

July 19, 2020—16th Sunday of Ordinary Time
 July 26, 2020—17th Sunday of Ordinary Time

St. Mary's Immaculate Conception

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From the Pastor....



On Sunday July 19 at 4:00 p.m. is the Ordination of Deacon Joseph Stefancin to the priesthood. Congratulations Fr. Joe Stefancin. We are glad you are with us.

This bulletin is another “two-fer” covering the weeks of July 19 and July 26.

The first weekend of July 19's is the Sixteenth Week in Ordinary time and in the gospel [Jesus said, “An enemy sowed weeds in a farmer's field. When the farmer saw the weeds growing amid the wheat, he told his workers, ‘Let the two plan] grow together until harvest. Then I will tell the harvest workers to pull up the weeds... and burn them, and then to gather in the wheat and put it in my barn.”

Matthew 13:30

The wheat stands for good people; the weeds stand for evil people. Jesus' parable reminds me that I should not be disturbed to find “weeds” growing amid the wheat in Jesus' Church.

What is/should be my attitude toward the “weeds” growing amid the wheat in the Jesus' Church? (VISION 2000, Mark Link, S.J.)

On Sunday, July 26, we have the Seventeenth Week in Ordinary Time. [Jesus said,] “The kingdom of heaven is like this. A man happens to find a treasure hidden in a field... He goes and sells everything he has, and then goes back and buys that field.” Matthew 13:44

An elderly woman in Scotland was so poor her neighbors had to support her. They were happy to do this, but what bothered some of them was that her son had gone to America and become rich. The mother defending her son, saying, “He writes me every week and always sends me a little picture. See,” she said, “I keep them in my Bible.”

Between the pages of her bible were hundreds of U.S. Bank notes. The woman had a treasure in her Bible, but didn't realize it.

To what extent do I need to rediscover the treasure in my Bible: Jesus Christ?

Christ is not valued at all unless he is valued above all. Saint Augustine

(VISION 2000, Mark Link, S.J.)

COVID19 Cases Rising in our Area

COVID19 cases are increasing in our area. St. Bridget had its first COVID19 death and funeral at the Church. This disease is real and we all need to be careful. I hear our Church members talking about staying home and being careful, as they should. The reality is we all need to be careful and practice social distancing, wear masks—if you are able, stay home if you are ill. There is life to be lived not in fear but in being prudent.

People with underlying health concerns should avoid all crowds and stay at home as hard as that is.

Please contact me if you ever want to just talk or have a visit. I will be honored to do so.

Fr. Jerry Harris

From Deacon Joe Stefancin

Hello everyone. You may have seen me at Mass with Fr. Rich Rhinehart and/or Fr. Jerry Harris our Pastor. I will be ordained in 10 days to the order of the priesthood. As I prepare for the most grace-filled sacrament, I ask for your continued prayers. I personally cannot wait to celebrate the Mass with you as one of your priests and to administer the sacraments to you. If I had to choose one sacrament to administer to you, it would be the sacrament of reconciliation. I would like all of you to feel the love of God as he wipes away your sins, for there is no sin he cannot forgive us for, not one. With this gift of forgiveness, we are all open to what the sacraments have to offer us. During this Coronavirus Pandemic, I pray for a vaccine so that we can meet each other face-to-face and not computer screen to computer screen. May God continue to bless all of us with the grace we need to face the challenges of another day.

Deacon Joe Stefancin.

Fr. Joe Stefancin Ordination and First Mass

Fr. Joe will officially become Fr. Joe this Sunday with his ordination in Superior, Wisconsin.

You can visit Cathedral of Christ the King Facebook page this Sunday, July 19 at 4 p.m.

Fr. Joe's First Mass will be at Holy Rosary in Medford, Wisconsin at 5:30 p.m. Their contact is Holy Rosary Medford Facebook page.

Congratulations Fr. Joe Stefancin. We are proud and praying for you!

