July 5th, 2020 - 14th Sunday in Ordinary Time

SAINT MARY'S CATHOLIC CHURCH

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Mass Schedule

Weekdays Tuesday 5:30 pm Wed, Thurs, & Fri 8:30 am

Weekends Saturday 7:00 pm Sunday 9:00 am St. Mary's Church &1:00 pm

Adoration Wed, Thurs & Fri 8:00 - 8:30 am

Confessions Tuesday 5:00 pm Saturday 6:00 pm

Rosary Saturday 6:35 pm Sunday 8:35 am

PASTORAL COUNCIL

Pat Mitchell (Chair) Jeanette Crowley (Secretary) Jerome Senzig, Sandy Madland, Joan Holig-McCormick, & Linda Lochner

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Mass Intentions

Tuesday,	July 7,
5:30 pm	Yvonne Feldman
	By: Lee & Mary Feldmar

Wednesday, July 8, 8:30 am t Jerry Borchers By: Jim & Judy Hall

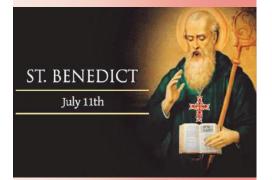
Thursday, July 9, 8:30 am † Carol Ryczek By: Lee & Mary Feldman

Friday, July 10, 8:30 am Paige Sauter By: Angela Dziewior

Saturday, July 11, 7:00 pm + Anira Morrison By: Ken & Mary Jo Engevold

Sunday, 9:00 am July 12, † Miroslav Stefanek, By: Bonnie Stefanek

1:00 pm The Parishioners Mass



<u>Upcoming Events</u>

Park fest Fireworks July 4th: cancelled

Confirmation Holy Hour July 7th at 7:00 pm

St. Mary's Confirmation! July 9th at 7:00 pm

Parish Finance Council Aug 11th at 6:30 pm

Parish Pastoral Council Sept 8th at 6:30 pm



'C'mon, Daddy! It's time to put up the decorations of independence!

Within the Word– Something to Celebrate...

July 4th is the birthday of our great nation - a free nation. Although we're still relatively one of the youngest in the world; we are a very successful, prestigious and strong nation...One of the greatest countries in the world. Not to boast or say we're better, but we're also a very different nation, more so then most. We have many freedoms, many resources and a body of people who embrace the ideas, dreams and believes of one another. We also have 'the' greatest and most powerful military the world has ever known; which globally protects and keeps the peace throughout the world -all built upon our diversity of peoples and beliefs.

As free peoples we respect one another for it (our freedoms), which make us stronger -our differences & diversities are the glue that binds us together. We're a republic of states. It's within our social contract to accept & welcome each others differences. That's not to say that some want revolution, anarchy and change; we will always have people in the world who are different. Some are ill-informed, naïve and obtuse; some people are afraid, bitter and mislead by certain ideals. This too is part of our diversity & uniqueness; and we accept them as well. Even if they clash & exchange violence, we still accept them. We respect all peoples no

matter what. Respect for the individual, goes both ways, regardless of gender, ethnicity or creed.

The United States embraces patriotism. The definition of which is, "the virtue of the vicious." Now that doesn't sound very American but it is. Our revolution, 244 years ago was founded on that viciousness; to repel a tyrannical king who pillaged, burned and marauded our peoples,



for generations; from our first 13 colonies & the western expansion. The continental congress formed & fought back because of that evil; & formed the first words of the Declaration of Independence. These peoples & leaders were God fearing men who knew; that bad things happen when good men do nothing; & so, they fought back, and won the reward that we inherited and still reap to this day.

As American patriots, yes we are vicious! And we hold back violence and war; & promote, equality, justice & peace. BUT, that's not to say we're perfect, complete or foolproof. On the contrary, we know our sins and have so much more work to do. The energy & attitude of our nation is a reflection of all that & then some. There's room for improvement everywhere -with our leaders & ourselves. Our great nation has history -both rich and poor. It comes from years of struggle, sacrifice and sin; years of wars, strife and prosperity. The United States was born from women and men who gave everything; blood, sweat and tears. Our country ascended from ideas and risks, revolts and defection...Our country was born from the cost of many lives-from blood to fortune, from evil & good. It's our heritage.

