



Jesus summoned the Twelve  
and began to send them out  
two by two  
and gave them authority  
over unclean spirits.

MARK 6:7

## Fifteenth Sunday *in Ordinary Time*

JULY 11, 2021

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Did you ever wonder why Jesus sent them out two by two? Not threes, not groups of four? Perhaps it is just the most practical configuration. Recall that in last week's Gospel Jesus was not accepted in his own town and was astonished by the lack of faith that he found there. The disciples would be too new in their faith to know how to deal with that kind of rejection. With three you always end up two against one. With a pair, the two could support each other emotionally and spiritually, and lift each other up in prayer. When traveling, having a companion was much safer than being on one's own, and if there were treacherous spots in the journey, they could help each other through. If you were begging for lodging, two might be able to get in, while a larger group might not be so fortunate. The Gospel gives no indication of who the partners were, but presumably they were sent in combinations that made each pair the strongest proclaimers of Christ. They were able to drive off many demons and cure illnesses.

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### SHAKE THE DUST OFF YOUR FEET

Jesus told the pairs of disciples, "Whatever place does not welcome you or listen to you, leave there and shake the dust off your feet in testimony against them." Jesus is preparing the disciples for the experience he had in his home town. This is how you behave when you are not accepted. He didn't tell them to curse them or threaten them, just simply shake off the dust and move on. Rejection is a hard thing for any of us, and Jesus is teaching us how to handle it, as if to say "Pick your battles." This is a good reminder to us all in a time and culture when the climate is so politically charged. Know when it is best to shake the dust and walk away from social media, from an angry word, or from something that won't turn out well. Respond and stay true to your calling.

Today's Readings: Am 7:12-15; Ps 85:9-10, 11-12, 13-14; Eph 1:3-14 [3-10]; Mk 6:7-13

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#### Celebration of the Eucharist

**Saturday: 5:00 p.m. St. Bernard, Wamego**

**Sunday: 9:00 a.m. St. Bernard, Wamego**

**8:45 a.m. St. Joseph, Flush**

**10:45 a.m. St. Bernard, Wamego**

#### Sacrament of Reconciliation

**5:00 p.m. on Wednesday at St. Bernard**

**4:00 p.m. on Saturday at St. Bernard**

**7:30 p.m. on Saturday at St. Joseph**

**or call for an appointment.**

#### Sacrament of Baptism

**Call for appointment.**

#### Sacrament of Marriage

**Must notify pastor at least  
6 months in advance.**

#### Shut-Ins

**Call Joanne Burgos 785-456-7869  
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## ST. BERNARD – WAMEGO

Mon July 12: 8:00 am Liv/Dec Members of Bill Pope Fam  
 Tues July 13: 8:00 am +Vera Ross  
 Thurs July 15: 8:00 am +Terry Kolde  
 Fri July 16: 8:00 am Liv/Dec Jerry Coon Family  
 Sat July 17: 8:00 am +Eugene & Jean Prockish  
 5:00 pm +John White  
 Sun July 18: 7:00 am Liv/Dec Steinberger, Brey Meyer,  
 Seele Families  
 10:45 am Parishioners

+deceased

**Confession:** Fr Mike will be having confessions inside St. Bernard's at below times.

Wednesday (July 14)- 4:45-5:30 pm

Saturday (July 17)-3:00-4:00 pm

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## ST. JOSEPH - FLUSH

Sun July 11: 8:45 am Julian & Barbara Siebert 65th Anniv  
 Sun. July 18: 8:45 am Clyde Ebert

+deceased

**Stewardship last Sunday:** \$1632 *Thank you*

**Mass This Weekend: There is an 8:45 am mass this weekend, July 11 and next weekend, July 18.**

**Cemetery Mowing:** Thanks for everyone that helped mow!

**Religious Education:** St. Joseph Religious Education is now accepting enrollment for the 2021-2022 year. An electronic registration form and online payment option is available. This information was emailed to registered families. Please contact Kristi Timm at [stjosephflushdre@gmail.com](mailto:stjosephflushdre@gmail.com) for more details.

**Happy Birthday:** Clyde Ebert will be celebrating his 94th birthday on July 18. His family is hosting a reception at the Wamego Senior Center on Sunday, July 18 from 1-3 pm. Please stop by to wish him a happy birthday or send a card to 15615 Louisville Rd, Wamego KS 66547.

**Upcoming Parish Directory:** We will be doing a new parish directory September 13 & 14. This is a good time to update addresses and contact info. Please let me know if you have recently moved or changed phone/email. Look for more information to come!

