



Weekly Mass Schedule

Tuesday, August 21 8:15 AM
(Saint Pius X, Pope)
 † Cyril Weisenbeck

Wednesday, August 22 8:15 AM
(The Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary)
 † Don & Florence Pluemer and
 Leonard & Virginia Schmitz

Thursday, August 23 8:15 AM
(Saint Rose of Lima, Virgin)
 † Ruth Knoke

Friday, August 24 8:15 AM
(Saint Bartholomew, Apostle)
 Members of the Baus Family

Saturday, August 25 8:15 AM
*(Saint Louis; Saint Joseph Calasanz, Priest;
 Blessed Virgin Mary)*
 † Celine Schmitz
5:00 PM
 † Andrew Bahl

Sunday, August 26 7:30 AM
Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time
 People of Our Parish
9:30 AM
 † Dennis Morgan

RECONCILIATION
 Before Daily & Sunday Masses
Saturday at 4:00 PM
 Face-to-face reconciliation by appointment only.

OFFICE HOURS:
 Mondays, Tuesdays & Wednesdays:
 9 am to 5 pm
 Thursdays & Fridays:
 9 am to 2 pm

STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE
August 11 & 12
 Church Support Envelopes \$3,128.00
 Offertory Cash \$748.00
 Children's Offertory \$54.00
 Weekly Electronic Giving \$988.00
Total \$4,918.00
 Budgeted Offertory for August . . \$31,024.00
 Offertory Received in August . . \$13,348.00
Budgeted Amount Still Needed . . \$17,676.00
Monthly Offertory Comparison
 July 2018 \$35,602.00
 July 2017 \$36,340.00

From Our Pastor:

Jesus said to the crowds: "I am the living Bread that came down from Heaven; whoever eats this Bread will live forever; and the Bread that I will give is my flesh for the life of the world." (John 6:51). This Sunday, we continue reading the sixth chapter of the Gospel of Saint John and Jesus' teaching on the Holy Eucharist. Jesus tells us that at Mass, when we receive His glorified Body and Blood in Holy Communion, we remain in Him.

As brothers and sisters in Christ, our life on earth is not some dress rehearsal. God the Father, Son and Holy Spirit has made us for Himself, to be with Him forever in Heaven. Along the journey, He strengthens us with His gifts of prayer and of His Church, Word and Sacraments, most especially the Holy Eucharist, where Jesus is really, truly and *substantially* present. God directs us to use our time well and to remain close to Him, in deep communion with Him, to the point that He actually gives us His very self in the mystery of the Holy Eucharist. "Through Holy Communion, Christ teaches us to look upon the present with the eyes of eternity" (Father Francis Fernandez, In Conversation with God, vol. 4).

In the Holy Eucharist, we find the strength from Our Lord that we need to undertake what remains of the journey to God the Father's House (John 14:1-6). Saint John Vianney, patron of parish priests, said: The Holy Eucharist "is an eternal pledge to us. It assures us of Heaven. This is the dowry sent to us by Heaven as a promise that one day it will be our resting place. What is more, Jesus Christ will cause our bodies to rise again with greater glory, insofar as we have frequently and reverently received Him in Communion."

Pope Saint John Paul II has said that in the Holy Eucharist, the sacrament of God's love, Jesus Christ "gives shelter to the traveler worn out by the roughness of the road. Christ comforts man with the warmth of His understanding and love. In the Eucharist there is the fulfillment of those sweet words: 'Come to me, all you who labor and are burdened, and I will give you rest,' (Matthew 11:28). This personal and profound assistance is to be found in the divine Bread that Christ offers to us at the Eucharistic Altar. This is our final end as we travel the ways of this world" (Homily, July 9, 1980). Faithful to God, we will, by God's grace, enter into Heaven, when the promise of Jesus Christ will become for us a reality – our life joined to *the Life* for all eternity. Let us pray: Thank You, God the Father, Son and Holy Spirit, for the strength You give us in the Bread from Heaven to travel with human and supernatural dignity upon this earth, our eyes fixed firmly on our purpose: Life Eternal in Heaven. Amen.

With peace and prayers in Christ,
Fr. William

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION GRADES 7-9 OPEN REGISTRATION NIGHT

Open Registration for Religious Education Grades 7, 8 and Confirmation (grade 9) will be on **Tuesday, August 21** from **7 pm to 7:45 pm** in the Parish Dining Hall for parents who were not able to attend the first meeting. Parents are encouraged to come at their convenience during this time for questions or to register their child/ren. The registration fee is \$60 per child.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION REGISTRATION

The start of the academic year is not that far off, and with that, the start of religious education classes for grades Kindergarten through Confirmation (grade 9). **In the K-6 program**, we would like to get an idea of the number of children who will be attending classes this year. If you are a parent of a child who will be in the K-6 Religious Education program, please contact the Parish Office at 723-4990 with your child's name, grade level, your phone number, address and email address. There is also a registration sheet on the Isaiah 43 table at the entrance of the church that you can use to provide this information. Please contact the parish office, or use the sign-up sheet, as soon as possible!



