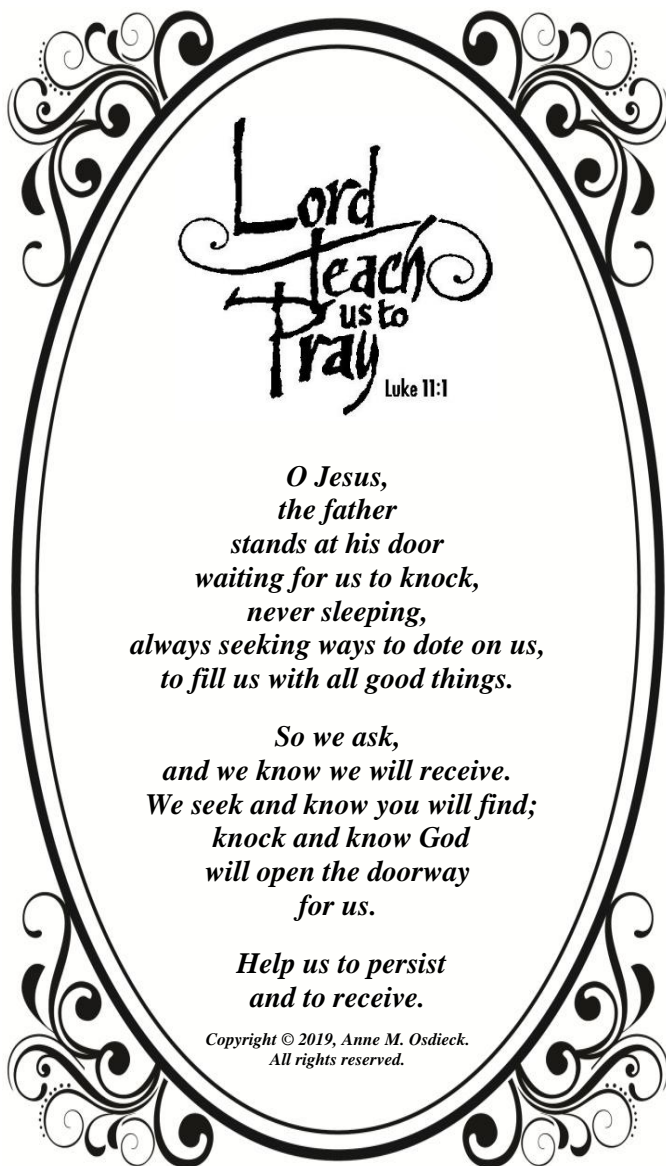


July 28 – Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time



THE CHRISTIAN WAY IS DIFFERENT

The Christian way is different: harder, and easier. Christ says “Give me All. I don’t want so much of your time and so much of your money and so much of your work: I want You. I have not come to torment your natural self, but to kill it. No half-measures are any good. I don’t want to cut off a branch here and a branch there, I want to have the whole tree down. I don’t want to drill the tooth, or crown it, or stop it, but to have it out. Hand over the whole natural self, all the desires which you think innocent as well as the ones you think wicked—the whole outfit. I will give you a new self instead. In fact, I will give you Myself: my own will shall become yours.” – C.S. Lewis

PRAAYER SERVICES

Wed., July 31	7:45 AM	Morning Prayer
Fri., Aug. 2	7:45 AM	Morning Prayer

MASS INTENTIONS

Sat., July 27	4 PM	Phil Wittich
Sun., July 28	10 AM	Ruth Gehl
Sat., Aug. 3	4 PM	Myrna Kohlman
Sun., Aug. 4	10 AM	Dale Tunny

LITURGICAL MINISTERS

Saturday – August 3 at 4:00 PM

Greeters: Gary Wagner

Ken and Terry Harmeyer

Servers: Kayla Simon, Sam Simon

Cantors: Joe Wagner, Sarah Wenning

Lectors: Dottie Hellmich, Jack Ferkinhoff

Euch. Ministers: Terry Harmeyer, Roseann Wirth

Jodi Muckerheide, Judy Steuri, Arlene Gehl

Sunday – August 4 at 10:00 AM

Greeters: Dennis and Flo Wagner

Paul and Arlene Gehl

Servers: Seth Weisenbach, Luke Simon

Cantor: Rachel Toops

Lectors: Blake Simon, Paige Simon

Euch. Ministers: Scott Simon, Patty Simon

Amy Kinker, Amanda Schutte

PARISH SUPPORT

Adult Envelopes	\$2212.00
Children’s Envelopes	\$ 5.00
Loose Collection	<u>\$ 289.00</u>
Total Regular Collection	\$2506.00

\$3,193.00 needed weekly to meet budget.

Special Collections \$175.00

+ Capital Improvement - \$175.00

God Bless You!

“...It never suits the particular mood of any age, because it was made for all ages. A Catholic knows that if the Church married the mood of any age in which it lived, it would be a widow in the next age. The mark of the true Church is that it will never get on well with the passing moods of the world: ‘I have chosen you out of the world, therefore the world hateth you’ (John 15:19).” ~ 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 July 28 through August 4 for Lawrence and Lillian Lustig.

MISSIONARY PRIEST – Thank you for welcoming Father Douglas Koech to the parish. Your donations to his parish were gratefully received.

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).

UPCOMING EVENTS – *Thursday, August 1, 5:00 PM* – Supper and Special Planning Session for Faith Formation and Liturgy Committee members.

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.

BLESSED SACRAMENT – There will be Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament this Friday, August 2, 8:00 AM to 12:00 Noon.

MISSING – We are still missing an insert pan and lid from one of our new roasters in the Hall kitchen. If you have it or know where it is, please contact Arlene or Susan.

PARISH LIBRARY – More DVDs have been placed in the parish library. We will discontinue 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.

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

THE LORD’S LAUGHTER – On the day that Fr. Jim Friedrich of St. Wilfrid Parish in Woonsocket, SD, read the Gospel of Matthew 24:42-51, which describes the “wailing and grinding of teeth” in hell, the priest went to his dentist to check out a new filling.

Looking at the new filling, the dentist instructed the priest to “grind his teeth.”

The priest asked, “Why does the Bible describe hell as 'wailing and grinding of teeth?'”

The dentist replied, “Are you suggesting the dentist's office is like hell?”

“It is you who said it,” Friedrich replied. “It is you who said to 'grind your teeth.’” (The Joyful Noiseletter)

SUNDAY REFLECTION

This final writing of “Connections” comes with the Gospel that gives us the Lord’s Prayer. It first praises God and his kingdom, then petitions God for our daily bread. It next seeks forgiveness: from us to others and from God to us. The closing words: “Do not subject us to the final test,” which will come on our judgment day, invites us to pray that our lives will reflect the courage and strength to be true and faithful followers of Jesus. We hope that God will have found favor in us and that we will be welcomed into the realms of paradise.

Hopefully, these “connections” have helped bring the “then” into the “now” and have been an inspiration for all of us to live exemplary lives of faith.
(Deacon Dick Folger)