Fr. Jerry Harris

Wearing of Masks and Social Distancing at St. Mary's

It was good to be back at St. Mary's in Hammond this past weekend. I noticed not many were wearing masks at Mass. It is becoming clear through the CDC (Center for Disease Control) that one of the simple ways to prevent the spread of COVID19 is to wear a mask. Right now in the Diocese of Superior the following guidelines are in effect:

- Our Church occupancy will be limited to 25% or less. There is overflow in the lower level of the Church with sound and video.
- Social distancing will be maintained.
- Masks will be expected. If you are unable to wear a mask you can still attend Mass. No one will be excluded.
- There will not be a Sign of Peace.
- There will be no congregational singing.
- People who are not feeling well or feel at risk, should NOT come.

Please note that the bishop's dispensation of the obligation to participate in Mass is still in effect.

Thanks for your understanding.

Fr. Jerry Harris

ECUMENICAL RIVER FALLS BOOK DISCUSSION THIS SUMMER!

In response to the current racial justice movement and our baptismal call to "care for others and the world God made, and work for justice and peace," our local ministerium is recommending a joint study and discussion of the book, *White Fragility: Why It's So Hard for White People to Talk about Racism* by Robin DiAngelo. We have made a bulk order of this book from Beacon Press, and copies will be available Tuesday, June 16 for \$12 at the St. Bridget Church office. Each congregation will host their own book discussions between now and August 16. St. Bridget's will start in July. A larger ecumenical conversation is planned for late August or early September to engage in this important work together as siblings in Christ.

Catholic Watchmen

The Catholic Watchmen meet the second Saturday of each month from 7:00 a.m. ending at 8:30 a.m. We begin with a half hour of prayer, move to the parish hall for a timely video and then close with discussion and prayer. There are usually around 20 to 25 men in attendance. All men are welcome to attend even if you are not Catholic. We hope to see you there. Fr. Harris

Saturday Men's Bible Study

The Men's Bibles Study meets on the first and third Saturday of each month from 7:30 to 8:30 a.m. in the parish hall of St. Bridget's. All men are invited to attend. We use "Lectio Divino" in studying the upcoming Sunday's gospel. Sometimes I get a good story for the Sunday homily. Fr. Harris

Thursday Bible Study

With Thursday Mass being at 10 a.m. the Bible study will be at 8:30 a.m. at Church in the lower level of the church.

Save the Dates

St. Mary's Parish Picnic will be held at St. Mary's Church on Sunday, September 13 at 10:00 a.m. with Bishop Jim Powers as the presider.

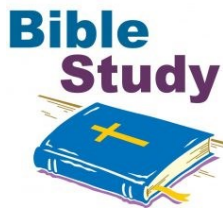
Community Dinner: St. Mary's will be hosting the August 4 Tuesday Community to-go supper. We will be serving chef salad, bread stick and cookie. The supper is held at Gethsemane Lutheran Church in Baldwin. Everyone is invited to drive up to pick up a to-go meal. This free meal is available due to the donations of participating churches.

Volunteers Needed

We are looking for catechists, assistants, and subs. If you are interested in serving in any of these capacities, please reach out to Kelly or Tina via email. kellyveenendaal@smicparish.org or tinabauer@smicparish.org

Prayer Request for Confirmation Classes

Please pray for the young people of St. Mary's Immaculate Conception who are preparing for their Confirmation, that as they are anointed and sealed with the Holy Spirit, they may remember to always share the gifts of the Spirit with others.



