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Mission Statement:

Established in the Spirit of Jesus Christ with an Afro-centric focus, Blessed Sacrament Chapel is committed to spreading the "Word" through fellowship and good works.

Sunday Mass: 10:00AM Reconciliation: 1st Sunday 9:30AM

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TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — Abraham bargains with God to spare the city (Genesis 18:20-32).

Psalm — Lord, on the day I called for help, you answered me (Psalm 138).

Second Reading — You were buried with Christ in baptism, in which you were also raised with Christ (Colossians 2:12-14).

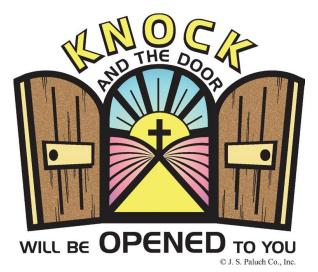
Gospel — Everyone who asks, receives; and the one who seeks, finds (Luke 11:1-13).

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17th Sunday in Ordinary Time July 28, 2019

You were buried with him in baptism, in which you were also raised with him through faith in the power of God, who raised Him from the dead.



Seek and you will find.



From the desk of Father Sinoj , HGN

Dear Friends in Christ,

Greetings! Hope all of you are set for the coming week's big event, our Picnic, which is also a celebration of emancipation. I request all of you to pray for the fruitful and smooth completion of the event and may this coming-together help us grow in our brotherhood and solidarity as a living body of Christ. Let us prayerfully and gratefully remember all those who have contributed in the past to the growth and life of the Blessed Sacrament Chapel community.

This weekend the Gospel speaks of prayer and invites us to reflect upon our attitude to prayer. After teaching the model prayer, *Our Father*, Jesus instructs his disciples to pray to God the Heavenly Father with boldness, daring, intimacy, conviction, persistence and perseverance. To explain this Jesus presents the parable of a person in need, requesting his neighbor in the odd hours for help. This parable does not mean that God is a reluctant giver. Rather it stresses the necessity of our persistence in prayer as the expression of our total dependence on God. Persevering in prayer helps us to purify our prayer, to make clear to ourselves our values and hopes, and to lead us to ask for what is really in our very best interests.

Fulton J Sheen comments "The man who thinks only of himself says prayers of petition. He who thinks of his neighbor says prayers of intercession. He who thinks only of loving and serving God says prayers of abandonment to God's will, and that is the prayer of the saints." May our prayers help us to live as saints!

God loves you!!!!



Father Sinoj Pynadath, HGN

July Birthdays

- 20--Tina Gough,
- 22--Marcia Wilhite, Isaac Gough
- 24--Lori Robinson
- 26--Becky Coble
- 27--Robert Hagan
- 28--Dylan Sanford
- 30--Yvonne Mundy
- 31-- Gloria Adams

August Birthdays

- 4--Ethan Kramer
- 24--Celena Hagan
- 30--Hank Pardon



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Thank you for your support.

Mass Intentions:

July 21--Betty Clark

July 28--Blessing on Blessed Sacrament's picnic

August 3--Kenneth Higgs

August 11--Dorothy Fulton

Let us remember to pray for those who have recently died or those who are in the process of dying. Remember to pray for the souls in purgatory, especially for those who have no one to pray for them.

Our thoughts and prayers are with: <u>SICK</u>: Chelsey Brown, Ray Higgs, Philip Moorman, Sr., Ruth Coble, Carol Hatchett, Beverly Chilton, Rose Chapman, Lori Robinson, Charlene Meadows, Larry Allen, David Carter, Martha Kramer, Frank Adams, Camilla Greer, Jim Moorman, Louise Johnson, Phillip Moorman, Jr., If you know of anyone seriously ill who is in need of prayer or visitation, please notify the office.

Please remember our home-bound: Beverly Chilton, who is in her home and Ruth Coble who is at Heritage Park. Georgia Holland who has moved to St. Louis stays in touch with BSC. A phone call or a card can cheer them up.