**K of C:** Meeting Monday, July 12 at 8:00 pm

MASS TIME & DATE	PRECIOUS BODY	PRECIOUS BLOOD	LECTOR	SERVERS	USHERS/GIFTS	CANTOR/MUSICIANS
Sun. July 18: St. Joseph 8:45 am	Diane O'Shea		Kurt Roberts	Wyatt Heideman Payton Heideman	Duane Jones Judy Jones	
Sat. July 17: St. Bernard 5:00 pm	Volunteer		John Streeter		Barbara Lippman Pam Fulmer	
Sun. July 18: St. Bernard 7:00 am	Tina Wick		Jeff Wick		Volunteer	
Sun. July 18: St. Bernard 10:45 am	Mary Ewing		Zach Teske		Anita Culbertson	

**BOTH PARISHES**



**Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time  
July 11, 2021**

Truth shall spring out of the earth,  
and justice shall look down from  
heaven.

*Psalm 85:12*

**TODAY'S READINGS**

**First Reading** — Amos said, "The LORD took me from following the flock, and said to me, Go, prophesy to my people" (Amos 7:12-15).

**Psalm** — Lord, let us see your kindness, and grant us your salvation (Psalm 85).

**Second Reading** — The God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ has blessed us in Christ with every spiritual blessing (Ephesians 1:3-14 [3-10]).

**Gospel** — Jesus summoned the Twelve and began to send them out two by two (Mark 6:7-13).

**GOD CHOSE US**

Who chose first, God or you? That is the question explored in today's three readings. The second reading, from Paul's Letter to the Ephesians, reads almost like a hymn. It praises God for choosing us, for calling us to serve, and for blessing us in our service. Paul makes it clear how honored we are and how special is the call to live as children of God. This is through no doing of our own.

The first reading and the Gospel use prose rather than poetry to describe the same truth: God did the choosing, not us. When the prophet Amos was berated for being a prophet, he retorted that the whole thing wasn't his idea in the first place. Neither did the twelve apostles in today's Gospel ask for their calling. Jesus sent them forth, two by two, to do the work of his kingdom.

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**Thank you to everyone that supported St. Bernard's fireworks stand! It was another successful year.**

**It isn't our position, but our disposition that makes us happy.**

**ST BERNARD**

**Rosary For Our Country:** Monday, July 12 at 6:30 pm.

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**Sunset Rosary:** This Sunday, July 11, at sunset. Please join us!

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**VBS Details & Registration:** An email has been sent out with details for VBS. If you didn't receive it, please call the office. VBS will run from July 18-22 from 5:30-8:00 pm. Dinner will be served each night at 5:30 pm, and programming will start at 6:00 pm. You can click on the QR code or I also included the link to register for VBS.



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**Adoration:** Still needing to get the following spots filled **Thursday 2:00 am, and 5:00 am and Friday 12:00 am, 1:00 am, and 2:00 am** in order to resume our 24 hour adoration schedule. There is a sign up in the narthex, if you would like to spend an hour with our Lord.

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**Please pray for the repose of the soul of Vera Ross. Her funeral will be Tuesday, July 13 at St. Bernard's.**

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**Welcome: Derreck & Jayna Kelly, and their daughter Claire.**

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**"Why Be Catholic" conference** with Patrick Madrid, a nationally recognized author, speaker and radio host. The conference is Saturday, Aug. 28 at the Lyon County Fairgrounds, Anderson Building, Emporia. Cost is \$10. Check in 8 am (includes continental breakfast). Catered luncheon. Register by Aug. 22 at [Eventbrite.com](http://Eventbrite.com) (search "Patrick Madrid-Why Be Catholic?") for tickets. 620-475-3767

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**Caring Neighbors Organization Cancer Fundraiser:** Raising money to help defray medical costs for cancer patients in Wamego and surrounding communities. Come out and enjoy a fun evening of neighbors helping each other! Live entertainment...silent auction...live auction! Will be held at Columbian Theatre, August 28 from 6-9 pm. \$10 donation per adult at the door.

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**READINGS FOR THE WEEK**

- Monday: Ex 1:8-14, 22; Ps 124:1b-8; Mt 10:34 — 11:1
- Tuesday: Ex 2:1-15a; Ps 69:3, 14, 30-31, 33-34; Mt 11:20-24
- Wednesday: Ex 3:1-6, 9-12; Ps 103:1b-4, 6-7; Mt 11:25-27
- Thursday: Ex 3:13-20; Ps 105:1, 5, 8-9, 24-27; Mt 11:28-30
- Friday: Ex 11:10 — 12:14; Ps 116:12-13, 15, 16bc, 17-18; Mt 12:1-8
- Saturday: Ex 12:37-42; Ps 136:1, 23-24, 10-15; Mt 12:14-21
- Sunday: Jer 23:1-6; Ps 23:1-6; Eph 2:13-18; Mk 6:30-34

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