

July 26th, 2020 - 17th Sunday in Ordinary Time

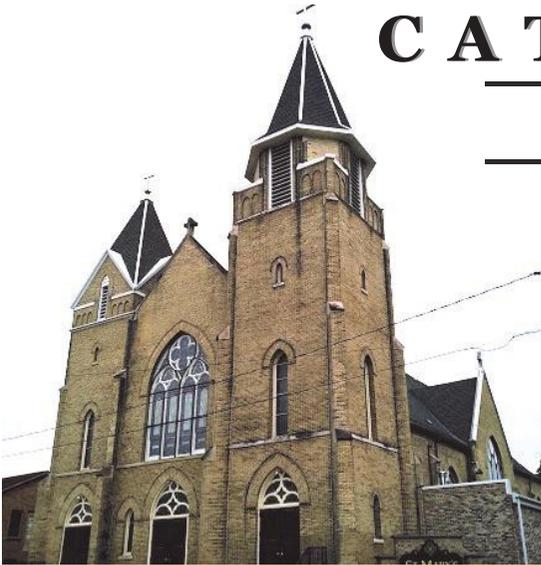
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MASS SCHEDULE

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

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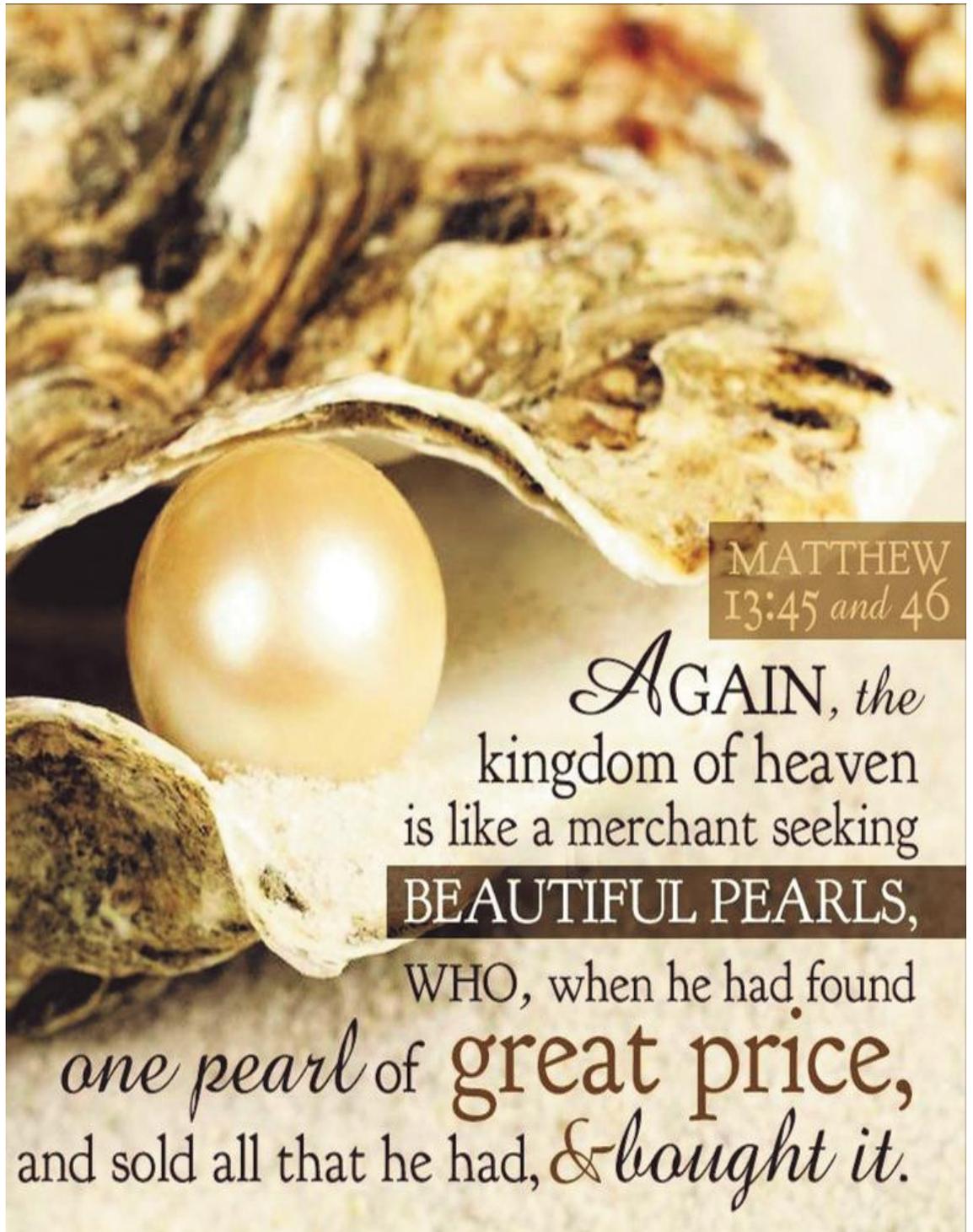
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& Cory Holig



