

JULY

July 15, 2018
15th Sunday of
Ordinary Time

Having laid the foundations on several aspects of what it takes to get a small group organized and answering the important question of why it's important to gather as a small group, we can now address the question that many people have been asking: *What* are we going to talk about as a small group?

Remember last week's article about starting with *why* before choosing *what*. As a review, the reason we gather as a small group is to deepen our love for Jesus Christ and our Catholic faith. That should be our primary focus and that can be accomplished in a LOT of ways.

One of the resources that we have available to help with this is our parish subscription to FORMED.org. I've invited people to explore this resource, but I see that only 34 parishioners have registered as users. That tells me that it's still a well kept secret, but I'm letting you in on that secret and inviting you to check it out! **Just go to** <https://stjuderochester.formed.org> and our **Parish Access code is 3VFNXZ**. When you log in to the website, you can click on the 'Study' link toward the top of the screen and you will be presented with quite a few options that address various topics, from Scripture, to the Sacraments, to the Creed. There are also movies, audiobooks, and audio talks available.

Another great place to explore is Ascension Press. They have a specific section for resources for small groups: <https://ascensionpress.com/small-groups>. Another option may be to just gather to pray and reflect on the Sunday readings that are coming up. Or maybe you can work your way through a book. There's great content on YouTube, with short videos by great Catholic speakers such as Bishop Robert Barron and Father Mike Schmitz. There are so many options, and if you feel stuck and are looking for some suggestions on a book or resource to use, please reach out to me and I'll be happy to lend my advice.


So, there you have it! What's next? Get together and start! Ask the Lord to bless your group and once the discussions start flowing, I think you'll be pleasantly surprised at how the Holy Spirit will take over and bring you into a deeper love for Christ and our Catholic faith!

-Father Alford

Anointing of the Sick:

If you are going into the hospital for surgery or have a serious illness, receive the Sacrament of the Sick. Please call the parish office to receive the Sacrament, administered privately or during daily Mass. Call Barb Scoggins at 217-498-9197 to have a family member placed on the prayer list.

Prayer List:


Teresa Witcik, parishioner
Lynn F. Leach, parishioner
Kathy Smith, parishioner
Evelyn Conboy, parishioner
Mary Kates, parishioner
JoAnn Camille, parishioner
Harold Sheppard, parishioner
Betty & Ray Rowden, parishioners
Jim Felts, husband of Diane Felts
Troy Sweeney, nephew of Maggie Patterson
Al Fox, son of John & Mary Fox
Jerry McCormick, brother of Tom Walker
Terry Tinsley, brother-in-law of John & Mary Fox
Jean Seward, sister of Mary Jo Duesterhaus
Tommy Martin, nephew of Debbie Decker
Margie Lammert, mother of Sarah Clare
Steven Butts, brother of Michelle Bullock
Reba Cloyd, mother of Anita Schwab
Jennifer Harbeck, cousin of Brad Zack
Joanna Laabs, wife of Deacon Al Laabs
John Vercautern, cousin of Laurie White
Logan Flotkoetter, friend of Mary Bruno
Cherie Peterson, niece of Peggy Parnell
Fr. John Burnette, Diocesan Priest

Upcoming Parish Meetings/Events:

Sun, July 15 – noon RCIA
July 17-21 – Parish directory pictures by appointment
July 22 – 5:00 p.m. VBS kick-off picnic
July 22-26 – 6-8:30 p.m. VBS

Inner Health Spa
1733 S. 5th St., Springfield IL
217-572-1611 www.innerhealthspa.org

HAPPENINGS THIS WEEK!!!

The † symbolizes the Mass is for someone who is deceased.