Scripture Readings		
www.usccb.org/bible/readings		
Monday, 7/20	Mi 6:1-4, 6-8/Mt 12:38-42	PS 50:5-6, 8-9, 16bc-17, 21 and 23
Tuesday, 7/21	Mi 7:14-15, 18-20/Mt 12:46-50	PS 85:2-4, 5-6, 7-8
Wednesday, 7/22	Sg 3:1-4b or 2 Cor 5:14-17/Jn 20:1-2, 11-18	PS 63:2, 3-4, 5-6, 8-9
Thursday, 7/23	Jer 2:1-3, 7-8, 12-13/Mt 13:10-17	PS 36:6-7ab, 8-9, 10-11
Friday, 7/24	Jer 3:14-17/Mt 13:18-23	Jer 31:10, 11-12abcd, 13
Saturday, 7/25	2 Cor 4:7-15/Mt 20:20-28	PS 126:1bc-2ab, 2cd-3, 4-5, 6
Sunday, 7/26	1 Kgs 3:5, 7-12/Rom 8:28-30/Mt 13:44-52 or 13:44-46	PS 119:57, 72, 76-77, 127-128, 129-130
Monday, 7/27	Jer 13:1-11/Mt 13:31-35	Deuteronomy 32:18-19, 20, 21
Tuesday, 7/28	Jer 14:17-22/Mt 13:36-43	PS 79:8, 9, 11 and 13
Wednesday, 7/29	Jer 15:10, 16-21/Jn 11:19-27 or Lk 10:38-42	PS 59:2-3, 4, 10-11, 17, 18
Thursday, 7/30	Jer 18:1-6/Mt 13:47-53	PS 146:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6ab
Friday, 7/31	Jer 26:1-9/Mt 13:54-58	PS 69:5, 8-10, 14
Saturday, 8/1	Jer 26:11-16, 24/Mt 14:1-12	PS 69:15-16, 30-31, 33-34
Sunday, 8/2	Is 55:1-3/Rom 8:35, 37-39/Mt 14:13-21	PS 145:8-9, 15-16, 17-18

Tithes and Financial (prior week)

Adult Envelopes	\$4,033.00
Loose	\$0.00
Week #43 Budget	\$3,450.00
Week #43 Actual	\$4,033.00
YTD Budget	\$197,710.00
YTD Actual	\$200,381.24
CSA Goal	\$37,819.00
CSA Received	\$9,065.00
Percentage of Goal	24%

PRAYER LIST

PASTORAL MINISTRY

If someone you know becomes hospitalized and would like a visit, please call the church office.

Want someone prayed for, or listed in the bulletin prayer list? Please notify our prayer chain contact, Roxi Wakeen at (715) 698-2622, Text (651) 894-3385 or the church office.

The name of your loved one will be prayed for two months or unless you request it otherwise. You can resubmit your loved ones names at anytime.

Doug Pedrotty	Dominic Pedrotty	Kay Suckow
Donald Anibas	John Will	Bob Weninger
Ken Weiss	Lorraine Miller	Michael Pedrotty
Charlene Bretl	Rebecca Eckman	Heather Jaszczak
David Bazille	Jodi Hurtgen Wagner	Harriet Meath
Janet Gregor	Emma Becker	Carlene Brown

KC Corner

Next Meeting: August 9th at 7:00PM.

Rosary at 6:45.

This meeting will take place at Dennis Malecek residence, 1040 174th St, Hammond. .



Family of the Month for May 2020:

Ron and Cyndi Family
CONGRATULATIONS!!

Election of Officers

Congratulations to Pete Lefeber on his election to the Grand Knight position for 2020-21.

“Thank You” to Dennis Malecek for his leadership, unselfish service, and great enthusiasm during his term as Grand Knight.

We have 3 open officer positions that need volunteers to fill:

- Deputy Grand Knight
- Lecturer
- Outer Guard

If you are interested in one of these positions, please contact Pete Lefeber

New District Deputy

Our new District Deputy is: **Joe Raehsler**

Joe has been a Knight for 24 years and is a member of Bishop Amberg Council in River Falls. Welcome Joe. A heartfelt “Thank You” to Paul Krenik for his many years of service as District Deputy from St Croix Council in Hudson.

