



CELEBRATE THE LORD'S DAY MASSES:

LITURGY SCHEDULE
August 8, 2021
19th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Monday, August 9 at St. John's
10:00a.m...No Mass

Tuesday, August 10
:00a.m...No Mass

Wednesday, August 11 at St. John's
12:00noon...No Mass

Thursday, August 12 at St. Mary's
5:30p.m...No Mass

Friday, August 13 at Holy Family
9:00a.m...No Mass

Saturday, August 14
5:00p.m...Parishioners of St. Mary's, St. John's and Holy Family at St. Mary's
6:30p.m...Helen Shock at St. John's

Sunday, August 15
9:00a.m...Vera Johnson at St. John's
11:00a.m...Evan Stanley at Holy Family

Fr. Hurley will be away on family vacation this week; therefore, no weekday Masses. Enjoy a well-deserved vacation!

PRAYER INTENTIONS OF POPE FRANCIS FOR AUGUST:

The Church

Let us pray for the Church, that she may receive from the Holy Spirit the grace and strength to reform herself in the light of the Gospel.



As we get ready for back to school, here is the scripture and prayer from the book of blessings for a successful and holy school year.

In Christ,
Fr. Hurley

Titus 2:11-15

“For the grace of God has appeared, saving all and training us to reject godless ways and worldly desires and to live temperately, justly, and devoutly in this age, as we await the blessed hope, the appearance of the glory of the great God and of our savior Jesus Christ, who gave himself for us to deliver us from all lawlessness and to cleanse for himself a people as his own, eager to do what is good. Say these things. Exhort and correct with all authority. Let no one look down on you.”

Blessing:

“God our Father, you call people to hear your word and be taught by the example of Christ your Son. Bless this new school year. Give holiness and wisdom to the teachers. Give prudence and the blessing of good example to our parents. Give open hearts and minds to our children as all together we strive to do your will in our lives. This we ask through Christ our Lord.”

READINGS FOR THE WEEK:

Aug. 9: [St. Teresa Benedicta of the Cross, virgin & martyr] Dt 10: 12-22; Mt 17: 22-27

Aug. 10: [St. Lawrence, deacon & martyr] 2 Cor 9: 6-10; Jn 12: 24-26

Aug. 11: [St. Clare, virgin] Dt 34: 1-12; Mt 18: 15-20

Aug. 12: [St. Jane Frances de Chantal, religious] Jos 3: 7-10a, 11, 13-17; Mt 18: 21-19: 1

Aug. 13: [Sts. Pontian, pope & Hippolytus, priest, martyrs] Jos 24: 1-13; Mt 19: 3-12

Aug. 14: [St. Maximilian Kolbe, priest & martyr] Jos 24: 14-29; Mt 19: 31-15

Aug. 15: [The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary] Rv 11: 19a; 12: 1-6a, 10ab; 1 Cor 15: 20-27; Lk 1: 39-56

WEEKLY CALENDAR:

Tuesday, Aug. 10: Women's Bible Study 9-11am at St. John's

Wednesday, Aug. 11: Rosary 4pm at Holy Family

Sunday, Aug. 15: Rosary 4pm at Holy Family
Carry-in Luncheon after Mass at Holy Family
Knights of Columbus annual cookout noon at Shields' home

CATHOLIC BIBLE STUDY

Interesting, even compelling books, come across to us in places often overlooked. **The Word Among Us** has several titles that might be calling your name. They are listed in the July/August 2021 issue which is found on top of the book cases at the back of our churches.

Love Like A Saint by Elizabeth Kelly is written as a workbook to study or to pray, by yourself or in a small group. She shares the lives of women, just like women we know, who lived lives I'd surrender and love.

Another Saint book, Saints Who Transformed Their World, is about ordinary men and women who will inspire you and teach you how to grow in holiness.

A 30 day at home retreat, Ascending with Ignatius, will help you become stronger in your prayer life and deepen your relationship with the Lord. 30 minutes a day.

Order online at WAU.org/books or call the church office to order. These are perfect for the individual but also for small groups.



PRAY THE ROSARY

Set aside time with Mary through prayer of the rosary for a safe, successful school year that administration, teachers, parents and students may strive for quality education and growth of our young people.

The rosary is prayed each Sunday at 4pm with Divine Chaplet and each Wednesday at 4pm with recitation of 15 decades at Holy Family.

St. Mary's will pray the rosary each Saturday prior to Mass beginning at 4:40pm.



Uniting in Heart Bulletin- "Roadshows" 7/26/2021

An excerpt from the July 26 edition of *The Catholic Moment*

Over the past three months, *The Catholic Moment* has featured a series of articles describing the parts and players that make up Uniting in Heart (UiH). Continuing this theme, I'd like to provide some insight into the UiH Pastorate Guide and the Roadshow series.

