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Father John Meyer, Pastor
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2nd Annual PARISH PICNIC

TODAY (SUNDAY, AUG 13)

NOON - 4PM

CLEARWATER-PLEASANT REGIONAL PARK

Join Us
Food-Games-Fun

Weekly Meditation

Why did you doubt? (Matthew 14:31)

Isn't it interesting how doubts often pop into our heads unbidden and unwanted? Peter was actually walking on water, just like Jesus. But when he took his focus off the Lord and noticed the strong wind, doubt entered his mind: Can I really do this? That's when he started to sink (Matthew 14:30).

"Why did you doubt?" the Lord asks Peter after rescuing him (Matthew 14:31). That's a question we might ask ourselves at times. After all, we know how doubts can paralyze us, confuse us, or even lead us away from the Lord.

And yet we are all prone to doubt. When we are suffering, we might wonder whether God loves us. If we've committed a serious sin, we might question whether God will forgive us. When we get discouraged by the evil in the world, we might doubt that God is really in control.

Doubts are a natural human response to uncertainty, so we shouldn't berate ourselves for having them. Sometimes they don't even come from us; the evil one loves to plant doubts in our minds in order to shake up our faith. Whatever the case, they don't disqualify us from following Jesus. Just look at the apostle Thomas! Even a great saint like Thérèse of Lisieux struggled with doubts as she lay dying.

The key is to deal with our doubts not by focusing on them but by calling out to the Lord as Peter did: "Lord, save me!" (Matthew 14:30). And just as he did for Peter, Jesus will stretch out his hand to us. He will remind us of who he is: a loving, compassionate, merciful, and mighty God. He will help us recall all he has done for us. He will assure us that he will never leave us and that nothing will ever separate us from his love.

You don't have to try to battle your doubts on your own. Jesus has come to save you—even from your doubts!

"Lord, help me to turn to you every time I start to question my faith."

The Word Among Us - August 2023 Edition

MINISTRY SCHEDULE

Tuesday, August 15th @ 8:00 am

Celebrant: Fr. John Meyer

Altar Servers: Ethan Millner

Eucharistic Ministers: Larry May

Greeter: Linda Zimmermann

Lector: Denice Tracy

Sacristan: Jennifer Braun

Ushers: John Tracy & Randy Latour

Tuesday, August 15th @ 7:00 pm

Celebrant: Fr. John Meyer

Altar Servers: Ryan Steinhoff

Eucharistic Ministers: Peggy Jo Fortner & Mari Arfsten

Greeter: Renee Wyffels

Lector: Janet Braun

Sacristan: Mari Arfsten

Ushers: Ron Mares & Dennis Arfsten

Live Stream: Pat Athman

Saturday, August 19th @ 5:00 pm

Celebrant: Fr. John Meyer

Altar Servers: Michael & William Millner

Eucharistic Ministers: Bren Stepp & Bonnie Hoglund

Greeter: Ann Waldschmidt

Lector: Angela Meuwissen

Sacristan: Patrick Meuwissen

Ushers: Ron Mares, Lauren Frappier, Tim Waldschmidt & Mike Zuehlke

Sunday, August 20th @ 8:30 am

Celebrant: Fr. John Meyer

Altar Servers: Celia Erickson & Caleb Danzeisen

Eucharistic Ministers: Tish Callahan & Larry May

Greeter: Mary Jo Logeais

Lector: Susan Oie

Live Stream: Pat Athman

Sacristan: Renee Logeais

Ushers: Steve Logeais, Doug Zachman, Randy Latour & Dan Oliver

Sunday, August 20th @ 10:30 am

Celebrant: Fr. John Meyer

Altar Servers: Wyatt & Wesson Reich

Eucharistic Ministers: Renee Logeais

Greeter: Paul & Karla Braun

Lector: Jessica Chapman

Sacristan: Shelly Naaktgeboren

Ushers: David Spike, Josh Paumen, Craig & Tracy Arends

Heart to Heart Mission Team Update

Thank you to all the parishioners who financially supported our sister parish, St. Vincent Ferrer Quasi Parish in Pacuan, Philippines, through education scholarships and the clean water filter program last year.

