

The Pastor's Corner

A STORM WATCH HAS BEEN ISSUED

We all know the drill. Tornado Watch. Perhaps even a Severe Thunderstorm Watch. They both mean essentially the same thing: conditions are favorable for storms to pop up somewhere! Do we have what we need in case they do? Is a plan in place, and are we ready?



The Gospel this weekend tells us about the disciples having a chance encounter with a squall, and likely wish they had a watch of some sort in the first place! They get into a boat with Jesus, they start out onto the sea, and Jesus falls asleep. A squall comes up, and begins to drive up waves against the boat, so much that it starts to fill the boat. The disciples wake Jesus, terrified at the prospect of drowning. Immediately, Jesus commands the waves and they all of a sudden become quiet and still. The storm that the disciples had encountered was no match for Jesus. Even if they had no warning, because Christ was already with them, it was something they made it through!

We often need to remember that simple fact: we all have storms that rise up. In the midst of all of them, though, do we need to understand that we need to have invested in our relationship with Christ? Do we realize we are in a "watch" and need to be ready? Yes, we can call out to Him in the storms, and He will hear us. Yet, things will go so much better for us if we invite Him into our boats (and homes, and souls), even before the storms in life- so that we already have him with us! We need to make time for a relationship with Him: at Mass, in Reconciliation, in the scriptures- and wherever we can find Him. Whether they are our storms or someone else's- let's make sure we have invited Christ on board our boat before the storms in our lives pop up. Don't wait until it is too late- and the storm is already engulfing your boat!

-Fr. Belken

Readings for Next Sunday

**The Thirteenth
Sunday in Ordinary
Time**

June 30, 2024

Wis 1:13-15; 2:23-24

2 Cor 8:7, 9, 13-15

Mk 5:21-43

OUR PARISH PICNIC IS COMING VERY SOON!!

Friday, July 12, 2024, 5-11:30pm

Saturday, July 13, 2024, 3-11:30pm

Join us for "corn hole", the Mr. and Mrs. New Hamburg Contest, our famed dinner, races, booths, and a very good time as a community!

BISHOP RICE'S JUNE PRAYER INTENTION

May the heart of Jesus, in the Most Blessed Sacrament, be praised, adored, and loved with grateful affection, at every moment, in all the tabernacles of the world, even to the end of time. Amen.



THE TWELFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME · JUNE 23, 2024



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12th Sunday in Ordinary Time
June 23-29, 2024
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Mass Schedule

Sat. Jun 22 4PM	Parish Family	Thu. Jun 27 7AM	Anna & Louis Glastetter
Sun. Jun 23 8:30AM	Felix Enderle	Fri. Jun 28 7AM	Wilford Urhahn
Mon. Jun 24 No Mass		Sat. Jun 29 4PM	Parish Family
Tue. Jun 25 6PM	Monica & Vincent Dirnberger	Sun. Jun 30 8:30AM	Paul Stuckey
Wed. Jun 26 7AM	Shelby & Charlene Steger		

SUNDAY: OUR LADY OF FATIMA VISITATION. JUN 23-Jackie Griffith, **JUN 30**-Pat Moore.

SUNDAY COLLECTION:

June 16, 2024: Loose \$250, Envelopes \$3805, Total: \$4055.

TUESDAY, JUNE 25th, ST. DENIS BLOOD DRIVE. In the Parish Center gym from 2PM-6PM.

FRIDAY, JUNE 28th, ADORATION. St. Lawrence Church, 7:30-10:30AM.

FRIDAY, JUNE 28th, CHURCH CLEANING. Chairman: Terri Stuckey

Danny & Belinda Tetley, Ryan & Erica Thomure, Ben & Nikki Urhahn.

DIOCESAN DEVELOPMENT FUND (DDF). As of the 7th week of DDF, 78 families have graciously donated. Thank you so much. We are over 78% of the way toward reaching the goal. To date, our parish has given \$20,015.00 toward our \$23,472.00 goal. We need \$3,457.00 to reach the goal. We have 2 weekends until the established goal of 30 June. We have reached out to the 130 families that have not responded. Please help us reach the goal in the next two weekends so we can wrap up DDF on time this year. We have mailed out a second donation letter to those who have not already turned in the forms.

