

Mass Intention
31 July - 8 August 2021

- 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:
- 2 August 2021** - Monday - Weekday
8.30 am:
- 3 August 2021** - Tuesday - Weekday
8.30 am:
- 4 August 2021** Wednesday - St. John Vianney, Priest
8.30 am: No Mass
- 5 August 2021** Thursday - the dedication of the Basilica of St. Mary Major
8.30 am:
- 6 August 2021** - First Friday - The Transfiguration of the Lord
8.30 am: Lydia Stewart (L) by *Lydia Stewart*
- 7 August 2021** - First Saturday - Weekday
8.30 am:
4.30 pm:
- 8 August 2021** - SUNDAY - Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time
8.30 am: + Jamie Geosits by *Frank & Kathy Geosits*
11.00 am: + Brian Montevocchi by *Ed Sykes*

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, Vincent McCarthy, Skip Mudge and all sick and needy.

To submit a name please call the Rectory



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18TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

I am
the
Bread of
Life;



whoever
comes to
Me
will never
hunger

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

"Be brave, give what little you have, your talents, your possessions, make them available to Jesus and to your brothers and sisters...if you share, God will multiply." - Pope Francis

Ordering Our Desires

Desire is often talked about as something we ought to overcome. Still being is desiring: our bodies, our minds, our hearts and our souls are full of desires. Some are unruly, turbulent and very distracting; some make us think deep thoughts and see great visions; some teach us how to love; and some keep us searching God. Our desire for God is the desire that should guide all other desires. Otherwise our bodies, minds, hearts and souls become one another's enemies and our inner lives become chaotic, leading us to despair and self-destruction.

Spiritual disciplines are not ways to eradicate all our desires but ways to order them so that they can serve one another and together serve God.



Creating a Home Together

Many human relationships are like the interlocking fingers of two hands. Our loneliness makes us cling to one another, and this mutual clinging makes suffer immensely because it does not take our loneliness away. But, the harder we try, the more desperate we become.



Human relationships are meant to be like two hands folded together. They can move away from each other while still touching with the fingertips. They can create space between themselves, a little tent, a home, a safe place to be.

True relationships among people point to God. They are like prayers in the world. Sometimes the hands that pray are fully touching, sometimes there is distance between them. They always move to and from each other, but they never lose touch. They keep praying to the One who brought them together.

Thank you Fr. John & Parishioners for all your prayers for **Baby Alexian**. He has made a full recovery after numerous surgeries. – **Great Grandparents – Frank & Kathleen Geosits.**



LITURGY OF WORD

First Reading: Ex 16:2 - 4, 12-15

Second Reading: Eph 4:17, 20-24

Gospel Reading: Jn 6:24 -35

Today's readings challenge us to be more concerned with spiritual food than with physical food and to get our spiritual food regularly from the Word of God and from the Holy Eucharist – the Heavenly Bread — because only God can satisfy the various forms of our spiritual hunger.

The first reading shows us how God sat-



isfied the physical hunger of His chosen people in the desert by giving them manna and quail. The restrictions imposed by God for the collecting of manna remind us to acknowledge humbly our total dependence on God and to trust that He will always provide for what we need. Today's Responsorial Psalm (Ps 78) refers to manna as "Heavenly bread" and the "bread of angels" which God provided for Israel and provides for us today. In the second reading, St. Paul advises the Ephesians to satisfy their spiritual hunger by turning away from their former evil ways and by leading renewed lives of love, kindness, compassion and forgiveness

Today's Gospel passage is taken from the "Bread of Life Discourse" in John's Gospel. Here, Jesus makes the unique and bold claim: "*I am the Bread of Life; whoever comes to Me will never hunger, and whoever believes in Me will never thirst.*" Jesus is offering the crowd Bread from Heaven, Bread that nourishes them for eternal life, the Bread available to people who have Faith in Jesus Christ — the presence and indwelling of God in their hearts. When Jesus instructed those who had sought after him for earthly food that they should be fed by the Bread that Jesus would give them, some accepted this teaching. But others turned away disappointed, because Jesus' challenge required a commitment that they were unwilling to make.

Stewardship July 25, 2021

Sunday Collection \$	1087.00
Poor Box \$	100.00
Candles \$	24.00
Maintenance Fund \$	367.00

With Prayers & Blessings of God the Father

Fr. John Kennady MMI
Dn. John Lyttle
1 August 2021