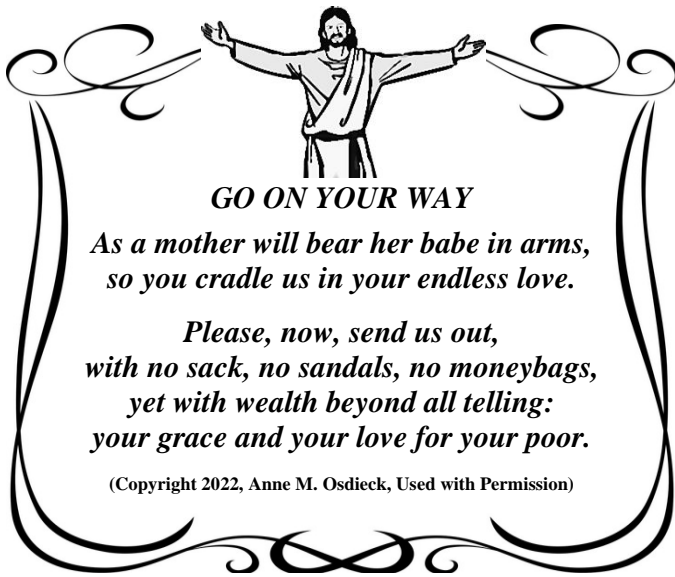


July 3 – Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time



The “Gospel” of Health and Wealth

There’s a current in modern Protestantism that is popularly called the “prosperity gospel.” Although rejected by many Protestants, it still has its disciples. Its basic tenet is that if you’re faithful and generous with God, he will bless you with prosperity in this life. The kind of prosperity expected is usually health and wealth. The natural conclusion is that economic blessings are signs of your faith. The opposite would also be true. If you are poor, you just might lack faith or God’s favor.

Without a doubt, God promises us prosperity. Just look at the prophecy of Isaiah in today’s reading. Yet, as always for Christians, we have to read the Old Testament in the light of Christ and his revelation in the New Testament. The life of Jesus, the Son of God, was the most prosperous life ever lived. Yet, he wasn’t rewarded with material wealth. In fact, he was downright poor. Although he was faithful and generous, God blessed him with challenges and, ultimately, the cross.

Paul didn’t glory in his apostolic successes but in the cross of Jesus. He knew that the victory of the cross was his greatest treasure. He saw in his difficulties not a curse, but a sign of his true authenticity as a follower of Christ.

We should no doubt strive for sufficient material progress and prosperity for ourselves, our family, our business, and our nation. But above all we should strive for eternal prosperity, which is living and rejoicing that our names are written in heaven, whether we are materially wealthy or not.

SANCTUARY LIGHT

July 3 – Alfred and Robert Geis
July 10 – Otto Walke
July 17 – Sister Shirley

MASS INTENTIONS

July 2 – Craig Simon
July 3 – Louis Kieffer
July 9 – Paul and Dottie Fullenkamp
July 10 – Gene Simon

LITURGICAL MINISTERS

Saturday – July 9 at 4:00 PM

Lector: Terry Harmeyer
Gifts: Brian and Karen Horan
Eucharist Minister: Judy Steuri

Sunday – July 10 at 10:00 AM

Lectors: Amanda Schutte, Ron Bauerle
Gifts: Steve and Ann Wagner
Eucharist Minister: Susan Schutte

Saturday – July 16 at 4:00 PM

Lector: Judy Steuri
Gifts: Ken and Terry Harmeyer
Eucharist Minister: Terry Harmeyer

Sunday – July 17 at 10:00 AM

Lectors: Cindy Weisenbach, Donna Harlemert
Gifts: David and Jenny Hardesty
Eucharist Minister: Amanda Schutte

PARISH SUPPORT

Adult Envelopes	\$2096.25
Children’s Envelopes	\$ 6.50
Loose Collection	<u>\$ 406.00</u>
Total Collection	\$2508.75
Capital Improvement	\$435.00
Future Education of Priests	\$50.00
Peter’s Pence	\$235.00

THANKS BE TO GOD AND TO YOU!

“If politics must truly be at the service of the human person, it follows that it cannot be a slave to the economy and finance. Politics is, instead, an expression of our compelling need to live as one, in order to build as one, the greatest common good...”

~ Pope Francis

REST IN PEACE – St. Maurice parishioners extend our sympathy to the family and friends of **Debbie Butz**, whose funeral service was celebrated Saturday, June 25. May she experience the fullness of God's love for her.

BLOOD PRESSURE – This weekend, you can get your blood pressure checked in the St. Anne Room following the Masses. Kara Huff and Jodi Meister will be there to assist you.

