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The Most Holy Trinity Sunday

June 7, 2020

From: Fr. Christian Adike

THE NEED FOR US TO ASK FOR FORGIVENESS WHEN WE SIN. As a kid, I liked playing with stones till one day I threw one and it hit my mother's chicken and it died instantly. I thought I was just alone but surprisingly, my sister was right behind me watching. Then she said "give me \$20 and I won't tell mum" I said "I don't have, but please don't tell her, she will beat me up." The following day, Mum told her to do the dishes and clean the house but she said: "Mum, SAM said he will do it" Then she came to me and said: "SAM, you do the dishes and clean the house or else, don't forget you killed our mum's chicken." Without hesitating, I did the dishes and cleaned the house for her. The next day, mum told her to go and do grocery for her. She said again: "Mum, SAM said he will do it." Then she came to me and said: "SAM, you remember that chicken?? Go and do the grocery or else...." That's how I did the grocery though I didn't want to do it. That same day in the evening, mum sent her to the gas station to buy gas, and again she said: "Mum, SAM said he will go and buy it, she came to me again and said: "SAM, don't forget that the chicken is still dead, go to the gas station and buy the gas or else....." I just stood up and went to my Mum with tears in my eyes. I found her sitting in the house, I went to her, knelt down and said while crying: "Mum, I am so sorry please forgive me. I am the one who killed your chicken, but it wasn't a deliberate action, please Mum forgive me I'm sorry." Then she replied: "my son, the day you killed the chicken, I was at the window watching everything that happened. Your sister made you her slave because you did not want to come to me to confess and apologize. But now you have done it, you will be free, she will no longer use you again." (Copied)

MORAL: Each time we sin, God sees us and our sins make us slaves; we keep on judging ourselves thereby magnifying our offences and seeing our sins to be so great that forgiveness is impossible. The moment you confess to God and ask for forgiveness, you are set free.... Likewise, when you hurt someone instead of trying to hide it by blaming the person or looking for excuses to exonerate yourself, go straight to the person and ask for forgiveness. Owning up to our mistakes or faults is a mark of responsibility and maturity. When we apologize for the unfair treatment we metted to others we clear our consciences of guilt and draws God's attention toward ourselves. Sharing ones hurts, disappointments, frustrations, etcetera to elicit remorse of conscience which most at times result to rendering apology is of great importance in emotional healing. Sam would not have been enslaved by his sister had it been he told his mother how he killed her chicken and asked for her forgiveness. Remember that God is watching us every time. Wish you a blessed week. Fr Christian.

From: Fr. Tony Hesse

- Because of the susceptibility of older people and people more prone to get sick, the Bishops are encouraging that people 65 and older and individuals with compromised health to not come to weekend Masses. However, because there will be less people, feel free to come to weekday Masses instead. Again, it is not a requirement but an encouragement. Again, the obligation to go to Mass continues to be lifted.
- If you or you know someone who would like Holy Communion brought to you because you are homebound, because of health or because of the virus, please call the parish office, and we will put you on the list.
- When you come for personal prayer, adoration before the exposed Blessed Sacrament, or weekday Mass, please use the towel and spray bottles that are in the entrance of the churches to sanitize where you sat. Make sure you sanitize your hands before and after using the bottles. Please throw the paper towels in the garbage afterwards.
- The Diocesan Protocols is not requiring us to wear face masks at Mass. However, we are told that they can help in controlling the spread of the virus. Please prayerfully discern wearing them or not, and if someone wants to make homemade masks, please drop them off at any of the churches. Please make sure they are also clean before you bring them.
- When receiving Holy Communion, to avoid touching tongues with the ministers' fingers, we are asking you receive in the hands and not on the tongue. Also, we are asking that you stay kneeling when we bring Communion to you and keep your hands steady so we can gently lay our Lord in your hands without touching them.
- The Diocesan Protocols that we received last week allows for singing but is advising that we do not include any congregational singing at Mass. At our AFC Worship meeting this past week, we agreed not to sing at the Masses but to allow singing for funerals (because sometimes the deceased had planned on having music), weddings (sometimes the couples were planning on certain music for theirs), and for the last/closing Masses at Our Lady of Victory, St. Mary, and St. Mathias.

Any questions or concerns, please let us know at the parish office.

Parish phone #: 507-644-2278

(In case of an EMERGENCY and you need to reach Fr. Tony Hesse, call 507-616-1337)

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| BAPTISM Contact the parish office to set an appointment for class and baptism. | MARRIAGE Contact the parish office at least nine months before intended marriage. | CATHOLIC CHARITIES COUNSELING 1-866-670-5163 | PRAYER NETWORK Contact Bev Passe 637-5967 bpasse60@yahoo.com |
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EVENTS OF THE WEEK

SUNDAY - June 7

The Most Holy Trinity

Ex 34:4b-6,8-9 (164A), 2 Cor 13:11-13; Jn 3:16-18

8 AM Mass - Our Lady of Victory – Lucan

d. Martha Van Loy

9:30 AM Mass - St. Catherine

d. Roger Serbus

10 AM Mass – St. Anne

d. Larry Pitzl, Jr. & Sr.

