

July 7, 2019
Ordinary Time
Fourteenth Sunday



Messengers of the Gospel

Jesus, in today's Gospel, offers clear, concise directives to us, who are called to be his disciples. We are to remember that in all we do for the sake of the gospel it is God who is at work in us and that our relationship with God is more important than the powers we have been privileged by God to wield over evil. The mission is not our cause and the success is not our achievement. Even an apostle is a sinner in need of Divine Mother's caring love and direction.

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Kathy & Deacon Kenneth Fishbeck
in thanksgiving to God.

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Linda & Joe Pilat in thanksgiving to God
on the occasion of their Golden Wedding Anniversary.

MASS INTENTIONS

Friday, July 12
8:00 a.m. Marvin Joe Fishbeck, Daniel Fojtik Jr.,
Elizabeth Koranek
Saturday, July 13
6:30 p.m. Frances & Charles Pilat
Sunday, July 14
6:30 a.m. Henry Joe Henke, Jr.
9:30 a.m. Anita & Lee Schoenfeld

PREPARING FOR SUNDAY LITURGY

Next weekend is *The Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time*. Prepare for the liturgy by reflecting on these passages from your Bible.

First Reading: Deuteronomy 30:10-14
Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 69
Second Reading: Colossians 1:15-20
Gospel: Luke 10:25-37

Remember the sick in your prayers, especially
Sidney Bochat, Gregory Hirsch and Annette Technik.

The Sanctuary Light will be lit this week
for a Special Intention.

2019 DIOCESAN SERVICES APPEAL

2019 Assessment \$17,333.00
Contributions So Far \$ 7,355.00
Amount Yet to be Contributed \$ 9,978.00

We thank the following for their recent contributions:

Lillian Supak
Joyce Pavlicek
Richard Kalisek
Anonymous Donor
Karin & Kenneth Filipp
Niki & Chad Chaloupka
Leigh Ann & William Darilek, Jr.

Do please consider making a donation.

29th Annual Vacation Bible School



July 8-12, 2019

8:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.

We welcome all the kids, helpers and teachers to V.B.S. Everyone will gather in the Parish Hall each morning. A fun week of bible stories, games, crafts are in store as they learn about God. Parish organizations will provide daily snacks and refreshments. Parents, grandparents and parishioners are welcome to bring cookies. Thanks to all who accompany these young disciples on their journey of faith.

Another Vacation Bible School Donation
Lisa & David Rothbauer - \$50

THE WEEK AHEAD

MONDAY – Vacation Bible School, 8:30-11:30 a.m.
– Altar Society Meeting, 2 p.m., Family Room
TUESDAY – Vacation Bible School, 8:30-11:30 a.m.
– Quilting Group Meets
WEDNESDAY – Vacation Bible School, 8:30-11:30 a.m.
– Christian Mothers Prayers, Family Room
THURSDAY – Vacation Bible School, 8:30-11:30 a.m.
– Quilting Group Meets, Quilting Room
– KC Bingo, 7:30 p.m., Moulton Oaks Hall
FRIDAY – Vacation Bible School, 8:30-11:30 a.m.
– Parish Office closed on Fridays. For any Pastoral emergency, call the Parish Office at any time.

Bulletin Sponsorship Available:

July 21 August 8, 11 & 25

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REFLECTION

Continuing Jesus' Mission

In between sending his 72 disciples to mission and their returning to him, Jesus offers some basic principles on discipleship. He warns his disciples about the challenging demands of following him. He gives instructions for how they are to travel and what to take with them. Jesus would not have his disciples be unaware as to the cost of belonging to him.

Theirs would not be an easy mission. Jesus' instructions to his disciples about the manner in which they would travel; the sparseness of their gear; and the way they should forego even the most basic social amenities *greet no one* may seem surprising to contemporary readers. However, similar directives had been given to Israel's prophets (see 2 Kings 4:29) as they embarked upon a God-directed mission. Besides comparing the disciples and their mission to that of the prophets, the stringent nature of Jesus' instruction



underscored the immediacy of the Kingdom that Jesus had come to establish. With the reign of God looming on the horizon, there would be little else that deserved the disciple's attention, save for their efforts at effecting its realization.

