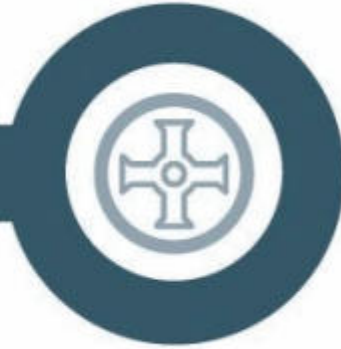




Twenty-eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time
October 11, 2020

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THE BANE AND THE BLESSED



As far as I know, in presidential elections my father always voted for the Republican candidate. I don't know why, and I am not sure my father knew why. I don't recall him ever suggesting that his sons follow his example in the voting booth. But when we asked who he was voting for, he always told us and it was the Republican.

My mother was a Democrat. When she went to the polls she told us, "I am going to cast my ballot and cancel out your father's vote." My mother knew why she was a Democrat. She loved Adlai Stevenson. The sun rose and set on Adlai Stevenson.

In a couple weeks we will again exercise the right and responsibility of voting. The late Congressman John Lewis called voting "an almost sacred act." All his life, and especially when speaking to the young, he called people to recognize that the vote "makes a way where there is no way."

I don't think my parents were that unusual in not having a broad understanding about the Republican or Democratic platforms. I know they were people like countless other Americans who loved their country and wanted it to be the land of the free. And I know each of them entered the voting booth not as Republican or Democrat, or even as a citizen with the nobility that carries. Each of them entered the voting booth as a believing Catholic. And I know that both of them knew what that meant.

The Lord be with you.
Father John Parr

STEWARDSHIP



“The normal human response toward someone who freely shares his or her property with us is a feeling of gratitude. To be sure, God doesn’t need our thanks. However, as human beings, as people of faith, and as disciples of Jesus Christ, we need to

express our gratefulness for the many gifts and blessings we have received.” (Clemens, *Stewardship: A Parish Handbook*)

As Catholics, we believe that God loves us abundantly, gives us gifts of abundant grace, and offers forgiveness without limit. We recognize God’s gifts of time, talent, and treasure. We know that “all that we are” is a gift from God – gifts that we are called to give back with increase because those gifts are not “owned by us” – they belong to God. It is also important that we demonstrate gratitude for the gifts God has given us. We need to set aside time each day to give thanks to God. We must also express our thanks to others, including family members, when they help us out or perform acts of kindness for us. We must develop an attitude of gratefulness so that we may grow in generosity as we realize just how blessed we are.

FOOD BOXES

The Food Pantry will again ask parishioners to provide a Christmas gift for a family in need by filling a box with non-perishable food items. We especially want to include foods that go together to make meals. On **November 7th and 8th**, we will hand out empty boxes after Masses. Food boxes should be **returned to SEAS no later than Monday, November 23rd**. Thank you and God Bless!

For those who like to plan ahead and shop sales, here is a list of some suggested foods:

- Canned chicken, Meats, Tuna
- Beef Stew
- Bear Creek Dried Soup
- Canned Fruit
- Instant Mashed Potatoes
- Rice Sides, Stuffing Mix
- Oatmeal
- Pancake Mix + Syrup
- Hot Cocoa Mix
- Christmas Candy
- Popcorn, Nuts



FOR YOUR MARRIAGE



To help your marriage grow and stay strong, continually show your children (regardless of their ages) a firm and united front in two major areas of life: faith and morals. Your children need to know that they cannot wedge anything between Dad and Mom when it comes to these two areas. Remain solid as a rock in this. Your children need to know that they “cannot pit Mom against Dad, nor Dad against Mom.” It’s impossible. Also, as much as you love your children, do not put them first before your spouse. Your children will actually appreciate that you did this as they grow to be young adults.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS



Thank you to all of the knights and their children who came and helped clean up a 2 mile stretch of Hwy 35 for the Adopt a Highway Program! We do this 4 times a year.

