

22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

AUGUST 28, 2022



THIS WEEKEND'S READINGS

First: Sirach 3:17-18, 20, 28-29

Second: Hebrews 12:18-19, 22-24a

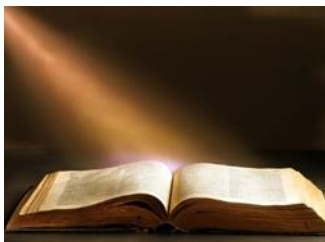
Gospel: Luke 14:1, 7-14

FOCUS: The humble find favor with God.

Humility is essential to the Christian life. It's the disposition and virtue that recognizes our ultimate dependency on God for all things and seeks to live in that truth and reality. It is expressed in the daily events of life – particularly in how we behave toward others and conduct our affairs. It is the opposite of pride and self-reliance.

LITURGY OF THE WORD:

The writer of Sirach calls for humility; the humble will find favor with God. The author of Hebrews writes about Jesus as the mediator of the new covenant. In the Gospel, Jesus tells a parable about a banquet, then instructs his host about whom to invite. He emphasizes the importance of humility among his followers.



MASS INTENTIONS

5 p.m.: Laurence O'Brien, Margaret Boyle and James Botti

10 a.m.: Michael Faso, Socorro Sanabria Gerald Stevenson and John Stelmack

TREASURER'S REPORT

August 14-21: Totaled \$ 4,677.61

Envelopes: \$ 2,294.00 – Online: \$ 2,383.61

THANK YOU



It is imperative that no one ... indulge in a merely individualistic morality. The best way to fulfill one's obligations of justice and love is to contribute to the common good according to one's means and the needs of others, and also to promote and help public and private organizations devoted to bettering the conditions of life.

*Gaudium et Spes
("The Church in the Modern World")
Vatican II, 1965 #30*



WHY I ENJOY BEING A EUCHARISTIC MINISTER

A Eucharistic minister has said: "It is through becoming a Eucharistic Minister that I have finally found the role in the Mass that I was looking for. I have never felt the call to religious life, but I know that I will spend my life in service to others. I love being a Eucharistic minister because it keeps me focused during all parts of the Mass, it has allowed me to feel God's real presence during Communion, and it has allowed me to lead by example. These are the 'gifts' that I was told that I would receive. I now look forward to Sunday Mass and the opportunity to serve in this role that God has chosen for me."

PARISH PICNIC RETURNS

Many have been getting antsy to get together to share a meal – and here's an opportunity to do so: At the return of the **Parish Picnic!** Team Dzurilla will once again be grillin' the chicken, flippin' the burgers and servin' up those tasty sides beginning at 1 p.m. Sunday, **September 18**, at the Town of Crawford Park on Lybolt Road in Bullville.



Unfortunately, skyrocketing costs for food and paper products have forced a price increase. Tickets are now \$15, \$10 for seniors and children and \$35 for an **immediate** family.

They'll be sold after the Masses the weekend of September 3-4 and 10-11, and available through the office.

MEETING/NOMINATION REMINDERS

Our **Parish Meeting**, in conjunction with a **Coffee Social**, will take place after the 10 a.m. Mass on Sunday, **September 11**. This will be an opportunity for you to give feedback on the Sunday Mass schedule. However, no decision will be made until after the Ministry Fair the weekend of October 15-16.

In order to return to two Masses on Sunday, there would need to be an increase in volunteers, including archangels, greeters, choir members and lectors. At the Ministry Fair, parishioners will be able to speak with members of the various ministries to ascertain which might be a good fit.

Also on September 11, **Parish Council nomination forms** will be available in the church vestibules for the three seats that will be vacated in January of 2023.

The Parish Council, which meets on the second Monday of each month, serves as an advisory committee to Fr. Sean. Nominees must be at least 18 years old, Catholic and a registered parishioner. A term is three years with the option to run for a second three-year term.

Nomination forms must be returned to the office by Monday, October 3.

SPIRITUALITY REFLECTED IN ART

A **Morning of Prayer** with Sr. Peggy Murphy, OP, titled "Art and Spirituality," has been scheduled for 9:20-11 a.m. Thursday, **September 15**, at the National Shrine of Our Lady of Mount Carmel.

She will discuss Rembrandt's "Return of the Prodigal Son," which resonated with the artist because of his own losses, as well as the turbulence and "preaching" reflected in Caravaggio's work "Taking of Christ." Mass celebrating the feast of Our Lady of Sorrows will follow at 11:30 a.m.

The cost is \$20 per person. Call Carol Bezak, Shrine director, at 845-343-1879.



YOUTH AND FAMILY AT THE 'CINEMA'

After Mass last Saturday, 23 people came into Deacon John Hall for dinner and a movie. Members of St. Paul's Youth Ministry (SPYM) were joined by parents and grandparents first for pizza, followed by a funny family-friendly feature film.

Everyone kicked back and relaxed as "Family Camp," produced by The Skit Guys, was shown. Laughter frequently erupted the hall, sparked by the dynamics between polar-opposite dads, Tommy and Eddie, as they found their way back to camp and ultimately what matters most: Faith and family.

Stay tuned for the next Youth and Family event hosted by SPYM.

PARKING LOT 'YARD' SALE

Find new things and sell the old, one person's trash is another one's gold. Our St. Paul's Youth Ministry (SPYM) program is hosting a **Yard Sale** as a fundraiser that will link sellers and treasure-hunters while building community.

From 9 a.m.-2 p.m. on Saturday, **September 10**, St. Paul's parking lot will be turned into a Community Yard Sale. Aspiring sellers can rent two parking spaces to display their goods at a cost of \$25. Got more stuff? Three parking spaces are \$35. Everyone else is invited to wander the rows of no-longer-wanted wares in search of that must-have rare find at a great price.

The Youth Ministry will also have snacks and water available for purchase. All funds raised from space rental and snack purchases will go directly to supporting SPYM's outreach.

Email saintpaulsym@gmail.com to secure your spot or call Chris at 845-248-3120

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