

Week of June 10, 2018

MONDAY

Acts 11:21-26; 13:1-3 * Ps 98:1-6 * Mt 5:1-12

TUESDAY

1 Kgs 17:7-16 * Ps 4:2-5,7-8 * Mt 5:13-16

WEDNESDAY 8:00am Mass

1 Kgs 18:20-39 * Ps 16:1-2,4-5,8,11 * Mt 5:17-19

THURSDAY 8:00am Mass

1 Kgs 18:41-46 * Ps 65:10-13 * Mt 5:20-26

FRIDAY

1 Kgs 19:9,11-16 * Ps 27:7-9,13-14 * Mt 5:27-32

SATURDAY 4:30pm Mass

1 Kgs 19:19-21 * Ps 16:1-2,5,7-10 * Mt 5:33-37

SUNDAY 9:30am Mass (Nursery - NO summer CLOW)

Ez 17:22-24 * Ps 92:2-3,13-16 * 2 Cor 5:6-10 * Mk 4:26-34



Flag Day June 14

Parish Activities

Mon., June 14 6:30pm Commission Meetings
7:30pm Parish Council Meeting

Fall Raffle: Tickets were distributed a week ago to school families. This weekend they are available for pick-up by parishioners. Extra tickets are available in the parish office. The proceeds will be used by the parish for the support of the school. My thanks to Sally Czabala and Mary Ellen Gushow who solicited the gifts and oversaw the printing of the tickets. They have many great prizes. *Fr. Tom*

Help!!! For our Vacation Bible School celebration this year, we need: 50+ brown grocery bags both large and medium size (place them in the containers at the main church entrance).

To borrow (we do not need until July 23 but please call the parish office to let us know you are willing to let us use your items).

5 large blue tarps and 1 medium brown tarp to use on the floors
2 rafts with paddles

Stewardship

Weekly Target: \$11,538.47 * Offering: \$13,826.50
Priests Retirement: \$60.00

Inserted, you will find a flier about a special collection next weekend – appropriately Father's Day weekend. This collection will support the Diocesan Priests' Retirement Fund, which provides not only for priests who are currently retired, but for those younger priests who will retire years from now, after decades in service to the church. Please take time to review the insert and prayerfully consider a gift to this appeal.

CSA: The drive is still open! So far 347 (66% of parish families) have responded. We are now at \$70,917.00 (91% of our \$78,232 target). Hope springs eternal! *Fr. Tom*

Children's G@od Deeds: My Good Deed was...

...helped Dad wash the car and truck.
...hugged Bennett when he fell down.
...help my Grandma & Grandpa plant their flowers.

Baptism

"Before I formed you in the womb, I knew you;
Before you were born, I dedicated you." Jeremiah 1-5

Carson John Meyers

son of Brandi Meyers & Kyler Laird

Wolf's Law: Those who don't study the past will repeat its errors.
Those who do study it will find other ways to err. Charles Wolf Jr.

Education/Formation

Family Talk Time Celebrating Sunday for Catholic Families, Sara McGinnis Lee
What are five qualities that you feel are important for families to have?
▶ **Reflecting on the Word:** Over and over, Jesus' words and deeds call us to consider the oneness of our existence. Reserving the word "brother" or "sister" for only those related to us by blood or marriage fails to recognize the divinity in all that links us in ways we will never fully comprehend. Simply joining together in the will of God connects us in ways far more powerful than genetics. When we recognize this, we are able to build on it and make it stronger, using it for the benefit of all

▶ **Living the Word:** Making a family tree can be a great way to reconnect to your roots. If a family tree already has been put together, spend some time exploring it. If it has not, many online resources can help. Each child can make a simple family tree for themselves. Find a way to include people who are not necessarily connected to you by blood but are a part of your family nonetheless. Talk about how we all have and need a family and what it means to be family to each other.

▶ VBS

Splash Canyon:

God's Promise on Life's Wild Ride

July 30 – August 2 for children in grades K-5th (fall of 2018).

Help is needed from youth in grades 6th-12th.

Registration forms & youth volunteer forms available at the west entrance of the church.

➔ Registrations forms are due by Mon., June 25. ◀

Auburn Area Catholic School

▶ **Thank You!!** It has been a wonderful school year. A huge thank you to everyone who volunteered or donated to AACCS this year. We appreciate you!

▶ **Scrip:** During the summer, Scrip will be available in the parish office M-Th, 8:30am-4pm and Fri, 8:30am-12noon.

▶ **Summer Office Hours** will be 8am-4pm through Wed., June 13. After that, Mrs. Chris & Mrs. Reder will be in throughout the summer to check messages and return phone calls.

➔ Job Openings for Auburn Area Catholic School 2018-19

(1) Kindergarten Teacher (full-time)

(2) 4th & 5th Grade Teacher (full-time)

(3) Kitchen Cook/Manager (approximately 17.5 hrs/week, 9:30-1:00.

A job description is available in the school office)

Send a resume with a letter of interest and 3 letters of recommendation to Jessica Reder, 114 W Midland Rd, Auburn MI 48611.

The Family Circus

by Bil Keane

"Know what? That would make a good book!"