50% off first year membership AVAILABLE

Are you interested in joining Knights of Columbus at SEAS?

There's an online promo code that provides men in our parish an opportunity to receive 50% OFF first-year membership when you join the Order online. That's \$15! This special promotion in honor of Fr. McGivney’s beatification runs through October 30th. To receive this special offer, prospective new members join online at www.kofc.org/join and, when prompted, enter “WIKOFC” into the “Promo Code” field.

To join our council, enter council number 9385.

If you have any questions about Knights of Columbus reach out at to any knights you know or Emil Meindl KC9385@seasholmen.org, 952-204-5146.

PRAYER REQUESTS



- Lorraine Atkinson
- Judy Bockenbauer
- Mike Bruha
- Rebecca Chatfield
- Paul Collins
- Marilyn Cottrell
- William Alan Davis
- Ethan William Doe
- The Donaldson Family
- Sherry Hanson
- June Kukovec
- Angela LaFleur

- Bob Langer
- Deanna Mason
- Ken Proctor
- Cindy Rittman
- Bailey Rohrer
- Mary Roerkohl
- Barry Schaller
- Sascha Stephens
- Phyllis Thaldorf
- Colleen Tisil
- Addison Quinn Usitalo

FAITH FORMATION

Tips for Praying the Rosary with Kids

Start with one decade. Praying the one decade of the rosary should take a little longer than 5 minutes.

Be sure to introduce the mystery in advance; meditate on a different mystery each time, so that you eventually work your way through the mysteries.

Shorten the decades. Say the entire Rosary, but only say three Hail Mary prayers for each decade. This is a good way of introducing your children the order of the mysteries and the rhythm of the entire Rosary.

Set a prayerful mood. Before you begin the Rosary, set the mood with a candle or practicing 30 seconds of silence.

Ignore the kids and pray. If your children act up while you're praying, ignore them as best you can and pray the rosary by yourself. Someday your kids will "grow into" the practice.

Praying the Rosary Together. Take Out. Oct 2020. pg 4&5. Print

Important Faith Formation Dates

Sunday, Oct. 11 - Confirmation students meet in church 6:30pm

Wednesday, Oct. 14 - Grade 9 meet in church 6:30pm

Wednesday, Oct. 21 - Grade 2 meet in church 6:30pm

RCIA

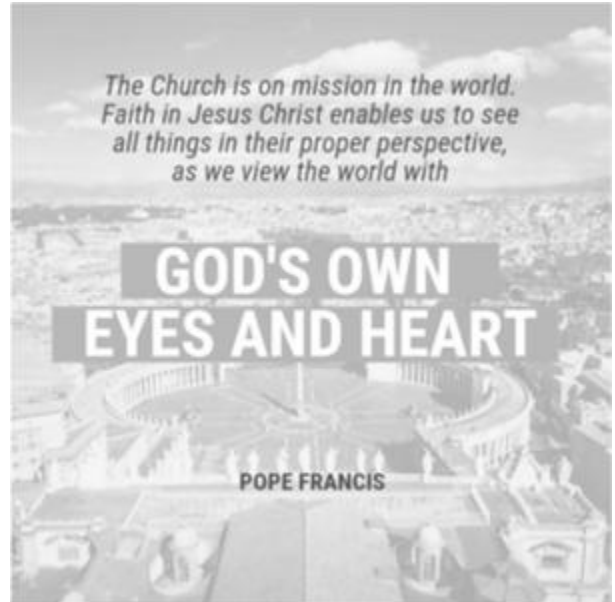
The Church welcomes all adults interested in the Roman Catholic faith. This process of RCIA prepares adults for initiation into the Church through the reception of Baptism, Eucharist and Confirmation.

If you, or someone you know, is interested in knowing more about a Catholic Christian way of life with the possibility of becoming a member of the Church, please contact Fr. John Parr, or Patrick Brueggen at the parish office 608-526-4424. Email: youth@seasholmen.org.



