore Ferrario, FSCB



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August 13, 2020

Dear Brothers in Christ,

I hope you are well and taking good care of yourselves.

As we approach the month of September, I invite you to prayerfully consider the words of Holy Father Pope Francis:

*Everything is interconnected, and ... genuine care for our own lives and our relationships with nature are inseparable from fraternity, justice and faithfulness to others.*  
—Pope Francis, *Laudato Si'* (70)

Last year, Pope Francis officially invited Catholics from around the world to participate in the “Season of Creation,” an annual ecumenical effort “of increased prayer and effort on behalf of our common home.” It begins on September 1st, the World Day of Prayer for the Care of Creation, and continues through October 4th, the Feast of St. Francis, and is already widely embraced by Christians worldwide. As the Holy Father said, “this is the season for letting our prayer be inspired anew,” a season “to reflect on our lifestyles,” and a season “for undertaking prophetic actions ... calling for courageous decisions ... directing the planet towards life, not death.”

The theme this year is the *Jubilee for the Earth: New Rhythms, New Hope*, paying particular attention to how changes in our environment affect the most vulnerable. Pope Francis' message, which calls us to attend to the “immense hardship for the most vulnerable among us,” is particularly relevant in the light of the coronavirus pandemic. As the world experiences deep uncertainty and suffering in the midst of a global emergency, we are called to recognize that a truly healthy recovery means seeing that “everything is connected” and repairing the bonds we have broken. We realize that we need to grow in solidarity and take care of one another in fraternity.

This year’s Season of Creation celebration provides us an opportunity to gather together and restore our connections to one another and all of God’s creation. I encourage you to celebrate in some way the Season of Creation in your parish communities through “care for creation” prayers at Mass or in your bulletins, outdoor gatherings, or other actions inspired by the Holy Spirit. While we realize that the “Season of Creation” is almost upon us, we invite you to reach out to our newly formed Archdiocesan Care for Creation team for ideas and support for Care for Creation efforts. You can contact the Care for Creation team by emailing [creation@archspm.org](mailto:creation@archspm.org).

Fraternally yours in Christ,

Most Reverend Bernard A. Hebda  
Archbishop of Saint Paul and Minneapolis



## OPEN WIDE OUR HEARTS:

### THE CATHOLIC CHURCH CONFRONTS RACISM



*Wednesday, September 9, 2020 10:00am-Noon*  
*Zoom Webinar Register at*  
<https://www.mncatholic.org/openwideourhearts/>

The tragic death of George Floyd has ignited a public conversation about ongoing racial inequity and injustice in America. How can the Church uphold the dignity of all human persons and foster the common good during these contentious times? What issues do we need to address with our own Church that prevent an appropriate response? The Minnesota Catholic Conference, the public policy voice of the Catholic Church in Minnesota, is hosting this forum for priests, deacons, educators, and lay ecclesial ministers on the memorial of St. Peter Claver to provide an opportunity for formation and reflection on these critical issues in our community, and how we as a Church can respond.

[Read \*Open Wide Our Hearts: The enduring call to Love\* and more resources on racism from the USCCB on their website](#)

### Featuring Bishop Shelton Fabre, Bishop of the Diocese of Houma-Thibodaux, Chairman, USCCB Ad Hoc Committee Against Racism



Bishop Shelton J. Fabre was born October 25, 1963 in New Roads, Louisiana as the fifth of six children. He was ordained a Deacon in 1988 in Leuven, Belgium. A year later, he was ordained a priest in Baton Rouge, Louisiana. Pope Benedict XVI appointed him as Auxiliary Bishop of the Archdiocese of New Orleans to which he was ordained in 2007. He was installed Bishop of the Diocese of Houma-Thibodaux in 2013.

Bishop Fabre received his MA in religious studies from the Katholieke Universiteit te Leuven in Louvain, Belgium in 1989. Additionally, he is a 4th degree Knight of Columbus and Knight of St. Peter Claver as well as a FBI Baton Rouge Citizens Academy in Graduate. Bishop Fabre serves in numerous roles within the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops including former member and current chair of the Subcommittee for African American Catholics and current member of the Committee on Cultural Diversity in the Church.

