



Church of NOTRE DAME



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**SUNDAY
JULY 11
2021**

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

M—TH: 9 am-12 pm & 1-3 pm
Friday—Closed

MASS SCHEDULE

Weekend Masses

Saturday: 4 pm & 6 pm

Sunday: 8 am, 10 am & Noon

Weekday Masses

Monday: 7:30 am

Tuesday: 9:00 am

Wednesday: 7:30 am

Thursday: 5:30 pm

Friday: 9:00 am

Saturday: 9:00 am

PARISH STAFF

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SUMMER OFFICE HOURS

JUNE—AUGUST • MONDAY—THURSDAY 9-12 & 1-3 PM • FRIDAY—CLOSED



15TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Jesus summoned the Twelve and began to send them out two by two and gave them authority over unclean spirits. The Twelve drove out many demons, and they anointed with oil many who were sick and cured them. - Mk 6:7, 13

WEEKLY PRAYER

READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF JULY 11, 2021

- Sunday:** Am 7:12-15/Ps 85:9-10, 11-12, 13-14 [8]/
Eph 1:3-14 or 1:3-10/Mk 6:7-13
- Monday:** Ex 1:8-14, 22/Ps 124:1b-3, 4-6, 7-8 [8a]/Mt 10:34—11:1
- Tuesday:** Ex 2:1-15a/Ps 69:3, 14, 30-31, 33-34 [cf. 33]/Mt 11:20-24
- Wednesday:** Ex 3:1-6, 9-12/Ps 103:1b-2, 3-4, 6-7 [8a]/Mt 11:25-27
- Thursday:** Ex 3:13-20/Ps 105:1 and 5, 8-9, 24-25, 26-27 [8a]/Mt 11:28-30
- Friday:** Ex 11:10—12:14/Ps 116:12-13, 15 and 16bc, 17-18 [13]/
Mt 12:1-8
- Saturday:** Ex 12:37-42/Ps 136:1 and 23-24, 10-12, 13-15/Mt 12:14-21
- Next Sunday:** Jer 23:1-6/Ps 23:1-3, 3-4, 5, 6 [1]/Eph 2:13-18/Mk 6:30-34

OBSERVANCES FOR THE WEEK OF JULY 11, 2021

- Sunday:** 15th Sunday in Ordinary Time
- Tuesday:** St. Henry
- Wednesday:** St. Kateri Tekakwitha, Virgin
- Thursday:** St. Bonaventure, Bishop and Doctor of the Church
- Friday:** Our Lady of Mount Carmel
- Saturday:** BVM
- Next Sunday:** 16th Sunday in Ordinary Time

LIVE THE LITURGY Inspiration for the week

God calls us to bring His Word to all corners of the earth. What does that mean for you and me? We are just simple and humble folks trying to find our way through the Gospel and our world. After all, we are not professional preachers but gentle servants. Jesus summons us to take his message on the road and bring it from the pew to the pavement. We cannot keep the joy of the Gospel to ourselves but must bring it into every aspect of our lives: our families, our schools, our work, our corporations, our politics, our social circles, and our philosophies. We cannot just accept the wisdom of the world as true and conduct our lives as if the Good News is a separate matter. They are one. Jesus never asked his friends to go and construct buildings where people could come to hear the truth. He asked them to go to their homes and meet them one on one, face to face. When the rubber meets the road and the message is challenging, rejection is quite possible. That's the litmus test for whether we're really doing what we have been asked.



ST. KATERI
TEKAKWITHA

JULY 14

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Hear, O
Lord, have
mercy on me;
Lord be
my helper.

— PSALM 30:11 —

WORSHIP & MEDITATION

A MESSAGE OF JOY & HOPE



FIRST READING

The LORD took me from following the flock,
and said to me,
“Go, prophesy to my people Israel.” (Am 12:15)



PSALM

Lord, let us see your kindness, and grant us your
salvation. (Ps 85)



SECOND READING

Blessed be the God and Father of our
Lord Jesus Christ,
who has blessed us in Christ
with every spiritual blessing in the heavens,
as he chose us in him, before the foundation
of the world,
to be holy and without blemish before him.
(Eph 1:3-4)



GOSPEL

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send them out two by two
and gave them authority over unclean spirits.
(Mk 6:7)

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GOSPEL MEDITATION

Encourage Deeper Understanding of Scripture

Maybe the work is best left to the professionals. That's how many people view the preaching of the Gospel. That's the stuff priests, religious, deacons, lay ministers, and other professional Church people do. It has little to do with me. Well, that's not really true. The fact of the matter is that preaching the Gospel has everything to do with you, with all of us who are baptized members of the Body of Christ. Nobody gets off the hook from that job. The question is, however, how do we do it? Well, there's a safe way, which many choose, to preach the Gospel — and the risky way. The safe way pretty much keeps the Gospel in church and around like-minded people. I say my prayers, go to Mass, contribute to the food pantry, tithe, and attend Bible Study. That pretty much covers the bases, right? Wrong.