MATTHEW
13:45 and 46

AGAIN, the
kingdom of heaven
is like a merchant seeking
BEAUTIFUL PEARLS,
WHO, when he had found
one pearl of great price,
and sold all that he had, *& bought it.*

“The kingdom is like a treasure buried in a field, which a person finds & hides again, & out of joy sells all that he has & buys that field...”

Mass Intentions

- Tuesday, July 28,**
5:30 pm NO MASS
- Wednesday, July 29,**
8:30 am † Merlin Marshall
By: Rita Hall
- Thursday, July 30,**
8:30 am † Benny Ryczek
By: Mark Rudig
- Friday, July 31,**
8:30 am † Mary Ann O'Donnell
By: Elgie Laeske
- Saturday, August 1,**
7:00 pm † Joseph Cauley
By: Rita Hall
- Sunday, August 2,**
9:00 am † Bethany Brittain
By: Andrea Bires
- 1:00 pm The Parishioners Mass



ST. IGNATIUS
OF LOYOLA

July 31st

Upcoming Events

- Parish Finance Council**
Aug 11th at 6:30 pm
- Assumption of the Blessed Virgin:** not obligatory
Aug 15th at 9:00 am
- St. Mary's Cemetery Mass**
Sept 6th at 9:00 am
- Donut Sunday!**
Sept 6th, after Cemetery Mass
- Parish Pastoral Council**
Sept 8th at 6:30 pm



"Our Father, who art in heaven,
how did You know
my name?"

Within the Word – What to Treasure

Recently this summer, a 50lb treasure chest was found in the Rocky Mountains, by an anonymous finder. The infamous "Forrest Fenn Treasure" was notably found, from a "guy out East," Fenn said. Putting an end to the once, beloved treasure hunt known as the, "The Thrill of the chase." I myself have had fun Googling, playing with the paradoxical clues, and searching for Fenn's treasure. In his poem Fenn had imbedded 9 clues, (Google the poem) and yes, even I, your silly pastor, went out looking in vast Rocky Mountains in search of the 2 million dollar treasure chest. It's believed that over 350,000 people have ventured out into the wild since 2010; many with family and friends, enjoying the outdoors all the while looking for Forest Fenn's treasure -a fun past time.

What I discovered in my many adventures looking for gold and pearls, was that I sort of valued 'certain' things above God. As much as I'd like to admit the opposite, I do enjoy and did enjoy the hunt, more so then the treasure itself. I had found in my quests that I had priorities backwards, and was attached to things of value, along with what's really important in my life.



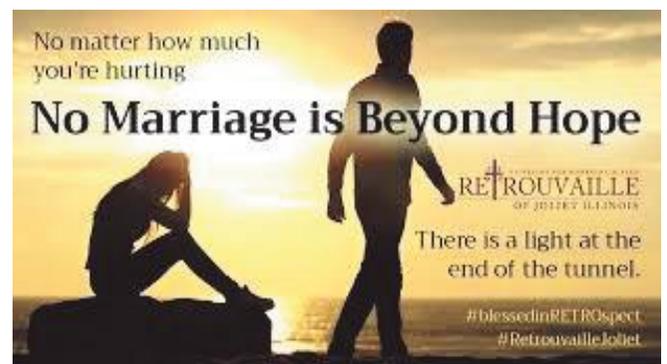
I believe that was the intent of Fenn's treasure hunt, & partly why he went ahead and hid such a cache. People don't value what's truly valuable anymore. The thrill of the chase did many things for many peoples. It helped people find God, get over a breakup or grieve over the loss of a loved one. It was fun for the sake of fun; and there's no greater fun than that. When you search; the treasure hunt becomes many things to many people - it's definitely not only about the treasure; hidden by some crazy old man, (who for kicks & giggles, wanted to watch people squirm for stones & metal). No I'd say Fenn hid the treasure, so they could find a true sense of treasure out there, in the world. Which I did every time I went out. *That's the true meaning of treasure hunting -the things you discover along the way.* Fenn did this to get people out & inspire folks to imagine; to get off the sofa & stop playing video games. His intentions were pure & they were successful. Many people have written books, blogs & YouTube video's of their search, & all the wonders they discovered.. **Friends Jesus is the actual Treasure to Hunt...** I have learned, even though I love puzzles & treasure hunting, that Jesus is the Treasure & Pearl of Great Price. Once I took that in, (it took awhile, sorry Jesus) I didn't care about the treasure anymore. I cared about finding it and solving it, (to satisfy my ego) but I found myself reflecting later on how much I don't do things with family, and/or how I continue to put things off before God; which is the wrong kind of treasure hoarding. Folks, after 4 trips & 3 years of searching, I found something worth more then Forrest Fenn's treasure. I had found the most important Treasures in my life, & I hope you can find it, if you go out & begin the Hunt....Go Treasure Hunting! You might also stumble upon a treasure in a field or The Pearl of Great price!

