

## EUCCHARISTIC CELEBRATIONS

Monday	7/18	NO MASS		
Tuesday	7/19	8:30 AM	SP	+John Jacques
Wednesday	7/20	8:15 AM	SP	Charlie Dunham
Thursday	7/21	8:30 AM	SC	+Brandon Bruzek
Friday	7/22	NO MASS		
Saturday	7/23	5:00 PM	SP	+Bernard Simek
Sunday	7/24	8:30 AM	SC	Williamson Family
		10:00 AM	SP	For Our Parishioners & Guests

### LITURGICAL MINISTERS FOR July 23 & 24, 2022

#### St. Patrick

Extraordinary Ministers	7/23	Bill Weiers
	7/24	Leo & Gloria Jacques
Lector	7/23	Rob Puncochar
	7/24	Chad Sandey
Altar Servers	7/23	Weston & Carolyn Feist
	7/24	Ethan, Scott & Benjamin Luchsinger
Ushers	7/23	Brian Feist
	7/24	Pat Puncochar

#### St. Catherine

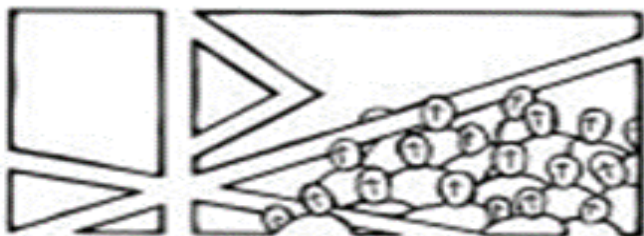
Extraordinary Ministers	7/24	Rosie Nelson
Lector	7/24	Petro Tsarehradsky
Altar Servers	7/24	Volunteer
Ushers	7/24	Dennis Maciej, Kevin Mahowald
Greeters	7/24	Bonnie Theis, Lee Hesse

Bulletin Deadline: Tuesday at noon. (notices can be mailed, emailed or put in the black box on the side of the rectory). Save the money counters time: write your name & amount of donation on your Sunday envelope. Thank you!

#### **WILL YOU PRAY FOR A PRIEST EACH DAY?**

July 17: Fr. Charles Lachowitz, July 18: Fr. Roland Lajoie, July 19: Fr. Nathan Laliberte, July 20: Fr. John Lapensky, July 21: Fr. Thomas Lawler, July 22: Fr. Tan Le, July 23: Fr. Henry Lemoncelli.

**Eternal Father, we lift up to You these and all the priests of the world. Sanctify them. Heal and guide them. Mold them into the likeness and holiness of Your Son, Jesus, the Eternal High Priest. May their lives be pleasing to You. In Jesus name we pray. Amen.**



## FROM THE PASTOR

### Our Greatest Need

Old songs sing of summer as a time of easy living filled with rest and fun. It is a time of vacations and enjoying the outdoors as much as possible; a time to do things that we want to do rather than things we have to do. And yet like so many other things, the old sayings do not seem to reflect life today. If there is one word that seems to characterize so many people's lives it is the word "busy." One set of activities replaces another during the summer so that we are just as busy as we are the rest of the year. We may even feel guilty if we take some time for ourselves. This may come from ourselves or from others. Take the well-known episode from Luke's Gospel when Martha complains to Jesus that Mary is not doing her fair share: "Lord, do you not care that my sister has left me by myself to do the serving? Tell her to help me.' The Lord said to her in reply, 'Martha, Martha, you are anxious and worried about many things. There is need of only one thing'" (Luke 10: 40-42).

He was referring to Himself which Mary had chosen. Mary had stopped her work, sat at His feet and listened to Him speak. This is a model for all of us. We need to remember that the greatest need we have is God's friendship and presence in our lives. We need to hear His voice. We need to know Him as He is, and we will discover that the more we know Him, the more we can love Him. We may be tempted to think that Mary is taking the easy way out, or that she is wasting time, but Our Lord's defense of her shows this is not the case, "Mary has chosen the better part and it will not be taken from her" (Luke 10:42). He is not denigrating Martha's work; He is teaching us that knowing Him is our greatest need. And in order to do this we need to stop, look, and listen. We need to stop being busy all the time, which even includes entertaining ourselves. We need to look at the beauty of His creation, and contemplate His presence in our lives. And we need to listen to His word in the Scriptures and hear the quiet sound of His voice in prayer. This is not a luxury that we should feel guilty about taking. It is a necessity that we cannot leave unfilled.

If we find that we are too busy to go to Mass, to pray, to learn something about our faith, then we are too busy and changes need to be made. First things first. Nothing should ever take precedence over Sunday Mass – not work, recreation or anything else that may present itself as being more important. When we are there give it 100% of our attention, confident that it is the greatest prayer possible, and the closest we can get to God this side of heaven. Next, take time to pray every day, especially the rosary in which we meditate on life of Christ and contemplate His face through the eyes of our Blessed Mother, Mary. If possible, go to daily Mass, which brings



us to God's house, where we hear His word, honor His saints, pray most effectively for our needs and the needs of others, and are strengthened by receiving Him in Holy Communion. And finally, take some time to adore Him in the Blessed Sacrament at adoration or in the tabernacle, or at least speak to Him in silence. When we do so, we are really following the example of Mary who sat at Our Lord's feet and listened to Him speak. We will better understand our lives, our dignity and our purpose; we will come to know God more each day, and we will understand why He is our greatest need.

