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Our Mass Schedule for This Week

Monday (6-29).....6:00PM Holy Hour for Freedom at Boyceville
6:30PM Mass at Boyceville

+Wilfred and Margaret Bauer (Janet and Edward Fisher)

Tuesday (6-30).....6:30 PM Mass at Spring Valley

+Milton Sowatzke (Rita and Dave Johnson)

Evening Prayers and Litany for Liberty

Wednesday (7-1).... 7:30 PM Mass at Elmwood

+Michael Mousel Family (Theresa Mousel Schwartz)

Evening Prayers and Litany for Liberty

Thursday (7-2).....8:00 AM MASS at Spring Valley

+Bernard Grant (Barry and Mary Anderson)

10:00 AM Mass at Spring Valley Healthcare Center

+Gloria Ryan (Jackie Slocum)

Friday (7-3).....8:00 AM *Communion Service at Spring Valley*

1:30 PM Mass at Heritage of Elmwood NH

+Anna Seipel (Dick and Jean Zeithaml)

Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Saturday (7-4).....8:00 PM VIGIL Mass at Elmwood

+Clarence, John and Alice Koch (William and Anna Crownhart)

Sunday (7-5).....8:30 AM Mass at Boyceville

+Bernice Gatz (Dewayne and Helen Hedlund)

10:30 AM Mass at Spring Valley

Missa pro Populo

BRIEFLY NOTED

Our **deepest sympathy and assurance of prayers** are extended to the family and friends of **Carol Olson and Evelyn Fisher** of Elmwood who were buried this weekend. "O God, who alone are able to give life after death, free your servants Carol and Evelyn from all sins, that they who believed in the Resurrection of your Christ, may, when the day of resurrection comes, be united with you in glory" (Funeral Mass, Collect).

Our **deepest sympathy and assurance of prayers** are extended to the family and friends of **Marie Demuth** of Spring Valley who will be buried this week. "O God, who alone are able to give life after death, free your servant Marie from all sins, that she who believed in the Resurrection of your Christ, may, when the day of resurrection comes, be united with you in glory" (Funeral Mass, Collect).

CONFESSIONS

Saturday 7:00-7:45 PM

Elmwood

Sunday 7:45-8:15 AM

Boyceville

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

Monday 6:00 AM to 6:00 PM

Boyceville

**Adoration Chapel is
CLOSED July 2-3 in
Spring Valley**

Elmwood Father's Day Pie Sale:

Thank you to every one of the ladies that donated either a pie or money for the success of the annual Father's Day Pie sale. Thanks also to all the folks who came to enjoy the pies. We were able to meet our goal for \$500 matching funds from Catholic Knights Branch 191! Thanks also to them for their generosity.

Spring Valley Roof Fund Update:

Thanks to your generosity we are reaching our goal to pay off the Church Roof and have raised \$15,620! We need \$34, 850 to reach our goal. If you have not donated yet, please prayerfully consider. No gift is too small. You may send your contribution to the Central Office or put it in the offertory basket.

Elmwood Icon Donation:

Donations are still being accepted for the framing and preservation of Our Lady of Perpetual Help Icon that was discovered in our Church choir loft. Please drop your donation in the offertory basket at Mass or mail it to the Central Office in a clearly marked envelope. Thank you.

BULLETIN DEADLINE

Items must be received at the Central Office by **Tuesday at 3:00 PM.**

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www.svecatholic.org

For the fourth year the Bishops of our nation have invited us to observe a *Fortnight for Freedom (June 21-July 4)*. These are meant to be two weeks of prayer and education regarding our *first American freedom, namely, religious liberty*. Religious freedom is a *founding principle of our country* protected by the *First Amendment in the Bill of Rights*. Before that, though, religious liberty is a *fundamental human right, rooted in the dignity of every human person*—people of any faith or no faith at all. Religious freedom is not a Catholic, Jewish, Orthodox, Mormon or Muslim issue—*it’s an American issue, a civil rights issue*. *It is about allowing people the freedom to serve God and their neighbor*. Our parishes are offering the following opportunities for prayer for the flourishing of religious liberty in our nation: At *Boyceville* on *Monday, June 29*, 6:00 PM Adoration and Evening Prayer followed by Mass at 6:30 PM; At *Spring Valley* on *Tuesday, June 30*, 6:30 PM Mass followed by Adoration and Evening Prayer; and at *Elmwood* on *Wednesday, July 1*, 7:30 PM Mass followed by Adoration and Night Prayer.