12 Noon Angelus & Rosary-pray on your own

3 PM Divine Mercy Chaplet-pray in your home

4-5 PM Holy Hour-Adoration

MONDAY – June 8

1 Kgs 17:1-6; Mt 5:1-12

No Mass

12 Noon Angelus & Rosary-pray on your own

3 PM Divine Mercy Chaplet-pray in your home

TUESDAY - June 9

St. Ephrem, Deacon & Doctor of the Church

1 Kgs 17:7-16; Mt 5:13-16

12 Noon Angelus & Rosary-pray on your own

3 PM Divine Mercy Chaplet-pray in your home

5:15 PM Mass - St. Catherine

Eve Miller

6 PM Mass - St. Mary–Seaforth-Live Stream

d. Mike Warner

WEDNESDAY – June 10

1 Kgs 18:20-39; Mk 5:17-19

8 AM Mass - Our Lady of Victory-Lucan

d. Louise Hanetschlager

8 AM Mass – St. Mathias-Wanda-Live Stream

d. Greg Rohlik

12 Noon Angelus & Rosary-pray on your own

3 PM Divine Mercy Chaplet-pray in your home

5:30-6:30 PM Confessions-SM & OLV

THURSDAY - June 11

St. Barnabas, Aspostle

Acts 11:21b-26; 13:1-3; Mt 5:20-26 or 10:7-13

8 AM Mass – St. Anne-Live Stream

d. Gary Harris

8 AM Mass - St. Mary-Seaforth

d. Butch Ochsendorf

12 Noon Angelus & Rosary-pray of your own

3 PM Divine Mercy Chaplet-pray in your home

FRIDAY – June 12

1 Kgs 19:9a,11-16; Mt 5:27-32

8 AM Mass - St. Catherine-Live Stream

l & d members of Tom Ochs family

8 AM Mass – St. Mathias-Wanda

d. Leah Schilling

12 Noon Angelus & Rosary-pray on your own

3 PM Divine Mercy Chaplet-pray in your home

SATURDAY – June 13

St. Anthony of Padua, Priest & Doctor of the Church

1 Kgs 19:19-21; Mt 5:33-37

8:30-9:30 AM Confessions & Adoration-SA

9-10 AM Confessions-SC

12 Noon Angelus & Rosary-pray on your own

3 PM Divine Mercy Chaplet-pray in your home

5 PM Mass - St. Catherine

People of our Parishes

5 PM Mass - St. Mary - Seaforth

d. Floyd Kramer

7 PM Mass - St. Mathias-Wanda-Live Stream

d. Don Schmacher

SUNDAY - June 14

The Most Holy Body & Blood of Christ

(Corpus Christi)

Dt 8:2-3, 14b-16a (167A), 1 Cor 10:16-17; Jn 6:51-58

8 AM Mass - Our Lady of Victory – Lucan-Live Stream

d. Jim Ourada

9:30 AM Mass - St. Catherine

d. LaMay & Richard Drexler

10 AM Mass – St. Anne

d. Wilbur, Joan, Steve, Jim & George Frank

12 Noon Angelus & Rosary-pray on your own

3 PM Divine Mercy Chaplet-pray in your home

4-5 PM Holy Hour-Adoration

| Our Gifts to God and to His Church | | | |
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| Adult Contribution | 5,106.19 | Adult for Week | 5,106.19 |
| Maintenance | 170.00 | Adult Budget | 4,808.00 |
| Cemetery-SC | 185.00 | | |
| Cemetery-SJ | 20.00 | | |
| Catholic Schools | 20.00 | | |
| Catholic Comm. | 25.00 | | |
| Loose plate | 30.00 | | |
| Ascension | 25.00 | YTD Actual | 203,489.42 |
| Total | 5,581.19 | YTD Budget | 230,784.00 |
| St. Catherine - Diocesan Ministry Appeal | | | |
| 120 Donated as of June 2 | | | |
| Goal | Total Received & Pledged | Amount Due | Parish 20% |
| \$23,261.63 | \$35,260.80 | (\$11,999.17) | \$6,786.16 |

Welcome to our church!

Are you good at making people feel welcome? When we make people feel welcome, we make them feel like that are included. A simple hello and a smile go a long way!

CALLED TO ETERNAL LIFE

Our sympathy and prayers go to the families and friends of Leona M. Fangmann. Eternal rest grant unto her, O Lord, and let the perpetual light shine upon her. May she rest in peace.



