St. William

August 15, 2020



Saturday, August 15th

+Anna and Bruce Routh by Elaine Fasbender

Saturday, August 22nd

+Janice McConnell by John Vaski and Catherine



REMEMBER TO REGISTER

Please make sure that you fill out your parish census form either by going to www.superior catholics.org and clicking on "Our Parishes" then "Become a Member & Parish Census" and following the instructions, or by filling out and mailing in the form that was recently sent. If you did not receive a form and would like one, please call the office at 715-394-7919.

ONLINE GIVING



6:00 pm

If you would likee to sign up for OnlineGiving, go to our website https://superiorcatholics.org scroll down, click "Giving" and they click St. William and fill out the form for our parish.

MASS INTENTIONS

Mass intentions are available for anyone who would like to remember a loved one who has passed, the health and welfare of someone in need, or your own private special intention. Please call the office at 715-394-7919 or place an envelope in the collection basket with your intention included. Mass intentions are \$10

Cathedral School 2020–21 Assessment \$6,428.54 Monthly Payment \$535.71

https://superiorcatholics.org



Weekly Contributions August 8, 2020

Adult Envelopes\$	540.00	
Loose\$	10.00	
Online Giving\$	190.00	
Thank you to all of our parishioners who		

have continued to support our parish either online or by mail.

Pray for Their Health and Welfare

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Krista Hudacek Lambert	Mary Kuntz
Julia Dalbec	Patricia Lindquist
Fr. Ron Olson	Erma Harty
Judy Ross	Wendy Johnson
Bill Ross	Carolyn Ward
Francis Hall	Jon Bristol
Maryann Grymala	Carl Schulz

Pray for Those in the Armed Forces

Nathaniel Grymala Nathan Blair

Joe Austin Brandon Anderson

As we transition back to in person Masses, all hymnals and worship aids have been removed from the church. For those who would like to follow along with the worship aid, you can find it in the myParish app. You are encouraged to use your smartphone or tablet during Mass if you would like to follow along.



20th Sunday in Ordinary Time

"It is not right to take the food of the children and throw it to the dogs." She said, "Please, Lord, for even the dogs eat the scraps that fall from the table of their masters." Then Jesus said to her in reply, "O woman, great is your faith! Let it be done for you as you wish." And the woman's daughter was healed from that hour. - Mt 15:26b-28

WEEKLY MEDITATION

One of the things I enjoy whenever I go on vacation is the opportunity to pray at other parishes as a parishioner. I put on a pair of slacks, a button down shirt, and I walk in as a stranger. Nobody knows that I am a priest, and so I have the privilege to see a parish firsthand - like an ordinary visitor.

I find many insights when I walk in. I try to keep my ears and eyes open, observing how people react to one another. Do they smile? Do they go out of their way to welcome? Do they take the time to greet and help one another in their need?

As a stranger in these parishes I am an outsider, unknown without history or recognition. I have no connections to families, businesses, or authority. In other words, hospitality is often the only reason why anyone would speak to me; they have no other practical reason to do so. Sure, they might want a new parishioner, but you can usually distinguish between sincerity and a sales pitch: one comes from the heart, the other goes for the wallet.

When I encounter a welcoming parish, I always take mental notes. What can I bring back to the Cathedral? What actions already affirm what we do? I usually scribble my notes on a piece of paper, saving them for a special opportunity to put them into practice.

Hospitality is a central part of the Christian

life. We reach out to strangers, visitors, and guests, because throughout time people of faith have discovered God's presence whenever they have reached out to others.

The readings today have a common theme. While God has spoken through a particular people (namely Israel), God calls all people - even strangers and foreigners - through faith to prayer and worship. The gift and call to the Jewish people is "irrevocable" as Paul writes today. Yet through this call people have seen the saving power of Christ and responded with life and joy as they welcome family, friends, and strangers to fellowship.

Practically, we live this theme whenever we reach out to one another. When we recognize that God calls all people, we discover that we are part of a vast and rich family - fellow inhabitants on this rock we call planet Earth.

This is why we go out of our way to welcome one another. This is why we take the time to introduce ourselves, greeting and meeting fellow members of a much larger family. Whenever we take the time to reach out to one another, we live out our most basic call - welcoming one another with the hospitality of a people of faith. **Question for Children:** What is your favorite way to talk with Jesus? What words do you use?

Question for Youth: Do you trust that God hears your prayers? Do you believe that your prayer makes a difference?

Question for Adults: When you pray, how do you know that Jesus will really respond?

