

July 30 – Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

WISING UP

There are various kinds of wisdom: the kind you get by watching carefully to discover how something works, or by learning from a mistake; the wisdom in taking advice from someone and not making the mistake he made; the political, social, or religious wisdom learned by those who work in these vocations. There is also wisdom that is just beyond our reach, the kind that is found only in God.

This Sunday's readings discuss various kinds of wisdom. King Solomon asks for "a listening heart" (1 Kings 3:9), the knowledge needed to rule his people wisely. He is told he can ask for anything: long life, riches, security from his enemies, all blessings that would certainly benefit him. Instead, he asks for something to benefit his people. It seems he is wise enough to know he needs such wisdom. The psalm response praises the law, the religious tradition that provides instruction for living a life of holiness and thus reaping the rewards of such a life.

The parable in the Gospel describes various life situations in which decisions have to be made. In the first two instances, a question is posed: What is the kingdom of heaven worth to you? What are you willing to give up in order to attain it? The third depicts fishing with a net, a very strenuous task. A question here might be: Are you willing to work hard at this? Are you discerning in separating good actions from bad? It takes real wisdom to answer such questions. ~ Sr. Dianne Bergant, CSA

+ LOCAL MASS SCHEDULES +

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION CATHOLIC CHURCH MILLHOUSEN, IN

Monday: Rosary at 10:30 AM

Thursday: Holy Hour 5:00 PM - 6:00 PM
Mass following at 6:00 PM

Sunday Obligation: 9:00 AM

ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST CATHOLIC CHURCH OSGOOD, IN

Wednesday, Friday, Saturday: Holy Hour at 7:00 AM,
with Mass following at 8:00 AM

Friday: Eucharistic Adoration 3:00 PM - 6:00 PM

Saturday Obligation: 5:00 PM

Sunday Obligation: 7:30 AM

Confession: Friday: 3:00 - 4:00 PM
Saturday: 4:45 PM

SANCTUARY LIGHT

July 30 – Charles Walke

August 6 – Mark Eckstein

August 13 – Walter and Annabelle Busch

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, July 29 – Charles Simon

Sunday, July 30 – Dolores Wagner

Tuesday, August 1 – Amelia Wolter

Saturday, August 5 – Tony Wagner

Sunday, August 6 – Dolores Wagner

Tuesday, August 8 – Chad White

LITURGICAL MINISTERS

Saturday – August 5 at 4:00 PM

Lector: Jack Ferkinhoff

Gifts: Dennis and Flo Wagner

EM: Judy Steuri (*Bread*), Roseann Wirth (*Hall*)

Beth Simon, Janet Wagner

Sunday – August 6 at 10:00 AM

Lectors: Amanda Schutte, Grace Truesdell

Gifts: Steve and Ann Wagner

EM: Vicki Wagner (*Bread*), Cindy Weisenbach (*Hall*)

Susan Schutte, Kevin Tunny

Saturday – August 12 at 4:00 PM

Lector: Tara Johannigman

Gifts: Brian and Karen Horan

EM: Terry Harmeyer (*Bread*), Judy Steuri (*Hall*)

Rita Kress, Beth Simon

Sunday – August 13 at 10:00 AM

Lectors: Julie Stephens, Amy Kinker

Gifts: Paul and Arlene Gehl

EM: Susan Schutte (*Bread*), No EM for Hall (*Rented*)

Vicki Wagner, Scott Simon

PARISH SUPPORT

Adult Envelopes	\$2166.00
Children's Envelopes	\$ 26.25
Loose Collection	\$ 470.00
Total Regular Collection	\$2662.25
Capital Improvement	\$400.00

THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY!

"Our reason and will are weak. Even when we know what is right, how hard it is sometimes to do it. We are besieged by temptations....St. Augustine said, 'Whatever I am, I am not what I ought to be.'" ~ Fulton Sheen

BAPTISM – **Jeb William Payne**, son of Caleb and Brooke Payne, is being baptized this weekend after the Saturday night Mass. May Jesus, who loves all children, bless Jeb William with His love and grace on the special day of his baptism.

HOLY HOUR AND WEEKDAY MASS – After discussion with Parish Council, Fr. Binu will begin having a weekly Holy Hour at St. Maurice on Tuesdays from 5:00 to 6:00 PM, with Mass following at 6:00 PM, starting Tuesday, August 1st.

CHURCH PICTORIAL – You can still schedule your photography appointment for the new church pictorial. You can do this online through a link on the parish website. For scheduling help, call Arlene Gehl (812-614-3388), or see Terry Harmeyer or Mary Bultman after Mass. **Wednesday, August 2nd, 2:00 PM to 8:00 PM, has been added as an additional day for family pictures.** Photography dates are August 2, 3, 4, and 5, each day in the Parish Center.

If you are unable to be here on the day the photographers are present to take pictures but would like to put a picture in the Church Pictorial, submit a picture to Terry Harmeyer, Mary Bultman or Arlene Gehl. The cost to add a picture and receive a Church Pictorial is \$20. Checks can be made out to St. Maurice Church.

BLOOD DRIVE – **Community Blood Drive** in our Parish Hall on August 1 from 12:00 PM until 2:00 PM, and 3:30 PM until 6:00 PM. Scheduling can be done online at www.hoxworth.org/groups/napoleon, or call Arlene at 812-614-3388.

