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June 23, 2024

12th Sunday in
Ordinary Time

Sunday Masses
10am & 8:00pm

Confessions
Sunday, 7:30pm

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This Week's Happenings

Sunday (6/30):

Mass: 10am & 8pm

EVERYDAY STEWARDSHIP - RECOGNIZE GOD IN YOUR ORDINARY MOMENTS

Waking God

A show of hands, ladies and gentlemen. Have any of you been given the silent treatment and had absolutely no idea why?

On the flipside, have any of you have sworn you're not going to demean yourself by explaining, for the thousandth time, that you need extra help with the kids before soccer practice, or that you feel ignored when your spouse doesn't ask how your day went?

But sadly, love doesn't give you the ability to read minds. And in the end, we learn the lesson again and again, we have to verbalize our feelings, our needs, our wants. Expecting your partner to anticipate your needs is guaranteed to end badly.

It's the same with God, even though, oddly enough, He does have the ability to read minds. But He still desires us to explain ourselves to Him, doesn't He? "I'm feeling scared of this." "I'm really worried about that." "God, I think I need x, y and z. Help me. Please."

Jesus slept on that boat, as it was tossed and turned by the waves, until his disciples woke him. "Why were you sleeping?" they ask. Well, geniuses, he was sleeping because they hadn't woken him up yet. They had wasted time cowering in fear, waiting for him to act. They gave him the silent treatment and they didn't even know it.

God doesn't desire us to verbalize our needs as a way of keeping us submissive. He's not that petty. What He desires is the communication — that's what really counts. That act of opening yourself up, of becoming vulnerable, of relying on Him, trusting Him. If it feels like God is asleep in your life, ask yourself this, have you tried waking Him up?

— Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS

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Parish Prayers

† Jacob Olson
† Carrie Ahrens
† Michael Dale
† Shawn Preisler
† Don Teff, brother of Bonnie Stachowski
† Arleen Boyd, Mother of Glenda Prom
† Parisa
Skip & Pati Rothstein
† Julie Gabrielson
† India Faith Krueger Wasilowski
† Bob Trisko
† Frank Roehl
Nkeiru
Innocent, Chinwe, and their family

Contemplation and our actions in the world (Fr Richard Rohr)

In an article entitled “Prayer and Politics”, Fr Rohr offers the following perspectives:

“When we practice contemplative prayer consistently . . . our [actions in the world] have a chance of being God’s pure healing instead of our impure anger and agenda. . . .”

Contemplation is no fantasy, make-believe, or daydream, but the flowering of patience and steady perseverance. When we look at the world today, we may well ask whether it can be transformed . . . ; but I believe that there is a deep relationship between the inner revolution of prayer and the transformation of social structures and social consciousness. . . . Our hope is that contemplation really can change us and the society we live in by guiding our actions for compassion and justice in the world.”

The full article is available at: <https://cac.org/daily-meditations/prayer-and-politics/>

Turning down the heat in our polarized church and country

In mid-May, Cardinal Robert McElroy (San Diego, CA), Bishop Daniel Flores (Brownsville, TX), and Bishop Robert Barron (Rochester, MN) engaged in a dialogue with one another, sponsored by the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops, on the challenge of polarization in the Church and our society today and the path forward. The conversation . . . [explored] important topics such as the Synod on Synodality, encounter, and where to find hope amid the polarization.

For an article about the dialogue, see: www.americamagazine.org/faith/2024/05/17/usccb-roundtable-polarization-civilize-it-247980

For the video of the dialogue, see: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=izXU2n5Aj0Y&t=167s>

Fr Joe Herzing will be celebrating his 25th Anniversary of Ordination to the Priesthood Sunday August 4

Holy Family Church in Little Falls
Outdoor Mass (tent) is at 1
Reception 2-5

You are welcome to attend! Prayers instead of gifts please!!

Please RSVP for food to Cindy at:

Email: hfoffice@havenofmercycatholic.org

Or Havenofmercycatholic.org (Events)

Or on your cell phone: 320-632-5720 or



July 22-26, 9:00 AM-12:00 PM
For children entering K-5th grade

\$25 per child
Registrations due by July 3 and can be turned into the parish office

VBS Registrations are now available in the Gathering Space.

If you are interested in volunteering to be a group leader or leader assistant, please contact the Holy Spirit Parish office at 320/251-3764.

Vacation Bible School

ONLINE GIVING:

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