



St. Dominic St. Francis Xavier Catholic Church

Our Lady of Snows Shrine



July 8, 2018

14th Sunday in Ordinary Time

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SACRAMENTS

WEEKEND MASSES

5:30 pm Sat. Vigil @ St. Dominic
8:00 am Sun. @ St. Francis Xavier
10:30 am Sunday @ St. Dominic

WEEKDAY MASSES

Tue. 8am @ St. Francis Xavier
Wed. 8am @ St. Dominic
Thu. 8am @ St. Francis Xavier
Fri. 8am @ St. Dominic
No Mass Mon. or Sat.. Morning

RECONCILIATION

30 Minutes prior to
5:30 pm and 8:00 am Mass
Anytime by appointment

MARRIAGE

Contact the parish 9 months prior to
preferred wedding date

BAPTISM

Contact the office after
birth of the child

R E F L E C T I N G O N G O D ' S W O R D

God describes the people to whom Ezekiel is being sent as “hard of face and obstinate of heart” (Ezekiel 2:4). They are a people who have rebelled and revolted against God, but still God persists in sending them a prophet: this time Ezekiel, last time Jeremiah, the time before that Isaiah, all the way back to Samuel and Nathan, Elijah and Elisha. Even today, God continues to send prophets to soften our faces and make yielding our own hearts.

Jesus found hardened faces and stubborn hearts when he went to his hometown. Impenetrable seems to be the best description. His words could not get through. He was proclaiming the kingdom of God, the presence of God among them, and they couldn't hear him. It all depended on what they saw and all they saw was the carpenter, questioning where he got such wisdom and how he did these mighty deeds. He was just the son of Mary! We know the family. Go figure. And then we hear some of the saddest words in the Gospel: “So he was not able to perform any mighty deed there, apart from curing a few sick people by laying his hands on them” (Mark 6:5). Why? Their lack of faith. So Jesus started a new family. It began with the people whom we have been hearing about—the disciples, for all their struggles to believe in him right up to the very end, but also people like the woman with the hemorrhage, Jairus and his daughter, the man lowered through the roof, the fellow who had an evil spirit. The list goes on and on, down to our own day.

PARISH STEWARDSHIP

July 1, 2018

St. Dominic:

Envelopes*	\$ 4,785.65
Plate	\$ 311.50
Total:	\$ 5,097.15

Week of June 24	\$ 1,161.00
Week of June 17	\$ 2,075.08

Average weekly expenses for this fiscal year: \$2,719.11

St. Francis Xavier:

Envelopes*	\$ 1,235.00
Plate	\$ 79.00
Total:	\$ 1,304.00

Week of June 24	\$ 1,699.00
Week of June 17	\$ 1,350.00

Average weekly expenses for this fiscal year: \$1,971.04

**Thank you for your
continued generosity**

Eucharistic Ministers for the weekend of July 14-15th

Homebound: Annette Schreiber

Nursing Homes: Wayne Leiker

Ministry Schedule for the The 15th Sunday in Ordinary Time

St. Dominic July 14th~ 5:30 pm	St. Francis Xavier July 15th~ 8:00 am	St. Dominic July 15th~ 10:30 am
COMMUNION Alberta Lierz JeanLierz Mark Pruett Vickie Pruett D'Ann Decker	COMMUNION Damon Putnam Joann Walker Ray Zeller Bob Butts Kathy Devlin	COMMUNION Terry Ludvicek Kay Ludvicek Greg Maxwell Linda Maxwell Karen Leiker
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MUSIC Jenea Chartier Joann Walker	MUSIC Joan Hood M.L. Koch, E. Poort	MUSIC Charlene Herbers Brian Meerpohl
GREETERS / USHERS Alberta Lierz Jean Lierz Whity Lehmkuhl Richard Arnold	GREETERS / USHERS Larry King Ray Zeller Steve Broxterman Bob Butts	GREETERS / USHERS Mike Meerpohl Galen Brucken Ruben Zeller

LITURGY SCHEDULE AND MASS INTENTIONS

The 14th Sunday in Ordinary Time

SATURDAY, July 7th~
 St. D 5:30 PM JoRae Krogman (D)
 SUNDAY, July 8th~
 St. F 8:00 AM For All Parishioners
 OLS 1:00 PM
 St. D 10:30 AM Dorothy Murphy (D)
 TUESDAY, July 10th~
 St. F 8:00 AM Ann Glassman (D)
 WEDNESDAY, July 11th~
 St. D 8:00 AM Vocations
 THURSDAY, July 12th~
 St. F 8:00 AM C.J. & Mary Lou Brown (D)
 FRIDAY, July 13th~

The 15th Sunday in Ordinary Time

SATURDAY, July 14th~
 St. D. 5:30 PM For All Parishioners
 SUNDAY, July 15th~
 St. F 8:00 AM Virginia Albright (D)
 OLS 8:30 AM
 St. D 10:30 AM Dorothy Murphy (D)

CHURCH CLEANERS:

July 9-15 Kara Hoffman
 July 16-22 Becky Grollmes, Clara Child
 July 23-29 Reith Family
 July 30-Aug. 5 Gary & Annette Schreiber
 Aug. 6-12 Bertulfo Family

Please contact the office ahead of time and let us know when you are planning on cleaning so that the church will be unlocked and the lights can be turned on for you.