The Pope’s representative to our country, Archbishop Carlo Vigano, has served in various posts around the world in the Vatican’s diplomatic corp. From the perspective of his international experience and in light of developments in the United States, the Archbishop spoke at Notre Dame University about religious freedom and the persecution of the Church: “There are those who question whether religion or religious belief should have a role in public life and civic affairs . . . *Persecution begins with this reluctance to accept the public role of religion in these affairs, especially . . . when the protection of religious freedom involves beliefs that the powerful of the political society do not share . . . The intention . . . of the persecutor is . . . to eradicate the public witness to Jesus Christ and His Church. An accompanying objective can be the incapacitation of the faith by enticing people to renounce their beliefs, or at least their public manifestations, rather than undergo great hardships . . . if believers persist in their resistance to apostasy. The plan is straightforward: if the faith persists, so will the hardships*. In more recent times, martyrdom may not necessitate torture and death; . . . those who desire to harm the faith may choose the path of ridiculing the believers so that they become outcasts from mainstream society and are marginalized from meaningful participation in public life . . . While . . . persecution can mirror . . . martyrdom, other elements can be directed to sustaining difficulty, annoyance, and harassment that are designed to frustrate the beliefs of the targeted person or persons rather than eliminate these persons . . . *The objective of persecution is to remove from the public square the beliefs themselves and the public manifestations without necessarily eliminating the persons who hold the beliefs. The victimization may not be designed to destroy the believer but only the belief and its open manifestations. From the public viewpoint, the believer remains but the faith eventually disappears.*”

For all kinds of excellent resources on religious freedom and threats to it visit fortnightforfreedom.org.

Earlier this week I was *admitted to the Mayo Clinic Hospital Methodist Campus in Rochester* for complications arising from the 2011 surgeries that removed the entirety of my large intestine and rectum with subsequent fashioning of an internal pouch out of a portion of my remaining small intestine. Infection and ulceration of this new internal “plumbing” has been causing significant distress for months. We are still waiting for biopsy results that will give a clearer picture of the severity of this latest setback. Thanks for your continued prayers!

Most Sacred Heart of Jesus, have mercy on us! Saint Luke, pray for us! Father Kevin C. Louis, STL

Stewardship for June 20-21			
<i>“How shall I make a return to the Lord for all He has -done for me?” (Psalm 116:12)</i>			
	Adult Envelopes	Offertory	Mary Queen of Peace Province Mission
Spring Valley	\$1128	\$82	\$76
Elmwood	\$491	\$284.30	\$125
Boyceville (6/14)	\$1390	\$722	
Boyceville (6/21)	\$505	\$139	

BRIEFLY NOTED

Congratulations to Father Billy Dodge upon his ordination to the priesthood this Saturday, June 26! Father Dodge will celebrate his first mass at St. Mary’s in Big River on Sunday, June 28 at 11AM. Please remember Father Dodge in your prayers as begins his priestly ministry. Also, remember to offer prayers of thanksgiving to the Lord for providing our Diocese with wonderful young men to be shepherds of His flock!

Following his ordination Father Dodge will be assigned as the Parochial Vicar (Pastor Associate) at Blessed Sacrament and Newman University Parishes in La Crosse. His mailing address will be:
 Blessed Sacrament Parish
 130 South Losey Boulevard
 La Crosse, WI 54601-4332

Class for Diocesan Lay Formation Institute Begins in Fall of 2015. Draw closer to Christ and deepen your knowledge of the Faith in a joyful community of learners! Registration is now underway for the next two-year cycle. Brochures and application forms can be downloaded at www.dioc.org/layformation, where you can also watch a 3-minute slideshow shot at St. Anthony’s Retreat Center. If you are interested, discuss this with your pastor. For information, contact the Office for Ministries and Social Concerns at ministries@dioc.org or call (608) 791-2667.