 Readings for the week of August 16, 2020

 Sunday:
 Is 56:1, 6-7/Ps 67:2-3, 5, 6, 8 [4]/Rom 11:13-15, 29-32/

 Mt 15:21-28
 Monday:
 Ez 24:15-24/Dt 32:18-19, 20, 21 [cf. 18a]/Mt 19:16-22

 Tuesday:
 Ez 28:1-10/Dt 32:26-27ab, 27cd-28, 30, 35cd-36ab [39c]/

 Mt 19:23-30
 Wednesday:
 Ez 34:1-11/Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6 [1]/Mt 20:1-16

 Thursday:
 Ez 36:23-28/Ps 51:12-13, 14-15, 18-19 [Ez 36:25]/Mt 22:1-14

 Friday:
 Ez 37:1-14/Ps 107:2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9 [1]/Mt 22:34-40

 Saturday:
 Ez 43:1-7ab/Ps 85:9ab and 10,11-12,13-14 [cf. 10b]/Mt 23:1-12

 Next
 Sunday:
 Is 22:19-23/Ps 138:1-2, 2-3, 6, 8 [8bc]/Rom 11:33-36/

PART-TIME BOOKKEEPER/DATA ENTRY

Cathedral Parish is looking to hire a part-time bookkeeper. The position offers flexible work hours and will include duties with bookkeeping and data entry. Those interested in inquiring into the position should send a letter to Fr. Andrew at the Cathedral parish office before Friday, August 28th.

SOCIETY OF ST. VINCENT DE PAUL

We Are Grateful for Your Generosity

We continue to be grateful for the generosity of so many who continue to support those in need through the donation of volunteer time and through financial donations. These gifts have allowed us to continue to serve those in need throughout this pandemic. We continue to be unable to accept your donations of goods at this time. Continue to pray for those who we serve, especially that people are able to find permanent housing as we enter into the fall. If you or someone you know is in need please leave a message at 715-398-4039.

CATHEDRAL SCHOOL NEWS

Cathedral Preschool registration is open for the 2020-2021 school year. Cathedral Preschool offers a 3 year

old and a 4 year old program. Cathedral School is also a site for Superior Community Preschool. For more information about any of our preschool programs please contact Kristen Revering at 715-392-2976



YOUTH GROUP

YOUTH GROUP ALERT

How time has flown by and how our activities have been missed! I'd like to direct our Superior Catholic Youth Group members to the NEW Facebook page! Links include the virtual EFC retreat that was held in June, as well as discussion topics. Please join us! Comment, like, and share our link to regroup our Parishes.

https://www.facebook.com/groups/3528530590230 76/?ref=bookmarks

Anyone interested in an upcoming NET Ministries retreat on September 19th? The True Grit (Authentic Masculinity) and Dignified (Authentic Femininity) is being held here within our Cluster. Please let Virginia Kovaleski know if you'd like to attend at <u>vrkovy@gmail.com</u> or 952.300.1671.

And of course, September means Cheese Balls are coming! Look for additional information in the coming bulletins.

The 2020-2021 calendar is being planned - please feel free to forward any suggestions to Virginia for events or activities!

OTHER INFORMATION

LIFE IN THE SPIRIT SEMINAR

The Life in the Spirit Seminar is designed as an introduction or a renewal to a life lived in the power of the Holy Spirit. It provides an opportunity for people to find out more about that life, and to help you in taking the steps of a new relationship with the Lord. The Seminar is structured to offer help in finding a fuller release of the Holy Spirit to live a deeper Christian life.

The first of the 6 sessions is this Monday, August 17th. Anyone is welcome and may register at the door.

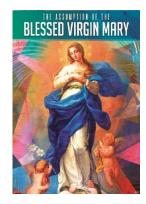
The sessions will be held at Cathedral of Christ the King in Kress Hall. We will be asking for a \$5 per person cover charge for the use of the video's and materials.

To register please call the Cathedral Parish Office 715-392-8511.

Oh God, Let all nations praise you.

WE URGE YOU TO USE OUR PARISH CLUSTER RESOURCES FOR YOUR SPIRITUAL ENRICHMENT:

- Our website for weekly bulletins and undated information: <u>superiorcatholics.org</u>
- Use the myParish app (instructions to download below)
- Online at Formed.org (instructions to download below)
- Facebook pages: Cathedral of Christ the King, Cathedral School, St. Anthony-Superior, Holy Assumption, St. Anthony-Lake Nebagamon, St. William
- Fr. Andrew's daily homilies and presentations: <u>studyprayserve.com</u>
- And for those of you who do not use online resources: read your Bible, pray the Rosary, use the devotionals that were mailed to your home, or read any of the books handed out at Christmas and Easter
- During this time I will be offering a Mass that will be livestreamed on Facebook Tuesday through Friday, at 8:30am and Sundays at 7:30am. It will be shared on all of our parish FB pages, and you will be able to view it any time after 9am.
- Directions for downloading myParish app on a phone or tablet:
- 1. Search myParish on the Google Play or the App Store
- 2. Download the app
- 3. Enter 54880 as the ZIP Code
- 4. Allow all notifications
- Directions for Formed.org
- 1. Go to https://formed.org/
- 2. Click Sign Up
- 3. Click I Belong to a Parish or Organization
- 4. Enter 54880
- 5. Click on Cathedral of Christ the King