Thank you for your service to your parish. You can still volunteer by calling the office at 364-3262

Jackson County Pastoral Council

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St. Francis Xavier Finance Council

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At the request of the Archdiocese Mass Stipends have been raised to \$10.00 per Mass

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS: Please consider volunteering to bring Communion to the homebound and the Nursing Homes. This is an important part of Eucharistic Ministry and right now we are in need of people to volunteer to help. It involves going to the homes of the homebound or bringing Communion to those in the local nursing homes or hospitals. Training will be provided. If you are interested please contact the office at 785-364-3262.

OBSTACLES

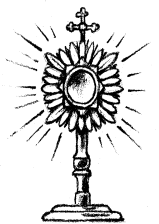
The prophet Ezekiel, Saint Paul, and the Lord Jesus share something in common in today's scripture readings. They all experience obstacles to their ministry. Ezekiel is summoned to prophesy to the Israelites, who are "[h]ard of face and obstinate of heart" (Ezekiel 2:4). Saint Paul recounts how he has been given a "thorn in the flesh" (2 Corinthians 12:7). The Lord Jesus is unable to perform many signs in his native place. The Gospel tells us that "[he] was amazed at their lack of faith" (Mark 6:6). We too sometimes encounter obstacles as we travel along the journey of faith. So often we experience weakness on this journey. Let the words of the Lord to Saint Paul encourage us today: "My grace is sufficient for you, for power is made perfect in weakness" (2 Corinthians 12:9).

COME MEET THE NEW PASTOR!

The Altar Society at St. Dominic will be serving coffee and rolls in the hall following Mass on Sunday July 15 to give parishioners an opportunity to meet Fr. Jonathan. Please take a few minutes to stop by and introduce yourself to him.

The Rosary is an impoverished prayer? What, then, would be a "rich" prayer? The rosary is a procession or Our Fathers, the prayer taught by Jesus; Hail Marys, the salutation of God to the Virgin by means of an angel; of Glorias, the praise of the Most Holy Trinity. ~ Albino Luciani, Later Pope John Paul I

Eucharistic Adoration On Tuesday's at St. Dominic from 2:00-6:00pm and at St. Francis on Thursday's from 2:00-4:00pm. Members of both parishes are welcome to come and spend some time in the presence of the Lord whether you sign up for a regular time or just come whenever you can for as long as you can.



Are you new to the Parish?

WELCOME—to the Catholic Communities of St. Dominic and St. Francis Xavier. Your prayers, time and talent as an active member are greatly appreciated. Please let us know who you are by filling out registration forms located at the church entrances and either put them in the collection basket or mailing them to the office at

You can only go halfway into the darkest forest; then you are coming out the other side.—Chinese proverb

PARISH PRAYER CONCERNS

Kent Askren (nephew of Cletemae Brown); Carol Barton (Friend of Dean & Ramona Robinson); Sonya Bergman; George Bolz; Angela Brewer; Estelle Danner; Deb Davies; Dick DeVader (Brother of Ramona Robinson); Sharon DeVader; Steve Devlin; Kathy Estabrook (sister of Terry Ludvick); Sheila Fernkopf; Brad Fiedler; Dennis Fiedler; Sam Gerry; Vivian Gonzalas; Brad Gould; Carly Grant (great granddaughter of Joan Hood); Jenny Harigan; Jared Harris (grandson of Mary Harris); Mary Harris; Pat Hasenkamp; Ernest Haug (Brother of Bill Haug); Jerry Huftles (father of Jackie McAsey); Mike McClaskey; Frank Hulsing (Father of Shannon Henry); Charles Kennedy; Adrian Koch; Rheva Korte; Shari Lott (sister-in-law of Russell Schuetz); Rita Martin; Mary Morford; Don Morris; Lynne Mulroy; Luisa Munoz (sister of Anna Alvarez); Erin Norwood and daughter Bailey (Larkin Family Members); Kristina Oates (granddaughter of Gene Schiefelbein); Gean O'Toole (Mother of Jim O'Toole); Calvin Page; Carolyn Reicherter; Cameron Renfro; Amy Reese (daughter of John & Susan Stallbaumer); Mary Riniker (Sister of Regina Butts); Ronna Rowe (Family Member of Hilda Hrenchir); Shelly Russell (daughter of Karen McClaskey; Virginia Ryan (Grandmother of Scott Bond); Peggy Sanderson (friend of Mary Morford); Lonnie & Helen Sands (brother and sister-in-law of Joan Hood); Brad Schiefelbien (Son of Gene Schiefelbein); Chris Schiefelbein (brother of Gene Schiefelbein); Laura (daughter of Gene Schiefelbein); Emma Schirmer; Easton Shelton (son of Eric and Stephanie Shelton; Special Intentions of Sheila Springer; Nancy Versch Stereit; Evelyn Sullivan; Janie Teetzel; Laveda Wahweotten (mother of Tina Wahweotten); Melinda Wareham; Gregg Watkins; James Wecker; Max Wichman (Son of Jeanette Wichman)