We All Need To Change: Newly married Alan goes to meet Fr. George. He greets the priest and says, "Father, I need to talk to you." The Priest asks, "Is it a confession, my son?" Alan replies, "No, Father! I need to clarify something." The Priest takes Alan to his private chamber and says, "Tell me, Alan. What is it?" Alan asks, "Father, why do the kindest of girls begin their quest to change men after marriage?" The Priest smiles and replied, "Alan, my son, as the bride walks down the long aisle, her brain registers three stimuli. The altar, the choir and the sound of the hymn being sung. Aisle, altar, and hymn. She becomes mesmerized. Aisle, altar, hymn. Aisle, altar, hymn. And finally, as she stops beside the groom, she is already saying to herself - I'LL ALTER HIM."

Coming Events CALENDAR



Blessed Sacrament Chapel

July 27-28 Ticket sales at St. Stephen

July 30 6:30 pm--Tony Wolf

August 3 Picnic followed by Mass

August 4 No 10 AM Mass

Diocesan Community Happenings

August 6 St. Martin, Rome Bar-b-q (drive through only)



Thank you for your contributions.

July 21--\$444.

Weekly budget--\$933

MTD collection--\$2105.50

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May each of us give according to what the Lord has blessed us with.



St. Ignatius Loyola

Ignatius is the founder of the Society of
Jesus (Jesuits); this is the religious order
Ito which Pope Francis belongs.

Ignatius lost his mother at an early age and joined the military; he was noted for his leadership. While spending months in the hospital after being hit by a cannonball, his life was greatly impacted by the reading that he did--mostly about Christ and the lives of the saints. He and some friends (one of them Francis Xavier) visited Rome and were approved as a religious order.

Jesuits are known for being at the service of the Pope and for their work in educating the youth around the world.

Upcoming Events

- July 27-28 Ticket sales at SSC
- July 30 Tony Wolf. National speaker, musician, comedian. At BSC. Free event.
 6:30 PM Invite friends.
- August 2 and 3 Picnic activities: Set-up, prepare food,
 Picnic events, clean-up



READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Ex 32:15-24, 30-34; Ps 106:19-23

Jn 11:19-27 or Lk 10:38-42

Tuesday: Ex 33:7-11; 34:5b-9, 28; Ps 103:

6-11; Mt 13:36-43

Wednesday: Ex 34:29-35; Ps 99:5-7, 9;

Mt 13:44-46

Thursday: Ex 40:16-21, 34-38; Ps 84:3-6a,

8, 11; Mt 13:47-53

Friday: Lv 23:1, 4-11, 15-16, 27, 34b-37;

Ps 81:3-6, 10-11ab; Mt 13:54-58

Saturday: Lv 25:1, 8-17; Ps 67:2-3, 5, 7-8;

Mt 14:1-12

Sunday: Eccl 1:2; 2:21-23; Ps 90:3-6, 12-

14,; Col 3:1-5, 9-11; Lk 12:13-21

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: 17th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Monday: St. Martha

Tuesday: St. Peter Chrysologus

Wednesday: St. Ignatius of Loyola

Thursday: St. Alphonsus Liguori

Friday: St. Eusebius of Vercelli;

St. Peter Julian Eymard; First

Friday

Saturday: Blessed Virgin Mary; First

Saturday

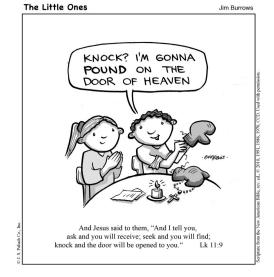
DECEPTION

Indeed, it is not in human nature to deceive others for any long time, without in a measure deceiving ourselves, too.

ASKING FOR HELP

The Beatitudes praise the poor in spirit. One characteristic of those who are poor in spirit is their ability to ask for help; they know when others can provide what they lack. Today's readings encourage us to practice poverty in spirit by asking God for what we need. What could be more natural than to ask God for good things? God is, after all, the inventor of goodness and the giver of all good things.

Asking God for help puts us in conversation with God. These conversations take many forms. The reading from Genesis shows Abraham bantering with God like a skilled negotiator, while Saint Paul's letter to the Colossians praises God for answering us even when we don't deserve it. In Saint Luke's Gospel, Jesus not only gives us words to use in our conversations with God (the Our Father), but also promises that God always listens to our prayers.



