



August 2, 2020 18th Sunday in Ordinary Time

How Did He Do That ???

One of the TV shows I love to watch and talk about often is both "Britain's Got Talent" and "America's Got Talent. I tend to like the singers the most, but often there will be a unique act that will simply amaze the judges, audience, and I am sure thousands of viewers like me. So often I have seen a magician come out on stage and do their act, leaving me at home saying, like many, "How did they do that?" We ask because we are amazed by the magic, and we do want to know how it was done. So often I am "Blown Away" by their gift and talent.



Sometimes when I think of today's Gospel, I really try to put myself there, hearing with the Disciples what Jesus tells them, and watching with the Disciples what Jesus does. My mom loved to cook. She was a fantastic cook. What she did not like was when all of a sudden one of us boys would bring three friends to dinner without forewarning her. She always wanted to "not run out" or "have enough". She was truly a "hospitality" person, but she always wanted to be prepared, ready.

When I hear this Gospel, I can see this day's occurrence happen and all the 12 disciples go home and sit in their recliner saying...."How did he do that" over and over and over. One of the most important parts of this story was in the end there was not just enough to feed the crowd of, I am sure, over 10,000 but the cool truth was that there were 12 wicker baskets left, one for each disciple to take home, and stare at as they shake their heads in amazement at this miracle.

Sure, the Lord fed everyone with the food he multiplied, but for the disciples, his intent was to give them so much more to "chew" on for many days to come. In the end they were called to ponder two very important questions..... "do you know who I am" and "do you see what I can do".... In the end it wasn't about the disciples being able to answer these two questions YES, but it was about a transformation in them, that Jesus wanted, that they would grow, and become more intensely desirous of a relationship with Jesus, and be willing to give their ALL. This was His intent, when He said, "Sit them down and feed them yourselves....." Can you try to imagine their faces

when He said this? Who of the 12 do you think might have let the words, "Are you crazy" slip out? He told them to feed them because He knew they couldn't. He told them to feed them because He knew He could. Then, like a magician, he offered them a "watch and learn" encounter session like none other.

What does he want for us who now have heard this "Good News"? He wants us to believe in His power. He wants us to trust in His will. He wants us to allow Him to walk with us, and allow Him to lead us, guide us, and direct our path. For the disciples it seemed easy to deal with the issue by "sending them home". They obviously did not know of "His Power".

God wants us to deepen our faith and trust in Him. He wants us to be the ONE who we turn to when we get stuck in a situation and are not sure what to do.....Call on him believing He will show us the way, give us the truth, and invite us to the Life He offers. It's all about relationship. Some sing "Jesus Loves me, this I know".... But have you the realization that "Jesus Knows me, and this I love". Only in God can my soul be at rest, in Him comes my salvation. He gave His all for us, He wants our All for him. The cross he carried and bore, calls forth from me my willingness to love Him back. Fill up a wicker basket and keep it on your table.....never forget His power, and even more so, His love for us.

Peace,

Fr. Chuck

LITURGICAL MINISTERS

Saturday, August 8th – 4:30 p.m.

Euch. Min.: Fr. Chuck, Deacon Tom

Lectors: Auxier, V. Walker

Hospitality: H & M Bruno, Egizio

Sunday, August 9th – 8:00 a.m.

Euch. Min.: Fr. Chuck, Deacon Ray

Lectors: Blumhorst, Helling

Hospitality: Dahlkamp, Dowding, Vogt, Yong

Sunday, August 9th – 10:30 a.m.

Euch. Min.: Fr. Chuck, Kerley

Lectors: Crusen, Kohlrus

Hospitality: Decker Family

HAPPENINGS THIS WEEK!!!

