

August 4 – Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

“THUS WILL IT BE FOR ALL WHO STORE UP TREASURE FOR THEMSELVES BUT ARE NOT RICH IN WHAT MATTERS TO GOD.”



Life does not consist in an abundance of possessions.

Luke 12:15, NIV

*If I owned every shirt in the mall
but did not clothe the naked,
if I gulped tasty wines
but didn't give a cup of cold water,
if I took time to rake in money
but did not spread love,
then what would I be?*

Christ, what is it that matters to you?

*Make me want that
more than anything else.*

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ABUNDANCE IN CHRIST

"Keep your eyes on the main chance" is advice for gamblers and followers of Jesus! The pessimists who say, "All is vanity," the rich man in today's Gospel, and we need to follow that simple rule. Living in the presence of God is truly the only security necessary; all the rest will be filled in later and better. Paul tells us to think about the life we have hidden with Christ and how we will be revealed in all our glory with him. "There is only the Christ: He is everything and in all." He is our main chance of holiness!

PRAAYER SERVICES

Wed., Aug. 7	7:45 AM	Morning Prayer
Fri., Aug. 9	7:45 AM	Morning Prayer

MASS INTENTIONS

Sat., Aug. 3	4 PM	Myrna Kohlman
Sun., Aug. 4	10 AM	Dale Tunny
Sat., Aug. 10	4 PM	Richard Wagner
Sun., Aug. 11	10 AM	Gary Stier

LITURGICAL MINISTERS

Saturday – August 10 at 4:00 PM

Greeters: Gene and Jenny Moorman
Mark and Rosie Lunsford

Server: Kara Merkel

Cantor: Scott Simon

Lectors: Elizabeth Hermes, Teha Merkel

Euch. Ministers: Janet Wagner, Katy Schmidt
Bill Deller, Janet Deller

Sunday – August 11 at 10:00 AM

Greeters: Mark Wagner

George and Mary Bultman

Servers: Logan Cobler, Machaela Cobler

Cantors: Gene and Patty Simon

Lectors: Julie Stephens, Doug Stier

Euch. Ministers: Paige Simon, Blake Simon
Cindy Weisenbach, Vicki Wagner

PARISH SUPPORT

Adult Envelopes	\$2139.00
Children's Envelopes	\$ 21.72
Loose Collection	<u>\$ 224.00</u>
Total Regular Collection	\$2384.72

\$3,193.00 needed weekly to meet budget.

Special Collections	\$946.00
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+ Capital Improvement - \$946.00

God Bless You!

"Life is monotonous if it has no goal or purpose. When we do not know why we are here or where we are going, then life is full of frustrations and unhappiness. When there is no goal or overall purpose, people generally concentrate on motion. Instead of working toward an ideal, they keep changing the ideal and calling it 'progress.'" ~ Fulton Sheen

STEWARDSHIP – Jesus is describing God’s immeasurable generosity when He says in today’s Gospel, “Whoever asks, receives; whoever seeks, finds; whoever knocks, is admitted.” But it should also be the description of us as Christian stewards – those seeking to follow Christ by using our gifts in service to others.

SANCTUARY LIGHT – The sanctuary light will burn August 4 through 11 for Floyd and Erma Harlemert.

BLOOD PRESSURE – You can get your blood pressure checked this weekend in the St. Anne Room following the Masses. Courtney Wagner and Vicki Wagner will be there to assist you.

COMMUNITY BLOOD DRIVE – St. Maurice Parish is hosting a Community Blood Drive on Tuesday, August 6, from 12:30 until 6:00 PM. Donors may schedule an appointment online at www.hoxworth.org/groups/napoleon, or call Arlene (812-852-4394).

RAFFLE PRIZES – As you may have read in a previous bulletin, after completing the raffle survey, the decision was made to continue the fall raffle at least for another year.

Therefore, we are collecting prizes during this month of August for our Fall Raffle. If you would like to donate a prize **by August 31**, please let us know by emailing Sister Shirley at srsgerth@hotmail.com, or by texting her at 812-621-7420. You can also inform Jack Ferkinhoff at 765-309-4769, or John Glick at 812-900-1503. Thank you, and may God continue to bestow His blessings upon this parish.

UPCOMING EVENTS – *Sunday, August 4, 8:30 AM* – Board of Education meeting.

Thursday, August 22, 7:00 PM – Parish Council meeting.

Tuesday, August 29, 7:00 PM – Finance meeting.

Sunday, September 15, 5:00 PM – **Annual Parish Celebration.**

FOUND – Thanks to prayers to St. Anthony, the new insert pan and lid from one of our new roasters has been found!

PARISH LIBRARY – Two new sets of DVDs were placed in the library this past week: “**Gratitude: Seeing as Gift**” and “**Where is God in the Thick of Suffering?**” We discontinued signing out all materials. Simply take them home and then return them after using the materials. The library will be open before and after the Masses.

RCIA – If you know of a relative or friend who may be interested in studying the Catholic faith, please encourage them to call Sister Shirley. Classes for the Rite of Christian Initiation usually begin at the end of September.

THE LORD’S LAUGHTER – After Joy Voss of Richmond, VA, picked up her 4-year-old daughter, Chara, at her Christian nursery school, the following conversation took place:

Chara: “I can’t wait to see God.”

Mom: “What do you think He looks like?”

Chara: “Well, he has a yellow cape, and a bald head... but not completely bald. He has a little hair on the sides. He has blue eyes.”

Mom: “How old do you think He is?”

Chara: “Hm... not that old. Not as old as you. How old are you?”

Mom: “47.”

Chara: “Definitely not that old. He’s probably just 5. That’s a good number.” (via Bill and Carolyn Burns, St. Michael Lutheran Church, Portage, MI)

