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Father John Meyer, Pastor Father Kevin Magner, Parochial Vicar

Weekly Meditation

You are worth more than many sparrows.
(Matthew 10:31)

In today's Gospel, Jesus speaks to the twelve apostles as they prepare to go out and preach the good news. He's urging them to take courage and to trust in their heavenly Father's care. His words would help them as they began their missionary expedition but would also help them for the rest of their lives. Although they might face suffering or rejection, they could draw strength from remembering that they are "worth more than many sparrows" (Matthew 10:31).

The disciples probably had to cling to these words often as they went forth to witness. Not everyone accepted their preaching, and they couldn't work miracles as consistently as Jesus had (Matthew 17:16-20). But it didn't matter because their worth came not from what they did but rather from who they were: children of God. They could rely on their Father's care for them no matter what. They could trust that his love wasn't based on their success or accomplishments. It was based on the fact that he had created them in his image and likeness. He loved them, eternally, simply because he *is* love.

Jesus speaks these words to you today: You are worth more than many sparrows. The same Father in heaven who cared for those disciples cares for you. He sees your every joy and every difficulty and loves you through all of them. He even loves you when you stumble! He rejoices when you witness to his goodness and delights when you care for your family. He values you when you are confined to bed and all you can do is offer him your pain. He sees it all. He loves you, not because of what you do, but because of who you are.

You are more than the sum of your successes and failures. You are a beloved child of your Father in heaven—you are worth more than many sparrows.

"I trust in you, Jesus, because you care for me."

The Word Among Us - June 2023 Edition



Eucharistic Adoration

Are you getting ready for the Fourth of July celebration, thinking about all the fun and activities going on and maybe getting a little stressed? How about starting your holiday weekend with some quiet and peaceful time with the Lord in Eucharistic Adoration. On Thursday, June 29th Eucharistic Adoration will be available between the hours of 8:30 am and 7:00 pm. Reservations are not required, drop in and spend as much time as you like. However, if you can commit to a time, a sign-up sheet will be available in the gathering space. As we celebrate our freedom, please consider taking time during Eucharistic Adoration to thank Jesus who loves us unconditionally, promises to protect us and give us everlasting freedom.

"Now the Lord is the Spirit, and where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is freedom."

2 Corinthians 3:17



Saturday, July 1st @ 5:00 pm

Celebrant: Fr. Kevin Magner

Altar Servers: Isabelle & Elias Dingmann Eucharistic Ministers: Bonnie Hoglund & Bren

Stepp

Greeter: Linda Zimmermann

Lector: Isaac Millner **Sacristan:** Mark Logeais

Ushers: Cliff Zimmermann, Ron Mares, Mike

Zuehlke & Tim Waldschmidt

Sunday, July 2nd @ 8:30 am

Celebrant: Fr. Kevin Magner

Altar Servers: Ethan & Luke Millner

Eucharistic Ministers: Renee Logeais & Michael

Holthaus

Greeter: Renee Louise Wyffels

Lector: Claire Millner Live Stream: Tom Gay Sacristan: Mari Arfsten

Ushers: Doug Zachmann, Jerry Elsenpeter, Den-

nis Arfsten & Steve Logeais

Sunday, July 2nd @ 10:30 am

Celebrant: Fr. Kevin Magner

Alter Servers: Maddison & Presley Dwenger Eucharistic Ministers: Kathy Schultz & Lori

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Greeter: Paul & Karla Braun **Lector:** Jessica Chapman **Sacristan:** Jerry Polaschek

Ushers: David Spike, Jack Purcell, Art

Dingmann, & Josh Paumen

Thank you to the Eucharistic Ministers that have stepped forward to serve. Commissioning is this weekend, Saturday, June 24 at 5:00 pm Mass and Sunday, June 25 at 10:30 am Mass.

All of us make up the Church, the Body of Christ. If you feel a called to serve our ever-

growing Eucharistic community please contact the parish office. Opportunities include: alter servers, greeters, lectors, sacristans, ushers and music ministry volunteers!



Live the Liturgy

Christ promises to acknowledge us before his Father if we will acknowledge him. In what ways are we called to acknowledge Christ today? In what ways are we tempted to deny him, to distance ourselves from him? ©LPi

Sister Parish Connection

The Heart to Heart Mission Team of St. Ignatius has developed a wonderful relationship with our Sister Parish, St. Vincent Ferrer, in Pacuan, Philippines. The first trip occurred in 2009 with Fr. Victor and 3 parishioners. Since then, five additional teams have traveled to Pacuan and a team from St. Vincent traveled to Annandale in 2013. The vision/mission is to share, experience, and grow in our Catholic faith with one another. For the next few weeks, we will be sharing experiences of those who have traveled. For more information contact the Parish Office.