First Banns of Marriage for *Kacie Rothmeier & Josh Altermatt* to be married at St. Catherine. Please keep them in our prayers.



Jesus I Trust in You!

Notice:

For **Live Stream** check our websites:

(www.mystcatherines.org or www.lowafc.org) click on Watch Mass

Facebook page www.facebook.com/mystcatherines/

EWTN: <https://www.ewtn.com/tv/watch-live>

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION
Religious Education May 2020



Sunday, April 19

- 9:30 AM Confirmation Mass—*postponed until Fall*

Sunday, May 3

- 9:30 AM First Holy Communion—*postponed TBD*

Confirmation - Confirmation celebrations in our Diocese have been postponed to the Fall of 2020.

1st Communion – the 1st Communion has been postponed, new dates TBD.

BAPTISMAL PREPARATION CLASS

There is a Baptism preparation class for any person asking for a baptism that has not been at a class in the last 3 years. This class is to be attended prior to baptism.

The next virtual class is scheduled for June 8th at 7 PM, to register for class call the parish office at 644-2278, or contact Deacon Ryan at popedpt@gmail.com.

Class will not be held if no one registers to attend.

There will not be a class in July, and we will tentatively resume classes on August 10th at St. Anne's and Sept 14th at St. Catherine's.

United Community Action Partnership

FREE Food Distribution (COVID Food Assistance Program)

This distribution is open to all households that are in need! Monday, June 8 from 3-5 PM at Redwood County Fairgrounds at 201 N. Dekalb, Redwood Falls, MN. Each household will receive 1 box of produce, 1 box of mixed dairy, 1 box of meat (chicken & pork).

For more prayers or resources, check our diocesan

website at: www.dnu.org

COVID-19 Updates: *You may be able to help The Center for Emergency Preparedness and Response, Minnesota Department of Health, is asking that offers for help be funneled to these two places during the COVID-19 pandemic.*

- **Volunteers (people)** at <https://mnresponds.org>

- **Products, medical equipment, venues** (from businesses, schools and universities, medical facilities) at hsem.ppp@state.mn.us.

For Department of Labor and Industry updates related to COVID-19, visit: www.dli.mn.gov/updates.

Prayer Time

Volunteers from St. Catherine's are willing to pray for you and with you. All you need to do is call Bev Passe at 637-5967 or email bpasse60@yahoo.com or call church at 644-2278 or go to our website and state that you would like prayers. We keep the information very simple and keep it in the strictest confidence.

Choices Pregnancy Center fundraiser



You can make a donation to Choices Pregnancy Center's fundraiser held from Mother's Day thru Father's Day. Because of the coronavirus we will not use the baby bottles, but are still having a fundraiser from Mother's Day to Father's Day. We ask you to drop off your donation at church or mail your donation to the church. Please make checks to Choices Pregnancy Center, CPC.

Ordination to the Priesthood

On June 6, 2020 at 10 AM at the Cathedral of the Holy Trinity in New Ulm, MN there was the Ordination to the Priesthood for Deacon John Hayes and Deacon Shawn Polman. Please keep our newly ordained priests in our prayers. If you would like to send a card to congratulate Fr. John Hayes and Fr. Shawn Polman their addresses are listed below.



Fr. John Hayes
Holy Trinity
P.O. Box 9
Winsted, MN 55395

Fr. Shawn Polman
605 N. State Street
New Ulm, MN 56073

Spiritual Communion Prayer

My Jesus, I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament. I love You above all things, and I desire to receive You into my soul. Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace You as if You were already there and unite myself wholly to You. Never permit me to be separated from You. We make this prayer in Your name, where You live and reign forever and ever.

Amen

FOOD SHELF DRIVE



As we are going through a time of uncertainty we will need more food on our food shelves to help the families in need. We will continue to have the shopping cart out for collection of items to donate to the Redwood Area Food Shelf. Monetary donations can be dropped off at the parish office or in the collection basket.

Thank you!

Thank you to all who donated masks, and to all the volunteers at the church and with the ministries at this time. God Bless you all!

Carris Health-Redwood needs homemade masks

Carris Health-Redwood is still in need of homemade masks. We have a donation box that has been placed in the vestibule at the hospital's main entrance so masks can be dropped off without entering the facility. Please label your donation with your name, contact information and the amount of time spent making the item(s). If you have any questions please contact Samantha Loomis at 507-637-4668.

This weeks Calendar Raffle drawing winner

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| Wed., | June 3 | \$25 | Joe Kriegl |
| Friday, | June 5 | \$50 | Maureen Johnson |
| Sunday, | June 7 | \$50 | Dave/Sue Homan |

Checks will be mailed out to the address on ticket stub. Thank you for buying a raffle ticket.



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