Parish Sacrificial Giving Fiscal Year 7/1/18-6/30/19

Last Week Year to Date

Collection (98)	\$ 5,142.50	\$ 10,549.50
Electronic funds (0)	\$ 0.00	\$ 1,840.00
Bldg. Dev. Fund (7)	\$ 204.00	\$ 307.00
EFT – Dev. Fund (0)	\$ 0.00	\$ 225.00
Poor Fund	\$ 46.00	\$ 88.00
Children's Stewardship (0)	\$.00	\$.00
Peter's Pence (3)	\$ 80.00	\$ 2,009.00
Number of collection envelopes used:	108	
Number of electronic contributions:	0	

LITURGICAL MINISTERS:

Saturday, July 21st – 4:30 p.m.

Euch. Min.: Fr. Alford, Biesiada, Williams,
Deacon Tom

Lectors: Bertrand, Krug

Servers: Rollins, Trello

Hospitality: Auxier, H & M Bruno, Egizio

Sunday, July 22nd – 8:00 a.m.

Euch. Min.: Fr. Alford, Dowding, Godar
Deacon Tom

Lectors: Helling, Merriman

Servers:

Hospitality: Brandis, Parnell, Roland, R Yong

Sunday, July 22nd – 10:30 a.m.

Euch. Min.: Fr. Alford, Crusen, Guerrettaz
Deacon Tom

Lectors: Schudel, A Toliver

Servers: Long, Jr., E & T Schudel

Minister of Care: Nelson

Hospitality: Fjelstul Family

CLOW: B Toliver

Volunteer for this week – July 16th – 22nd:

Church Duster: Laurie McWard

July Recycling Vol.: Kevin Spurlock

July Food Volunteer: Kevin Spurlock

Coffee & Donuts: Sun. July 22nd:

Jan Pietras & Diana Rowden

St. Jude Parish Weekly Confession Times

Monday – 5:00-5:20 p.m.

Saturday – 3:30 – 4:15 p.m.

Sunday – 7:30 a.m.- 7:50 a.m.

Sunday – 9:45 a.m.- 10:15 a.m.

Saturday, July 14th

3:30 p **Confessions**

4:30 p **Mass** (Int: Barbara Reid†)

Sunday, July 15th

7:30 a **Confessions**

8:00 a **Mass** (Int: For the Parish†)

9:30 a **Wyndcrest:** Calverts

9:45 a **Confessions**

10:00 a **Rosary**

10:30 a **Mass** (Int: Evelyn Cannon†)

12:00 p **RCIA**

Monday, July 16th

9:00 a **Counting Team #3**

5:00 p **Confessions**

5:30 p **Mass** (Int: Megan Soaga)

6:00 p **Eucharistic Adoration**

Tuesday, July 17th

7:00 a **Morning Prayer**

7:30 a **Mass** (Int: Limper/Engeling Families)

8:00 a **Scriptural Rosary**

Wednesday, July 18th

7:00 a **Morning Prayer**

7:30 a **Mass** (Int: Raymond Roth, Sr.†)

8:00 a **Scriptural Rosary**

Thursday, July 19th

7:00 a **Morning Prayer**

7:30 a **Mass** (Int: Catherine Farley†)

8:00 a **Scriptural Rosary**

Friday, July 20th

7:00 a **Morning Prayer**

7:30 a **Mass** (Int: Kathy Blasko†)

8:00 a **Scriptural Rosary**

Saturday, July 21st

3:30 p **Confessions**

4:30 p **Mass** (Int: Christopher Weier†)

Sunday, July 22nd

7:30 a **Confessions**

8:00 a **Mass** (Int: Joyce Hogan†)

9:30 a **Wyndcrest:** Nelson

9:45 a **Confessions**

10:00 a **Rosary**

10:30 a **Mass** (Int: For the Parish)

5:00 p **VBS Kick-off picnic**

6-8:30 p **VBS**





CHWC 2018

What can 364 Catholic Heart Work Campers do in a community in 4 days of blistering heat and sleeping on the floor at Ranum Middle School?