Diane Fournier, 2010

What does it mean to "BE"? This is why I decided to make the trip to Pacuan Phillipines. I wanted a reason for making the trip. Father Victor would only tell me "Diane you need to go just to "BE". I wasn't sure what he meant by "BE". But once I was there it was obvious; I was to BE with the people and build a relationship with them. Our relationship with our sister parish is the primary purpose of the Sister Parish Mission Team. I hope if you are considering the mission trip, you understand how to "BE". In addi-

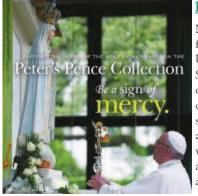
tion, I had the wonderful privilege of traveling with my daughter, Morgan, who was I7 at the time. It was amazing to share the whole journey with her. She had her own unique experiences and as a parent it was a joy to go with her. Please prayerfully ask the Lord if this is something that He might be calling you to do.



CCW Corner

Save the Date! Yearly Christ Child Luncheon is Friday, December 1st.

A committee of four women is thinking ahead and plans are being made. We have "mini-chair" volunteers for the kitchen crew, promotion, Sweet Shoppe and dining room, but will be looking for "mini chairs" in other areas such as ticket sales, door prize, coffee, dishwashing, take-down and bars. More information will come at the next CCW meeting on Thurs., July 6. If you are interested in volunteering, please call Pam at 320-274-8074.



Peter's Pence Collection

Next week we will take up a second collection for the Peter's Pence Collection to support the Universal Church and the work of the Holy See, including helping Pope Francis to carry out his charitable works. These works benefit our brothers and sisters on the margins of society, including victims of war, oppression, and disasters. For more information, visit www.obolodisanpietro.va/en.html Envelopes are enclosed in this week's bulletin and are also available on the table in the gathering space.

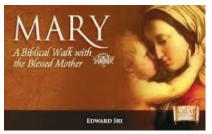
Newly Married

Congratulations to Margaret Lahammer and Douglas Ramler who were untited in Marriage at St. Ignatius Saturday, June 17, 2023.



Women's Bible Study

The Wednesday morning women's Bible Study will resume on September 13th at 9:00 am with a social time following 8:00 Mass. We are studying "Mary: A Biblical Walk with the Blessed Mother" with Edward Sri. It is an extraordinary pilgrimage that



reveals Mary's unique role in God's kingdom and in our lives. Filmed on location in the Holy Land, this study will place you in the midst of the powerful drama of her earthly life, taking you through her joys and her sorrows. You will learn how she works in our lives today, drawing us ever closer to her divine Son. Seeing Mary in this way will change you forever. Mary will become a part of your daily life, and in your daily life, you will become more like Christ. One week we watch a DVD and the following week we have a workbook study. The cost is \$26.95, and the anticipated completion date is late December. If you would like to join us, call or text Dianne OKeefe at 612-703-1329, or call the parish office. Please register by July 24th.

Formed

St. Ignatius has a subscription for all parishioners to use and enjoy! Watch and listen to Catholic studies, movies, cartoons, e-books, and talks. It's easy to register.: I. Go to to Formed.org/signup 2. Enter our zip code "55302" or "St. Ignatius" to find our parish 3. Then enter your name and email address. Trending now: The Victory of Joan of Arc | Augustine Institute Radio Theater

Employment opportunities at St. Timothy School and Parish

St. Timothy School in Maple Lake hiring for the following positions are for the 2023-2024 school year: Principal, FT Second Grade Teacher, PT Kitchen Manager, PT Extended Day Coordinator, and PT Custodian/Maintenance If interested or to request a full job description, please contact Father Meyer at frmeyer@churchofsttimothy.org.

The Church of Saint Timothy is looking for a Parish Custodian. If you or someone you know is interested in this position, please send an inquiry to the attention of Karrie Weber at 8 Oak Avenue N. Maple Lake, MN 55358 or via email to kweber@churchofsttimothy.org.

Gospel Meditation

When I was in middle school, there were times I didn't want my fellow students to see my parents drop me off or pick me up in the school parking lot. I was embarrassed of my parents. Why? I have no idea. Maybe it was our station wagon. Or I didn't want to look like a little kid. But in retrospect that was a silly thing to do. I was a kid. And I had two parents who loved me and had built a wonderful family. I was afraid of the other kids' judgment. How silly! I should have been afraid of forgetting or downplaying my family, which is where my identity had its deep roots.

