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THE SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

For Children not yet in school: Contact the parish office to inquire about baptizing your child. Parents and godparents will meet with Fr. Kristopher to prepare for the celebration. Godparents from another parish can participate in a baptism class at their own parish. Baptisms are scheduled at a mutually agreeable time.

For those in school (age 5-18): Contact Diana Starnes to enroll in our CCD program.

For Adults: Contact Fr. Kristopher to enquire about RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults).

THE SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION

For high schoolers: Preparation is completed through our CCD program, Catholic School or through the home. CCD meets on Wednesdays from 6:00—7:15 pm in the Activity Center.

For adults: Contact Fr. Kristopher

MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday 4:00 pm
Sunday 8:00 am
10:30 am
Monday - Friday 12:05 pm

CONFESSIONS

After all Masses:
Monday - Saturday
and upon request

THE ANOINTING OF THE SICK

Please call the parish office and ask for a priest. If it is an emergency at a hospital and a priest from St. Mary's is unavailable, ask the nurse to call the Catholic chaplain.

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THE SACRAMENT OF MATRIMONY

Congratulations on your engagement! We are happy to assist you in preparing for Holy Matrimony. Please schedule an appointment to meet with Fr. Kristopher at least 6 months before the desired wedding date to begin preparing.

NEW TO ST. MARY'S

Welcome! Please call or come by the parish office to let us know you are here. You can register online at www.stmvictoria.org

BULLETIN NEWS

Please have any information for the parish bulletin in by noon on Monday. Contact Cathy at sec@stmvictoria.org or call 361-573-4328.

HOLY COMMUNION TO THE HOMEBOUND

Please contact the parish office to make arrangements.

PROCESSIONAL HYMN**O GOD, OUR HELP IN AGES PAST**

1. O God, our help in a - ges past, Our hope for years to come,
2. Un - der the shad - ow of thy throne Thy saints have dwelt se - cure;
3. Be - fore the hills in or - der stood, Or earth re - ceived her frame,
4. A thou - sand a - ges in thy sight Are like an eve - ning gone,
5. Time, like an ev - er - roll - ing stream, Bears all its sons a - way;
6. O God, our help in a - ges past, Our hope for years to come,



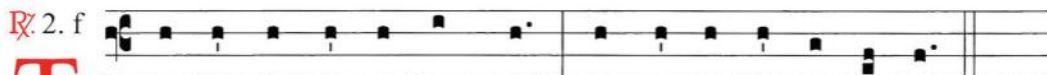
Our shel - ter from the storn - y blast, And our e - ter - nal home.
 Suf - fi - cient is thine arm a - lone, And our de - fense is sure.
 From ev - er - last - ing thou art God, To end - less years the same.
 Short as the watch that ends the night Be - fore the ris - ing sun.
 They fly, for - got - ten, as a dream Dies at the o - p'ning day.
 Be thou our guard while trou - bles last, And our e - ter - nal home.

Words: Ps 90:1-2, 4-6, 12
 Isaac Watts, 1674-1748, alt.
 Music: William Croft, 1678-1727

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FIRST READING**ISAIAH 55:10-11**

Thus says the LORD: Just as from the heavens the rain and snow come down and do not return there till they have watered the earth, making it fertile and fruitful, giving seed to the one who sows and bread to the one who eats, so shall my word be that goes forth from my mouth; my word shall not return to me void, but shall do my will, achieving the end for which I sent it.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM**PSALM 65:10, 11, 12-13, 14**

HE seed that falls on good ground will yield a fruit-ful har-vest.

SECOND READING**ROMANS 8:18-23**

Brothers and sisters: I consider that the sufferings of this present time are as nothing compared with the glory to be revealed for us. For creation awaits with eager expectation the revelation of the children of God; for creation was made subject to futility, not of its own accord but because of the one who subjected it, in hope that creation itself would be set free from slavery to corruption and share in the glorious freedom of the children of God. We know that all creation is groaning in labor pains even until now; and not only that, but we ourselves, who have the firstfruits of the Spirit, we also groan within ourselves as we wait for adoption, the redemption of our bodies.