~Fr. Michael J. Miller

## ST. PATRICK

**CHURCH CLEANING FOR JULY:** Roger & Jackie Pomije, Jack & Amy Puncoschar, Patrick & Kayla Puncoschar, Rob & Jodie Puncoschar, \*Paul & Stephanie Radel, Paul & Rachel Radermacher, Mark & Cheryl Rezac, Mike & Stephanie Rossi, Tim & Susan Rousseau, Donald & Pati Ryan  
Altar Linens: Linda Kreuser

**PRAY THE ROSARY:** Join us to pray the Rosary every Saturday evening at 4:40 PM before the 5:00 PM Mass or Sunday morning at 10:10 AM before the 10:30 AM Mass.

**RAFFLE TICKETS:** Are you needing more raffle tickets to sell? If so, please contact Ron McBroom at 952-758-2408.

**BINGO DONATION REQUEST:** It's that time of year when we are looking for donations for Festival Bingo. Gift cards of any form in \$5 and \$10 denominations are needed and very much appreciated. We will also be doing two \$100 and two \$25 Cover-All games again this year if you would like to do a cash donation. Please call Rena Bjerke at 952-201-4715 with any questions.

**SILENT AUCTION REQUEST:** We are looking for Silent Auction items for our church festival. This is a great opportunity to promote your business, or just give from your heart. Here's some ideas, gift cards, outdoor games, chairs, fire pit, grill, flower planters, wall decor, kid's games..... We are grateful with any donated item :) Please drop them off at our church office or the morning before the festival. If you have any questions, contact Andrea Feist at: afeist@rockhardmn.com or Stacy Langeberg at: sklangeberg@gmail.com.

**CHILDREN'S GAMES:** We are looking for toys for our fun children's games. Toys can be dropped off in the back of church or in the parish office. If you have any questions, please contact either Andrea Lehman at 952-994-9496, Kristin Fliccek at flicckkc@yahoo.com or LaRissa Wagner at 952-457-0381.

**COUNTRY STORE REQUEST:** To make our Festival's Country Store most attractive to our visitors and emphasize effort to sell desirable merchandise, we recommend and share these donation ideas: home-baked goods, snack mixes, cooking seasonings, cookie-in-a-jar mixes, home-grown produce, home-sewn items, plants, home-made items, home-made ornaments, photography, hand-painted items, home-made games, woodworking items of any kind, religious pictures/statues/rosaries, homemade crafts, pottery, painted glasses/vases, homemade bath bombs. \*\*If you have a small or direct sales business and would like to donate items, we welcome those, just no promotional items please. \*\*Schedule a craft day with your kids or girlfriends to make custom items to donate! Any questions, contact Country Store Chairs, LuVerne Verhoeven at 612-619-1891 or Kerri Sticha at 952-486-3277.

**FESTIVAL MASS TIME**— Please note our Festival Mass on Sunday, July 24 will be **10:00 AM** not the normal 10:30 AM Mass time.

**THANK YOU:** A big thank you to all who helped this past week with the bake days.

### Stewardship of Treasure

"Let us give back to God with Grateful Hearts"

Weekly Budget Requirement:	\$ 2,644.00
7/10/22 Collection:	\$ 2,683.76
7/10/22 Capital Improvement:	\$ 100.00



## ST. CATHERINE

**CHURCH CLEANING FOR JULY:** Chuck & Joan Bruzek, Deanna Vochoska

**PRAY THE ROSARY:** The Blessed Mother has stated the Rosary is the most powerful weapon we have against evil. Please join us every Sunday at 7:55 AM before Mass to pray the Rosary together.

### ST. CATHERINE PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL

**MEETING:** Monday, July 25 at 7:00 PM.

### Stewardship of Treasure

"Let us give back to God with Grateful Hearts"

Weekly Budget Requirement:	\$ 1,234.00
7/10/22 Collection:	\$ 1,096.25



## PARISHIONERS CORNER

### PRAY FOR THE SICK AND HOMEBOUND OF OUR

**PARISHES:** Ethel Pieper (Emily Sandey's mom), Baby Rosemary, Brandon Witt, Shelby Perry, Janice Lane, Tom O'Callaghan, James Hesse, Baby Isabel Guidarelli, Sparky Mahowald, Laura Lano, Martha Carr, Brooklyn Prochaska, Bonnie Theis, Maxley Ferguson, Diane Sirek, JoAnn Kenne, Karen Zweber, Andrew Buckman, Daryl Sternitzke, Margo Mauser (sister of Kathy Prochaska), Carol Prochaska, Nicole Wood, Celeste Wilson, Alex Schlink, Pat Scharf, Anikah Schmidt (great granddaughter of Bonnie Theis), Laura Stepka, Evelyn Scheffler, Jennifer Lonergan, John Thomas Byer.

**MONEY COUNTERS:** We are in need of money counters. If interested, please call the parish office at 952-492-6276.

June 25, 2022 A message from Our Lady of Medjugorje:

"Dear children I rejoice with you and thank you for every sacrifice and prayer which you have offered for my intentions. Little children, do not forget that you are important in my plan of salvation of mankind. Return to God and prayer that the Holy Spirit may work in you and through you. Little children, I am with you also in these days when Satan is fighting for war and hatred. Division is strong and evil is at work in man as never before. Thank you for having responded to my call."

## COMMUNITY EVENTS

**GRIEF SUPPORT GROUP:** Griefshare is a 13 week program featuring grief recovery topics. Each week has a short video session topic which includes leader questions and small group discussion. Griefshare starts on Monday, August 1 at St. Wenceslaus Basement. There is a one time \$15 charge for the workbook. For more information or to register call MaryCarol at 952-758-3225 or email at MaryCarol.Wolf@npcatholic.org.