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MASSES

Saturday 4:30 PM Wednesday 8:00 AM (Not July)
 Sunday 9:30 AM Thursday 8:00 AM (Not July)

WORD & COMMUNION SERVICE

Tuesday 8:00 AM (Labor Day through Memorial Day)

NEW PARISHIONERS

Contact Parish Office for appointment to register.

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Celebrated the 2nd weekend each month. (Please check with parish office for current schedule) Must be active, registered member of parish family. Contact the Parish Office.

SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE

Arrangements should be made by contacting Parish Office at least six months in advance. Must be active, registered member of parish family.

SACRAMENT OF THE SICK

Notify Parish Office of parishioners experiencing serious illness, injury, or hospitalization. Communal Anointing of the Sick is celebrated annually in the Fall.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Available 1st Saturday each month at **11:00 AM** in the Sacristy at St. Gabriel Parish ***Currently Suspended**
***Please call Parish Office for appointment.**

AUBURN AREA CATHOLIC SCHOOL
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WEATHER POLICY

If Bay City Public Schools close due to inclement weather, daytime (8:00 AM – 4:00 PM), parish activities are canceled. Cancellation of evening activities will be announced by 3:00 PM. Closures will be posted on TV: NBC 25, ABC 12, CBS 5.

WEEK OF JUNE 22, 2020

MONDAY

371: 2Kgs 17:5-8, 13-15a, 18 Ps 60:3-5, 12-13 Mt7:1-5

TUESDAY

372:2 Kgs19:9b-11,14-21,31-35a,36 Ps 48:2-4, 10-11 Mt 7:6, 12-14

WEDNESDAY 8 am Mass

587: Is 49:1-6 Ps 139:1b-3, 13-15 Acts 13:22-26 Lk 1:57-66, 80

THURSDAY 8 am Mass

374: 2 Kgs 12:8-17 Ps 79:1b-5, 8-9 Mt 7:21-29

FRIDAY

375: 2 Kgs 25:1-12 Ps 137:1-6 Mt 8:1-4

SATURDAY 4:30 pm Mass

376: Lam 2:2, 10-14, 18-19 Ps 74:1b-7, 20-21 Mt 8:5-17

SUNDAY 9:30 am Mass

97:2 Kgs 4:8-11,14-16a Ps 89:2-3,16-19 Rom 6:3-4,8-11 Mt10:37-42



EDUCATION / FORMATION

Family Talk Time *Celebrating Sunday for Catholic Families*, Sara McGinnis Lee
Do you know God is watching over you? How has God been with you in times of fear, grief or pain? What about the happy, joyful times?

Reflecting on the Word:

Emphasizing God's wisdom Jesus instructs his Apostles on how to live openly in God's love. If God cares for the tiny sparrows, he would care for us even more. No matter is too small for God. We need only to trust in Him.

Living the Word:

We all need reassurance about God's love and care. It is important to demonstrate your belief that your family is precious and cared for by God in your prayer and actions. If there are certain problems, or anxieties that you are struggling with, bring them to God in prayer with your family. Is there something one of your children is struggling with or afraid of? Encourage him or her to ask God for his protection and help. Trust in God's care.

PARISH ACTIVITIES

Now that we have weeks of masses in the record books we would like to make an adjustment to the attendance schedule:

June 27th & 28th - A thru K

July 4th & 5th - L thru Z

Please remember that a mask is required as well as practicing social distancing, 6 feet apart. Thank-you!



Congratulations!

Jack Christopher Grzegorzczuk

son of Bill & Jillian

STEWARDSHIP

Weekly Target: \$10,962 Offering: \$8,173.71

Food Pantry: \$110 Priests Retirement Fund: \$515

Thank you to everyone who has continued to support the parish so generously. It is truly appreciated!

Children Good Deed

...Helping Dad outside...To share & play with my younger neighbor...

... Making a birthday card for my Aunt...Playing with Mom...

...Helping my sister feel better when she got a scrape on her knee...



Liturgy Corner by Rev. Robert E. Brassard

Do you know why......we receive communion the way we do? In

the early church, Mass was celebrated in homes—in the course of meals. The eucharist both as bread and wine was received by everyone with no attending prayers and/or words. With the ability of the Christian community to utilize churches and create places of worship, the immediacy of the meal was lost. Processions of the faithful to receive the eucharist bread and wine became the norm. In the early part of this century Pope Pius X began a series of changes that reached its culmination in the reforms of the second Vatican Council and which now govern our reception of Communion. To begin with, Pope Pius X urged more frequent reception of communion, slowly the rules governing reception and preparation for Communion were eased. The Council began a sweeping reform of our practice. We were to return to the custom of standing for the reception of Communion. Also Communion from the cup was to be reinstated so that everyone and not just the priest could enjoy this privilege of faith and so that we could be more faithful to the words of Christ who commanded us "to eat and drink", the option of receiving Communion in the hand was once again offered to all the members of the church. The ritual we use today offers us an opportunity to feast at the meal of the Lord and to follow his instructions to "eat and drink".

