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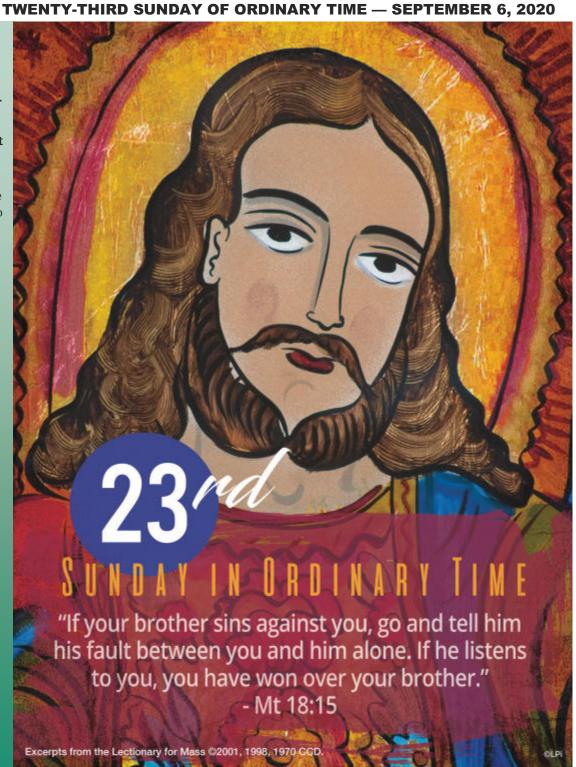
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ST. PAUL **EUCHARISTIC CELEBRATIONS**

Tuesday

& Friday 8:00am Mass **Saturday** 5:30pm Mass 9:00am Mass Sunday Reconciliation 2nd & 4th

10:00am Saturday or by Appointment





Weekly Message



LIVE THE LITURGY - INSPIRATION FOR THE WEEK

It is not easy to confront someone who has wronged or hurt us. But it is absolutely necessary to do so in order for reconciliation to occur. We are taught to mind our own business and keep our thoughts to ourselves. When we have been hurt or wronged and we do not acknowledge and give voice to it, those feelings of hurt remain in our hearts and can eventually turn into anger. Verbalizing our feelings can diffuse them, and communicating how we actually feel brings honesty to our relationships. This is the only way that the path of love can remain open and that integrity and mutual respect can be maintained. It is no wonder that Jesus absolutely insisted upon healthy and compassionate confrontation. People don't always realize that they are doing harm. Bringing this to light is not only good for the one who is hurt but for the one who caused the pain. The new insight and revelation may prevent the action from being repeated again. ©LPi



PLEASE JOIN US FOR THE MEMORIAL SERVICE

NATIONAL DAY OF REMEMBRANCE FOR ABORTED CHILDREN



Saturday, September 12th, 2020

11am - 12pm

Holy Cross Cemetery

7301 West Nash Street Milwaukee, WI 53216 (Block 17, Section F)

PRAY

CAMPUS UPDATE-ST. PAUL:

THE PARISH OFFICE LOBBY IS NOW OPEN!

We do have social distance protocols in place for your safety. Masks are required. The rest of the campus (other than Mass) will remain closed until further notice. Feel free to give the office a call at 262-968-3865 or stop by! We'd love to see you.

We have been very blessed to come together again for Mass and we are continuing to sanitize to keep everyone safe. We have established a new ministry called the "Saturday Clean Team". We also have an amazing Tuesday daily Mass group of cleaners who clean after Mass. These volunteers along with staff have helped us as a parish keep things safe for all. If you are interested in helping in either of these ministries, contact Sherri Meyer, smeyer@stpaulgenesee.net. May God continue to bless this parish!

STEWARDSHIP CORNER

Family life can be tricky. Think about it: in my household of just 6 people, there are **15 relationships** that are always converging. That multiplication boggles my mind. But as a parent, guiding those relationships is important for a healthy family life.

Similarly, as a church family, we belong to one another. Yes, it can be messy. There are so many individual personalities, passions, and purposes. How can we navigate ALL of the relationships that are in our church? As we reflect on this weekend's readings, God (like He has been doing since the beginning of time!) spells it out for us:

Listen to God. Worship Him alone. The main part is "If today you hear his voice, harden not your hearts." We need to find our ultimate guidance by listening to God. Additionally, the Responsorial Psalm says "Come, let us bow down in worship; let us kneel before the LORD who made us..." I love these words - let us kneel before God who made us. He alone is the one who deserves our worship. It is when we are in right relationship with God that we can recognize that our brothers and sisters are also precious in his sight.

Love one another. The second reading is pretty straightforward: love one another. Loving our church family is more than feeling loving towards someone. Loving our church family is evidenced by how we live together: forgiving, praying, gathering, visiting... There are concrete actions to loving one another.

Gather in Jesus' name to Pray. In the Gospel, Jesus tells us: "For where two or three are gathered together in my name, there am I in the midst of them." He wants us to gather for Mass and he also wants us to pray with and for each other. We need each other's prayers!