The † symbolizes the Mass is for someone

Saturday, August 1st

St. Alphonsus Liguori

3:15-4:00 p

Reconciliation

2:00 p

Prather Baptism

4:30 p

Mass (Int. Ruthie Likent†)

Sunday, August 2nd

8:00 a

Mass (Int. For the Parish)

10:30 a

Mass (Int. George Ginter†)

Monday, August 3rd

7:30 a

Communion Service

9:00 a

Counting Team #1

Tuesday, August 4th

St. John Vianney

6:45-7:15 a

Reconciliation

7:30 a

Mass (Int.: Carrie & Robbie Haney)

Wednesday, August 5th

6:45-7:15 a

Reconciliation

7:30 a

Mass (Int. Ken Burger†)

Thursday, August 6th

6:45-7:15 a

Reconciliation

7:30 a

Mass (Int.: Steven Long†)

Friday, August 7th

St. Ignatius of Loyola

6:45-7:15 a

Reconciliation

7:30 a

Mass (Int. Limper/Engeling Families)

Saturday, August 8th

St. Dominic

1:00 p

Sew-n-Sews

3:15-4:00 p

Reconciliation

4:30 p

Mass (Int. Deceased Staff Family†)

Sunday, August 9th

8:00 a

Mass (Int. For the Parish)

10:30 a

Mass (Int. Isaac Weitekamp†)

Parish Sacrificial Giving Fiscal Year 7/1/2020-6/30/2021

	Last Week	Year-To-Date
Collections (66)	\$ 3,798.00	\$ 17,855.00
Electronic Funds (24)	\$ 2,355.00	\$ 5,360.00
Bldg. Dev. Fund (7)	\$ 75.00	\$ 1,131.00
EFT-Dev. Fund (4)	\$ 215.00	\$ 638.00
Poor Fund	\$ 42.00	\$ 175.00
Children's Offering (0)	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Assumption (2)	\$ 7.00	\$ 7.00
Totals	\$ 6,492.00	
Total given FY2021	\$ 25,271.00	

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:

Parishioners

Sue Bozarth, Megan Lee, Gary Dumonceaux, Shirley Crawford, Rene Runions, Ray Roland, Lynn F. Leach, JoAnn Camille, Betty Rowden, JoAnn Barber, Glen Butcher, Mary Rodgers, Ann Carel, Evelyn Conboy

Kelsie Riedle, niece of David & Tess Riedle
Robert Goin, father of Vicki Walker
Harry Buck, brother of Teri Dambacher
Troy Sweeney, nephew of Maggie Patterson
Tom Helling, brother of Gary Helling
Yvonne Butcher, mother of Barrie Blough
Aloysious Staff, brother of Sylvia Thull
Glen Limper, son of Al & Betty Limper
Hope Power, daughter of Yvonne Brandis
Donna Meyers, mother of Kellie Brewer
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
Frank Stroble, friend of Mary Bruno
Cherie Peterson, niece of Peggy Parnell
Carolyn Carmichael, mother of Leanne Collings
Stephanie Zimmerman, friend of Sarah Clare
Button Pemberton, friend of Guerrettaz family
Teresa Cieciora, friend of Guerrettaz family
Aliana Marecki, friend of Guerrettaz family
Rick Perez, friend of Mary Jo & Jerry Jasinski
Brigham Lanweir, friend of the Zucco family
Megan Mahoney, friend of the Zucco family
Mary Chernisky, aunt of Sue Bozarth
Rachel Copp, sister of Mary Beth McClintock
Rick Bloemker, friend of Steve & Pat Jones
Kelly Gatton, friend of Steven Sandvoss

SCRIPTURE READINGS: Aug. 2nd – Aug 9th:

Sunday:	IS 55:1-3	ROM 8:35, 37-39
		MT 14:13-21
Monday:	JER 28:1-17	MT 14:22-36
Tuesday:	JER 30:1-2, 12-15, 18-22	MT 14:22-36
Wednesday:	JER 31:1-7	MT 15:21-28
Thursday:	DN 7:9-10, 13-14	MT 17:1-9
Friday:	NA 2:1, 3; 3:1-3, 6-7	MT 16:24-28
Saturday:	HB 1:12-2:4	MT 17:14-20
Sunday:	1KGS 19:9A, 11-13A	ROM 9:1-5
		MT 14:22-33

Volunteers for the week of August 3rd:

Church Duster: Michelle Bertrand
August Recycling Volunteer: Greg Park
August Food Volunteer: Jeanette Waters

→PSR NEWS←

PSR registration forms have been sent out. Thank you to those who have returned the form and fees. If you are planning to register for PSR 20-21, complete the form and return it to the Parish Office. **Fr. Chuck is asking that registration forms be turned in no later than Friday, August 7th so we can order books.** If you did not receive a form and would like one, please contact Barb Scoggins (498-9197) and one will be mailed or emailed to you.

