

# July 9 - Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time



*Our lowly flesh,  
Tinged with joy,  
weighed down with woe.*

*Christ takes as his own.*

*His Holy Spirit comes to us,  
to dwell in our hearts  
as they are.*

*Lord, let us  
revere these soul-bodies  
and those of our neighbors,  
because  
of  
you.  
(Anne Osdiček)*

## SUNDAY REFLECTIONS

In today's Gospel Jesus tells us, "My yoke is easy and my burden light." Those of us who are skeptical and already know the demands of discipleship might ask, "How easy and how light!"

The 1930s movie star Mae West may have had an answer to that question. Known for her light-hearted, bawdy double entendres, she famously said, "I never said it would be easy, I only said it would be worth it." Mae would wink and add, "You only live once, but if you do it right, once is enough." Another of her famous lines: "I generally avoid temptation unless I can't resist it."

Mae is correct on all three points. Following Jesus is worth it. Following Jesus is the right way. And avoiding temptation is something we cannot do alone. We need Jesus to prevail. (Deacon Dick Folger, Celebration)

## PRAYER SERVICES

Wed., July 12	7:45 AM	Morning Prayer
Fri., July 14	7:45 AM	Morning Prayer

## MASS INTENTIONS

Sat., July 8	4 PM	Myrna Kohlman
Sun., July 9	10 AM	Alfred Young
Sat., July 15	4 PM	Carl Wolter
Sun., July 16	10 AM	Don Gilland

## LITURGICAL MINISTERS

### Saturday – July 15 at 4:00 PM

*Greeters:* Charles Kohlman

Kyle and Lindsay Black

*Servers:* Macey Moorman, Cloey Simon

*Cantors:* Joe Wagner, Sarah Wenning

*Lectors:* Jack Ferkinhoff, Dottie Hellmich

*Euch. Ministers:* Janet Wagner, Roseann Wirth

Austin Wagner, Gene Moorman

### Sunday – July 16 at 10:00 AM

*Greeters:* David and Laurie Husted - *back*

Greg and Becky Simon - *back*

Duke and Keri Johnson - *side*

*Servers:* Rosie Newhart, Connor Toops

*Cantor:* Rachel Toops

*Lectors:* Brooke Weisenbach, Sharon Miller

*Euch. Ministers:* Patty Simon, Cindy Weisenbach

Dolly Stirn, Ben Harlemert

## PARISH SUPPORT

Adult Envelopes	\$3244.00
Children's Envelopes	\$ 4.48
Loose Collection	<u>\$ 358.00</u>
Total Regular Collection	\$3606.48
Capital Improvement	\$270.00
Education of Future Priests	\$330.00
Missionary Priests	\$30.00

**Thank You!**

**STEWARDSHIP** – "Let all Your works give You thanks, Oh Lord, and let Your faithful ones bless You," says the psalmist. Stewardship is this "attitude of gratitude" for the many gifts God has given us.

**SANCTUARY LIGHT** – The sanctuary light will burn July 9 through July 16 for Maurice Mistler.

**PLEASE NOTE** – Evening Prayer on Thursday, July 13 will be at **3:30 PM** because of a baptism scheduled for 4:30 PM.

**FIREMEN'S PICNIC** – Donations of pies, cakes, and country store items are needed from the parish for the Napoleon Firemen's Picnic on July 21 and 22. Sign-up sheets can be found at the entrances of church. Thank you for your support!

**THANK YOU** – The family of **David Volk** would like to take this opportunity to express our sincerest appreciation for the Prayers, Flowers, Messages, Food, Visits, Cards, Support, and Masses and donations in his memory. Your support during this difficult time was very much appreciated. How truly grateful we are to have people like you around us!

**SUMMER BLOOD DRIVE** – Our Summer Blood Drive is planned for Monday, July 31, with appointments available from 12:30 until 6:00 PM (half an hour earlier than in the past). Donors can schedule themselves by going online to [www.hoxworth.org/groups/napoleon](http://www.hoxworth.org/groups/napoleon), or call Arlene Gehl, 812-852-4394.

**FALL RAFFLE** – Before we know it, the Fall Raffle, November 11, will be upon us. It takes the committee several weeks to prepare for and carry out this annual raffle. As you know, this is our **only** fundraising event, so once again I ask your cooperation in making it successful.

A small committee met this week to discuss ideas for this raffle. We would like to begin accepting donations. A \$500.00 cash prize and a quilt has already been given. Again we are asking for cash prizes, a quarter of beef, 1/2 hog, and any other donations valuing \$100 or more. All prizes should be in by **August 1st**, if at all possible. The goal of this year's raffle is **\$15,000.00**. We need everyone's help in attaining this goal!

**THE LORD'S LAUGHTER** – At age 4, Anna was starting to make sense of prayer. Her parents had been praying with her since birth, but now her developing cognitive and language skills caused her to really ponder what prayer meant for her.

One night, after tucking her into bed and leaving the room, Anna's dad heard her voice. He paused outside the door to see if she needed something. But she was speaking to her heavenly Father: "Dear God," Anna prayed, "when is the best time for me to talk to you? I mean, Mama and Daddy say I can pray anytime, and I know you're always listening. But when will you be listening especially hard in Minneapolis?" (Adapted from *The Children's God*, David Heller)

### *Christ's Hands*



**In World War II, bombs destroyed a church in Strasbourg, France. As parishioners cleared the rubble, they discovered a statue of Jesus that was now missing both hands.**

**A visiting sculptor later offered to make repairs, but church members declined, saying Christ "has no hands to minister to the needy or feed the hungry or enrich the poor — except our hands. He inspires. We perform."**

*Christ has no body but yours;  
no hands, no feet on earth but yours.  
Yours are the eyes with which he looks  
compassion on this world.*

*Yours are the feet with which he  
walks to do good.*

*Yours are the hands with which he  
blesses all the world.*

*Yours are the hands, yours are the  
feet,*

*yours are the eyes, you are his body.*

*Christ has no body now but yours.*

*(St. Teresa of Avila)*