At 102 different houses this year. We scraped caulked and completely painted 18 house on the outside, 57 rooms inside, scraped and painted 15 unattached garages and sheds, power washed 4 decks, repaired and completely rebuilt 2 decks, and stained 21 decks, rebuilt and stained 9 wheel chair ramps, stained 1500 foot of fencing, cleaned and washed 307 windows inside and out, scrubbed and cleaned 12 houses inside entirely, installed 15 light fixtures, cleaned and repaired 3360 foot of gutters, cleaned out 12 garages, help plant and weed 19 flower beds, pulled weeds at 31 different homes approximately ¾ of an acre, trimmed and cut grass at 8 homes, landscaped 16 yards, put down 72 bags of mulch, moved and help build 8 stone gardens, cut down trees at 19 homes, cut and trimmed trees and bushes at 28 homes, cut and loaded 28 pickups loads of tree and branches, but more than that we removed over 76 Hugh pickup loads of trash which sums up to 140 compressed cubic yards of trash, cleaned out 55 window wells, laid and repaired 1000 sq. foot of flooring, plus the subfloor, installed 15 post to repair fence and gates, built 150 foot of new fence, installed 120 foot of new guttering, installed and painted 10 new doors, remodeled 1 complete bathroom, replaced some siding on 4 houses, installed new screens at 6 homes, separated clothes at A Precious Child, painted and sorted food at Growing Home, took out and cleaned rock and replaced at 6 homes, repaired roof at 3 houses, took out and installed carpet at 2 homes, repaired soffet at 2 homes, built a 12 by 24 shed. This is what we recorded with believing that at least 25% more was done.

Yet, the most important part of all is that these 364 campers brought excitement for life and Christ to the homeowners as the home owners did to the campers. Our community (neighborhood) is different this week because of these campers that took time out of their summer to accomplish this. WHAT A PHENOMENAL AND UNBELIEVABLE FOUR DAYS!



TOTUS TUUS, Latin for “Totally Yours,” is a summer youth camp that combines Catholic religious instruction and having FUN!!! A team of college-age students and seminarians are coming to St. Katharine Drexel parish, Sacred Heart campus, the week of July 15 – 20. The youthfulness and energy of the teachers is an inspiring way to share the faith and their enthusiasm is contagious, so come out and join us!!! **TOTUS TUUS** is Monday - Friday 9:00 AM - 2:30 PM for children going into grades 1-6 during the next school year. The day includes classroom instruction on our theme, The Apostle’s Creed, as well as the Luminous Mysteries of the Rosary. Each day includes encounters with the sacraments and time for games and recess. For middle school and high school youth, **TOTUS TUUS** is Sunday-Thursday 7:00 PM - 9:00 PM with more in-depth discussions on our theme. All are invited to a potluck dinner on Wednesday at 6:00 PM. For more information, please contact Fr. Kevin Mann, (815) 451-8694. Or go online to <https://www.dio.org/youthministry/parish-information.html>

Rachel’s Vineyard Retreat

Pope Francis says, “God is always waiting for you.” If you or someone you love is grieving the loss of a child or children to abortion, come and experience the compassionate mercy of Jesus Christ on our weekend retreat. Rachel’s Vineyard Retreats are open to anyone impacted by abortion – women, men, grandparents, siblings, and health care professionals. The next retreat is July 20-22, 2018 at the Villa Maria Retreat Center, Springfield. For more information, contact Donna at projectrachel@dio.org, call 217-321-1161, or go to: www.dio.org/plasm/project-rachel.html. Scholarships are available for those not able to pay the registration fee.

Bishop Robert Barron’s “The Mass”

Bishop Robert Barron’s highly anticipated all new 6-part film series on the Mass will be shown at the St. Katharine Drexel (Sacred Heart) Parish Center (parking lot Entrance at 13th & Cook Streets, Springfield). All are welcome. Admission is free. For more information and to RSVP, please email CatholicVideo@gmail.com or call 217-415-1514. Hosted by St. Aloysius and St. Katharine Drexel Parishes. Episode schedule:
Episodes 1 & 2, 6:30-8 p.m. 7/9/2018
Episodes 3 & 4, 6:30-8 p.m. 7/16/2018
Episodes 5 & 6, 6:30-8 p.m. 7/23/2018