GOSPEL**MATTHEW 13:1-23**

On that day, Jesus went out of the house and sat down by the sea. Such large crowds gathered around him that he got into a boat and sat down, and the whole crowd stood along the shore. And he spoke to them at length in parables, saying: "A sower went out to sow. And as he sowed, some seed fell on the path, and birds came and ate it up. Some fell on rocky ground, where it had little soil. It sprang up at once because the soil was not deep, and when the sun rose it was scorched, and it withered for lack of roots. Some seed fell among thorns, and the thorns grew up and choked it. But some seed fell on rich soil, and produced fruit, a hundred or sixty or thirtyfold. Whoever has ears ought to hear." The disciples approached him and said, "Why do you speak to them in parables?" He said to them in reply, "Because knowledge of the mysteries of the kingdom of heaven has been granted to you, but to them it has not been granted. To anyone who has, more will be given and he will grow rich; from anyone who has not, even what he has will be taken

away. This is why I speak to them in parables, because *they look but do not see and hear but do not listen or understand*. Isaiah's prophecy is fulfilled in them, which says: *You shall indeed hear but not understand, you shall indeed look but never see. Gross is the heart of this people, they will hardly hear with their ears, they have closed their eyes, lest they see with their eyes and hear with their ears and understand with their hearts and be converted, and I heal them.*

"But blessed are your eyes, because they see, and your ears, because they hear. Amen, I say to you, many prophets and righteous people longed to see what you see but did not see it, and to hear what you hear but did not hear it.

"Hear then the parable of the sower. The seed sown on the path is the one who hears the word of the kingdom without understanding it, and the evil one comes and steals away what was sown in his heart. The seed sown on rocky ground is the one who hears the word and receives it at once with joy. But he has no root and lasts only for a time. When some tribulation or persecution comes because of the word, he immediately falls away. The seed sown among thorns is the one who hears the word, but then worldly anxiety and the lure of riches choke the word and it bears no fruit. But the seed sown on rich soil is the one who hears the word and understands it, who indeed bears fruit and yields a hundred or sixty or thirtyfold."

PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS

All: O God / we earnestly beseech Thee / to bless this diocese / with many priests / brothers / and sisters / who will love Thee with their whole strength/ and gladly spend their entire lives / to serve Thy Church / and to make Thee known and loved.

Leader: Bless our families. Bless our children.

All: Choose from our homes / those who are needed for Thy work.

Leader: Mary, Queen of the Clergy!

All: Pray for us. Pray for our priests and religious. Obtain for us many more.

OFFERTORY HYMN

ONLY-BEGOTTEN, WORD OF GOD ETERNAL



1. On - ly - be - got - ten, Word of God e - ter - nal,
 2. Hal - lowed this dwell - ing where the Lord a - bid - eth,
 3. Lord, we be - seech thee, as we throng thy tem - ple,
 4. God in three Per - sons, Fa - ther ev - er - last - ing,



Lord of cre - a - tion, mer - ci - ful and migh - ty,
 This is none o - ther than the gate of heav - en;
 By thy past bless - ings, by thy pres - ent boun - ty,
 Son co - e - ter - nal, ev - er - bless - ed Spir - it,



Hear now thy ser - vants, as their joy - ful
 Strang - ers and pil - grims, seek - ing homes e
 Smile on thy chil - dren, and with ten - der
 Thine be the glo - ry, praise, and a - dor -



voic - es Rise to thy pres - ence.
 ter - nal, Pass through its por - tals.
 mer - cy Hear our pe - ti - tions.
 a - tion, Now and for - ev - er.

Words: *Christe cunctorum Dominatur alme*, Latin, 9th cent.
 Tr. by Maxwell J. Blacker, 1822-1888
 Music: *Antiphonale*, Poitiers, 1746

COMMUNION ANTIPHON**PSALM 84:4-5**

1. **T** HE sparrow finds a home, * and the swallow a nest for her young : by your al- tars, O Lord of hosts,
my King and my God. Blessed are they who dwell in your house, for ev- er sing- ing your praise.

RECESSIONAL HYMN**WE PLOW THE FIELDS, AND SCATTER**

1 We plow the fields, and scat - ter the good seed on the land,
2 He on - ly is the Ma - ker of all things near and far;
3 We thank thee, then, O Fa - ther, for all things bright and good,
but it is fed and wa - tered by God's al- might - y hand;
he paints the way- side flow - er, he lights the eve - ning star;
the seed - time and the har - vest, our life, our health, our food:
he sends the snow in win - ter, the warmth to swell the grain,
the winds and waves o - bey him, by him the birds are fed;
the gifts we have to of - fer are what thy love im - parts,
the breez- es and the sun - shine, and soft re- fresh- ing rain.
much more to us, his chil - dren, he gives our dai - ly bread.
but chief- ly thou de - sir - est our hum - ble thank- ful hearts.