Jesus compared the work that lay ahead of them to a rich harvest ready for reaping. As the harvest workers, the disciples were to be messengers of peace. By their greeting, *Peace to this house* the disciples were announcing the Good News of Salvation.

Does your life reflect that of a disciple of Jesus?

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

- Jul. 7 – Bernadette Kresta, Leroy Mikulencak Jr., Bernadette Nieto
- Jul. 8 – Conner Blahuta, Kathy Fishbeck, Ann Kalisek
- Jul. 9 – Gloria Jasek
- Jul. 10 – Marcel Kleihege, Janet Raabe, Dennis Simper
- Jul 11 – Laura Pustejovsky, Dale Seifert
- Jul 12 – Shannon Simper, Elizabeth Sustr

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY!

- Jul. 8 – Lorrie & Michael Janecek
- Jul. 9 – Julie & Daniel Beyer
 - Kathy & Deacon Kenneth Fishbeck
 - Angie & Chad Rothbauer
- Jul. 11 – Tamara & Benjamin Siegel
 - Congratulations April & Robert Lee Simper on your 10th Wedding Anniversary
- Jul 12 – Jeralyn & Troy Barta
- Jul. 13 – Karin & Kenneth Filipp

PRAHA PANCAKE SUNDAY – TODAY

All are welcome. A free will donation is appreciated

CHURCH PICNIC – SEPTEMBER 15

Raffle: Thanks to these early birds who have turned in their raffle stubs and donations to kick off our Picnic. Have you bought your tickets yet?

Dana & Steve Blahuta
Mary & Ray Michalec
Betty & Harry Maskey
Gloria & David Reindl
Shannon & L.A. Simper
Karla & Eugene Kresta
Lisa & David Rothbauer
Annette & Quinton Raab
Barbara & Larry Prause
Sharon & Boyce Etlinger
Laura & Tim Pustejovsky
Phyllis & Ken Schoenfeld
Jennifer & Don Rothbauer
Alisha & Wesley Rothbauer
Kathy & Dcn. Kenneth Fishbeck
Melanie & Jonathan Mikulencak

Karen & Calvin Pilat
Sheri & David Beyer
Dolores & Ben Scott
Hattie & Bob Olle
Maynard Wagner
Charlene Simper
Mary Ann Owen
Eleanor Wagner
Jeanette Lackey
Rose Rothbauer
Sidonia Mayer
Steve Machart
Chris Hooper
Nancy Sivyer
Rose Selzer

Picnic Chairpersons Meeting, July 21, after 9:30 a.m. Mass.

LOOKING AHEAD

From the 15th to the 17th Sunday in Ordinary Time

During these three Sundays, we read the end of chapter 10 of Luke's Gospel (15th & 16th Sundays) and the first thirteen verses of the next chapter (17th Sunday). These are teachings of Jesus given to the many disciples who follow him on the road to Jerusalem.

St. Luke, the evangelist did not arrange them in any logical order. He chose, rather, a different kind of presentation, one more striking: this whole section of Jesus' ministry is set in the framework of a "journey to Jerusalem," whose theological and practical import for Christian life we have already seen.

What makes the Fifteenth, Sixteenth and Seventeenth Sundays such a distinct sequence is the concrete nature of Jesus' interventions. Actually, several chance meetings on the road give Jesus the occasion to teach: the encounter with a doctor of the Law with a specific question (15th Sunday); and amicable dispute between two sisters who welcome Jesus into their home, over the apparent indolence of the one who does not share in preparing the supper (16th Sunday); finally, seeking Jesus "one day," "in a certain place," in prayer, the disciples ask how they should pray (17th Sunday).

On the other hand, we notice that, on each of these occasions, the question put to Jesus and his response have to do with very concrete behavior. "What must I *do* to inherit everlasting life?" asks the doctor of the Law (15th Sunday), "My Sister has left me to *do* the household tasks all alone, says Martha; "Tell her to help me" (16th Sunday). And the disciples ask Jesus about praying, and even ask him to *give* them a prayer they can recite (17th Sunday).

The Christian must behave like Jesus, who, appears here as the model for us to imitate.