

## Prayers for the Sick

Please help us keep the list of the sick updated. If you would like to be on the email prayer chain or want to submit a prayer request of any kind please email [joanconlon59@yahoo.com](mailto:joanconlon59@yahoo.com):

Carol Sebastian  
Katie Kautzman  
Cody Jacobsen  
William Kelley  
Ernie Schantz  
Zaylee Schmidt  
Christine Lawson  
Kris Kuntz  
Harvey Tibor  
Laurie Hauser

**\*The Latin responses are found in the St. Michael Hymnal, #105 is the Kyrie that Father sings. Follow along from #101 on for the rest of the Mass parts.**

## Mass Intentions

July 2nd	6:30 PM	+ Elizabeth Berger
July 3rd	8:30 AM	+ Vicente Ornelas
July 5th	9:00 AM	+ Rita Barth by Christian Mothers
July 6th	6:00 PM	+ Loren Mollman by Leonard & Irene Wehri
July 8th	9:00 AM	+Dennis Sebastian by Ron & Joann Schantz
July 9th	6:30 PM	+Shelley Person by Jason & Claudia Wehri
July 10th	8:30 AM	++Bernie & Darlene Tibor by Kirk & Gretchen Peterson

**\*\* Confessions Half an Hour before Mass\*\***

**FIRST, THIRD AND FIFTH WEDNESDAYS THERE WILL BE EUCHARTISTIC ADORATION FROM 5 TO 6 FOLLOWED BY MASS.**

## Ministers

### July 2<sup>nd</sup>- Saturday- 6:30 PM:

Lector: Irene Wehri  
Ushers: Clayton & Jan Carter  
Rosary: Volunteer  
Servers: Addison & Tegan

### July 3<sup>rd</sup>- Sunday- 8:30 AM:

Lector: Dave Wanner  
Ushers: Dave & Cheryl Wanner  
Rosary: Don Wanner  
Servers: Ava & Isla

### July 5<sup>th</sup>- Tuesday- 9:00 AM

**July 6<sup>th</sup>- Wednesday;** Adoration at 5:00 PM; Mass at 6:00 PM

### July 8<sup>th</sup>- Friday- 9:00 AM

### July 9<sup>th</sup>- Saturday- 6:30 PM:

Lector: Chester Brandt  
Ushers: Francis & Tracy Tibor  
Rosary: Volunteer  
Servers: Elena & Cambri

### July 10<sup>th</sup>- Sunday- 8:30 AM:

Lector: Kevin Staiger  
Ushers: Kevin & Toni Staiger  
Rosary: Don Wanner  
Servers: Calaghan & Simon

**New Ministries Schedule is available in the gathering space and office!**

**If you are unable to fulfill your ministry, including Altar Servers, PLEASE FIND SOMEONE TO FILL IN FOR YOU.**

***“So ask the master of the harvest to send our laborers for the harvest.”*** Saint Francis Xavier was born in Spain shortly after the discovery of the Americas. As a student of theology at the University of Paris, he heard God’s call to the priesthood and later became a Jesuit missionary to India. One of his first letters from India echoes the words of Jesus in today’s Gospel, “Many here fail to become Christians for one reason only: there is nobody to teach them about Jesus Christ. Again and again, I have thought of going to the universities of Europe and crying out like a madman, ‘What a tragedy: how many souls are being shut out of heaven and falling into hell thanks to you.’” The urgency of his plea challenges us: What have I done in the Lord’s harvest to make Jesus Christ known? If we want all souls to be in heaven and to spare them from the everlasting punishment of hell, we would say to the Lord daily, “Lord, here I am. What would you have me do?”

### **Insights into ecclesiology, “What is meant by the spiritual exchange of goods?”**

Critics of Catholics have a hey day when we pray to the saints but also when we pray for the Poor Souls. Those Catholics and their non-Christian and nonbiblical practices! Well, zone out such critics, because the spiritual exchange of goods is of God and it does so much good for countless souls.

The spiritual exchange of goods is the generous offering of prayers, sacrifices, suffrages (a request that God bless someone with a spiritual or temporal need), and merits (offering up graces we have acquired for someone else) among the Body of Christ. The Body of Christ has three components: the Church Militant (those of earth); the Church Suffering (those of Purgatory); and the Church Triumphant (those of heaven). We are all God’s children, forming one Church, and we share in a deep communion of love, which transcends time, place, and state. We all have the same desire and goal: that all people be saved and come to the everlasting glory of heaven. Thus, the saints in Heaven pray on behalf of the souls of earth and Purgatory; the souls of earth pray for themselves and for the souls of Purgatory, calling upon the intercession of the saints in this effort; and the souls of Purgatory plead for the intercession of the souls of earth and the saints of Heaven. Through this spiritual exchange of goods, grace is communicated to those in need of salvation and the

Body of Christ is strengthened in love, because authentic love always considers the other.

