

June 30 – Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

July 4th Prayer

*Loving God, we thank you
— the true Father of our country —
for the blessings of this land and
the gifts of cultures around the world.
Prompt us to strive for justice for all,
at home and abroad.*

*Remind us, in the words of the hymn,
that “this is our Father's world”
and that your goodness prevails.*

*Amid tragedies and conflicts,
guard us against despair.*

*Help us focus on the kindness evident
daily: from generous neighbors
to conscientious public servants
(because most are).*

*On Independence Day and every day,
“O let [us] ne'er forget that though the
wrong seems oft so strong,
God is the Ruler yet.”*

Amen.

– Sandy Hyland

**THE WHOLE LAW IS FULFILLED ON
ONE STATEMENT, NAMELY,
“YOU SHALL LOVE YOUR
NEIGHBOR AS YOURSELF.”**

**Christ,
help us look over the
protective walls
in which we enclose
our sorry, beloved selves.**

**Let us climb over our walls,
to find our neighbors in need and
love them as we love ourselves.**

This is our freedom.

This is our joy.

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PRAYER SERVICES

Wed., July 3	7:45 AM	Morning Prayer
Fri., July 5	7:45 AM	Morning Prayer

MASS INTENTIONS

Sat., June 29	4 PM	Walter & Annabelle Busch
Sun., June 30	10 AM	Ruth Gehl
Sat., July 6	4 PM	Art Young
Sun., July 7	10 AM	Gary Stier

LITURGICAL MINISTERS

Saturday – July 6 at 4:00 PM

Greeters: Kyle and Bridgette Horan
Joe and Janet Wagner

Servers: Kayla Simon, Sam Simon

Cantors: Joe Wagner, Sarah Wenning

Lectors: Judy Steuri, Dottie Hellmich

Euch. Ministers: Bill Deller, Janet Deller
Katy Schmidt, Janet Wagner

Sunday – July 7 at 10:00 AM

Greeters: Jason and Lauren Wagner
Bob and Shirley Schwartz

Servers: Caleb Simon, Luke Simon

Cantors: Rachel Toops

Lectors: Ron Bauerle, Lorrie Gilland

Euch. Ministers: Scott Simon, Patty Simon
Amanda Schutte, Amy Kinker

PARISH SUPPORT

Adult Envelopes	\$2414.00
Children's Envelopes	\$ 4.76
Loose Collection	<u>\$ 577.00</u>
Total Regular Collection	\$2995.76

\$3,335.00 needed weekly to meet budget.

Special Collections	\$230.00
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+ Capital Improvement - \$60.00

+ Education of Future Priests - \$170.00

God Bless You!

“God does not love us because we are lovely or lovable; His love exists not on account of our character, but on account of His. Our highest experience is responsive, not initiative. And it is only because we are loved by Him that we are lovable.” ~ Fulton Sheen

STEWARDSHIP – In today’s second reading, St. Paul provides a wonderful one-sentence summary of Christian stewardship: Out of love, place yourselves at one another’s service.

SANCTUARY LIGHT – The sanctuary light will burn June 30 through July 7 for Alfred and Rita Young.

PETER’S PENCE – This weekend, you are asked to help support the Peter's Pence Collection. This helps our Holy Father provide emergency assistance to those in need. Please drop your envelope in the regular collection.

WELCOME – We extend a warm welcome to Pam Swegman, the newest member to the parish! We are happy to have you as a parishioner!

REST IN PEACE – St. Maurice parishioners extend sympathy to Jenny Moorman and her family upon the death of her mother, Violet Walters. May she rest in God's Eternal Embrace!

YOUNG ADULT GATHERING – Thank you to our **34 participants** who gathered last Sunday for an evening of food, community, and sharing of thoughts on the life of St. Maurice Parish. Thanks also to **Jane Pictor and Carolyn Richards** for assisting with the meal; to **Jack Ferkinhoff** and **John Glick** for helping with the planning of the evening; and to **Arlene Gehl**, who took photographs of the evening for the website.

The young people discussed what they valued about this parish, what qualities make this a viable parish, and listened to an update on the financial status of the parish and future major projects. Thank you for a "graced" evening!

BLESSED SACRAMENT – There will be Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament in church on Friday, July 7, 8:00 AM to 12:00 Noon.

MEALS – Anyone who would like to make a meal for the Joyce Muckerheide Family, please sign up at <https://mealtrain.com/64dn88>. If you have any questions, call Barb Wittich at 513-720-5563.

GREETERS – The Archdiocese has asked us to do **MASS COUNTS** each weekend in May and June.

BAPTISMS – With the beginning of a new budget year (July 1), we are asking that on the occasion of a baptism, a donation of \$10.00 be given to the church for the items used at baptism: the candle, garment, certificate, and holy water container. Your donation does not cover the cost of all these items, but is a help to the parish. Thank you.

FAITH FORMATION – The Faith Formation Committee members are meeting to discuss the annual Parish Celebration on Sunday, September 15, as well as a new theme for the 2019-2020 year. Thank you for those who sent in suggestions for the theme.

MISSIONARY PRIEST – A missionary priest will be visiting the parish the weekend of July 13-14.

CEMETERY CONCERNS – If you notice anything in our cemetery that needs attention, please call Sister Shirley, who will then discuss it with Dennis Wagner. Dennis has taken care of St. Maurice Cemetery after his dad, Bill, could no longer do so.

We are aware of the following concerns: Some tombstones have moved slightly on their foundation; one of the ornamental trees near the small altar has died; the wall at the cemetery needs some attention. Dennis and I have discussed all these concerns and will address them in due time.

We continue to be grateful to Dennis for his care of the cemetery.

CHURCH SIGNS – The three church signs on Highway 229 and 421 need to be repainted. Scott Simon has agreed to handle this task. We are looking into possibly having a different picture of the church which also includes a portion of the parish center.

BLOOD PRESSURE – You can get your blood pressure checked next weekend in the St. Anne Room following the Masses. Janet Deller and Katie Spreckelson will be there to assist you.

THE LORD’S LAUGHTER – After a worship service, a preacher announced: "The class on prophecy has been canceled due to unforeseen circumstances." (via George Goldtrap, Ormond-by-the-Sea, FL)