HAPPY FATHER'S DAY

Bless our Dads, that they may find strength as fathers. Let the example of their faith and love shine forth. Grant that we, as their sons and daughters, may honor them always with a spirit of profound respect. Amen!

AUBURN AREA CATHOLIC SCHOOL

Clark Switalski, Principal

Happy Father's Day! I recently took part in a consecration to St Joseph, and I am currently wrapping up another round via face book. This has been an enlightening experience and truly a blessing. I have realized my strengths and weaknesses as a father and hope to make some changes in my life to become a better father. St Joseph was a loving and caring father to Jesus. He made many sacrifices in order to provide a loving home where Jesus was able to grow up and turn into the person God intended him to become.

The Gospel this week talks about how God knows and cherishes you. God loves every one of us and shows it to us on a daily basis. This love comes to us in many forms, but it is always present. When you are sitting on your porch listening to the birds, looking at a double rainbow, watching your 5th grader graduate in a new way, or even driving the car, deep in thought, God is there and helps to show you his immense love for you.

AACS is currently looking for (2) part time aids for the 20-21 school year. These positions are part time from 9 am till 12:45 pm Monday thru Friday. If you are interested or know of someone who is, please send your resume and 3 letters of recommendation to Clark Switalski at cswitalski@aubernac.org. Job descriptions will be furnished upon request.

God Bless

Congratulations to our Graduating Seniors!

Father Tom and the parishioners of St. Gabriel's would like to congratulate all the graduating seniors who attend St Gabriel Parish. We wish you much success in your future endeavors!

Aiden Adcock

Anna Kendzierski

Sam Szilagi

Grace Lance

Bridget Hunsinger

Cade Thompson

David Hadd

Lauren Luptowski

Grace Leaman

Hannah Wojciechowski

Jeff Bouza Jr.





FROM FR. TOM'S DESK

Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time Sr. Mary McGlone, *Celebration*

What is a prophet? A prophet is someone called by God to read the signs of the times in the light of the Gospel. A prophet is someone deeply in touch with contemporary reality, one who is loving and courageous enough to expose what is contrary to the will of God as well as galvanize others to believe in and work to create a Gospel alternative. Now that's a job description set up to antagonize just about everybody.

All those who benefit from the status quo—authorities, clergy, the dominant race, the highly educated, the wealthy, etc.—know that prophets question their privilege which they generally believe they have earned. The privileged among us recognize prophetic words as a threat to our complacency and our comfort.

The second dimension of prophecy is the too often forgotten task of promoting real alternatives. This dimension of the prophetic vocation offers an interpretation of the charge Jesus gives us in today's Gospel: "What I say to you in the darkness, speak in the light." How often do we hear a nearly inaudible voice prod us with some version of those most disturbing questions: "Isn't there another possibility? Does it always have to be this way?" The moment we find ourselves resisting such questions we need to ask ourselves what we fear, what have we allowed to come into our lives and fetter our hopes?

Wavering Trust: (Jeremiah 20) *Celebration*

As we listen to Jeremiah's confession/complaint, we are reminded of just how honest Jewish prayer can be. When the prophet or psalmist feels abandoned or betrayed, politeness and even conventional reverence are overrun by torrents of emotion that leave not one grievance unspoken, not one moan or sigh stifled. These are the prayers of people so intimately involved with God that they can say exactly what they think and feel, knowing God will hear them out. Once Jeremiah has expressed every bit of his sorrow and anger, he then can express his trust in God. As in Psalm 22 which Jesus prayed from the cross, Jeremiah accuses God of abandoning him and mourns the cruelty of his enemies and the betrayal of his friends. But as Psalm 22 moves from despair to hope and faith, Jeremiah ends his prayer with a song of trust that God will rescue him and exact justice in due time.

The Strongest Power: (Romans 5) *Celebration*

Paul is addressing one of the most basic questions of religion: how evil came to be so prevalent in good creation. He looks to the genesis myth, which he probably took literally, and concludes that Adam introduced sin and death into all of creation. From that perspective we can read the Book of Genesis as the first history of sin and its effects, and God's consistent saving response.

Paul mentions sin and death not only because of their power to thwart human thriving, but much more importantly because he is offering the solution. While the problem might appear overwhelming, the gift of God is invincible. Paul believes and proclaims that Christ's life, death and resurrection have transformed reality in such a way that alternative structures have become possible.

