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*MASSES: SAT EVENING 5:00 P.M.
SUNDAY MORNING 8:00 & 10:30 A.M.
TU, WED, FRI: 8:00 A.M.
MONDAY & THURSDAY: 6:00 P.M.*

ADORATION: FRIDAYS, 8:30 A.M.-8:00 P.M.

*SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION:
FRIDAY 11:30-12:30 P.M.
SATURDAY: 3:45-4:45 P.M.
PASTOR: FR. GARY. L. SIGLER*

*WELCOME! WE EXTEND OUR HANDS AND HEARTS TO ALL WHO CELEBRATE WITH US, WHETHER LONGTIME RESIDENT OR
NEWLY ARRIVED IN THE PARISH. WE THANK GOD THAT YOU ARE WITH US.*



June 28, 2020

Acolytes

5:00 p.m. No servers at this time

8:00 a.m.

10:30 a.m.

Lectors

5:00 p.m. Kevin Rupp

8:00 a.m. John Herrmann

10:30 a.m. Mike McClain

Eucharistic Ministers

5:00 p.m. Carol Shepherd, Joe Call

8:00 a.m. Roxy Herrmann, Melissa Fearnow

10:30 a.m. Ingrid McClain, Laura Rumschlag

Ministers of Hospitality

5:00 p.m. Vance Reed, Andy Herber

8:00 a.m. Steve Schmitt, Matt Beery

10:30 a.m. Volunteers

Religious Education Teachers needed!

In the 21st Gospel of John, verses 15-19 we read about the exchange of Jesus and Peter regarding how much Jesus is loved and His instruction to tend and feed His sheep. Today you are being given the opportunity to show how much you love Jesus by helping to tend His little sheep by teaching them.

We are in need of a 4th grade and seventh grade teacher, along with one or two more assistants.

Please prayerfully consider joining our outstanding team of Catechists in making sure the students in these two grades have the opportunity to grow in their faith. As you prayerfully consider doing this for you parish and the students, please remember that God perfects the called and does not call the perfect.

All inquiries can be directed to Anita at anitasenesac@yahoo.com or 260-312-6836. Thank you and may God Bless!

June 21, 2020 Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Jer 20:10-13 Rom 5:12-15

Gospel—Mt 10:26-33

5:00 p.m. Jerry Zorger

8:00 a.m.: Ed Peters

10:30 a.m.: Jane Goble

June 22, 2020 Monday: Weekday

2 Kgs 17:5-8,13-15a,18 Ps 60:3-5, 12-13

Gospel—Mt 7:1-5

6:00 p.m. Justin Hinen

June 23, 2020 Tuesday: Weekday

2 Kgs 19:9b-11,14-21,31-35a,36 Ps s48:2-3,10-11

Gospel— Mt 7:6,12-14

8:00 a.m. Jim Brady

June 24, 2020 Wednesday: Nativity of St. John the Baptist

Is 49:1-6 Acts 13:22-26

Gospel—Lk 1:57-66,80

8:00 a.m. Ray & Rose Fearnow

June 25, 2020 Thursday: Weekday

2 Kgs 24:8-17 Ps 79:1b-5,8-9

Gospel: Mt Mt 7:21-29

6:00 p.m. Joan & Carl Baerman

June 26, 2020 Friday: Weekday

2 Kgs 25:1-12 Ps 137:1-6

Gospel—Mt 8:1-4

Confession: 11:30-12:30

8:00 a.m. Stanley Miller

Adoration: Adoration will resume on

Friday, July 10th from 8:30 a.m.-7:00 p.m.

The Most Holy Sacrament, when exposed, must never be left unattended even for the briefest space of time.

Please sign up in the narthex. We are hoping to keep the hours from 8:30-7:00 p.m. We can only do this if we have someone for each hour of adoration.

June 28, 2020 Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

2 Kgs 4:8-11,14-16a Rom 6:3-4,8-11

Gospel—Mt 10:37-42

Saturday Confessions: 3:45.- 4:45 p.m.

Confessions will be by Our Lady of Guadalupe Shrine in the corner.

5:00 p.m. Jerry Zorger

8:00 a.m. Trent Mowrey

10:30 a.m. Parishioners

June 21, 2020

Jeremiah 20:10-13

*My persecutors will stumble, they will not triumph.
(Jeremiah 20:11)*

Jeremiah was not having a good week. He had been arrested, beaten, and thrown into prison. Then, having been released, he pronounces an oracle of destruction against Jerusalem and offers a bitter prayer accusing the Lord of “seducing” him into this dangerous ministry (Jeremiah 20:7). And he prays for the chance to see his enemies’ downfall—and to savor it (20:12)!

Today’s reading is not what Jesus had in mind when he said, “Love your enemies, and pray for those that persecute you” (Matthew 5:44). We have only to think of Jesus’ words of forgiveness on the cross to see how he really wants his people to respond to persecution and enmity.