PASTORAL NOTE: INTRODUCTION OF ALTERNATE PENITENTIAL RITE - Starting in a few weeks, Father would like to introduce an alternate penitential rite from the Roman Missal (occurs at the very beginning of Mass, before the Gloria or opening Collect). The dialogue will go as follows, with congregation saying the bolded parts:

Presider: Have mercy on us O Lord.

R. For we have sinned against you.

Presider: Show us, O Lord, your mercy.

R. And Grant us your salvation.

Presider: May almighty God have mercy on us...

THANK YOU. To everyone who helped in any way with Totus Tuus. Thank you to the students, missionaries Cody, Agatha, Wyatt, Belle, and Father Belken. We thank Johnny and Krista Kluesner for hosting the pool

Lector & Communion Distributor:	Sat. Jun 29 4PM	Pat Moore
Organist/Cantor:	Sat. Jun 29 4PM	Bernice Kern/Jamie Essner
Gift Bearers:	Sat. Jun 29 4PM	Mr./Mrs. Ronald Glastetter
Servers:	Sat. Jun 29 4PM	Luke Benson/Drew Benson/Bennett Essner
Ushers:	Sat. Jun 29 4PM	Orville Enderle/Randy Enderle/Dustin Essner/ Gerard Essner

Lector & Communion Distributor:	Sun. Jun 30 8:30AM	Dorothy Deason
Organist/Cantor:	Sun. Jun 30 8:30AM	Bernice Kern/Kari Bickings
Gift Bearers:	Sun. Jun 30 8:30AM	Mr./Mrs. Michael Glastetter II
Servers:	Sun. Jun 30 8:30AM	Ty Glastetter/Callen Glastetter/Leigha Estes/ Brady James
Ushers:	Sun. Jun 30 8:30AM	Jeff Essner/Tim Essner/Tom Essner/Zachary Essner

party. Thank you to the parents for your support and donation of cookies. Thanks to Edie Pennington for arranging the delicious snacks and meals, even chicken & dumplings one day. Thanks to Jamie Burger for a very generous donation. God was indeed with us.

THANK YOU. To everyone for your kind words and support, cards, gifts, food, and prayers for our brother during his illness and passing. A special thanks to Father Belken and the ladies sodality who prepared the bereavement meal. -Family of Karl J. Westrich

THANK YOU. Heartfelt thanks to our family and friends at St. Lawrence Parish for the comfort you brought us after Leonard's passing. Whether through your prayers, caring words and shared stories, wonderful food and goodies, or taking the time out of your day to pay your respects, you helped lift our spirits in our time of sorrow. We will always remember your kindness. Special thanks to the St. Anne's Sodality for the delicious meal and Father Belken for providing friendship and spiritual guidance. -The family of Leonard Kluesner

ORAN PICNIC. The annual July 4th Picnic will be serving buffet style dinner with roast beef, fried chicken, dressing, and all the trimmings. All you can eat. Adults-\$15, Children 6-12-\$5, and under 6-free. Serving from 11AM-3PM. Carry-outs 11AM-5PM. Come and enjoy the day with us in Oran. Games, music, horseshoes, cornhole, pedal tractor pull, and more. Fireworks at 9:30PM. Sponsored by Knights of Columbus 4311.

MISSION APPEAL. This weekend Fr. Dennis Meyer MS of the Missionaries of Our Lady of La Salette will be doing his Mission Appeal.

ST LAWRENCE CELEBRATION. We are now taking donations for fireworks for the closing ceremony of our St. Lawrence day celebration on August 11th. Please put in an envelope marked "Fireworks" and either drop in the collection plate or the rectory. Thanks in advance.

Please pray for the repose of the soul of Richard Duncan and for his family during this time of loss and sorrow.