From Father Tom's Desk

10th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sr. Mary McGlone, [Celebration](#)

Teachers of deaf children explain that when a child with a severe hearing impairment closes her eyes, she effectively cuts off all communication from the outside. With a distinct advantage over hearing children who must just pretend they don't see or hear, she can prevent any new information from penetrating her world. She's the miniature image of the scribes of today's Gospel who accused Jesus of wielding diabolical power. They had made their judgment and they would allow nothing – no good works, no life-giving message, no joy – to penetrate their consciousness and modify their opinion. They knew sinful activity when they saw it!

Jesus called that attitude blasphemy against the Holy Spirit. It's an equal opportunity sin, as attractive to entrenched liberals as to their mirror-image, die-hard conservative brothers and sisters. It's a form of idolatry through which we divinize our own opinion or dogma, refusing to allow God or anyone to break through to broaden our vision.

Jesus calls this unforgiveable because people who willingly imprison themselves in an ideology wall themselves off from grace and initiate their own rigor mortis. It's a vicious cycle malady, self-reinforcing because they interpret any question that could give them a key to freedom as a temptation to be rigidly avoided. Jesus' condemnation of that sort of attitude was the harshest critique he spoke in the Gospels. He directed it at people who had so entrapped themselves that they would only go from bad to worse, eventually plotting his crucifixion.

On Being in the Family

Sr. Mary McGlone, [Celebration](#)

The family got as far as the door of the house where Jesus was staying, but instead of going inside, they remained as outsiders and sent a message that they were seeking him. Mark sets this up to show us that they weren't so much seeking Jesus as looking for a way to convince him to get back to normal. They had their idea about who he should be as a member of the family and he was not conforming. The problem they were grappling with is key to the Gospel: Do you accept Jesus on his terms or will you only accept a Messiah who fulfills your expectations?

Jesus responded to his family like representatives of all of Israel awaiting the Christ. He proclaimed that his closest ties were not forged by blood or heritage, nor by formal religious affiliation or nationality. He said his real kin were those who related to God in the same way that he did. They were the people who gave him life and whom he would protect as he would protect his mother, the people whom he could treat as co-heirs with him to everything the Father promised. They shared the real source of life with him.

Where Do You Stand?

[Celebration](#)

Today we are invited to put ourselves in the Gospel scene and decide with whom we would be standing. We might be inside the house listening to Jesus, wondering what it is all about, worried that we will have to take a stand. Some of us might admit that we are at least occasionally trapped with the dogmatic demonizers who say, "Nothing will change my mind." Others might be with the family who just can't believe God would want things to change so much and therefore, are praying that everything can just get back to normal.

No matter which group we identify with, Mark tells us this story to show that Jesus offers us a place in the inner circle. Becoming a part of that circle will demand that we drop all claim to importance based on race, gender, ethnicity, nationality, profession, economic status, etc. We also have to learn to grasp our certainties loosely, willing to let additional revelation upend them and us. When we do that, we will stop resembling the children who try to blot out reality by closing their eyes and covering their ears. Only then will we be able to hear the Lord call us brother, sister, mother, friend.

The Lesson of Genesis

[Celebration](#)

What are we to make of this reading? Why was it chosen to complement today's Gospel about misjudging Jesus? The story tries to explain that sin came into the world as a result of lack of faith in God's word and providence. Eve fell for devious propaganda. The serpent said she could be like a god, cunningly causing her to forget that she had been created in the divine image. The serpent had succeeded in launching the first false advertising campaign in history.

What it said of the fruit was the prehistoric version of televised promises that the right makeup, deodorant or auto will make us attractive or that a particular drug or credit card will give us security. The tale also reveals how buying into such false guarantees breeds shame, then blame and division. Genesis teaches us that once the death-dealing power of the lie has been unleashed, all other evil will follow in its wake.

Paul's Message (2 Corinthians)

[Celebration](#)

This passage turns out to be one more reflection on a core tenet of Paul's faith: Christ's resurrection radically changes everything. Because we are destined to share eternal life with Christ, everything in this life takes its meaning from that. Paul wants us to live toward what we know about our future and to allow that to permeate our present and interpret our past. Not only that, but no suffering or physical diminishment can do anything but enhance our capacity for the glory to come. What Paul is trying to communicate here is the mystery he has come to accept as the meaning of his own life. He believes so much in the goodness God has in store that every moment of life, every relationship, every experience, takes on eternal significance in the light of that future.

"Lord, help me to do your will."



June Wedding Anniversaries

- 60 years or more..... William & Carol Majeske
- 50 years or more..... John & Evelyn Schultz
Jerome & Patricia Knieper
Robert & Patricia Bashaw
Michael & Karen Dziurka
Dale & Diane Hunt
- 40 years or more..... Ralph & Connie Brisbois
Keith & Kathy Charbonneau
Patrick & Anne O'Laughlin
James & Brenda Leland
Harry & Susan Shinkel
- 30 years or more..... Joseph & Linda Czyzewski
Daniel & Michele Wittbrodt
Stephen & Barbara Kaczynski
William & Nancy Ignash
Brian & Melody Raab
James & Christine Sharp
Ed & Dolores Cielinski
Thomas & Joan Holtschlag
(to be continued next week)



We thank you, O God, for the love You have implanted in our hearts. Bless our marriage, O God, with peace and happiness. Amen



AMEN CORNER

Feasibility Study: The deadline for the return of the survey sent to each household is **June 15**. We are hoping for a very large number of returns. With any deadline, of course, it means that anything received after it will not be considered.

Fr. Tom