

Mass Intention
24 July - 1 August 2021

- 24 July 2021 - Saturday - Weekday
4.30 pm:
- 25 July 2021 - SUNDAY - Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time
8.30 am: +Norma & Paul Yonchik by *Frank & Kathleen Geosits*
11.00 am:
- 26 July 2021 - Monday - St. Joachim & Anne, Parents of the Bl. Virgin Mary
8.30 am:
- 27 July 2021 - Tuesday - Weekday
8.30 am:
- 28 July 2021 - Wednesday - Weekday
8.30 am: No Mass
- 29 July 2021 - Thursday - St. Martha
8.30 am:
- 30 July 2021 - Friday - Weekday
8.30 am:
- 31 July 2021 - Saturday - St. Ignatius of Loyola, Priest
11.00 am: Memorial Mass for Jerome Bauer
4.30 pm: John Stewart (L) by *Lydia Stewart*
- 1 August 2021 - SUNDAY - Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time
8.30 am: Joan Sykes by *Ed Sykes*
11.00 am:

**The parish council meeting will be held on
28 July at 5.30 pm - Holy Cross Church.**

PRAY FOR THE SICK

J. Gottesmann, W. Rieger, K. Eschenberg, J. Feeley, R. Knack, Ron Rhodes JR, Dan Buddenhagen, Brenda Long, Mary Ann, Eileem Ohman, Madeleine Wootan, Anita Robertson, Linda Roche, Marcia Bauer, Frank M Geosits Jr, Shirley Rangaves, Josephine, Danny Andrews, Dr.Kuncar, Vincent McCarthy, Skip Mudge and all sick and needy.

To submit a name please call the Rectory



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17TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Where

can we

buy



enough

food

for
them to

eat?

Regular Mass

Weekdays (Mon, Tues, Thurs & Friday): 8.30 am—Holy Cross Church
Saturday: 4.30 pm — Holy Cross Church
Sunday: 8.30 am — St. Patrick's Church
11.00 am — Holy Cross Church
Weekdays: 8 am—Holy Adoration

"I ask you to ensure humanity is served by wealth and not ruled by it. Practicing charity is the best way to evangelize." - Pope Francis.

Memorial Mass

A memorial Mass for **Jerome Bauer** will be held **on July 31st at 11 am** at Holy Cross Church. His family invite all his friends and fellow parishioners to come and celebrate his life. A luncheon will be at the Church Hall – Holy Cross Church after the Mass.

In Loving Memory



The Meal that Makes us Family & Friends

We all need to eat and drink to stay alive. But having a meal is more than eating and drinking. It is celebrating the gifts of life we share. A meal together is one of the most intimate and sacred human events. Around the table we become vulnerable, filling one another's plates and cups and encouraging one another to eat and drink. Much more happens at a meal than satisfying hunger and quenching thirst. Around the table we become family, friends, community, yes a Body.



Absence that Creates Presence

It is good to visit people who are sick, elderly, dying, shut in or lonely. But it is also important not to feel guilty when our visits have to be short or can only happen occasionally. Often we are so apologetic about our limitations that our apologies prevent us from really being with the other when we are there. A short time fully present to a sick / elderly person is much better than a long time with many explanations of why we are too busy to come more often.

If we are able to be fully present to our friends when we are with them, our absence too will bear many fruits. Our friends will say, 'He visited me' or 'She visited me' and discover in our absence the lasting grace of our presence.



LITURGY OF WORD

First Reading: 2Kings 4:42-44

Second Reading: Eph 4:1-6

Gospel Reading: Jn 6:1-15

Today's readings invite us to become humble instruments in God's hands by sharing our blessings with our needy brothers and sisters. The first reading tells us how the prophet Elisha, by invoking God's power, fed one hundred men with twenty barley loaves. Elisha relied not on what he had but on what God would do with what the Prophet had received as a gift. This miracle foreshadows the Gospel account of Jesus' miraculous feeding of the pursuing crowd seeking the Master.

Today's Responsorial Psalm tells us that it is "*the hand of the Lord that feeds us,*" and that it is God who "*answers all our needs.*" In the second reading, St. Paul reminds the Ephesians that Jesus united the Jews and the Gentiles by bringing them together as Christians in *one Faith* by means of *one Baptism*, enabling them to become one by eating Jesus' Body. Hence, they have to live together, helping each other by sharing their blessings. Paul urges us to become communities of sharing Christians.

In today's Gospel, Jesus' miraculous feeding of the five thousand people, using five barley loaves and two fish offered by a boy in the crowd through the apostles, is associated with the Holy Eucharist early in the Church's tradition. This miracle teaches us that God works marvels through ordinary people. Elisha's servant and Jesus' disciples distributed the bread provided by God through generous people who were willing to share their food with the hungry. Thus, God meets the needs of people through the good will and services provided by members of His community.



**"No elderly person should be like an 'exile' in our families.
The elderly are a treasure for our society." - Pope Francis**

Stewardship July 18, 2021

Sunday Collection \$	1367.00
Poor Box \$	10.00
Candles \$	14.00
Maintenance Fund \$	50.00

With Prayers & Blessings of God the Father

**Fr. John Kennady MMI
Dn. John Lyttle
25 July 2021**