

July 25 ~ Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time



Jesus went up on the mountain,
and there he sat down with his disciples.

The large crowd was coming to him.
They were hungry for his words
and to get some food.

There was a boy with five loaves and two fish.

The mysterious and plentiful power of God,
who uses what we have.

They ate more than their fill,
And so much was left over.

Lord, please take the gifts of our lives,
bless them, grow them, make them holy.

Let us use them to care for this needy world.

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POPE: ELDERLY ARE NEEDED – Writing to his peers, Pope Francis told older Catholics that God is close to them and still has plans for their lives. “I was called to become the bishop of Rome when I had reached, so to speak, retirement age, and thought I would not be doing anything new,” said the pope, who is 84 now and was elected when he was 76.



“The Lord is always – always – close to us... You know the Lord is eternal; he never, ever goes into retirement,” the pope wrote in his message for the Catholic Church’s first celebration of the World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly.

“Think about it: what is our vocation today, at our age? To preserve our roots, to pass on the faith to the young and to care for the little ones,” Francis wrote. “Never forget this.”

SANCTUARY LIGHT

July 25 – Sister Shirley
August 1 – Andrew Niese
August 8 – Debbie Cox

MASS INTENTIONS

July 17 – Otto Walke
July 18 – Ron and Trudy Bauerle
July 24 – Lucille Simon
July 25 – Gary Stier

LITURGICAL MINISTERS

Saturday – July 31 at 4:00 PM

Lector: Jack Ferkinhoff
Eucharist Minister: Judy Steuri

Sunday – August 1 at 10:00 AM

Lectors: Amy Kinker, Arlene Gehl
Eucharist Minister: Dana Newhart

Saturday – August 7 at 4:00 PM

Lector: Judy Steuri
Eucharist Minister: Terry Harmeyer

Sunday – August 8 at 10:00 AM

Lectors: Donna Harlemert, Julie Stephens
Eucharist Minister: Leslie Hicks

PARISH SUPPORT

Adult Collection	\$3001.00
Loose Collection	\$ 332.00
Total Collection	\$3333.00
Capital Improvement	\$380.00

**THE LORD BLESS YOU AND KEEP YOU AND
GIVE YOU PEACE!**



Chaste Guardian of Virgins and Pillar of Families
Due to his chastity and vocation, Joseph has further been entrusted to continue his mission of guarding the pure ones of God and of the integrity of the family. This power flows through him now as a reward of his perfect fidelity. All religious and families should have recourse to this most powerful intercessor.

REST IN PEACE – St. Maurice parishioners extend sympathy to the family of Walter Hermesch, especially to Kim, Ann, and Elizabeth Hermesch. His Mass of Resurrection was celebrated on Friday, July 23. May he now join the company of all the saints in their song of praise to God! May Walter also intercede before the throne of God on our behalf.

DONUTS AND COFFEE – They have returned – those donuts and coffee. Come to the parish hall on Sunday, August 1, following the morning Mass. Enjoy fresh donuts with others.

BLOOD DRIVE – Our summer Community Blood Drive is scheduled for Tuesday, August 3, from noon until 6:00 PM. Appointments are strongly encouraged and can be set up online at www.hoxworth.org/groups/napoleon, or call Arlene Gehl at 812-852-4394.

CATECHIST – A catechist is needed for Religious Ed, Grade 7. If you can help in any way, please see or call Joyce Muckerheide, 812-363-5929.

BLOOD PRESSURE – You can get your blood pressure check next weekend in the St. Anne Room following the Masses. Roseann Wirth and Amy Prentice will be there to assist you.

CHURCH CLEANING – Committee #8 with Amber Siebert as chairlady will be cleaning the church for the month of August. We thank you for your service to the parish.

PRAYER – Lord, you are the bread that satisfies hungry hearts. Remove the selfishness from my heart, that I may be generous to people in need. (From *Faithful Meditations for Every Day in Ordinary Time*, Rev. Warren J. Savage and Mary Ann McSweeney)

PARISH PICK POCKETS – Do you remember the Parish Pick Pocket Project? It occurred one weekend and then was stopped because of COVID. Elementary kids (AKA Pick Pockets) collect pocket change before and after Mass. Greenbacks are also accepted. The money collected will go into our Capital Improvement Fund as we continue to replace money used for the tuckpointing project and look forward to other projects in the future. Our children are anxious to hold their buckets once again! **They will be at the entrances of church the weekend of July 31 – August 1.** Thanks.

PRAYER FOR THE FIRST WORLD DAY FOR GRANDPARENTS AND THE ELDERLY

I thank you, Lord, for the comfort of Your presence: even in times of loneliness, You are my hope and my confidence, You have been my rock and my fortress since my youth!

I thank You for having given me a family and for having blessed me with a long life. I thank You for moments of joy and difficulty, for the dreams that have already come true in my life and for those that are still ahead of me. I thank You for this time of renewed fruitfulness to which You call me.

Increase, O Lord, my faith, make me a channel of your peace, teach me to embrace those who suffer more than me, to never stop dreaming and to tell of your wonders to new generations.

Protect and guide Pope Francis and the Church, that the light of the Gospel might reach the ends of the earth. Send Your Spirit, O Lord, to renew the world, that the storm of the pandemic might be calmed, the poor consoled and wars ended.

Sustain me in weakness and help me to live to the full in each moment that You give me, in the certainty that you are with me every day, even until the end of the age. Amen.



A BLESSED GRANDPARENT DAY TO YOU!

ST. MAURICE AUCTION

SEPTEMBER 11, 10:00 AM, IN THE PARISH HALL

Your help is needed! If possible, please donate one or more items (new or antique) to this auction. Call Leslie Hicks, Jack Ferkinhoff, or Mary Bultman with any questions or concerns. All items are needed by August 7th.

July 2021

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
27	28	29	30	1	2	3
						Hall Rented
4	5	6	7	8	9	10
Independence Day   14 th Sunday in Ordinary Time	Independence Day (observed) Bishop Brute Days	Bishop Brute Days	Bishop Brute Days & Bishop Brute Days Jr.	St. Nicholas Rummage Sale (8:00-6:00)	Hall Rented St. Nicholas Rummage Sale (8:00-6:00)	Hall Rented St. Nicholas Rummage Sale (8:00-3:00)
11	12	13	14	15	16	17
15 th Sunday in Ordinary Time St. Lawrence Festival (11:00-5:30)	Liturgy Meeting (7:00 PM)					St. John Dover Festival (5:00 – Midnight)
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
Parish Pitch-In (4:00 PM)		St. Nicholas Eucharistic Healing Service (7:00 PM)	Faith Formation Meeting (6:30 PM)			St. Martin Yorkville Festival (5:00-Midnight)
25	26	27	28	29	30	31
World Day of Prayer for Grandparents and the Elderly	Feast of Saints Joachim and Anne					
					BLOOD DRIVE ON AUGUST 3	