CATECHISTS – A couple of high school religion teachers are needed in the fall. Please prayerfully consider this service and ministry to the parish. Contact Joyce Muckerheide if interested.

NCYC – If anyone in Grades 8-12 is interested in attending NCYC in November, please let Joyce Muckerheide know. She needs to start obtaining chaperones if a group is going. Also, sign-up needs to be completed before the fall classes begin.

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

CHURCH CLEANING – Church cleaning for August will be Committee #8, with Donna Harlemert as chairperson. We thank all the ladies for your hard work!

PILGRIMAGE TO THE HOLY LAND – Fr. Shaun Whittington invites you to walk with him in the Footsteps of Jesus on an 11-day pilgrimage to the Holy Land from May 20th–30th, 2024. Cost is \$3,699 + \$569 from Chicago (early registration price per person if deposit is paid by 2-10-24). Estimated airline taxes and fuel surcharges subject to increase/decrease at ticketing. For more information, contact Fr. Whittington or Pentecost Tours, Inc., 812-933-0730.


THOUGHT TO PONDER – In the Communion line, I saw Mr. Incongruity. Standing among the formally attired, chanting assembly, this young fellow had spiked, purple hair. His face was studded with metal, like a ham with cloves. He wore frayed jeans and a black T-shirt emblazoned with these words: “If you eat meat, you’re a cannibal.” He was obviously an outsider who dressed strangely and ate weirdly—just like John the Baptist. And just like John the Baptist, Mr. Incongruity taught me something about prophecy. When I first saw him, I judged him. Fortunately, I came to know a young man bearing gifts of generosity, warmth, and commitment who only needed a little maturing. God gives us many gifts we don’t appreciate because they’re not what we anticipated. (Kenneth G. Davis, OMF Conv., Daybreaks, 2009)

THE LORD'S LAUGHTER – A pastor went out one Saturday to visit his church members. At one house, it was obvious that someone was home, but nobody came to the door even though the preacher knocked several times. Finally, the preacher took out his card, wrote out Revelation 3:20 on the back of it, and stuck it in the door.

Behold, I stand at the door and knock. If anyone hears my voice and opens the door, I will come in to him and dine with him, and he with me. - Revelation 3:20.

The next day, the card turned up in the collection plate. Below the preacher's message was written the following notation: *I heard your voice in the garden, and I was afraid because I was naked; and I hid myself. - Genesis 3:10.* (Christian Jokes, broadcaster.org.uk)

August 2023

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
30	31	1	2	3	4	5
<p>THE POPE'S PRAYER INTENTION FOR THE MONTH</p> <p>For political leaders: We pray that political leaders be at the service of their own people, working for integral human development and for the common good, especially caring for the poor and those who have lost their jobs.</p>		<p>Blood Drive 12:00 PM - 2:00 PM 3:30 PM - 6:00 PM</p> <p>Holy Hour 5:00 PM - 6:00 PM</p> <p>Celebration of Mass 6:00 PM</p>	<p>Pictorial Directory Appointments 2:00 PM - 8:00 PM</p>	<p>Pictorial Directory Appointments 2:00 PM - 8:30 PM</p>	<p>Pictorial Directory Appointments 2:00 PM - 8:30 PM</p>	<p>Pictorial Directory Appointments 2:00 PM - 8:30 PM</p> <p>Hall In Use - No Mass in Hall</p> <p>Celebration of Mass - 4:00 PM</p> <p>BP Checks</p>
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
<p>FEAST OF THE TRANSFIGURATION</p> <p>Celebration of Mass 10:00 AM</p> <p>Blood Pressure Checks</p> <p>Coffee & Donuts</p>		<p>Holy Hour 5:00 PM - 6:00 PM</p> <p>Celebration of Mass 6:00 PM</p>		<p>FEAST OF ST. LAWRENCE</p>	<p>FEAST OF ST. CLARE</p>	<p>Celebration of Mass - 4:00 PM</p>
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
<p>19TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME</p> <p>Hall Rented - No Mass in Hall</p> <p>Celebration of Mass 10:00 AM</p> <p>NO Coffee & Donuts</p>	<p>FEAST OF ST. MAXIMILIAN KOLBE</p>	<p>ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY</p>  <p>Holy Hour - 5:00 PM Mass - 6:00 PM</p>				<p>Celebration of Mass - 4:00 PM</p> <p>Hall Rented - No Mass in Hall</p>
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
<p>20TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME</p> <p>Celebration of Mass 10:00 AM</p> <p>Coffee & Donuts</p>		<p>MEMORIAL OF THE QUEENSHIP OF MARY</p> <p>Holy Hour 5:00 PM - 6:00 PM</p> <p>Celebration of Mass 6:00 PM</p>				<p>Celebration of Mass - 4:00 PM</p>
27	28	29	30	31	1	2
<p>21ST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME</p> <p>Hall Rented - No Mass in Hall</p> <p>Celebration of Mass 10:00 AM</p> <p>NO Coffee & Donuts</p>	<p>FEAST OF ST. AUGUSTINE</p>	<p>Holy Hour 5:00 PM - 6:00 PM</p> <p>Celebration of Mass 6:00 PM</p>				<p>Celebration of Mass - 4:00 PM</p>