Paul understands the Christian community as the alternative to what John calls "the world." No longer bound to Adam's trajectory, those who are open to the grace of God through Jesus are free from death, and thus from anything else that would constrain them.

Imitate the Master: (Matthew 10) *Celebration*

Jesus commissioned the apostles and told them how to travel light and become a part of the communities they were to visit. Then, he immediately warned them about the job: He was sending them out as lambs among the wolves; they would be labeled as minions of the devil. What an introduction to his injunction "Fear no one."

Clearly, the disciples' lack of fear can't be based on external evidence or on naivete'. Jesus sends them out fully aware of what they

are facing. But even more than that, he makes them fully aware of the content of their message. They are being sent to proclaim what they have heard and to do what they have seen. They are to share what has sparked their hopes and deepened their faith. By giving them his mission, Jesus pushes them into the necessary next step of discipleship. It is one thing to stand by and admire what Jesus says and does, it is quite another to say and do the same. But, the reality is that only by taking up the mission can they be disciples. Jesus is not a one-man-show. Anybody who wants to watch from the sidelines will never be more than a spectator. Being part of the dynamic of the coming of the reign of heaven requires active participation

Our Purpose: Deacon Dick Folger, *Celebration*

The American humorist, Mark Twain, famously said: "The only reason why God created man is because he was disappointed with the monkey." Yet, today's Gospel assures us that God loves all of creation; even the smallest of sparrows are in his care. We know that the good Lord didn't create anything without a purpose. Even so, we might have to say that mosquitoes came close to serving no purpose.

As sons and daughters of God, we are called to discover our purpose in life and to acknowledge it before all else. We must forever give glory to the Father who breathes us into life, walks with us in all our days and calls us home at the end of life.

We are not Alone: Heather Nash, *Celebration*

As disciples we need to follow Jesus' example. Jesus knew he was not alone—and neither are we. From the Garden of Gethsemane to his resurrection, God was present there with Jesus. He was there in the words Jesus spoke to those who defended him when he was arrested. God was there comforting Jesus as the crown of thorns pierced his skull and through each snap of the whip and each painful step he took carrying the cross. And after Jesus died, God let the darkness settle before the light was revealed in the resurrection.

Are you standing in the light? Shouting God's praise from the rooftop? Do you acknowledge God when you are in the trenches and the whole world seems to be against you? Do you stand in truth with God as your constant help? Do your words and actions reflect your trust that God will not abandon you, that he is with you through it all? This is what it means to be a disciple.

Our Call: *Celebration*

Today's readings call on us to reconsider our Christian vocation. Each of us was baptized to share in Christ's prophetic ministry. That means we need to stop and ask ourselves if we are willing to step into the space where the way of the world contradicts the Gospel and say, "It doesn't have to be this way." It means we must love our world enough to be part of making it what God created it to be. Accepting the call to prophecy means that, like Jeremiah, we are accepting the role of speaking and acting as renegades for life.

No Fear: Grace Works, Dallas TX

This is the way the Apostle John put it. "There is no fear in love, for perfect love casts out fear" (1 John 4:18). Jesus phased that same thought in our gospel passage today, urging anxious disciples to rest in the Father's love and care. If the smallest of birds, the sparrow, is noticed and cared for by God, how much more are God's children in the center of His Divine care? Jesus says that God even knows the number of hairs on our heads, evoking the image of a loving parent studying every detail of their baby while he or she sleeps. So, sleep well at night, and rise confidently at sunrise, children of God. Fear only God, that is, "hold Him in honor and awe," and you will have no need to fear anyone, or anything else.



"Help me, Lord, calm my fears"

Food Pantry Needs!



During these uncertain times we have seen a steady increase in people needing the services of the food pantry. We hope you can help us with some much needed replenishment!

Spaghetti Sauce/Spaghetti
Pancake Mix/Syrup
Baked Beans
Canned Pasta
Canned Soup
Mashed Potatoes
Mouth Wash

Mac & Cheese
Taco Meals
Shampoo/Conditioner
Hand Soap/Dish Soap
Peanut Butter/Jelly
Laundry Detergent
Cookies/Treats/Snacks

Thank-you for your kind donations!

THANK-YOU so much for the very generous donations of food, clothing and household goods which were dropped off for the Migrant Ministry Program. We delivered our donations this last week and were told we had the largest donation they had received! A BIG thank-you to MacAllister Rentals for generously allowing us the use of the trailer to collect donations in. It was truly appreciated!



PICTORIAL DIRECTORY UPDATE

We have been working diligently on the pictorial directory. However, we are at standstill with the shutdown as Lifetouch has closed per the executive order in their state. Know that we are still in the process and hope that we can have it completed in the near future and then get it into the publisher when they reopen. Thank-you for your patience!

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