Lectors

August 3: Connie Clary

Marsha Allen

August 11: Layson Brooks

Kathi Skidd

August 15: Marsha Allen

Sister Jeannette

Eucharistic Ministers

August 3: Cindy Clark

Charlene Meadows

Lori Robinson

August 11: Tina Gough

Marsha Allen

Gloria Adams

August 3: Volunteers

August 11: Herbert Millay

Wonet Taylor

ADVERSITY

Adversity has the effect of eliciting talents which, in prosperous circumstances, would have lain dormant.

Picnic

- ♦ We will sell meat through the drivethrough from 11:00 until 1:30. If/when the meat is gone, there will be no more dinners sold. If you want meat, we suggest preorder. Our hope is that all meat will be sold picnic day. Only money for the meat will be collected in the drive-through. Only money for dinners--served and carryouts--is collected in the hall..
- There will be inflatables and games in the afternoon for the children to enjoy. There will also be Bingo and cake wheel outside. All from 12-3. Nothing in the morning except carry-outs (meat) starting at 11.
- ◆ Starting at noon, the silent auction will open and dinners will be served in the hall.
- ◆ Raffle tickets will be sold starting at 12. Please have your raffle tickets in before picnic day if at all possible--at least by 12.
- At 3:45 the silent auction will close and at 4, we will try to get silent auction items paid for and draw for the raffle.
- Once all is cleaned up and all put away, we will celebrate Mass.

Prayer is the foundation from which all other forms of stewardship flow. Without prayer, embracing life as a disciple isn't possible. During prayer we can offer God our joys, fears, challenges, and even anger; we can express our gratitude and bring our petitions to Him. At other times, we can rest quietly in God's presence. Making time for daily prayer enriches our relationship with God, helps us define our priorities in life's hectic pace, and provides comfort and guidance to navigate worries and disappointments. In today's Gospel, Jesus is describing God's immeasurable generosity when He says, "For everyone who asks, receives; and the one who seeks, finds; and to the one who knocks, the door will be opened."

TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

The pilgrim experience of going by foot to Santiago de Compostella, the shrine of St. James, reached its high point this week at the feast of the Apostle, with tens of thousands of pilgrims on the road. Typically, they cover twelve to twenty miles a day through rough territory. The difficult journey and the often primitive lodging facilities are made bearable by the joy of the pilgrims, their songs and prayers. When their journey is documented properly, they receive the scallop shell, a reminder not only of James the fisherman, but also his call to fish for human beings and to baptize the nations. In the Middle Ages, those who wore this badge on their hats were granted lodging and hospitality wherever they went. Next to the palm, the sign of a Jerusalem pilgrim, the scallop shell was most highly prized.

In the Middle Ages, some people so enjoyed the pilgrim road, although it was filled with discomfort and danger, that they spent most of their lives on the road. Today, some people take up the route for exercise, but are drawn gradually into the spirituality of the journey. As you make your summer travels, always fold in an element of pilgrimage: a long walk through beautiful countryside, a visit to a church, a prayer of gratitude for your journey through life's hills and valleys.

Tony Wolf coming to Blessed Sacrament July 30

Tony Wolf is what folks might call a jack of all trades. His resume is extensive and sweeping. Tony is a recommended speaker by the NSA (National Speakers Association).

Tony is also a tried-and-true musician, having produced six CDs and penned over 50 song parodies, including one which broke into the iTunes Top 50. With a degree in counseling, Wolf's words—whether sung or written—strike at the heart of every generation, across ages and backgrounds.

But where Wolf and his words truly excel is on the stage. As a comedian and speaker, Wolf regularly performs for crowds of more than 10,000. With ease and warmth, Wolf commands the stage and his audience with his relatability, creativity and passion—plus a hearty dose of humor.

Tony has toured with many music acts like Skillet, Newsboys, MercyMe, Jeremy Camp, Third Day, Chris Tomlin, Natalie Grant, For King And Country, Unspoken, Audio Adrenaline, DC Talk, and David Crowder ... to name a few.

Wolf's truest passion lies off the stage, as a tireless voice for children living in poverty. Over the past six years, more than 33,000 children have been rescued from poverty thanks to Wolf's efforts. Tony lives in Westfield, Indiana with his wife Laura, three daughters Brooklyn, Katie and Adrienne and son Jude.