## STEWARDSHIP OF TIME AND TALENT

### ST. PETER CATHOLIC SCHOOL



St. Peter Catholic School is looking for someone to demonstrate Stewardship of Time as a **substitute teacher** or **volunteer school nurse**. As we prepare to re-open our school as safely as possible these two positions could support the work we are undergoing in the education of our children. We are looking to add capable substitute teachers to our list of subs. We are also looking for someone to support us as a volunteer nurse. This person would need to have nursing experience. If interested in either of these positions please contact Principal, Alison Dahlman at [adahlman@stpetersnsp.org](mailto:adahlman@stpetersnsp.org) or call at 651-894-6156.

## PARISH SOCIAL EVENT THIS FALL

Parish Social Event on **September 20, 2020**. The entire event will be hosted outdoors, under tents.

We will have a food truck, beer and wine, corn hole tournament, raffle tickets, jumbo TV for Vikings game (if there is a season) and the main entrée would be a pulled pork sandwich with corn on the cob and a side dish of cole slaw.

**We will also be looking for volunteers** for various activities, including help in set up and clean up as well as preparation and distributing the meals. Please watch for further updates or sign up to help. Please contact Kari Erpenbach at [kerpenbach@stpetersnsp.org](mailto:kerpenbach@stpetersnsp.org) or Jeff Peterson at [jpeterson@stpetersnsp.org](mailto:jpeterson@stpetersnsp.org).

## STEWARDSHIP OF PRAYER CONTINUES WITH THE REOPENING OF THE ADORATION CHAPEL

*-In these times of COVID, it is important for each visitor to be personally responsible for following safe hygiene protocol and archdiocesan guidelines.*

***-Because of the uncertainty of the future, the chapel is subject to be closed without previous notice as the religious and civil authorities might request.***

**EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION CHAPEL HOURS FOR AUGUST:**  
**TUESDAY - WEDNESDAY - FRIDAY 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.**  
**Weekends CLOSED**

**You must register online at [www.churchofstpetersnsp.org](http://www.churchofstpetersnsp.org)**

Dear Adorers you have decided to adore Christ in the adoration chapel out of your own free will. Please be respectful of guidelines and other adorers. The Church of St Peter commits wholeheartedly to adore Jesus Christ, and at the same time respects the safety and health of the adorers.

May God bless you abundantly at this time! Pastor, Fr. Ettore Ferrario, FSCB

## "I came that they may have life, and have it abundantly" John 10:10

This is the theme of our Parish, School and Faith Formation catechetical year 2020-2021. We strongly desire to assist children and families to grow abundantly in the catholic faith. Despite the continued uncertainties related to COVID and the upcoming school year, **we are happy to announce that registration for 2020-2021 Faith Formation is now open.**

After thorough consideration of the many varied factors, including class and space sizes as well as the developmental needs of the children, **it has been determined that monthly in-person classes supported by take-home resources and activities will best promote the health safety of our community while still providing high quality education of our faith.**

We are invited to view the necessary modifications to the usual calendar as an opportunity to grow in **Family Faith Formation**, as the focus of our catechists is expanded from just the child to a broader scope that includes parents and caregivers toward God's call to know Him better and go deeper in our relationship with Him.

### **PARENT ORIENTATION NIGHTS ARE SCHEDULED FOR SEPTEMBER:**

Friday, September 18, 7-9pm for Faith Formation classes grades 6, 7, and 8

Wednesday, September 23, from 6-7:30, for all CGS students: preschool through grade 3

Wednesday, September 30, for Faith Formation classes grades 4 and 5 and Confirmation (grades 8-12)

### **CLASSES WILL START IN OCTOBER.**

We plan to continue this schedule of monthly in-person classes for the duration of the school year.