The United States of America will never fall apart...it will struggle with growing pains, it will improve & adapt to the needs & diversities of it's peoples but it will never fall. It's built upon Divine principles, for both believers and non-believers, because it first adheres to the rights of the human condition. The great majority of which is ingrained in our Constitution; our social contract with one another. These principles & foundations were purposefully laid down by our forefathers. Love, forgiveness, charity, equality and diversity...is what our country is built upon & developed; again that doesn't imply perfection and a utopia. We know we're imperfect; & so it goes without saying our Nation is too -our great & imperfect nation. This 4th of July is special, for many reasons; pray for her, pray for our peoples of the widest variety of nationalities & ethnicities. America is amazing, because it has the greatest diversity of peoples; who're tolerant, open & accepting of all. We're a nation envied by most because we share, value & embrace this diversity. Our county isn't a melting pot for nothing. Diversity is our greatest strength, & it comes from the wealth of peoples that call America home.



Pray for our Confirmandi!

Confirmation's this week! Adoration night is scheduled for Tuesday July 7th at 7 pm. Confirmation night is July 9th, Thursday at 6:30 pm, at St. Mary's. Folks, please pray for our youth:

Erin Cauley Corrin Henry Noah Kratochvil Tyler Locken Meghan Mendez Easton Neve

May God's blessings be upon these youth as they prepare for the beginning of their spiritual journey: each becoming fulling initiated into the Catholic Church. May the Spirit be with them!

Fr. Clayton needs Help getting Security!

Fr. Clayton is looking for donors & helpers with our future security system. Our I.T. tech is beginning installation this week. Reason being, after several incidents on church grounds, it



was a no-brainer that we move forward on it. After 2 years of planning, it's time to protect what we love. We're hoping folks can help & be included. We've received several donations privately. If you'd like to help please contact father, via email or phone for more information. These improvements will help protect our Church, Rectory and parish grounds. TY for your Support!!

Please keep in prayer:

Mildred Blank Jim & Adela Hagen Elizabeth Hall Gloria Kramer Helen & Andy Kwit Mary Claire Marshall Courtney Miller Lucille Ryczek Leo Schneider George & Geri Smith Rosalee Verette Charlotte Rybicki Danny Elmhorst & Fr. Clayton

Wow, Way Too Many Leftovers! LOL

Fr. Clayton's request for leftovers, has now led him to be, "over-eating." His freezer's full, his fridge won't shut and he has more containers then his cupboards can handle. If you'd like to still help fatten up father, Please inquire to the office and we can set up a monthly schedule. Father doesn't want the



love to stop, he just needs time to eat it all. He's overwhelmed with such support and tearfully thankful; AND his waistline has improved! Stay tuned for more info, soon we'll setup a monthly-bi-weekly schedule, so everyone can take a turn feeding Fr. Clayton.

Financial <u>Stewardship</u>

July 2	28th, 2020	
Adult Envelopes		
Student Envelope	s\$5.00	
Offertory	\$628.00	
Votive Candles	\$52.00	
Total	\$2565.00	
Weekly Budget \$2,441.23		
(156 registered families)		
Year-to-date*		

 Budgeted
 \$122,125.73

 Contributed
 \$140,399.88

*Weekend Ministries are postponed until further notice. Stay tuned for next month. TY

The Importance of St. Joseph

St. Joseph protected the Holy Family & we can trust ourselves & nation to St. Joseph at a time when examples of fatherhood and husbandry are so needed. We can ask him to help strengthen our families – as well as the bonds of our "parish family" during a time of hardship. St. Joseph Pray for us!



TIME TO GO TO JOSEPH Year of St. Joseph + May 1, 2020 - May 1, 2021

Floor Project Goal: \$75,000 Total Received: \$67,344.20 Percent of Goal received: 89.79%

Annual Appeal Goal: \$14,380 Total Pledged & Received: \$13,620.00 Percent of Goal pledged: 95.34%