It’s comforting to know that even a great prophet like Jeremiah had bad days. It gives us some perspective on our own lives. Who among us hasn’t wished vengeance on someone who has hurt us? We know we shouldn’t, we know it’s wrong, but sometimes we find it very hard to resist the pull toward resentment and revenge.

The truth is, change takes time, and we have to keep working at it. We have to keep checking our thoughts, examining our motives, and holding our tongues until we develop the virtues that mirror Jesus’ perfect, unconditional love. We also have to keep pressing in to stay close to the Lord so that his love continues to shape our hearts.

But remember this: you are not alone! You are part of a Church filled with saints, both famous and obscure, who show that change is possible. You also have friends you can turn to for support when you need it. And most important—and most reassuring—you have the Holy Spirit, who is always ready to remind you of Jesus’ love and to give you his grace and encouragement.

Jeremiah had far more good days than bad days because he never gave up. Neither should we.

“Lord, teach me how to love everyone, even the people who are making my life difficult.”

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Congratulations, Fr. Gary, on your 41 years



of service to the priesthood and also on your much deserved retirement. You brought the message of God’s word alive through your inspiring sermons, your dedication to our church, and your desire to be an example of Jesus’ love to others!

You have our sincere appreciation for your dedicated service. You are a blessing to this congregation and you will be missed, but we are happy that you can relax and enjoy the next chapter in your life.

~The Parish Staff~

Please stop in at the Community Center after all the Masses this weekend for light refreshments to wish Father Gary well in his retirement. Masks will be required please.

RIGHT TO LIFE

Public Debate: Elective Abortion is a Moral Wrong

With Seth Drayer or Created Equal and Erin Fogg, Candidate for Allen Co. Council
When: **July 10th, 6pm**
Where: **University of Saint Francis**, North Campus Auditorium, 2702 Spring St, Fort Wayne, IN
Visit www.ichooselife.org or call 260-471-1849 for more details.

Life Defenders Training

When: **July 10-11**
Where: **University of Saint Francis**, 2701 Spring St, Fort Wayne, IN
What: This overnight event, open to high school and college-aged students, equips young people to speak confidently and graciously to the most pressing moral issue of our time - abortion. Join Training Educators Scott Klusendorf, Seth Drayer and Mike Spencer will teach you how to make a persuasive case for life in the marketplace of ideas. They offer engaging content that will impact you and equip you to go forth and defend the pro-life view. Visit www.ichooselife.org or call 260-471-1849 for more information.

At the present time we are to use a minimal number of Ministers for our Masses beginning on the 23rd. We will only need two ministers until we open up for more attendance. We will not be using servers or offering the cup for now. The Diocese does not want us to hand out bulletins, so the ushers will only have to assist with pew by pew dismissal at the end of Mass. If you are not comfortable about attending Mass at this time and do not wish to serve, please let me know by way of email saintpaulchurch@embargmail.com or call and leave a message. Thank you all for your help.

July 2020 MINISTER SCHEDULE

Lector	Eucharistic Minister	Acolytes	Min. of Hospitality
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Sat. July 5

5:00 p.m.

Melanie Bechtold

Anita Kelley

Danielle Smethers

Sam Bechtold

Chris Bechtold

Sun. July 6

8:00 a.m.

Chris Morgan

Jeremy Swonger

Melinda Woll

Tony Crowe

Bonnie Crowe

Sun. July 6

10:30 a.m.

Stephanie Hamilton

Tonia Weigold

Brandi Duncan

Volunteers

Lector

Eucharistic Minister

Acolytes

Min. of Hospitality

Sat. July 11

5:00 p.m.

Tom Andreas

Leanna Andreas

Joe Call

Vance Reed

Dillon Reed

Sun. July 12

8:00 a.m.

Kevin Rupp

Melissa Fearnow

Sara St. Clair

Steve Schmitt

Matt Beery

Sun. July 12

10:30 a.m.

John Gilles

Kristen Straub

Scott Smith

Volunteers

Lector

Eucharistic Minister

Acolytes

Min. of Hospitality

Sat. July 18

5:00 p.m.

Riza Crump

Andrew Herber

Chris Bechtold

Rob Muratori

Vance Reed

Sun. July 19

8:00 a.m.

John Herrmann

Roxy Herrmann

Jeremy Swonger

Mike Sands

Bruce VandeZande

Sun. July 19

10:30 a.m.

Stephanie Hamilton

Pat Zickgraf

Kristen Zickgraf

Volunteers

Lector

Eucharistic Minister

Acolytes

Min. of Hospitality

Sat July 25

5:00 p.m.

Melanie Bechtold

Janelle Schmitt

Joe Call

Vance Reed

Dillon Reed

Sun. July 26

8:00 a.m.

Erin Shidler

Melinda Woll

Melissa Fearnow

Matt Beery

Dave Leininger

Sun. July 26

10:30 a.m.

Mike McClain

Ingrid McClain

Laura Rumschlag

Volunteers