WEEKEND LITURGICAL SCHEDULE



AUGUST 25 & 26

- 5 PM Lectors:** Tom Hughey & Bill Manthe
- 5 PM Servers:** Meg Walker, Austin Reuter & Shea Luckey
- 7:30 AM Lector:** Lenny & Carol Bass
- 7:30 AM Servers:** Sam & Grace Schaffer
- 9:30 AM Lectors:** Sheri Ihm & Tom Lucke
- 9:30 AM Servers:** Emma, Joe & Abby Esser

If you are unable to fulfill your scheduled liturgical role, please find a substitute.

MEMORIAL MASS, DINNER AND TOURS IN HONOR OF THE VENERABLE FATHER SAMUEL MAZZUCHELLI

On Sunday, August 26th, the Mazzuchelli Assembly Knights of Columbus will be conducting tours of the historic St. Augustine Church in New Diggings, WI, from 10 am to 2 pm. A donation of \$5 is suggested for the tours. Tours will be also available each Sunday 1-4 pm through Oct. 7th.

The Memorial Mass will be held that same afternoon at 3 pm at St. Patrick Church in Benton and dinner will follow immediately after Mass in St. Patrick hall. Dinner will be Roast Beef & Chicken with all the trimmings for \$15.

Proceeds of these activities will go toward the continued restoration and preservation of the Historic St. Augustine Church property in New Diggings, WI, and the construction of a Visiting Center.

In Memoriam

Please keep in your prayers this week Ruth Metcalf of our parish who died on Saturday, August 11, and whose funeral Mass was celebrated on Tuesday, August 14. In her early years, Ruth and her husband Norm farmed in the Glen Haven area. There they raised three children: Jeanne, Bill and David. In 1992, Ruth and Norm moved to Lancaster and became part of our parish. Jeanne and Ruth's husband Norm preceded her in death. Due to health reasons, Ruth moved to Dubuque in 2007 to be closer to family. Ruth deeply loved her friends and family, and she loved the Lord. She showed that love in the way she served and cared for others. She was a good, kind and gracious lady of faith and joy. As we keep Ruth in prayer, may we also pray for Bill, Dave and all of Ruth's family in this time of sorrow.

"Eternal rest grant unto Ruth, O Lord; and let perpetual light shine upon her. May she rest in peace. May her soul, and the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen."

MASS INTENTION OPENINGS

We have openings for Mass Intentions in coming weeks and months. Have a Mass offered for your living and/or deceased loved ones, in thanksgiving or for your special intentions. Contact Katie at the parish office (723-4990) or use the envelopes found in the entrances of the church.



THIS WEEK AT ST. CLEMENT

Tuesday, August 21 7 pm - 7:45 pm,
RE Grades 7-9 Open Registration, Dining Hall

Wednesday, August 22 9:30 am, Mass at Orchard Manor
. 10:30 am, Mass at Atrium Post Acute Care

Thursday, August 23. . 6:30 pm, 4th Degree Knights of Columbus

"WHAT ARE YOU LOOKING FOR?"



A JOURNEY IN FAITH

"What are you looking for?"

Jesus asks this question of the two disciples of St. John the Baptist who are now following Jesus (John 1:38). Jesus asks that same question to us. Many people today are searching for deeper meaning in life, a meaning found fully in God alone. If you are an adult who has never been baptized, someone from another Christian community, or an adult Catholic who has not yet received the Sacraments of First Holy Communion and/or Confirmation, and you are wondering about life's meaning, about God, and the Catholic Church, then the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) is here for you. In the RCIA, you will begin to hear and respond to the voice of Jesus our Savior, learn about the Catholic Christian Faith, and the life that Jesus Christ has in mind and heart for you. If you've been considering becoming Catholic, or are an adult Catholic seeking to complete the Sacraments, please contact the parish office at 723-4990 and ask for Bill Manthe.

FAMILY PROMISE UPDATES!

We have a few items to pass along to everyone. First, we need more people to assist us during our host weeks in serving families. It's very easy "work," so please join us in this corporal work of mercy as we help families with children who are experiencing homelessness. To assist new volunteers, Sam Villeneuve, the interim director of Family Promise, will be having a training session for volunteers on Wednesday, August 22, from 5:30 PM – 7:30 PM at Schreiner Memorial Library. This training is required for new volunteers, but present volunteers are welcome to attend also.

Second, our next host week will be coming up soon. It will be the week of September 9 – 16. Volunteer sign-up forms are in the entrance of the church.

SAINT CLEMENT SCHOOL

HERE COMES A NEW SCHOOL YEAR!!!

As we turn the calendar to August, we realize that the 2018-2019 school year will be here before we know it. With this in mind, here are a few important dates to add to your calendars:

- Monday, August 20, 2018: Registration 10:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m.
Open House 4:00 - 6:00 p.m.
- Tuesday, August 28, 2018: First Day of School
- Monday, September 3, 2018: No School - Labor Day
- Tuesday, September 4, 2018: Public School / Busing Begins

May God richly bless each and every one of our incoming students and their families as we begin another great year at our wonderful Catholic school!!!