With this in mind, Catholics throughout history have always honored and respected the memory of the dead, especially in our prayers on their behalf. Where is this Tradition to be found in Sacred Scripture? Well, you have to go to one of the Old Testament books that Martin Luther discarded (by his own authority) from the Bible: II Maccabees. There we read, “It is a holy and wholesome thought to pray for the dead, that they may be loosened from their sins” (II Maccabees 12:46). This practice of praying for the faithful departed can be found in the Fathers of the Church; in ancient liturgical texts; and in Christian archaeology. In fact, this is why the Christian catacombs of Rome were established. They were not places of “hiding”, where early Christians cowered in fear. No, they were places to bury Christians so that pious family members could offer prayers and supplications on behalf of their departed loved ones. In other Catholic regions or localities, where Christians were buried in individual burial plots above ground, every year on the anniversary of death, family members would come to the grave for a *refragarium*, a Meal for the Dead. A meal was served and eaten atop the grave, with a place set for the departed loved one, followed by many prayers (and tears) offered on their behalf. It has always been a Christian Tradition to pray for the dead; Sacred Scripture and historical evidence prove this to be true. To deny it is just bad scholarship or worse: a lack of charity for those who have died. Our departed loved ones should never be far from our thoughts and prayers. [To be continued]

### **May the angels lead you to Paradise**

We offer our prayers and condolences to the families and friends of *+Marie Hauser* and *+Duane Hatzenbuehler*, whose Masses of Christian Burial were celebrated this past week at Saint Ann’s Church. For their beautiful lives of faith and service to others while here on earth, may these faithful souls be granted the eternal glory of God’s Kingdom. *Eternal rest grant unto them O Lord and let perpetual light shine upon them. May they rest in peace. Amen.*

### **Many thanks from the old timer**

Thank you to everyone in our parishes for your birthday prayers, greetings, cards, foods, libations, and gifts. May God reward you for your kindness and generosity. Many people

also sent me text messages with birthday cake and smiley face emojis. I was asked by some youngsters, "When you were younger, were emojis called hieroglyphics?" I'm not that old, although I'm so old that my first car was a covered wagon.

### **Thank you for honoring our patron**

I want to thank everyone who came to the special Mass and meal we had last Friday at Sacred Heart Parish for the feast day of our parish. The main dishes were excellent and the desserts even better. Thank you for honoring the Sacred Heart of Jesus, from whose divine heart our parish has received countless blessings and graces throughout its history. *Most Sacred Heart of Jesus, make my heart like unto thine.*

### **Movie night for our kids**

On **Sunday, July 10<sup>th</sup>, at 7:30 pm**, at the Mayer Theatre in Hebron, all the youth of our parishes in grades k-6 (going into kindergarten or leaving sixth grade) are welcome to the movie, *Minions: The Rise of Gru*. The parishes will pay for the movie and also a \$3 voucher for concessions for the kids in grades k-6. Any other family members attending will be asked to pay for their movie ticket and concessions. No, Fr. Gary is not old enough to get the senior citizen's pass. Enough about my latest birthday! I will see you at the movies!

### **Welcome to our parish council**

Congratulations to *Sarah Hauser, Dave Johnson, and Jackie Staiger* who were elected to the Saint Ann's Parish Council. Thank you for bringing your gifts and talents to our parish council as we seek to do God's work at Saint Ann's Parish and beyond. I already like some of the ideas you have brought to the table, like the weekly peach kuchen allotments for the pastor. Why didn't I think of that!?

## Schedule for the Luncheon and Bake Sale by Christian Mothers for Watermelon Days on Saturday, July 9<sup>th</sup>

Circle 2: Works from 8 AM to 10 AM

Circle 3: Works from 10 AM to 12 PM

Circle 4: Works from 12 PM to 2 PM

Please bring baked goods to Church the night before or early Saturday morning to be priced for sale! Thank you!

### Mass Schedule – Central Time

#### Masses at St. Ann's

Saturday 6:30 PM

Sunday 8:30 AM

Tuesday & Friday 9:00 AM

#### Masses at Sacred Heart:

Saturday 9:00 AM & 4:00 PM

Sunday 10:30 AM

Thursday 9:00 AM

Parish Office Hours are 10 AM TO 1PM Tuesdays and Thursdays

### Stewardship of Treasure

Adult: \$1895

Loose: \$88

Kids: \$4

Thank you for your donations!

### UPCOMING EVENTS:

\***Bible Study** - Thursday June 30 @ 7pm. Judges 1-21 and Ruth. Judges is the story of God's people turning away from Him towards the Canaanite gods and the virtuous men and women He sent to turn them around. In the story of Ruth we meet one of the female ancestors of Jesus.

\* **Movie Night for kids**- July 10<sup>th</sup>, 7:30 PM at Mayer Theatre- K-6, *Minions: The Rise of Gru*. Parish will be paying for the children going into kindergarten and leaving sixth grade and a \$3 voucher for the concessions. Adults will pay for themselves.

\***Vacation Bible School/ Reading Program:** Every Tuesday 10 AM to 11 AM in the Months of June and July. All Children are welcome!

\* **State Fair** -If you have not yet returned the waivers to Sally for the trip to the State Fair please do so ASAP.

\***Raffle**-There are 4 tubs in the gathering space for the Tubs of Fun summer raffle. If you'd care to donate some items please check out the list of ideas and raffle tickets are available to purchase as well! Thank you!

\* **Flowers**- If anybody would like the flowers that are planted on the east side of the garage in the alley, please feel free to take them. Landscaping will be done there to fix a rainwater problem. Thank you!

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