F. Clayton

Retrouvaille Marriage Help Weekend

August 7-9, 2020 "Our Retrouvaille experience helped us so much to better deal with the problems we were facing." Retrouvaille is a program for married couples that feel disillusionment, coldness or conflict in their marriage. Most don't know how to change the situation or even communicate with their spouse about it. Visit www.HelpOurMarriage.org for this couple's story and online inquiries. For information or to register for the next program in Central Wisconsin, see website or Call (Confidential)

1-877-922-4673.



Where's Father Clayton? Can you find him? He's hiding around here somewhere...and no it's not at the 1 pm mass or baptism... Good luck : P

This bulletin, was created, designed, printed and folded by Fr. Clayton; with love, in his empty office for you. Please share & spread the Word. So God's Word can be Set on Fire!

Please keep in Prayer:

Mildred Blank
 Vinnie Bellock
 Jim & Adela Hagen
 Elizabeth Hall
 Gloria Kramer
 Helen & Andy Kwit
 Mary Claire Marshall
 Courtney Miller
 Tony Oldigs
 Lucille Ryczek
 Charlotte Rybicki
 Leo Schneider
 George & Geri Smith
 Rosalee Verette
 William Zenk
 & all the families who are
 suffering from CoVid-19

Almost Secure...

Fr. Clayton's almost done securing both buildings; he's still praying for donors to help with the parish Security system. The Rectory is currently being worked on and soon the church will be as well. Please contact father, via email or phone for more information. Or if you'd like to help. These improvements will help protect our Church, Rectory & parish grounds. Thanks for the Support!



HOME SECURITY
 Throw on floor before leaving

Financial Stewardship

July 19th, 2020

Adult Envelopes.....	\$2255.00
Student Envelopes.....	\$7.00
Offertory.....	\$764.00
Votive Candles	\$113.00
Total	\$3,149.00

Weekly Budget \$2,548.07

(159 registered families)

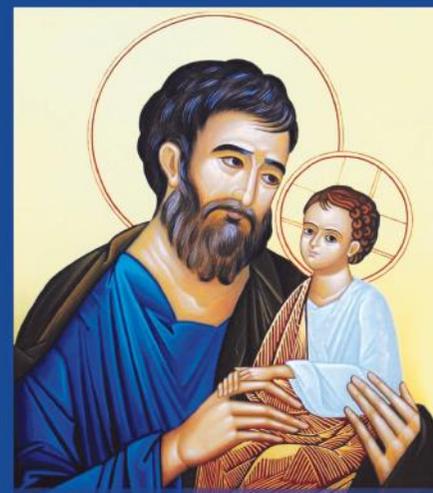
Year-to-date*

Budgeted	\$7,644.21
Contributed	\$8,108.55

***Ministries are still postponed until further notice. Again, stay tuned for next month. TY**

The Fatherhood 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

Congratulation's to Garrett & Dominique Madland!



The Madland family has christened the newest member of their family; and what a treasure she is. Please pray for them and their second child, Loretta Margaret Madland. Cheers to them both, Garrett and Dominique congrats on growing your family. It's really a joy to see. Keep 'em coming guys!!

Want to join the Universal Church? First class is September 20th!

RCIA will meet Sunday after the 9 am Mass, (subject to change if people can't commit to Sundays). We have 2 that signed up. If you're interested in becoming a member of the faithful, please pray & ask Fr. Clayton if you're ready. The Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults is a long standing form of initiation. In order for one to confirm their faith



RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS

in Jesus Christ, one must complete the rite of confirmation. It's always been from the beginning how one enters fully. Please consider joining the faith through the RCIA process.

Floor Project

Goal: \$75,000
 Total Received: \$67,554.20
 Percent of Goal received: 90.07%

Annual Appeal

Goal: \$14,380
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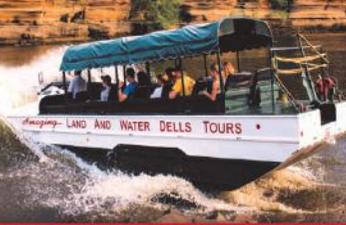
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