A great sign appeared in the sky, a woman clothed with the sun, with the moon under her feet, and on her head a crown of twelve stars Revelation 12





August 16, 2020 Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time (A) Is 56:1, 6–7 Rom 11:13–15, 29–32 Mt 15:21–28



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Insider Versus Outsider

O as nurturing and supportive as community. As nurturing and supportive as communities can be, they can also be exclusive, concerned only with the insiders and marginalizing the outsiders. Today's readings depict something remarkable. We read that foreigners, or outsiders, enjoy hospitality and privilege that one would expect insiders to receive.

The prophet Isaiah states that even foreigners will worship in the temple. This is not a story after conversion to the religion of Israel, but of Israel taking a step toward universality: "My house shall be called / a house of prayer for all peoples" (Isaiah 56:7).

The Gospel story recounts a discussion between Jesus and a Canaanite woman. She was doubly marginalized—as an inferior woman and as a despised Canaanite. Yet, her love for her daughter compelled her to approach Jesus, pleading for help—something a "proper" Jewish woman would never do to a man, nor a Canaanite to a Jew. Many in Israel certainly had a sense of exclusivity, and a disdain for the Canaanites. Those may be evident in Jesus' reply, "I was sent only to the lost sheep of the house of Israel" (Matthew 15:24). But we can be sure that Jesus—God's love in the flesh—didn't share his countrymen's disdain for anyone. The woman, having heard that Jesus was a healer, remains undaunted. She crosses restrictive gender and ethnic lines in her search for help. Jesus finally praises her, not for her love, but for the faith that her love engendered. And she was a Canaanite! —*Sr. Dianne Bergant, CSA*

* What groups are marginalized by our society? How open are you to them?

* How welcoming are you to people who are new to your groups?

FOR Reflection

Dear Padre,

Is it wrong to hope for a miracle? My son has been diagnosed with cancer, and I am praying for one!

When my mother was a teenage girl, she suffered from internal problems. Her mother took her across Detroit to a famous healer, Fr. Solanus Casey. He talked to her, prayed over her, and sent her back home. After that visit, my mother's internal problems disappeared!

As Christians, we believe in miracles. It is the legacy handed to us by the Lord Jesus. Remember that once Jesus had trained his disciples, he sent them out in pairs to cure the sick and drive out demons (Luke 9:1–6). They, like the Lord, became miracle workers. Jesus worked his miracles out of compassion (Luke 7:13). He wanted to show us that our God was a personal God, genuinely kind and loving.



The first step to asking for a miracle is to believe deeply in the power of Jesus. Jesus always demanded that an initial faith be present before he performed a miracle (Matthew 21:22). The miracle would then deepen, strengthen, and stabilize this faith. The second step is to be tireless in your asking. Saint Luke's section on prayer (Luke 11:1–13) promises success for those who keep knocking on God's door. The final step is to accept whatever the Lord gives. Perhaps the Lord has greater plans for your son than you might know or fathom.

The Lord's greatest miracle for us is the Eucharist. Here would be the proper place to lay your request before the Lord!

-Fr. Paul J. Coury, CSsR Sundaybulletin@Liguori.org



A WORD FROM Pope Francis

Jesus shows a particular predilection for those who are wounded in body and in spirit: the poor, the sinners, the possessed, the sick, the marginalized. Thus, he reveals himself as a doctor both of souls and of bodies, the good Samaritan of man. He is the true Savior: Jesus saves, Jesus cures, Jesus heals.

—ANGELUS, FEBRUARY 8, 2015

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Monday

AUGUST 17 Weekday Ez 24:15–24 Mt 19:16–22

Tuesday AUGUST 18 Weekday Ez 28:1–10 Mt 19:23–30

Wednesday AUGUST 19 *Weekday* Ez 34:1–11 Mt 20:1–16

Thursday AUGUST 20 St. Bernard, Abbot and Doctor of the Church Ez 36:23–28 Mt 22:1–14

> Friday AUGUST 21 St. Pius X, Pope Ez 37:1–14 Mt 22:34–40

Saturday AUGUST 22 The Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary Ez 43:1–7ab Mt 23:1–12

Sunday AUGUST 23 Twenty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time Is 22:19–23 Rom 11:33–36 Mt 16:13–20