A full calendar will soon be made available on the website

but here is a quick breakdown of the plan:

#### **1<sup>st</sup> Wednesdays of every month (October - May)**

- CGS preschool & kindergarten class is offered at 4:30 and 6:00pm
- CGS grade 3 class is offered at 4:30 and 6:00pm
- Confirmation at 6pm

#### **3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesdays of every month (October - May)**

- CGS grade 1 and 2 class is offered at 4:00 and 6:00pm
- Faith Formation grades 4 & 5 at 6-7:30pm

#### **Faith Formation grades 6, 7, 8:**

- Meetings two Fridays every month, 7-9pm
- St JPll Society = TEMPORARILY SUSPENDED

**High School Youth Group** will meet on Thursdays, 6:30-8:30pm

**RCIC students** (children between age 8-18, preparing for the Sacraments of Confession and First Communion) **will meet weekly, day and time to be determined**

Great care will be taken to ensure that current public health safety guidelines from the Archdiocese are followed at all times. This includes, but may not be limited to, the sanitization of spaces and items before and after classes, the use of masks while in the building, and avoiding activities that may increase the risk of COVID transmission.

To register your child for a class, **please visit the Education page of our website.** New this year: registration, payment, and consent forms will all be collected electronically via the form on the webpage. If at any time you need assistance, find something not working, or would prefer to register in person, please do not hesitate to contact Jennifer: [jgreger@stpetersnsp.org](mailto:jgreger@stpetersnsp.org) or 651-779-8304.

We are looking forward to the new Faith Formation year and are excited to see all that God has planned for us! Please join us in praying for the children of our parish, their families, for the catechists, and for our Faith Formation program - that all will be open and receptive to how the Holy Spirit guides us during this school year and that we learn to depend on and love God more and more every day.

Fr. Stefano, Faith Formation Coordinator   Fr. Ettore, Pastor   Barb Waldorf, CGS Coordinator  
Jennifer Greger, Faith Formation Assistant

## MASS INTENTIONS

Week of August 23 - August 30, 2020

Sunday:	8:00 AM	†Donald Buehre
	11:00AM	†Deceased CWA Members
	6:00 PM	Church of St. Peter
Monday:	8:00 AM	†Margaret & Burnham Philbrook
Tuesday:	8:00 AM	†Theresa Danna
Wednesday:	8:00 AM	†Dan & Sallie O'Brien
Thursday:	8:00 AM	†Richard Fontaine
Friday:	8:00 AM	†Dorothea Stolz
Saturday:	8:00 AM	†Dianne Sanders
	4:00 PM	†Leo Abraham
Sunday:	8:00 AM	Church of St. Peter
	11:00 AM	†Bob Pogue Jr.
	6:00 PM	†Ron Dittmer

## STARTING SEPTEMBER 6

**NEW**

### Mass & Confession Times for 2020-21

### Mass Schedule

**Monday thru Saturday 8:00 AM**

**Sunday Mass Schedule**

Saturday, 4:00 PM

**Sunday, 8:00 AM, 10:30 AM Live streaming**

**Mass, 6:00 PM**

### Confession Schedule

**7:30 AM Tuesday thru Friday**

**Saturday 9:00-11:00 AM**

**Sunday 1/2 hour before each Mass**



### WEDDING ANNOUNCEMENTS

Please pray for Abby Harris and Thomas Makens  
who will be married next weekend

## SACRIFICIAL GIVING

As of August 16 for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2021

Collected for Week: Envelopes & Plate	\$12,240.
Collected for Week: Electronic Giving	\$7,320.
<b>Total Amount Collected for Week</b>	<b>\$19,560.</b>
Amount Budgeted for Week	\$21,842.
Collected to Date: Stocks & Special Gifts	\$136,984.
Budgeted to Date: Stocks & Special Gifts	\$143,685.
Percentage Above (or Below) Budget	-4.66%
Amount Above (or Below) Budget	(\$6,701.)

## STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE

### THE SECOND COLLECTION

Today is for the Parish Diakonia Fund. The Diakonia Fund is set up in our parish to help those in need of assistance with food, gas, rent or utilities. We serve those in our parish and in the North St. Paul area. If you would like more information on the Diakonia Fund, please contact Jeff Peterson at [jpeterson@stpetersnsp.org](mailto:jpeterson@stpetersnsp.org). Please give generously.

## NEW RECEPTIONIST HIRED



We have hired Claire Jensen for the part time receptionist position. We are excited to have her join the staff of St. Peter. Claire will start on Monday, August 24, she will be working Monday through Friday 8:30 to noon. Stop by to say hello and introduce yourself.

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