This is a way to understand Jesus' words to his disciples this Sunday, when he says, "Don't be afraid of those who kill the body but cannot kill the soul; rather, be afraid of the one who can destroy both soul and body in Gehenna." Fear, in this sense, refers to where we find our deepest identity and our highest love. That's why Jesus says next that when we acknowledge him before others, he will acknowledge us before the Father. It doesn't mean we're brash or boastful. But rather we unhesitatingly and humbly embrace our identity as followers of Jesus and children of God the Father. After all, if we love who we are and where we come from, who cares what the other kids think about us?

— Father John Muir



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Saturday, June 24th

5:00 pm † Barbara A. Koshiol

Sunday, June 25th

8:30 am Parishioners

10:30 am † Harvey Fraber

Monday, June 26th

6:00 pm Parishioners

Tuesday, June 27th

8:00 am † Shari Danzeisen

Wednesday, June 28th

8:00 am Parishioners

Thursday, June 29th

8:00 am Paul DeMars

Friday, June 30th

No Daily Mass at St. Ignatius. Mass available at St. Timothy's in Maple Lake (8:00 am)

Saturday, July 1st

5:00 pm † Ervin Schreifels

Sunday, July 2nd

8:30 am Parishioners

10:30 am Parishioners

PARISHAL SUPPORT

Projected weekly giving	\$5,890.00
June 11/12	
Envelopes	.\$7,620.00
Plate	\$645.00
Auto Deposits	.\$1,665.00
Total	
June 17/18	
Envelopes	
Plate	\$936.00
Auto Deposits	.\$1,675.00
Total	. \$5,062.00



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Parish Pastoral Council

Council member information and meeting minutes are available on our website or by requesting a copy from the parish office. On the website, use the "Ministries" menu at the top of the page, and then select "Pastoral Council" on the drop down menu.

Mass Schedule

Saturday Mass - 5:00 pm

Sunday Masses - 8:30 am and 10:30 am

8:30 Mass is live streamed on the parish Facebook page and

You Tube channel

Daily Mass

Mondays 6:00 pm, Tuesdays, Wednesdays, & Thursdays 8:00 am (No Daily Mass on Fridays)

Reconciliation

4:30 pm Saturday (one-half hour prior to Sat. Mass)

Adoration of The Blessed Sacrament

Last Thursday of the month, 8:30 am - 7:00 pm

Sacraments

Baptisms

Please contact the parish <u>at least</u> two months in advance of the Baptism. Parents are required to attend a Baptism class prior to the Baptism. Baptisms are scheduled through the parish office, and are held following the I0:30 am Mass.

Marriage

Please contact the pastor <u>at least</u> six months in advance of the desired wedding date.

Bulletin submission deadline is Tuesdays at noon, unless an early deadline notice is posted:

Submissions for the July 8/9 Bulletin are due by noon on Wednesday, June 28th



This Sunday, June 25th at the 8:30 am Mass, the Synod Evangelization Team will be commissioned.

The Commissioning serves to honor the SET members for their commitment; it helps to put the Synod and its initial fruit before the parish community, and,

most importantly, calls down our Father's abundant grace upon the St. Ignatius SET Members: Anastacia Schnabel, Bernie Gauthé, Deb Goodale, Patrick Athman, Jackie Steinhoff, Jerry Polaschek, Lisa Martin, Karen Millner, Tim Waldschmidt and Traci Arends.

These 12 members have embarked on the seven-week School of Discipleship from the Archbishop Flynn Catechetical Institute. This group will assist with evangelization and discipleship efforts here at the parish

Read or listen to the podcast version of Archbishop Hebda's Pastoral Letter, entitled You Will Be My Witnesses: Gathered and Sent from the Upper Room at archspm.org/synodletter.



The Synod Evangelization Team invites you to enjoy fellowship and donuts today (Sun, June 25th) following the 8:30 am & 10:30 am Masses as we welcome new parishioners and visitors!



Saturday June 24 : Eucharistic Minister Commissioning 5 pm Mass

Sunday, June 25: Synod Evangelization Team Commissioning 8:30 am Mass

> Eucharistic Minister Commissioning 10:30 am Mass and Donut Sunday

Saturday/Sunday, July 1/2: Peter's Pence- Second Collection

Sunday, June 25: Donut Sunday (Fellowship and Goodies) Thursday, June 29: Eucharistic Adoration 8:30 am– 7:00 pm Friday, June 30: Pork Chop Dinner Fundraiser

City Park Pavilion 5-8pm

Thursday, July 27: Eucharistic Adoration 8:30 am— 7:00 pm Sunday, July 30: Donut Sunday

Sunday, August 13: Parish Picnic- Clearwater Pleasant Park



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