Upcoming Parish Meetings/Events

Aug. 8 – 1:00 p.m. - Sew-n-sews
Aug. 10 – 6:30 p.m. – Pastoral Council mtg.
Aug. 16 – Confirmation practice following 10:30 a.m. Mass
Aug. 18 – 7:00 p.m. – Knights of Columbus mtg.
Aug. 19 – 6:00 p.m. – Confirmation
Aug. 20 – 7:00 p.m. – Finance Council mtg.

First Saturday Adoration:

Due to the pandemic, First Saturday Adoration was put on hold. We will resume Adoration on Saturday, September 5th, 9:30 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. Look for sign-up sheets at the back of the church.

St. Jude Parish Weekly Reconciliation Times

Tuesday-Friday 6:45-7:15 a.m.
Saturday – 3:15-4:00 p.m.
(Reconciliation also by appointment)



New Director of Total Catholic Formation Hired

After meeting with the Finance & Pastoral Councils, and receiving unanimous approval, we have hired Jennifer Frericks as our new “Director of Total Catholic Formation” for St. Jude Parish, effective August 1st, 2020.

With 10 years of experience in Catholic formation: as a teacher in Catholic schools for three years in Staunton, as a Director of Religious Education/PSR for five years in Carlinville, and as a full time staff member at a Renewal/Retreat Center for two years at Lake Williamson; Jennifer is elated and eager to come and join our parish staff. Her role as Director of Total Catholic Formation will be: Coordinator of our PSR program, Coordinator of High School Youth Ministry, Coordinator of Youth Activities and Mission Trip Fundraising, Adult Faith Formation/Bible Study, and help support PGC program.



Born and raised in Quincy, Her BS is in education. Married to Kyle Frericks (2010) and proud parents of their two sons, Henry (7) and Griffin (2).

Jennifer will be coming in and out this week to set up her office. Her first official day of work and ministry will be Monday, August 3rd. Her family will be at the August 2nd 10:30 am mass and will be willing to meet and greet folks (with respect for social distancing) after mass. Welcome Jennifer Frericks, we believe God has sent you to our wonderful parish.



Saturday Mass Livestreamed!

You can once again watch the Saturday 4:30 p.m. mass on YouTube. Go to our parish home page (stjude.dio.org) and click the Resources Link in the top menu to connect to our Facebook page or YouTube Channel.

Face masks at Church Masses: A gentle reminder that we are still required to wear face masks as we enter and exit the Church building. And as always it is recommended to wear a mask during your entire time in the church building for the safety of all.



No Congregational singing at Mass for now: Just another reminder of this latest update. Due to the tremendous volume of air expended during singing and the lack of filtering by the masks most of us wear, we have suspended Congregational singing for now. Thank you for your kind cooperation in keeping our Worship Environment as safe as possible.



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Rachel's Vineyard Retreat

There will be a Rachel's Vineyard Retreat for people affected by abortion, August 7-9, at the Villa Maria Retreat Center. Please let others know about this healing opportunity. Scholarships are available for those not able to pay the full registration fee. A flyer is also available at the following link: www.dio.org/plasm/project-rachel.html

The Springfield Diocesan Council of Catholic Women have postponed their annual convention. This event, "Living God's Plan for Life, Love and the Family", featuring speaker, Coleen Kelly Mast will be held September 2021, in Jacksonville. Due to Corona Virus restrictions, it was impossible to be held this year. Angela Lipcamon, president of the former Jacksonville Deanery and her committee thank everyone for their understanding and patience at this time.

Stay well - God Bless!

Judy Holmes,
President, Springfield Diocese Councils of Catholic Women

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The public is invited to join St. Joseph the Worker church for our **12th Annual Fr. Franzen Memorial Golf Tournament** at Edgewood Golf Course in Auburn, IL. This event is scheduled for September 27, 2020. Details and an updated brochure can be found at <https://www.stjoschatham.org/fr--franzen-memorial-golf-outing>.