Additional water filter systems arrived in May and are currently being delivered to the upper Barangay chapels where our Filipino brothers and sisters can access clean water. These systems are being maintained and should last for a number of years.



Once again, St. Ignatius Heart to Heart Mission Team, with the help of our parishioners, would like to support the education scholarship program for the upcoming 2023/24 school year. \$125 will support one student for the full year to cover the cost of uniforms, books, supplies, and room/board. Many of the students are parishioners from St. Vincent Ferrer who would be unable to attend school without this scholarship. 23 students received education scholarships during the 2022/23 school year at our sister parish! Because of your support, these students, altar servers, and seminarians were able to attend school or further their religious education. The requirements of the scholars included Mass attendance with a reflection journal on the Sunday's Gospel and a community clean-up day. We are excited to report that 3 scholars received academic honors for the school year!

A table will be set up in the gathering space on the weekend of August 26th and 27th to collect scholarship money. Please prayerfully consider supporting the future of a student! Any contribution, big or small is appreciated.



Thank you
Ministry Volunteers



Meals on Wheels

September is our month for us to deliver meals for Senior Dining! Please note that we are trying a new way to sign up using Sign Up Genius! Please have a calendar with you when you're signing up to better see the dates. The Sign Up Genius will be available via the church website under the "events/news/links" tab and our Facebook page. See Julie in the office or call Jennifer with any questions @ 612-743-9108. Thank you in advance! Meals on Wheels through Catholic Charities has a new policy of having drivers and deliverers to complete a background check. Please see the round table in the gathering space or stop into the office to pick up the form. Completed forms can be returned to the parish office or can be returned on your first scheduled date to Senior Dining. Thank you for helping us support our homebound with delicious meals!



Central Minnesota Koinonia

True happiness isn't a destination, true happiness is the journey to Jesus. Central Minnesota Koinonia is a weekend Catholic retreat program sponsored by the St Cloud Diocese and is designed for adults to help you on your faith journey. Retreats are held at the TEC Center north of Little Falls, MN. The next weekend will be held Sept 22-24, 2023, cost of the weekend is \$70.00. Go to www.centralmnkoinonia.org for more info and to register.

Personal Reflection Questions

First Reading:

Elijah looked for the Lord in the strong winds, earthquakes, and fire before discovering the Lord in a light silent sound. Why do you think it is easier to find God when it is quiet?

Second Reading:

Paul had "great sorrow" for his fellows Jews (God's chosen people) who did not believe that Jesus was their long-awaited Messiah. How do you feel about family or friends who do not believe in Jesus?

Gospel:

Peter cried out to the Lord for help when he feared he might drown. What fears do you have that you could pray to the Lord for help this week?

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Gospel Meditation

A man at my parish was struggling to overcome a habitual sin. He said to me, "Father, I know the chance that I will commit sin again is really high. Why should I keep confessing my sins? Isn't that dishonest?" Anyone who has felt the tyrannical power of sin — and who hasn't? — has pondered this kind of question.

I responded to him, "What was the probability Peter would walk on the stormy water?" After some silence, he said, "Zero. But when Jesus called, he did it." I could tell my penitent friend was re-framing the question from his own weakness to the greatness of the Lord's love for him. The question for us should not be one of human probabilities about our sin, but rather whether or not we will trust the Lord's grace in our lives.

This week the Lord is calling you and me to do the impossible: overcome sin with love. The only way to do that is to trust he is calling, and then to walk with the eyes of faith locked on him. And if we sink, he will raise us up again and again. Of that, we can be 100% sure.