*We pray for those among us who are ill, their families and for their care-giver, those experiencing a hardship or difficulty;
and for those in the Armed Forces protecting our freedom.*

To place someone's name on the prayer list or to remove a name, please call the Parish Office (364-3262)

Scripture Insights~

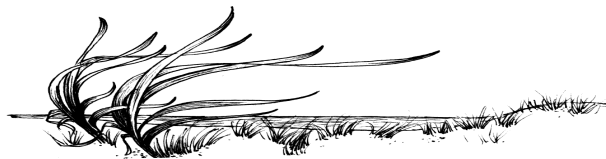
Biblical prophets speak God's Word to God's people. They come as God's messengers proclaiming an uncomfortable message that challenges their hearers. Throughout the Scriptures, God's prophets encounter opposition and rejection. Today's readings offer three examples of God's messengers of mercy and grace being rejected because of their challenging message. "Hard of face and obstinate of heart are they to whom I am sending you," says God to the prophet Ezekiel. Even though the people of Israel continued to rebel against God by worshipping other gods, God never gave up calling them back.

Because of internal jealousy and rivalries, Paul had to defend himself to the Corinthian community that he founded. Paul lays out his qualifications as an Apostle and prophet sent by God to preach God's message of salvation. When Paul's critics focus on his weaknesses, he shows how God's grace overcomes these weaknesses: "When I am weak, then I am strong."

Jesus also experiences opposition from those who know him best. His home town of Nazareth rejects him. Despite his wisdom and miracles, they arrogantly reject him because, as they say, "Is he not the carpenter, the son of Mary?" Jesus quotes a proverb that says, in essence: "A prophet is only despised in his own country, among his own relatives, and in his own house." He is one of us, so how could he attain such wisdom?

St. Augustine saw jealousy and envy as "the diabolical sin!" Envy keeps us from seeing God working in our world and hinders us from responding to God's vision for our world. Indeed, Jesus "was not able to perform any mighty deed there."

- What does Paul mean when he says: "When I am weak, then I am strong"? Have you ever experienced that in your own life?
- How have you ever experienced jealousy as "the diabolical sin"?
- What circumstances have made you aware of your prophetic calling as a Christian?



I will rather boast most gladly of my weaknesses,
in order that the power of Christ may dwell with me.
— 2 Corinthians 12:9

TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

Last week's Treasure mentioned the "Nuns of the Battlefield," religious sisters from several communities who served as nurses in the Civil War. Florence Nightingale had only instituted female nurses a decade before in the Crimean War, so the idea of women tending to wounded soldiers was extraordinary. The medical and sanitary conditions on the battlefields were appalling, and the sisters were nearly all teachers. Few had any medical training beyond what they had learned as youngsters in the family. Anti-Catholic prejudice was so deeply entrenched in America that sisters could not wear their habits in public. These sisters were the first, and people on both the Union and Confederate sides soon began to marvel at their bravery, efficiency, and respect for Protestant soldiers. More than six hundred sisters from twenty-one communities went to war, serving in wretched conditions. They were tough and single-minded, efficient and fearless.

After the war, sisters could appear in public everywhere in the reunited nation, and often received the praise and gratitude of grateful soldiers and family members on behalf of their sister nurses. An outdoor monument to the "Nuns of the Battlefield" stands in Washington at M Street and Rhode Island Avenue. The inscription reads: "They comforted the dying, nursed the wounded, carried hope to the imprisoned, gave in His name a drink of water to the thirsty."

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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Tuesday, July 10th		Wednesday, July 11th		Thursday, July 12th		Friday, July 13th	
St. Dominic	Eucharistic Adoration 2-6:00pm	8:00 am Mass				8:00 am Mass	
St. Francis Xavier	8:00 am Mass			8:00 am Mass Eucharistic Adoration 2-4:00 pm			

Saturday, July 14th		Sunday, July 15th		Tuesday, July 17th		Wednesday, July 18th	
St. Dominic	5:30 pm Vigil Mass	10:30 am Mass Coffee & Rolls following mass to meet Fr. Jonathan		Eucharistic Adoration 2-6:00 pm		8:00 am Mass	
St. Francis Xavier		8:00 am Mass 8:30 am Mass OLS		8:00 am Mass			

Thursday, July 19th		Friday, July 20th		Saturday, July 21st		Sunday, July 22nd	
St. Dominic		8:00 am Mass		5:30 pm Vigil Mass		10:30 am Mass	
St. Francis Xavier	8:00 am Mass Eucharistic Adoration 2-4:00 pm					8:00 am Mass 8:30 am Mass OLS	

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