



July 14, 2019 15th Sunday of Ordinary Time

Before we move to the next installment of our reflections on the lives of the saints, how did you do with the challenge of prayerfully reading the Scriptures each day? Don't worry if you found it difficult or if you didn't get a lot of nourishment from the practice. Keep up the practice and I promise that sooner or later, the Lord will bless you for your perseverance in this holy practice.



For this week, I would like to look at the life of St. Bonaventure whose feast day is July 15, this coming Monday. St. Bonaventure was born in Italy in 1221. At the age of 22, he joined the Franciscans, having been inspired by the life of St. Francis and the relatively new order he had founded. St. Bonaventure was a gifted student and was sent to the University of Paris to complete his studies. He taught for a while there before being elected the Minister General (or the person in charge) of the Franciscans. In his lifetime, St. Bonaventure produced a huge amount of writings and is recognized as one of the greatest theologians of the Middle Ages, alongside his Dominican contemporary, St. Thomas Aquinas. In fact, one of my favorite stories about St. Bonaventure has to do with his relationship with St. Thomas.

The story goes that St. Thomas, impressed with St. Bonaventure's writing, asked St. Bonaventure how he had gained so much theological wisdom. St. Bonaventure led St. Thomas to a small room with nothing in it but a crucifix. St. Bonaventure pointed to the crucifix and explained that everything he knew came from contemplating the scene of Jesus on the Cross.

Along those same lines, one of my favorite quotes from St. Bonaventure has to do with the practice of lovingly gazing on the crucifix, a practice that can be very beneficial to us in our spiritual lives. In fact, maybe you can spend some time this week in prayer in front of the crucifix, pondering these beautiful words of his:

Christ on the Cross bows His head, waiting for you, that He may kiss you;

He stretches out His arms, that He may embrace you;
His hands are open, that He may enrich you;
His body is spread out, that He may give Himself totally;
His feet are nailed, that He may stay there;
His side is open for you, that He may let you enter there.

St. Bonaventure pray for us!

- Fr. Alford

Anointing of the Sick

If you are going to 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:

Kathy Smith, parishioner
Steven Long, parishioner
Gary Dumonceaux, parishioner
Jillian Kohlrus, parishioner
Shirley Crawford, parishioner
Rene Runions, parishioner
Ray Roland, parishioner
Lynn F. Leach, parishioner
JoAnn Camille, parishioner
Betty Rowden, parishioner
JoAnn Barber, parishioner
Glen Butcher, parishioner
Aloysius Staff, brother of Sylvia Thull
Ken Cardoni, cousin of Frances Tomashavich
John Rentschler, son of Ginger Rentschler
Glen Limper, son of Al & Betty Limper
Hope Power, daughter of Yvonne Brandis
Donna Meyers, mother of Kellie Brewer
Julie Sinkus, daughter of Barb Sinkus
Jim Felts, husband of Dianne Felts
Jerry McCormick, brother of Tom Walker
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
Bob Etherton, friend of Mary Bruno
Cherie Peterson, niece of Peggy Parnell
Mike Geist, brother-in-law of Ray & Sue Roth
Craig Martin, nephew of Debbie Decker
David Brogdon, friend of Don & Roberta Vanover
Terry Douglas, friend of Terry & Laura Horstman
Teri Kirbach, friend of Jane Hendrickson



HAPPENINGS THIS WEEK!!!

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

Saturday, July 13th
 1:00 p Sew-n-Sews
 3:30 p Confessions
 4:30 p **Mass** (Int: Joe & Judy Arbise†)

Sunday July 14th
 7:30 a Confessions
 8:00 a **Mass** (Int: Bertha Wagener†)
 9:30 a Wyndcrest: Nelson
 9:45 a Confessions
 10:00 a Rosary
 10:30 a **Mass** (Int: For the Parish)

Monday, July 15th
 9:00 a Counting Team #3
 5:00 p Confessions
 5:30 p **Mass** (Int: Megan Soaga)

Tuesday, July 16th
 7:00 a Morning Prayer
 7:30 a **Mass** (Int: Limper/Engeling Families)
 8:00 a Scriptural Rosary
 6:30 p Knights of Columbus Officers
 Installation Mass

Wednesday, July 17th
 7:00 a Morning Prayer
 7:30 a **Mass** (Int: Harold Sheppard†)
 8:00 a Scriptural Rosary

Thursday, July 18th
 7:00 a Morning Prayer
 7:30 a **Mass** (Int: All Souls†)
 8:00 a Scriptural Rosary
 7:00 p Men's Prayer Group

Friday, July 19th
 7:00 a Morning Prayer
 7:30 a **Mass** (Int: Kathy Blasko†)
 8:00 a Scriptural Rosary

Saturday, July 20th
 3:30 p Confessions
 4:30 p **Mass** (Int: Patricia Leach†)

Sunday July 21st
 7:30 a Confessions
 8:00 a **Mass** (Int: Hope Power)
 9:30 a Wyndcrest: Nelson
 9:45 a Confessions
 10:00 a Rosary
 10:30 a **Mass** (Int: For the Parish)
 4:45 p VBS Family Kick-off Cookout
 6-8:30 p VBS

