

August 5 – Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time



**"FOOD THAT
ENDURES TO
eternal life."**
JOHN 6:27, ESV

"I Will Rain Down Bread from Heaven."

"The thing the church needs most today is the ability to heal wounds and to warm the hearts of the faithful; it needs nearness, proximity. I see the church as a field hospital after battle. It is useless to ask a seriously injured person if he has high cholesterol and about the level of his blood sugars! You have to heal his wounds. Then we can talk about everything else. Heal the wounds, heal the wounds...And you have to start from the ground up." ~ Pope Francis

Today's readings show us that God truly does start from the ground up. God met the Israelites' need for food in the desert. Jesus met the crowds' need for food in Galilee. Only then did Jesus offer them the true food, the bread from heaven that was His very self.

God uses us, the Body of Christ, the church, to do as Jesus did, to meet the physical needs of the people of God in whatever way is needed. After that we can begin to offer them the true bread from heaven that God provides, a living relationship with Jesus Christ.

(Karen Seaborn)

SET YOUR FAITH ON FIRE

+ An acquaintance who is satisfied with what she has (want what you have, not have what you want) and lives simply so that others can simply live, feeds the fire of my faith.

+ Setting my faith on fire happens when I am sharing life events with family and friends or when I am sharing a Scripture passage with someone.

+ My faith is set on fire each time the little children happily place their envelopes in the collection.

PRAYER SERVICES

Wed., August 8 7:45 AM NO Morning Prayer
Fri., August 10 7:45 AM NO Morning Prayer

MASS INTENTIONS

Sat., Aug. 4 4 PM Myrna Kohlman
Sun., Aug. 5 10 AM Helen Ogden Haven
Sat., Aug. 11 4 PM Richard Wagner
Sun., Aug. 12 10 AM Art Simon

LITURGICAL MINISTERS

Saturday – August 11 at 4:00 PM

Greeters: Ken and Terry Harmeyer
John and Linda Wagner
Servers: Cloey Simon, Kayla Simon
Cantors: Joe Wagner, Sarah Wenning
Lectors: Elizabeth Hermes, Jack Ferkinhoff
Euch. Ministers: Amanda Sutton, Bill Deller
Roseann Wirth, Janet Deller

Sunday – August 12 at 10:00 AM

Greeters: Steve and Ann Wagner - *back*
Mark and Lorrie Gilland - *back*
Matt and Leslie Hicks - *side*
Servers: Logan Cobler, Machaela Cobler
Cantor: Scott Simon
Lectors: David Hardesty, Sharon Miller
Euch. Ministers: Amy Kinker, Leslie Hicks
Amanda Schutte, Paige Simon

PARISH SUPPORT

Adult Envelopes	\$2295.00
Children's Envelopes	\$ 7.47
Loose Collection	\$ 228.00
Total Regular Collection	\$2530.47
Capital Improvement	\$250.00

Our God is Good!

"There is only one thing in the world that is definitely and absolutely your own, and that is your will. Health, power, possessions, and honor can all be snatched from you, but your will is irrevocably your own, even in hell. Hence, nothing really matters in life, except what you do with your will." ~ Fulton Sheen

STEWARDSHIP – The crowd in today's Gospel demanded a sign from Jesus. May our faithful stewardship be a sign to others that we, like the Ephesians in the second reading, have laid aside our former way of life and acquired a "fresh, spiritual way of thinking" in Christ.

SANCTUARY LIGHT – The sanctuary light will burn August 5 through August 12 for Myrna Kohlman.

WELCOME TO THE PARISH – We welcome **Jerry and Debbie Potts** to the parish and wish them many happy years among us.

BLOOD PRESSURE – You can get your blood pressure checked this weekend in the St. Anne Room following the Masses.

BLOOD DRIVE – St. Maurice is sponsoring a Community Blood Drive in the parish hall on Tuesday, August 7th, from 12:30 until 6:00 PM. You can schedule an appointment online at www.hoxworth.org/groups/napoleon. Call Arlene (812-852-4394) or Hoxworth (800-830-1091) for more information.

BOARD OF EDUCATION – Members of the Board of Education will meet next Sunday, August 12, 8:30 AM.

FEAST OF THE ASSUMPTION – The Feast of the Assumption is on Wednesday, August 15. There will be one Mass for all three parishes that evening at 6:00 PM at Immaculate Conception, Millhousesen.

RCIA – Classes for the study of the Catholic Faith will begin at the end of September. These classes are for anyone interested in learning more about their faith or for those who are thinking of joining the faith.

CELEBRATION – It has been almost one year since we began our theme of "**Set Your Faith on Fire.**" On Sunday, September 23, 5:30 - 8:00 PM, the Feast of St Maurice, we will celebrate the closing of this theme with a meal, sing-a-long and a procession into church for a brief introduction of our new theme for 2018-2019.

BISHOPS' CALL TO PRAYER – Each Friday, August 3 - September 28, answer the U.S. bishops' call to education, fasting and prayer for the legal protection of human life. Join the movement at www.usccb.org/pray.

FALL RAFFLE – The schedule for the 2018 Fall Raffle is as follows:

August 17 - All donations for prizes must be completed.

August 31 - All material needs to go to the printer.

September 15 - Tickets will be given to parishioners.

November 4 - Tickets returned.

November 10 - Smorgasbord and drawing of prizes.

Call John Glick (317-697-0491), Jack Ferkinhoff (812-852-4635), or the Office (812-852-4237) for donating prizes. Thank you.

THE LORD'S LAUGHTER – *Joyful Noiseletter* consulting editor George Goldtrap of Ormond-by-the-Sea, FL, recalls that during his college years preaching in rural churches in middle Tennessee, he assisted at many outdoor baptisms ("Immersion" in the Churches of Christ).

At one baptism, when the preacher raised a believer from the waters of a local creek, the wet convert shouted, "I seen the Holy Spirit! I seen the Holy Spirit – right there under water!"

The preacher answered, "Why that weren't nothin' but a big ol' mud turtle. I seen that myself."

SUNDAY REFLECTION

Wrinkle creams and energy bars are modern-day evidence that we want to live forever. The idea of a fountain of youth has appeared in history for thousands of years. Legend tells us that in the 16th century, Spanish explorer Ponce de Leon searched for the "fountain of youth" in what would eventually become St. Augustine, Florida. How nice if there really were a spring that could restore the youth!

In today's Gospel, Jesus says, "Whoever comes to me will never hunger, and whoever believes in me will never thirst." In him, we find the real fountain of youth because his bread from heaven and his living water will provide eternal life for us. (Deacon Dick Folger)