Refrain
All good gifts a - round us are sent from heaven a - bove;
then thank the Lord, O thank the Lord for all his love.

Words: Matthias Claudius (1740-1815); tr. Jane Montgomery Campbell (1817-1878), alt.
Music: *Wir pflugen*, Johann Abraham Peter Schulz (1747-1800)

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THIS WEEK AT ST. MARY'S

Sat, July 11 **Memorial of Saint Benedict, Abbot**

4:00 pm Vigil Mass Mass Intention: David J. Bongers †
Marlene Polka †

5:00 pm Confessions

Sunday, July 12 **15th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

8:00 am Sunday Mass Mass Intention: Barbara Supak †
Clara Berkman †

Monday, July 13 **Mon. of the 15th Week in Ordinary Time**

8:00 - 11:50 am Vacation Bible School
12:05 pm Daily Mass Mass Intention: Sharon West Bauer †
12:30 pm Confessions

Tuesday, July 14 **Memorial of Saint Kateri Tekakwitha**

8:00 - 11:50 am Vacation Bible School
12:05 pm Daily Mass Mass Intention: Edward Pfister †
12:30 pm Confessions
3:00 - 4:30 pm Divine Mercy Cenacle in the Chapel
3:30 - 5:00 pm St. Vincent de Paul Food Distribution - Annex Porte-cochère

Wednesday, July 15 **Memorial of Saint Bonaventure**

8:00 - 11:50 am Vacation Bible School
12:05 pm Daily Mass Mass Intention: Ludwig Hajek †
12:30 pm Confessions
6:15 pm Bible Study in the Annex

Thursday, July 16 **Memorial of Our Lady of Mt. Carmel**

8:00 - 11:50 am Vacation Bible School
12:05 pm Daily Mass Mass Intention: Thea Kocian, Sr. †
12:30 pm Confessions

Friday, July 17 **Fri. of the 15th Week in Ordinary Time**

8:00 - 11:50 am Vacation Bible School
12:05 pm Daily Mass Mass Intention: Intention of Rhonda Cook
and Desi Lopez

12:30 pm Confessions

Saturday, July 18 **Sat. of the 15th Week in Ordinary Time**

4:00 pm Vigil Mass Mass Intention: Robert Johnston †
George B. Sartor †

5:00 pm Confessions

Sunday, July 19 **16th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

8:00 am Sunday Mass Mass Intention: Georgia Vahalik †
Jerry & Frances Patton †

9:15 am Bible Study in the Annex

10:30 am Sunday Mass Mass Intention: People of the Parish
† symbol indicates the deceased

**14TH SUNDAY IN
ORDINARY TIME**

**Regular Offertory Gifts
from June 29-July 5**

Sunday Collection.....\$3,967.00
On-line giving.....\$1,307.00
Total.....\$5,274.00

*Amount needed weekly
to meet budget: \$8,085.00*

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in the chapel burn this week
in memory of
Deacon A. R. Wearden

by
Theresa Wearden and
James Wearden

**THE CANDLE
IN COMMEMORATION OF
THE DECEASED**

in the chapel burns this week
in memory of

Mary Ann Peter Janacek
by
Paul and Mary Ann Janacek

OTHER CONTRIBUTIONS DURING JUNE 2020

Building Maintenance and Repair Fund:	\$ 2,852.00
Church Restoration Fund:	\$ 0.00
Pipe Organ Fund:	\$ 40.00
Diocesan Service Appeal (DSA):	\$ 563.00
St. Vincent de Paul:	\$ 2,476.00
St. Mary's Shares:	\$ 631.00
Diocesan 2nd Collections:	\$ 355.00
Vacation Bible School:	\$ 623.75

THE FLOWERS IN THE SANCTUARY

this week are given in memory of
Catherine Hackbarth

by
Kenneth, Cecilia & Emily Janak

**DIOCESAN SERVICE APPEAL
(DSA) UPDATE**

Owed \$76,404
Pledged/Paid \$26,732
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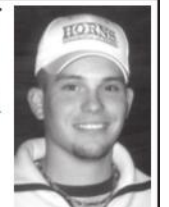
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