Many in the diocese are likely familiar with the three pillars of mission, community and witness, and perhaps more than a few may be aware of their respective goals such as missionary discipleship, school vitality and vibrancy or faith in action. The pillars and goals provide general guidance for what the diocese is trying to achieve over the next ten years. As the diocese began rolling out UiH, we learned from many of our leaders that significant guidance is still necessary to facilitate pastorate planning efforts. That is where the Pastorate Guide and the Roadshows come into play. For example, when looking to improve missionary discipleship, the Pastorate Guide lays out many objectives and related resources, such as *Preach to Generate an Encounter with Christ* and *Anchor Teens Through Evangelical Formation* or *Evangelize to Restore Alienated Young Adults*. As a map, the pillars and goals are like main highways and the objectives are more like the back roads to get the diocese to its intended destination.

In total, there are 46 of these objectives covering the entire UiH 2030 Pastoral Plan. Yet even with this additional guidance, the diocese believes it is important to be present to the pastorates and their teams. Written objectives, short explanations and resources are a good start, but we also need to accompany and equip the pastorates to live out these objectives. There needs to be a partnership. That's the purpose of the roadshows.

To read more about the content and development of these roadshows, please see the July 26 edition of *The Catholic Moment*.

NEW-TO-YOU-\$5 BAG SALE
Hours: Thursday 11-5, Friday and Saturday 11-2.



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS ANNUAL COOKOUT

Sunday, August 15th at noon
Home of John & Karen Shields
7014 E 100 S, Hartford City
All Knights, prospective Knights, Knights widows, and their families from our pastorate are invited
Knights will provide the meat and drinks
Please bring a well-filled dish to share.

PARISH STEWARDSHIP

St. Mary's
Sunday Collection: \$865.00
Africa: \$55.00
Needed Weekly: \$887.87
St. John's
Sunday Collection: \$4,092.00
Haiti: \$10.00
Building Fund: \$105.00
Pantry: \$61.00
Africa: \$285.00
Needed Weekly: \$3,225.23
Holy Family
Sunday Collection: \$3,135.00
Sharing Cupboard: \$90.00
Votive: \$9.00
Africa: \$75.00
Needed Weekly: \$2,238.00

The gifts of God that the angel brought to Elijah – food, water, rest, and encouragement – where given, not for his own good alone, but to strengthen hi for service. How am I using my gifts to serve others?

Next Sunday, **Holy Family** invites all in our pastorate to share in their **monthly carry-in** luncheon following 11am Mass. Bring a covered dish to share. Reemmer Hall will be open for food drop-off prior to the start of Mass.

St. Mary's is having a Pot Luck dinner following 5pm Mass on August 21st. Bring your favorite dish to share. We are going to finish up the ice cream and root beer floats. Drinks will be provided. All of the pastorate are welcome.

GOSPEL REFLECTIONS:

1 KGS 19:4-8; PS 34:2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9; EPH 4:30-52; JN 6:41-51

Our readings today continue to educate us on the Eucharist.

Jesus tells us in our Gospel that He is this Food that sustains us as He says, "I am the living bread that came down from heaven...and the bread that I will give is my flesh for the life of the world." This bread He is referring to is His Body, Blood, Soul and Divinity that we receive. This bread becomes the flesh of Christ Himself.

And in consuming Him, we receive every grace we need to live forever in eternal life. We are strengthened in virtue and united more closely to Christ. This is the Food that will fill us as we journey through this life.

Mistakenly we often take the Eucharist for granted. Maybe we come to Mass to "check the box" instead of actively partaking in this intimate exchange or we receive Jesus in the Eucharist and then forget about Him the second we leave the church after Mass.

To receive all that God wants to give us in the Eucharistic, we must do our part in being receptive to His grace and living out active discipleship in our day-to-day lives.

Let us approach the Lord acknowledging His Divine Presence and be open to all the graces He desires to pour out on us. Then we must go forth, being attentive to the moments that the Holy Spirit is calling us to act as He acts — in total love and sacrifice.

The Eucharist affects our lives more than we can comprehend. We are receiving God Himself. Let us strive to receive Him reverently and with open hearts.



19th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Contact the parish office about preparation. The sacrament is normally celebrated with the community during Mass. May God continue to bless you and your new little one.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Confessions are available by appointment as well as:
St. Mary, 5-5:30pm each Thursday; 4-4:30pm each Saturday
St. John, 8-8:45am each Sunday prior to Mass
Holy Family, 12noon-1pm each Sunday; 8:30-8:55am each Friday.

SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE

Congratulations on your upcoming marriage. Please contact the parish office to begin the preparation at least six months in advance.

SACRAMENT OF THE SICK

Generally, Fr. Hurley is available after Mass for anointing, or you may contact the parish office to arrange a time.

RELIGIOUS FORMATION

Sessions for children and youth (grades K-12) are available on Sunday morning. Contact the parish office for details.

St. Mary, Dunkirk
St. John the Evangelist, Hartford City

Holy Family, Gas City

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PARISH REGISTRATION

Visitors are always welcome. Residents are invited to join the community by calling the parish office.

RCIA

People interested in knowing about the Catholic faith and way of life meet each week. Contact the parish office for information