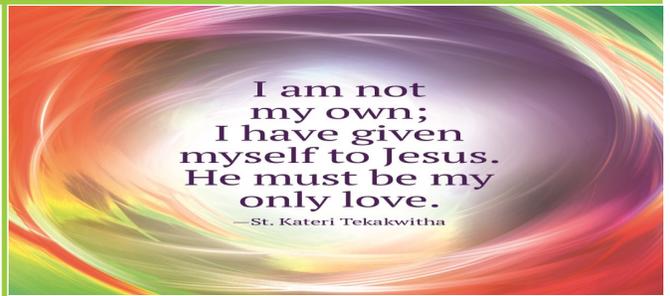
The risky way is the more challenging way and for many, the “road less traveled.” Imagine those first disciples going out and into people's homes. They must have had some amazing conversations with folks about God's kingdom, changing their hearts, forgiving sins, and looking at the world differently. They must have met people who were hurting, exiled from their communities, neglected, lost, or living self-insulated lives in a society that served the rich and neglected the poor. While there were many who welcomed what they had to say and the conversations they had, there were others who no doubt rejected them and literally tossed them out on their ears! The Gospel, while being a message of joy and hope, is not always received well by those who are very comfortable keeping things as they are.

The risky way involves example and conversation. We have to take the Gospel from church and carry it with us wherever we go. What kinds of conversations do we have with others? We interact with those closest to us, in our work, social circles, institutions, corporations, in politics, and beyond. Our conversations with others reveal a great deal about how we see things and what we consider important. If we are really interested in seeing God's vision for the world succeed, then we will talk about it. It will become a part of our everyday conversation and find its way into our interactions with others. How will we preserve the dignity of human life and encourage others to have a relationship with God? We must be the example, live value centered, virtuous lives, stand against injustice, combating racism, and learn ways to resolve conflicts without violence.

If we are going to succeed going forward, we have to find a way to bring our prayer centered lives into the marketplace. Our conversations have to change. Not everyone wants to hear what the Gospel has to say. That's a risk God asks us to take.

MASS INTENTIONS

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| MON 7/12 7 ³⁰ AM | Richard Liszka [Friend] |
| TUES 7/13 9AM | Dick Stigliano [Sewecke Family] |
| WED 7/14 7 ³⁰ AM | Mary Rose Szugye [Jerry & Ginny Viselli Family] |
| THU 7/15 5 ³⁰ PM | Marianne Kovac [Shelly Kovac] |
| FRI 7/16 9AM | Joseph & Mary Benes |
| SAT 7/17 9AM | Andy Frydrych [Murcko & Trepicone Families] |
| SAT 7/17 4PM | Robert Michael Stawaisz [Stawaisz Family] |
| SAT 7/17 6PM | Mass for the People |
| SUN 7/18 8AM | Tony Beiter |
| SUN 7/18 10AM | Skip & Emily Darlington [Kocis Family] |
| SUN 7/18 12PM | Mary Guenther |



PRAYER Line

Keeping those in need in our prayers. If you, a family member or a friend are in need of prayer please call the prayer line with your request.

**Prayer Line,
Kathy Higgins #724-342-7858**

WEEKEND MINISTRY SCHEDULE

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| SAT 7/17 4PM | LECTOR M. Multari | EUCCHARISTIC MIN. J. Miller / A. Scoccia P. Thornburg | ALTAR SERVER S. Multari |
| SAT 7/17 6PM | LECTOR LECTOR NEEDED | EUCCHARISTIC MIN. EUCH. MIN. NEEDED | ALTAR SERVER SERVER NEEDED |
| SUN 7/18 8AM | LECTOR G. Leonard | EUCCHARISTIC MIN. B. Beaulieu / G. Beaulieu J. Trenga / J. Wolinsky | ALTAR SERVER A. Zahniser |
| SUN 7/18 10AM | LECTOR K. O'Brien | EUCCHARISTIC MIN. P. Dinger / B. Moder S. Puhl | ALTAR SERVER SERVER NEEDED |
| SUN 7/18 12PM | LECTOR LECTOR NEEDED | EUCCHARISTIC MIN. R. Fleis | ALTAR SERVER K. Fleis |

*ATTN VOLUNTEERS! PLEASE CHECK-IN WITH FR. ALLEN PRIOR TO MASS



Next Sunday's "Pantry Shower" item is **quart and gallon size storage bags**. The upcoming item will be salad dressings.

Thank you for your care and concern for God's needy.

A FAMILY PERSPECTIVE

Jesus sent out His apostles without a lot of "things" because THINGS distract. We collect, argue about and protect our "things." We even ignore each other because we have "things" to do. What "things" are separating you from your family?

MINISTRY NEEDS

Now that most of the covid restrictions have been lifted and we move back into our somewhat normal setting during Mass, we are in need of more help in all ministries; **Altar Servers, Lectors and Eucharistic Ministers.**

If you are interested in serving in any of these ministries during a Mass time of your choice, please call the parish office 724-981-5566.