— Father John Muir

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REMEMBER
in your prayers

Larry Oberg
Joseph Niznik
Mike Meyer
Anna Purcell
Lynnea Stay
Katelyn Busch
Herman Wittsack
Mary Wittsack
Mary Danielson
Mark Johnson
Paul DeMars
Julie Pelarski
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Reanna Braun
Lynnae Frappier

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Nick Mares
Dan Schultz
Louise Borstad
Wayne Dearing
Ron Hoffman
Ronda O'Brien
Russ Fortner
James Utecht
Mary Malachuk
Jason Mitchell
Deb Cole
John Holker
Marlene Niewind
Leon Zachman



Saturday, August 12th

5:00 pm † Barbara A. Koshiol

Sunday, August 13th

8:30 am † Marilyn & Jack Driste

10:30 am Parishioners

Monday, August 14th

6:00 pm Parishioners

Tuesday, August 15th

8:00 am † Howard & Margurite Brennan

Wednesday, August 16th

8:00 am Parishioners

Thursday, August 17th

8:00 am Parishioners

Friday, August 18th

No Daily Mass at St. Ignatius

8:00 am Mass available at St. Timothy's

Saturday, August 19th

5:00 pm † Gordon Diethert

Sunday, August 20th

8:30 am † Francis "Ozzie" & Mary Logeais

10:30 am Parishioners

PARISH SUPPORT

Projected weekly giving\$5,890.00
492 parish families

Envelopes\$4,516.00

Plate\$1,248.53

Auto Deposits\$2,445.00

Total\$8,209.53

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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

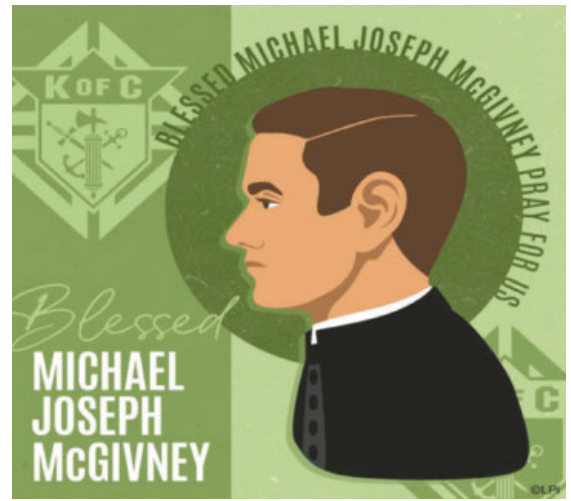
Baptisms

Please contact the parish at least 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 10:30 am Mass.

Marriage

Please contact the pastor at least six months in advance of the desired wedding date.

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



Blessed Fr. Michael Joseph McGivney was a diocesan priest from Connecticut born to an Irish immigrant family. Together with men from his church, St. Mary's in New Haven, he founded what is now the world's largest Catholic fraternal service organization — the Knights of Columbus.

Official Prayer for the Canonization of
Blessed Michael McGivney
Founder of the Knights of Columbus

God, our Father, protector of the poor and defender of the widow and orphan, You called Your priest, Blessed Michael McGivney, to be an apostle of Christian family life and to lead the young to the generous service of their neighbor. Through the example of his life and virtue, may we follow your Son, Jesus Christ, more closely, fulfilling his commandment of charity and building up his Body which is the Church. Let the inspiration of Your servant prompt us to greater confidence in Your love so that we may continue his work of caring for the needy and the outcast. We humbly ask that you glorify Blessed Michael McGivney on earth according to the design of Your holy will. Through his intercession, grant the favor I now present.
Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Calendar of **EVENTS**

- Sunday, August 13: Parish Picnic, Clearwater
Pleasant Regional Park 12pm-4pm
- Tuesday, August 15: Assumption of The Blessed Virgin Mary, Mass 8:00 am and 7:00 pm
- Wednesday, August 23: Youth Event - Bunker Beach and Program
- Sunday, August 27: Donut Sunday following
8:30 am & 10:30 am Masses
- Thursday, August 31: Eucharistic Adoration
8:30 am – 7:00 pm
- Tuesday, September 5: Mass @ Care Center 10:30 am
- Tuesday, September 11: Usher Training 7:00 pm

For detailed information on Youth Events
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