WORLD MISSION SUNDAY

Next weekend we celebrate World Mission Sunday. Pope Francis invites the entire Church to support mission dioceses in Africa, Asia, the Pacific Islands, and parts of Latin America and Europe, where priests, religious and lay leaders serve the world's most vulnerable communities. Please keep the Pope's missions in your prayers and be generous in the envelope found in your monthly packets or place your donation in a plain envelope marked Mission Sunday. May God receive your gift, multiply the good it may accomplish and reward your sacrifice of faith.



BAPTISMS AT SEAS

At this time, Baptism preparation is being completed individually. If you are pregnant, please call now to schedule an appointment to get started. Preparing for Baptism is an opportunity for you to enrich, deepen, and strengthen your Catholic faith – the faith you are asking to have your child brought into at the celebration of their baptism.

If you have already completed baptism class and your child has been born, call now to schedule your child's baptism. All baptisms are currently taking place outside of Mass, generally after the 10:15 am Mass on Sundays. Each baptism is held privately, and we are observing all safety protocol.

PARISH INCOME (FISCAL YEAR 7/1/20-6/30/21)

	Last Week's Collections	Weekly Budget	Difference	Annual Budget
Envelopes/Plate.....	\$6,656	\$11,638	-\$4,982	\$605,176
Fiscal Year-to-Date.....	\$114,217	\$162,932	-\$48,715	

ST. TERESA OF AVILA



On October 15th, we celebrate the feast day of St. Teresa of Avila. Teresa was born in Avila, Spain, March 28, 1515. Early in life when Teresa was 15, her mother died, leaving behind 10 children. On Nov. 2, 1535, she entered the Carmelite Monastery of the Incarnation at Avila. Teresa experienced many struggles

throughout her life, both physically and spiritually. She used her struggles to grow in holiness as she learned to cling to God in life and in prayer. As she helped herself, she also helped others. She became a reformer and continued with God's work throughout her life, although she was often misunderstood, misjudged, and opposed. St. Teresa's writings, especially the *Way of Perfection* and *The Interior Castle*, have helped generations of people grow in holiness, in prayer, and in their faith lives. St. Teresa of Avila died on Oct. 15, 1582. She was canonized on March 22, 1622, and in 1970, Pope St. Paul VI proclaimed St. Teresa as one of the first two woman Doctors of the Church, along with St. Catherine of Siena.

"For prayer is nothing else than being on terms of friendship with God." St. Teresa

"The closer one approaches to God, the simpler one becomes." St. Teresa

Let nothing disturb you,
Let nothing frighten you,
All things are passing away:
God never changes.
Patience obtains all things
Whoever has God lacks nothing;
God alone suffices.

~St. Teresa of Avila

LIFTING THE DISPENSATION

While the other Dioceses in Wisconsin have lifted the Dispensation for the obligation to attend Sunday Mass, Bishop Callahan has decided NOT to reimpose the obligation to attend Mass at this time for the La Crosse Diocese. He encourages all of us to keep holy the Sabbath. If you are unable to attend in person then please keep the day holy through the reading of Scripture, recitation of the Rosary and other spiritual activities. We will keep you posted with any changes to this dispensation.

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MASS SCHEDULE

Weekend: Sat. 5:00 pm and Sun. 8:00 & 10:15 am

Weekday: 8:30am

Office Hours: Mon. - Thurs. 8am-4pm, Fri. 8am - noon

Gluten Free Hosts: St. Elizabeth's has gluten free hosts available.

Please contact Fr. Parr, and he will make the necessary arrangements.

SACRAMENTS

Reconciliation: Saturday 4:00 pm or by appointment.

Baptism: Baptism involves membership in the church. Parents are to attend a session early in the pregnancy.

Marriage: Our church is trying to create successful marriages. This takes some time. Arrangements for a wedding date are to be made at least six months before the anticipated date.