Parish Sacrificial Giving Fiscal Year 7/1/2019-6/30/2020

	Last Week	Year-To-Date
Collections (106)	\$ 7,921.00	\$ 11,879.00
Electronic Funds (0)	\$ 5.00	\$ 1,765.00
Bldg. Dev. Fund (23)	\$ 667.00	\$ 722.00
EFT-Dev. Fund (0)	\$ 0.00	\$ 185.00
Poor Fund	\$ 28.00	\$ 43.37
Children's Offering (0)	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Peter's Pence (1)	\$ 10.00	\$ 1,041.10
Missionary Co-op (22)	\$ 2,368.35	\$ 2,368.35

LITURGICAL MINISTERS

Saturday, July 20th – 4:30 p.m.
Euch. Min.: Fr. Alford, Biesiada, DeGroot, White
Lectors: Day, Maynerich
Servers: Heiple, Torres, Trello
Hospitality: Auxier, Foster

Sunday, July 21st – 8:00 a.m.
Euch. Min.: Fr. Alford, Dowding, C & G Leach
Lectors: J Hendrickson, Nelson
Servers: Brown, McClintock
Hospitality: D & M Anderson, Parnell, Roland

Sunday, July 21st – 10 :30 a.m.
Euch. Min.: Fr. Alford, Clare, Kuntzman,
 M Livengood
Lectors: Schudel, A Toliver
Servers: Henry, Schudel
Minister of Care: Nelson
Hospitality: Decker Family
CLOW: Powell, B Toliver

Volunteers for this week – July 15–July 21
Church Duster: Donna Spurlock
July Recycling volunteer: Kevin Spurlock
July Food volunteer: Kevin Spurlock
Coffee & Donuts – Sunday, July 21st
 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 – 7:30-7:50 a.m. & 9:45-10:15 a.m.

**There will be no Masses July 22 & 23rd as
Fr. Alford will be out of town.**

SCRIPTURE READINGS – July 14th – July 21st

Sunday:	DT 30:10-14	COL 1:15-20 LK 10:25-37
Monday:	EX 1:8-14, 22	MT 10:34-11:1
Tuesday:	EX 2:1-15A	MT 11:20-24
Wednesday:	EX 3:1-6, 9-12	MT 11:25-27
Thursday:	EX 3:13-20	MT 11:28-30
Friday:	EX 11:10-12:14	MT 12:1-8
Saturday:	EX 12:37-42	MT 12:14-21
Sunday:	GN 18:1-10A	COL 1:24-28 LK 10:38-42

Upcoming Parish Meetings/Events

July 16 – 7:00 p.m. Knights of Columbus meeting
July 18 – 7:00 p.m. – Men's Prayer Group
July 21-25 – 6-8:30 p.m. – VBS



Could God be calling on you to serve our parish as a Catechist? If you value your faith as one of the greatest gifts in your life and like being with children, there's a good chance this could be an enlivening ministry for you.

We need one adult to work on Wednesday nights from 6:30-7:30 p.m. to help teach the 1st grade class.

If you know of anyone who might be interested or if you are interested, please contact Frances Tomashavich at the parish office (498-9197).

→PSR NEWS←

If you have not yet registered for the **2019-2020 PSR classes**, please do so. We will have Wednesday evening classes only. By registering now, you will help us have a good start in figuring out next year's class sizes. **Please help us to prepare by registering early!** If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at 217-498-9197 or ftomashavich@stjude.dio.org.
- Frances Tomashavich

RECYCLING CANS FOR ST. PATRICK SCHOOL



Don't forget to save your aluminum cans, bag them and bring them to the brown wooden box at the front of the Parish Center. Volunteers take them in to the Recycling Center and all monies are donated to St. Patrick School! **Please put only clean aluminum cans in the box. Thank you!**



Save the Date – ROAR VBS July 21-25, 2019

VBS registration is now available!! This year there is **no charge** for your kindergarten through 5th graders to participate in VBS! We ask that you register at vbspro.events/p/churchofstjude both your children participating and any 6th grader through senior in high school who wants to be a junior crew leader and help lead the younger kids at stations.

VBS will be from 6-8:30 pm in the Parish Center and will begin Sunday night with a Family Kick-off Cookout at 4:45 pm.

ROCHESTER CHURCH SOFTBALL LEAGUE



Our schedule for this Sunday, July 14th, the coed team will play on Diamond 2 vs Sherman United Methodist at 1:45 p.m. The men's team will play on Diamond 2 vs Rochester First Baptist at 3:15 p.m.