Mass Schedule - Immaculate Conception				
Day	Date	Time	In Memory Of	Given By:
TH	7/23	10:00 AM	+ People's mass	
SAT	7/25	7:00 PM	+ David Wood	Mary Lou Wood
SUN	7/26	8:00 AM	+ Kristy Yager	Paula Yager
TH	7/30	10:00 AM	+ Helen Benedict	Helen Donahue Family
SAT	8/1	7:00 PM	+ Corey Hawkins	Helen Donahue Family
SUN	8/2	8:00 AM	+ Mary Feneis	Don & Pat Klein
TH	8/6	10:00 AM	+ Alti Belle Cloutier	Clarisse & Joe Paron
SAT	8/8	7:00 PM	+ Hotka Family	Michael & Mary Hotka
SUN	8/9	8:00 AM	+ Catherine Mary Tomko	Michael & Mary Hotka

Ministry Schedule for the weekends through August 16, 2020				
	Reader	Greeter	Usher	Sacristan
Saturday, 7/25 7:00 PM	Pat Schumacher	Traci Hable Sarah Peissig	Toby Hable Patrick Strand Carol Teigen Scott Teigen	VOLUNTEER NEEDED
Sunday, 7/26 8:00 AM	Megan Hietala	Lisa Evans VOLUNTEER NEEDED	Robert Aune Curtiss Bourget Pete Nusbaum VOLUNTEER NEEDED	Carol Holldorf
Saturday, 8/1 7:00 PM	Brody Peissig	Justin Peissig Sarah Peissig	Terry Korte Joe Kusilek Mark Mikla Austin Nichols	Sharon Young
Sunday, 8/2 8:00 AM	Mary Rumpel	Jennifer Schommer Matt Schommer	Thomas Erdman Allie Rumpel Jim Rumpel Fred Schulte	Phillip VanSomeren
Saturday, 8/8 7:00 PM	Christine Stork	Fred Jourdeans Linda Jourdeans	Toby Hable Patrick Strand Carol Teigen Scott Teigen	Carol Holldorf
Sunday, 8/9 8:00 AM	Pat Schumacher	Martina Halverson Cathie Simmons	Robert Aune Greg Hawkins Maria Jacobson Peter Lohmeier	Pete Nusbaum
Saturday, 8/15 7:00 PM	Carissa Kusilek	Loreen Ranals Nicholas Ranals	Christopher John Mark Mikla Carol Teigen Scott Teigen	Loreen Ranals
Sunday, 8/16 8:00 AM	Dan Kohler	Amy Hueg John Hueg	Curtiss Bourget Thomas Erdman Terry Korte Fred Schulte	Carol Holldorf

Chancery Bulletin - You can view the Chancery bulletin here: <http://www.catholicdos.org/chancery-bulletin>

Ride to Worship - If you are unable to get to mass on Saturday or Sunday, please contact our church office and one of Welcoming Committee members will assist. We will try our best to get you there! Church office - Phone: (715) 796-2244; Email - admin@stmaryshammond.org; Office Hours: T & TH 11:30a.m. - 4:00p.m.

Please call the parish office for all scheduling.

Holy Communion for the Homebound - Call and leave your name and telephone number, and we will arrange a visit at your home by a Minister of Holy Communion.

Anointing of the Sick - First Mass of the quarter (Jan., April, July, & Oct.) at each nursing home and by appointment. Please call the cluster office for a priest to visit your home or hospital room - 715-796-2244.

Sacrament of Reconciliation - Weekly on Sunday from 7:15 AM to 7:30 AM, or anytime by appointment.

Baptisms - A Baptism preparation is to be completed by parents prior to the Baptism of their first child.

Weddings - Weddings are to be scheduled six months prior to the wedding to allow for Marriage Preparation.

Spanish Mass - We have a large Spanish population in the area who are Catholic. To meet their spiritual needs, Mass in Spanish and English will be the second Saturday of the month at the 7:00p.m. at St. Mary's in Hammond. The prayers, readings, and intentions will be in Spanish and English. The Eucharistic Prayer will be in Spanish. We are blessed to have several members of St. Mary's who speak Spanish and will be able to help translate.