Anointing of the Sick: Individual celebrations upon request.

Please call the office when family members are hospitalized.

Confirmation: Two year preparation program in grades 9 and 10.

PASTORAL VISITATION

Anyone who desires a personal home visit is invited to call the parish office.

CATECHUMENATE

Anyone wishing to become a full member of the Church is invited to visit the parish office.

Parish Council Members

Alyson Haugen

Jennifer Fisk

Brian Clements

Christine Olson

Mary Lenz

Kathy Nicklaus

Bill Heinz

Patty Heiderscheid

Finance Council Members

Larry Warzynski

Janice Dvoracek

Pat Stephens

Shawn Handland

Barry Ploessl

CALENDAR

Sunday, October 11	28th Sunday in Ordinary Time
8:00 am Mass	People of SEAS
10:15 am Mass †	Katherine Lynn Schaller
6:30 pm Confirmation Session in church	
Monday, October 12	Weekday
8:30 am Mass †	Deceased Members of the Knights of Columbus
6:30 pm Pastoral Council	
Tuesday, October 13	Weekday
8:30 am Mass †	Angeline Haug
4:30 pm Finance Council	
Wednesday, October 14	Weekday
8:30 am Mass †	James Hundt
6:30 pm 9th Grade Faith Formation in church	
Thursday, October 15	St. Teresa of Avila
8:30 am Mass †	Ernie Modjeski
Friday, October 16	Weekday
8:30 am Mass †	Ernie Modjeski
Saturday, October 17	St. Ignatius of Antioch
4:00 pm Sacrament of Penance	
	Vigil: 29th Sunday in Ordinary Time
5:00 PM Mass †	Ernie Modjeski
Sunday, October 18	29th Sunday in Ordinary Time
8:00 am Mass †	Susan Schafer
10:15 am Mass	People of SEAS

Thank you for remembering to call in your reservations for Weekend Masses. All three Masses have been quite full the past couple weekends. **If you have "permanent" reservations, please call us if you are NOT going to attend or if the number attending changes so we can give your spot to someone else.** Also, we ARE still in need of Hospitality Ministers for each of the Masses, so please contact Carol Reider if you are willing to serve in this capacity. We cannot have Mass without individuals willing to step up for this most important ministry. Thank you.



HAPPENINGS IN OUR FAITH COMMUNITY



Congratulations to **Briana Hornberg and Travis Elam** as they enter into the Sacrament of Marriage. May they grow in love for the Lord and for each other.

APPEAL KICKOFF



Congratulations to all of our parishioners for helping us to achieve our target last year for the Diocesan Annual Appeal! We are very proud of the stewardship of our parishioners as we realize the sacrifices continually made by our parish members to help support both St. Elizabeth's and the greater church.

It is now time to start our campaign for the 2020-2021 Diocesan Annual Appeal. It is our hope that this coming year we will again reach the target given to us, which is \$86,710. Many ministries depend on funding from the Appeal and are counting on us to pay our share. However, we understand that these are very difficult times for some families. Therefore, we are asking families to prayerfully consider how much you are able to donate this year. If you could increase your donation a bit to make up for those families who cannot donate this year, it would be greatly appreciated. Because of the stress that people are currently under, our "asking" for contributions will be low key this year. IF you can afford to give, THANK YOU for giving. IF not, we certainly understand. Everyone must do what is best for their particular circumstance. We just ask that when you receive information in the mail from the Diocese about the Appeal, please prayerfully consider giving a donation. Always remember, no gift is too small (or too large)... and we greatly appreciate each and every donation received. Thank you and God bless you for continuing to support our parish and the world-wide Church.



Attention Snowbirds: If you are leaving for the winter, could you please inform the parish office about how to handle your mailings/envelopes. If you want to receive by email, make sure we have your correct email. Online giving is available also. Thank you.

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