Training will be provided.

WE NEED YOU!

Our **Eucharistic Adoration** program is looking for some committed Adorers for the following hours: Monday: 5-6pm, 6-7pm, 9-10pm. Tuesday 1-2pm, 8-9pm. Wednesday: 12-1pm, 2-3pm, 3-4pm, 5-6pm. Also, if you volunteered to be a substitute and have not been contacted lately or you would like to become a substitute, please contact Jo Feeney at 724.699.3340. **Come, spend some quiet time with Jesus.**

MID-WEEK EVENING PRAYER

Join us for this New Virtual Prayer Opportunity!

Looking for a mid-week pick-me-up? Consider joining other Catholic Christians in community prayer.

Please join Deacon Frank Hannah and others each Wednesday from 7:00 PM – 7:30 PM for virtual evening prayer.

Virtual prayer via Zoom. Use the following link to join: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/4586860650>

Who do I contact if I have trouble connecting? Contact Deacon Frank / 724-977-8655 / fhannah@eriercd.org

CHILD PROTECTION AND CREATING SAFE ENVIRONMENTS

Know the Warning Signs of a Predator: Those who abuse children look like everyone else. They don't look like scary people that we should know to avoid. Rather, most abusers are known to the child, such as the parent, sibling, parent's paramour, parent's spouse, other relative or babysitter. One of the most important ways to ensure the safety of children in our environments is to know the warning signs of adults who present a risk of harm to children. Among these signs are when the person (1) always wants to be alone with children in areas where no one can monitor the interactions, (2) allows children to do things their parents would not permit, (3) is always more excited to be with children than with adults, and (4) discourages others from participating in activities involving kids.

For more information and resources visit <https://www.eriercd.org/childprotection/>.

CELEBRATING MARRIED LOVE

Looking for family planning that respects your faith, your marriage, your body *and* that is effective? Couples from around the diocese are learning about a way of life that helps them work with God to grow their families or space children. Find studies verifying Natural Family Planning's (NFP) effectiveness and class schedules at www.eriercd.org/chastity.htm or contact the Diocesan Natural Family Planning Coordinator at 814-512-0818.

Natural Family Planning: Supporting God's Gifts of Love and Life in Marriage is this year's theme for National Natural Family Planning Awareness Week. Join other families in celebrating God's vision for married love on Sunday, July 25th at the 10:30 am Mass at St. Jude Parish with Bishop Persico. Following Mass, all are invited to a picnic luncheon at the Pine Tree Pavilion by Beach 9 at Presque Isle. Drinks and dessert will be provided. More information at www.eriercd.org/awareness-mass.htm.

INTERESTED IN LEARNING ABOUT OUR CATHOLIC FAITH

WHAT IS RCIA?

THE RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION FOR ADULTS

IS RCIA FOR ME? If you answer yes to any of the following questions, then Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults may be for you.

- A non-baptized person?
- Baptized as Catholic but were never confirmed or received Holy Communion?
- Baptized, made First Communion but never had any religious instruction beyond these sacraments?
- Non-Catholic interested in knowing more about the Catholic Faith?

For more information, please call Kathy Higgins at 724-981-5566, ext. 109.

BBQ CHICKEN DINNER

TAKE OUT ONLY

Sunday, July 25

11:30am to 2:00pm

St. Anthony Church

804 Idaho St., Sharon

[use Sherman Ave. entrance]

PRE-ORDERS ONLY

To place an order call:

724-342-2489 or 724-347-2721

Dinner Includes:

1/2 Chicken • Green Beans • Croatian Potato Salad

\$12

Whole Chicken Only

\$10

Haluski

\$4

Croatian Potato Salad

\$4

**Deadline to place an order is Monday, July 19
If you are fully vaccinated masks not required.**

HOLLINESS GROWS SO FAST WHERE THERE IS KINDNESS

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INTERESTED IN WRITING, PHOTOGRAPHY, SOCIAL MEDIA, BEING CREATIVE? WE NEED YOU!

Do you enjoy writing? Is photography one of your hobbies? Are you tech savvy? Do you have a flare for writing captions?

If you can answer YES to ANY of these questions, we'd love to hear from you. The Notre Dame Parish Marketing & Communications Team is seeking help to keep our parish connected and informed. Our Website and Social Media platforms play a key role in keeping our parish family informed. If you'd like to write some public relations stories, photograph some of our celebrations and events, or write some captions/storylines for our parish, we NEED YOU.

As we prepare and encourage our parishioners to return to participation in our parish, it is important to get the word out to our entire congregation. With the increasing number of parishioners participating in Mass in-person, and an increase in parish activities and events, we would love to have more people involved. Are you a high school student with good writing skills? Do you have some experience with digital media? Are you retired and looking for a small way to keep yourself busy and involved? Are you a little tech savvy and active on social media platforms? We can use your help! Send an email with your name and contact information to churchoffice@notredame-pa.org We will contact you to discuss your interests and availability.