Sometimes it feels like it would be easier to do life on our own, but God intended for us to be in community together. This is despite the reality of COVID! God has gifted us this family and wants us to be in community with each other. So in this weird time of isolation and mask-wearing, how do you belong to the church family of St. Bruno/Paul's? Consider how you belong to the community and let me know how I can help you deepen your belonging!

To God be the Glory, Kelsey - kdemarais@stpaulgenesee.net

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Faith Formation

For about six months to a year prior to the Covid-19 outbreak, I had this recurring question come to my mind... how much longer can we, as a society, stand the frenetic level of life before something gives? And, what does that look like, this final realization that we cannot maintain this level of frenzy in our lives? And then came Corona. So much of the world came to a standstill. It has been eerie to see the empty streets - particularly in those first few weeks. Pope Francis blessing an empty St. Peter's Square is rather haunting, in so many ways.

This time home, I know for so many, it has been a trial. Many people struggled with working from home and trying to navigate the waters of virtual school... and not just any virtual school, virtual CRISIS school. And, I know this time, for many, has been a time of blessings. Things have slowed down and there has been time to reassess priorities and maybe even examine life before sheltering in place.

One thing I hope people come to see is our need for authentic recreation and Sundays as a day of rest. Our society is not very good about Keeping Holy the Sabbath. This goes for me as well! I think a lot of people use Sundays as days to catch-up with everything else in life. What is interesting is one of the things I most hear about teaching kids in faith formation is that we need to live by the Ten Commandments. I think, people really mean we need to listen to the last 7 of the Commandments. Now those are important, but God actually gave the commandments to us in the order of importance. So in God's eyes, it is more important we Keep Holy the Sabbath than not kill.

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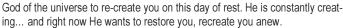
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Now you may think that sounds crazy, but what comes out of us is what makes us unholy and sinful. But what comes out of us is the result of what comes into our souls.

The Sabbath is about ordering your life according to God. It means we need to worship Him. We need to receive Him... at the very least, in a spiritual act of communion for those who still are unable to join us. And, it's about allowing the



Maybe in this year of craziness, it's time to look at our Sundays. Do we make them a time for worship, rest and authentic recreation? And by authentic recreation, I mean doing those things that bring you to life! I love to dabble with different arts and crafts. Do I take time to do that? Do I allow the act of creating something beautiful to uplift my heart and soul? In all honesty, it doesn't matter if we are even good at whatever it is (I will not be selling any of my crafts or artworks any time soon). It's whether it brings you life.

We celebrate work on this weekend, but let us not forget to celebrate the fact we have a God who longs to make us whole so we may work.

And, I know there are many of you that have to work on Sundays for a variety of reasons - like I often do! And while we are still called to go to Mass on Sundays (except in extreme situations - such as a doctor on call and cannot get away, the threat of disease, etc.), there are ways we can center our weeks and lives on Jesus. Sometime in the week you need to make some day a Sabbath where you are connecting with God more intentionally (maybe even going to daily Mass) and do those things that bring life to you.

When we are in a state of constant frenzy or weariness, we need to allow God a chance to renew us and remake us.

Faith Formation Registration is Due Now.

Forms also available on our website.

Human Concerns

Although we cannot have our **Loaves and Fishes** volunteers collecting on the third weekend of the month, you can still donate. Drop an envelope marked *'Loaves and Fishes'* in the collection basket or mail to the parish office.

Thank you for your continued support.

Adult Formation

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High School Registration Due Now

Calling all high school families!

Registration for the 2020-2021 school year is now open.

Please register today at https://online.factsmgt.com/signin/4LNSG for grades 9-12. Call FF office if you have any questions, 262-968-2276.

CATHOLIC QUOTES - WORDS TO INSPIRE THE FAITHFUL

"We must speak to them with our hands by giving, before we try to speak to them with our lips." ~ Peter Claver

Holy Land and Catholic Relief Services "Rice Bowl"

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The Good Friday collection for the Holy Land has been



rescheduled to the weekend of September 12-13, to be near the September 14 feast of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross. All offertory donations (loose cash) collected will be designated to the "Good Friday" collection.

ST BRUNO Events and Invites

ST. BRUNO Eucharistic Celebrations

Weekends: Saturday at 4:00 p.m. & Sunday at 10:30 a.m. Weekdays: Monday at 8:00 a.m. & Wednesday at 8:00 a.m. Reconciliation: 1st & 3rd Saturday, 3:00pm & *By appointment*



Join the **Knights of Columbus** on Thursday evenings 6:30 p.m. on the patio for a walking rosary. Bring your personal intentions.



(Excerpt taken from August 25, 2020 letter "Love One Another" to see the full letter go to our website blog)

Our obligation to attend Sunday worship reflects the very character of who we are as Catholics. When we fail in our responsibility before God, we sin. Therefore, we need to form our consciences so that we can be fully informed in making decisions about our actions. The Church in Her wisdom offers us guidelines to help in our formation.