Any men, women, or high school students interested in playing can sign up in the back of the Church or contact Barry Houmes at 971-1631. **Adult players (over 18 years of age) must have attended a Protecting God's Children session.**



Fan & Unit Air Conditioner Drive

We are once again collecting fans and window air conditioning units for low income families. We will be helping the elderly, disabled and small children, and families who are suffering with the heat. Please consider donating a new or used fan and/or window air conditioning unit. If you would like to give a monetary donation, please make the check payable to "Church of St. Jude" and write "Fan/Air Conditioner" in the memo line. We order the fans from Rochester Hardware Store; they sell them to us at a discount! Thank you in advance for your kindness. If you have any questions, please contact me at 529-7280 or 652-4039.

- Jeanette Waters

SUBWAY – eat fresh
Rt. 19 Rochester, IL
217-498-9475



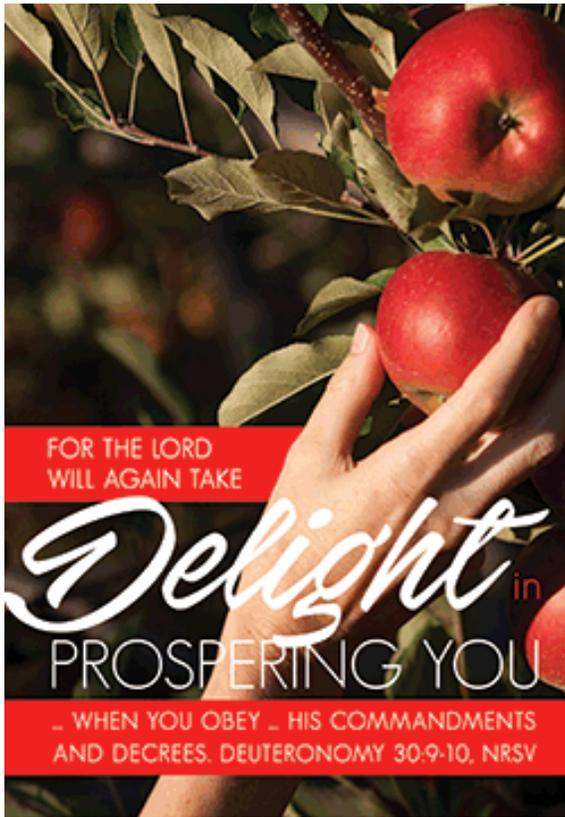
Food Collection

FOR ST. MARTIN De PORRES

Each Sunday you are invited to bring non-

perishable food items to mass and place them in the baskets as you enter the Church. All food is taken to St. Martin de Porres Center in Springfield to help their great mission to feed the poor and hungry.

Volunteers take the food in weekly to the Center.



Called to serve in the diaconate? Come and see. All men discerning a vocation to the diaconate are invited to a weekend experience at the Villa Maria Catholic Retreat and Conference Center, Friday, September 13th (4:00 p.m.) thru Saturday, September 14th (2:00 p.m.). During the weekend, you will meet the men and their wives who are currently in formation, attend a classroom lecture, and join in meals and social time. In addition to attending Mass with the deacon candidates and wives, you will participate in the Liturgy of the Hours Morning and Evening Prayer. Wives of men discerning a vocation to the diaconate are invited and strongly encouraged to attend. For more information, visit dio.org/diaconate or contact Deacon David Sorrell, Director at dsorrell@dio.org.

Cathedral Events

The Healthy Spaces for Ministry workshop will teach participants how to develop ministries that foster healthy relationships and build resiliency, while also preventing burn-out in staff and volunteers. Using a trauma-informed framework, participants will learn what "trauma" is, how it affects people/communities, and how to apply principles of trauma-informed care for healthy, effective parish ministries.

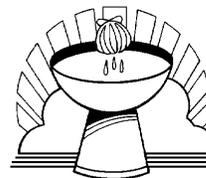
Thursday, July 31, 1:00-4:00
in the Cathedral Atrium.

Please RSVP to vcompton@cathedral.dio.org or by calling 522-3342.

Summer with the Saints – Film Series

All families (and everyone else too) are invited to the Cathedral school basement to be inspired by some great saints of our Church. On July 17 at 6:30pm we'll be showing a great classic, Song of Bernadette. Bring your lawn chairs and blankets and a cooler with soft drinks, and we'll supply the popcorn! No cost and no RSVP necessary. Bring your friends and neighbors! All are welcome!

Are you thinking about your summer vacation? A Worldwide Marriage Encounter weekend, away from all the distractions and pressures in your life right now, would be the BEST vacation of your life. You and your spouse will always remember this WWME Weekend away as a great time together that strengthened your marriage. The next WWME weekends are Aug. 9-11 or Sept. 27-29, 2019 at the Courtyard Marriott in St. Peters, MO. If you would like to apply or get more information, go to <https://stl-wwme.org/schedule.php> or call 314-649-7317.



Pre-Jordan Class.

Your child's baptism is a time for celebration and joy. And, naturally, you want the best for your child. We want to help you plan and prepare for the baptism in the best possible way. Therefore, our next Pre-Jordan Class will be on **Tuesday, August 13th at 6:30 p.m.** in the parish center. If you plan to attend, please call or e-mail Deacon Tom at 498-8651 or twalker@stjude.dio.org.