BLOOD DRIVE – Our Summer Blood Drive is scheduled for Tuesday, August 2 (just a month away!) from 12:00 until 6:00 PM. Anyone in good health, over the age of 16, and at least 110 pounds is probably eligible to donate blood. Call Arlene Gehl (812-614-3388) for more information or to schedule an appointment. Scheduling can also be done online at www.hoxworth.org/groups/napoleon.

MAINTENANCE – Another project has been completed by Wagner Construction Company, the plaster repair and painting of the windows in the balcony and bell tower of Church. The cost of this project was \$5,463.78. This project was paid using money from our Capital Improvement Fund. Thank you for assisting us in maintaining our buildings.


MASS TIMES – Starting next weekend, **July 9 – 10**, Mass at St. John, Osgood, will be at **7:30 AM** instead of 8:00 AM. Mass at Immaculate Conception, Millhousen, will be at **9:00 AM** and not **8:30 AM**.

CONGRATULATIONS – Congratulations to **Machaela Cobler**, who was featured in the Osgood Journal for her successes in horse racing and winning the Pinto World Championship!

RUMMAGE SALE – Holy Family, Oldenburg, on July 22, 9:00 AM – 6:00 PM; July 23, 9:00 AM – 3:00 PM; July 24, 8:00 AM – 1:00 PM. More information on the church bulletin boards.

THANK YOU – Rosemary Mistler wishes to thank everyone for the many cards and prayers during her time of illness.

THOUGHT TO PONDER – Why stoop down to things that will spoil the beauty of our hearts? (Mother Teresa)



PRAYER FOR PEACE

May Christ banish from the souls of men and women whatever might endanger peace. May he transform all people into witnesses of truth, justice, and love.

May Christ illumine with his light the minds of rulers, so that, besides caring for the proper material welfare of their peoples, they may also guarantee them the fairest gift of peace.

Finally, may Christ enflame the desires of all people to break through the barriers which divide them, to strengthen the bonds of mutual love, to learn to understand one another, and to pardon those who have done them wrong.

Through Christ's power and inspiration may all peoples welcome each other to their hearts as brothers and sisters, and may the peace they long for ever flower and every reign among them. (Pope John XXIII, *Pacem in Terris*)

GREETERS FOR 4:00 PM MASS

July 2 – Brian Horan, Joe Wagner
July 9 – Steve and Julie Gilland
July 16 – Ken Harmeyer and **Volunteer**
July 23 – Dennis Wagner and Gary Wagner
July 30 – Ken Hellmich and Paul Simon

GREETERS FOR 10:00 AM MASS

July 3 – George and Mary Bultman
July 10 – Kevin Tunny and Steve Wagner
July 17 – Tom and Joyce Muckerheide
July 24 – Paul and Arlene Gehl
July 31 – Kevin Tunny and Tom Muckerheide








THE LORD'S LAUGHTER – A Sunday school teacher began her lesson with a question: "Boys and girls, what do we know about God?"

"He's an artist!" a little boy replied.

"Really? How do you know?" the teacher asked.

"Our Father, who does art in Heaven," the boy replied. (via Mrs. Donna Benson Albuquerque, NM, The Joyful Noiseletter)

July 2022

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
26	27	28	29	30	1	2
					 Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament 8:00 AM – Noon	Mass 4:00 PM Blood Pressure Checks
3	4	5	6	7	8	9
Mass – 14 th Sunday in Ordinary Time 10:00 AM Blood Pressure Checks	Independence Day 				Hall Rented – Bank Appreciation Lunch	Mass 4:00 PM
10	11	12	13	14	15	16
Mass – 15 th Sunday in Ordinary Time						Mass 4:00 PM Feast of Our Lady of Mt. Carmel
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
Mass – 16 th Sunday in Ordinary Time					 Feast of St. Mary Magdalene	Mass (MISSIONARY PRIEST) 4:00 PM Hall Rented – Class Reunion
24	25	26	27	28	29	30
Mass – 17 th Sunday in Ordinary Time (MISSIONARY PRIEST) 10:00 AM Grandparent Day	Feast of St. James 	Feast of Sts. Joachim & Anne 			Feast of St. Martha 	
31	1	2	3	4	5	6
Mass – 18 th Sunday in Ordinary Time 10:00 AM Feast of the Visitation of Mary					<u>THE HOLY FATHER'S PRAYER INTENTIONS FOR THE MONTH</u> For the elderly: We pray for the elderly, who represent the roots and memory of a people; may their experience and wisdom help young people to look towards the future with hope and responsibility.	