Knowing how serious the obligation is to attend Sunday Mass, you must understand the thoughtful and prayerful discernment that caused me to dispense from the obligation to attend Sunday worship for the last six months. As responsible parish communities, we needed to assess the transmission of the COVID-19 virus, permit our parishes the time to establish plans for sanitizing worship spaces, secure needed resources, evaluate the appropriate numbers for social distancing and solicit the voluntary personnel necessary to accomplish the tasks of preparing our worship spaces. The dispensation was made for the safety of all and to alleviate the burden of those conflicted by the obligation to attend Mass due to the coronavirus threat.

Many have been fortunate to continue their prayer at home because of technology, viewing the Mass on Heart of the Nation, public broadcasts or live-streaming. But televised or computer viewing does not fulfill the Sunday obligation. Instead, it is there to help those prohibited from attending public celebrations to have a sense of connectedness and it wonderfully fulfilled that task.

Assisted by many volunteers, our parishes have worked very hard to provide for sanitized environments, observing social distancing, the wearing of masks and the use of hand sanitizers. Because of these efforts since the end of May, we have already experienced a return to Sunday worship.

On September 14, 2020, the dispensation from the obligation to attend Sunday Mass and Holy Days of Obligation will expire, and it will be the responsibility of those who are capable and not prohibited by other circumstances to attend Sunday Mass. Those who deliberately fail to attend Sunday Mass commit a grave sin.

There are circumstances where the obligation cannot be fulfilled. One example is the impossibility to attend Mass. When our Churches were closed and offered no public Masses, it was impossible for people to attend, and so there was no sin for missing Mass. If a person is ill, especially during this pandemic, they should remain at home. Likewise, if a person is at risk because of age, underlying medical conditions or a compromised immune system, one would be excused from the obligation. If a person is caring for a sick person, even if they are not sick, they would be excused from the obligation out of charity. Fear of getting sick, in and of itself, does not excuse someone from the obligation. However, if the fear is generated because of atrisk factors, such as pre-existing conditions, age or compromised immune systems, then the fear would be sufficient to excuse from the obligation.

It is up to each individual to weigh their own circumstances through an examination of their conscience and determine, by use of their conscience, whether or not they are excused from the Sunday obligation. Remember, a well-formed conscience is upright and truthful.

Our Sunday worship is a joyful obligation. It is a witness to God as the priority in our lives. We place our trust in Him and His Church. We, together, recognize Him in the breaking of the bread as He offers himself to us in Communion so that, in His name, we might **LOVE ONE ANOTHER**.

Sincerely,

Most Reverend Jerome E. Listecki Archbishop of Milwaukee

St. Paul's Liturgical Week

For the Week of September 7, 2020

Monday: 1 Corinthians 5:1-8, Luke 6:6-11 Tuesday: Micah 5:1-4a, Matthew 1:1-16, 18-23 Wednesday: 1 Corinthians 7:25-31, Luke 6:20-26 Thursday: 1 Corinthians 8:1b-7, 11-13, Luke 6:27-38 Friday: 1 Corinthians 9:16-19, 22b-27, Luke 6:39-42 Saturday: 1 Corinthians 10:14-22, Luke 6:43-49

READINGS FOR SUNDAY, Sept 13

Sirach 27:30—28:7, Romans 14:7-9 Matthew 18:21-35

September Altar Care - Ann Budzban Home Communion Minister -

MASS INTENTIONS SEP 7-13

Mon (Mass at St. Bruno)

Tues 8:00AM + Thomas Brady by Family

Wed (Mass at St. Bruno)

Fri 8:00AM † Thelma Thielsen by Kubisch Family

Sat 1:00PM Sass/Kempen Wedding

5:30PM † Wieslawa Glalsinski by Krawczyk Family

Lectors Margaret Schumann

Sun 9:00AM + Deceased Family Members by Durler Family

Lectors Cathy Labinski

WEDDING BANNS

III Melissa Sass & Tim Kempen II Brooke Johnson & Jordan Wisniewski I Linley Achtenhagen & Dakota Perron

BIRTHDAY WISHES

Happy Birthday to Theodore Heil on Sept. 8 and George Basley on Sept 11.
Best Wishes to all who are celebrating this week!!

Sacramental Information

Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults: Prepare for the sacraments of initiation with a small group to join the Catholic church. Call Mary Kral. Infant Baptism: Parent sessions are required for registered parishioners who would like their child baptized. Call Mary Kral, at least one month in advance, to schedule a class time & make arrangements to pick a date for your child's baptism.

Confirmation: Youth at least 16 years of age or adults seeking to be confirmed, call Parish Office.

First Eucharist: Parent and child preparation required. Contact Karen Farrell.

Reconciliation: 2nd & 4th Saturday at 10:00am or by appointment. **Marriage:** Arrangements should be made six months in advance. One of the parties must be a registered parish member and a practicing Catholic.

Care of Sick: Sacramental care of the sick, call the Parish Office.

Anointing of the Sick: Call the Parish office with request.

St. Paul Cemetery: Hwy DE & Snowdon Rd. Call Parish Office for information.

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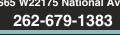
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