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Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

July 12, 2020

From: Fr. Tony Hesse

I know this has been a couple of tough weeks for many of our parishioners, not only with dealing with the virus, but especially because of the closing or the merging of our parishes. Again, know that I haven't stop praying for you and will continue to do so. I heard from many of you and the pain you are experiencing. My heart goes out to you all. However, I encourage you to please let me know how I can help, but if you do write, please sign your letter. Although, normally I throw out letters that are not signed because I do not know who to address, I would like to address a couple of them here because there might be others feeling the same way. For example, I received an anonymous note a few weeks ago of a parishioner questioning why I haven't called the 65 and older crowd. As I responded in the bulletin recently, to avoid forgetting someone or because of 3,000 parishioners I have, I was hoping for parishioners to let me know if they would like a phone call rather than calling everyone. Again, please let us know if you would like a phone call or visit, or, for those who are reading this, please reach out to other parishioners who would like a visit. Remember, we are all in this together.



Secondly, I also recently received an anonymous letter of someone who seemed upset by what they saw at the Closing Mass at St. Mary's. Although I wished he/she would have signed the letter so that I could have responded personally with them, I thought I would address my response to all of you. First of all, this parishioner(s) wrote that the priests say they are overworked and that was why we had to close. I do not recall ever saying that I am over worked but am blessed by all the things I get to do and the people I get to minister to. I apologize if I am giving the impression of being overworked. And in reference to why I can't have 5 parishes to minister to when Lutherans do, a spouse of a parishioner who is Lutheran said that they do not know of any Lutheran assignment that has 5 churches to one pastor. In the letter, he/she also wrote that we had 4 priests and 3 deacons at the Mass at St. Mary's and that he/she also questioned whether we had a shortage when so many was there. To clarify, Nathan, is a seminarian and not a deacon. God-willing he will be one and hopefully a priest. The two deacons that were there was a deacon that was here once (Deacon Mike) and is here now (Deacon Ryan). Keep in mind, even if we were blessed with a lot of deacons, they couldn't celebrate Mass or anoint, which is why we need priests. The priests that were there for the Mass were the current pastor (Fr. Tony), previous associate (Fr. Christian), and former members of our parish (Fr. Jeff Horesji and Fr. Johannek) who are now serving our diocese as priests. They had to find coverage for their Masses to be with us. We were truly blessed by their presence, prayers, and words they shared at the end of Mass. However, finding priests to cover for us is becoming more and more difficult.

In reference to a Pastoral Leader Birthday List, it shows the ages of our priests now and in five years. Currently, for 62 parishes, we have 18 pastors and 17 associates with 3 of them from other countries (Fr. Christian was one of them). Plus, we will go from 6 priests to almost 12 in their 60's and older, and in five years we will go from 35 active priests to about half of them at retirement age. Although we hope and pray that we will have some ordinations, we need to be good stewards of the gifts, resources, and the priests we have available now, which is why the Diocese has our Fourth Plan for Parishes (to view, go to [www.dnu.org](http://www.dnu.org) and click on "Our Diocese" and scroll down). Therefore, the bottom line is we need to pray.

We need to pray for more priestly and religious vocations. We need to pray for a renewal in the Church and that we might be disciples and evangelizers in sharing the Good News. And we need to pray, that we are aware of God's presence and that we have not been abandoned. Know that, again, I am praying for all of you, and if you would like to see the Pastoral Leader Birthday List, or have any questions, please let me know. God bless you all!

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

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Contact the parish office to set an appointment for class and baptism.

**MARRIAGE**

Contact the parish office at least nine months before intended marriage.

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**PRAYER NETWORK**

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## EVENTS OF THE WEEK

### SUNDAY - July 12

#### 15th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Is 55:10-11(103A), Rm 8:18-23; Mt 13:1-23 or 13:1-9

7:30 AM Confessions-SC

8 AM Mass - *St. Catherine*  
*d. Clarence Thiel*

10 AM Mass - *St. Anne-Live Stream*  
*d. Marv Gammelgaard*

12 Noon Angelus & Rosary-pray on your own

3 PM Divine Mercy Chaplet-pray in your home

4-5 PM Holy Hour-Adoration

Note: Sunday  
Mass times

### MONDAY - July 13

#### St. Henry

Is 1:10-17; Mt 10:34-11:1

No Mass

12 Noon Angelus & Rosary-pray on your own

3 PM Divine Mercy Chaplet-pray in your home

### TUESDAY - July 14

#### St. Kateri Tekakwitha, Virgin

Is 7:1-9; Mt 11:20-24

12 Noon Angelus & Rosary-pray on your own

3 PM Divine Mercy Chaplet-pray in your home

No Mass

### WEDNESDAY - July 15

#### St. Bonaventure, Bishop & Doctor of Church

Is 10:5-7, 13b-16; Mt 11:25-27

No Mass

12 Noon Angelus & Rosary-pray on your own

3 PM Divine Mercy Chaplet-pray in your home

### THURSDAY - July 16

#### Our Lady of Mount Carmel

Is 26:7-9, 12, 16-19; Mt 11:28-30

7:30 AM Confessions-SA

8 AM Mass - *St. Anne-Live Stream*  
*d. Donald & Eleanor Daub*

12 Noon Angelus & Rosary-pray of your own

3 PM Divine Mercy Chaplet-pray in your home

### FRIDAY - July 17

Is 38:1-6, 21-22, 7-8; Mt 12:1-8

7:30 AM Confessions-SC

8 AM Mass - *St. Catherine-Live Stream*  
*Birthday blessings for Allison Hesse*

12 Noon Angelus & Rosary-pray on your own

3 PM Divine Mercy Chaplet-pray in your home

### SATURDAY - July 18

#### St. Camillus de Lellis, Priest

Mi 2:1-5; Mt 12:14-21

8:30-9:30 AM Adoration-SA

12 Noon Angelus & Rosary-pray on your own

3 PM Divine Mercy Chaplet-pray in your home

3 PM Wedding - *Taylor & Arrendondo*

4 PM Mass - *St. Catherine-Live Stream*  
*d. Richard Irlbeck*

6 PM Mass - *St. Anne*  
*d. Jim Trembl*

### SUNDAY - July 19

#### 16th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Wis 12:13, 16-19(106A), Rom 8:26-27; Mt 13:24-43 or 13:24-30

7:30 AM Confessions-SC

8 AM Mass - *St. Catherine*  
*People of our Parishes*

10 AM Mass - *St. Anne-Live Stream*  
*d. Jim Jacoby*

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

Adult Contribution	3,083.00	Adult for Week	3,083.00
Maintenance	320.00	Adult Budget	3,773.58
Student	4.00		
Catholic Schools	85.00		
Peter Pence	170.00		
Loose plate	122.00		
VBS	5.00	YTD Actual	3,083.00
Total	3,789.00	YTD Budget	3,773.58

### St. Catherine - Diocesan Ministry Appeal 121 Donated as of July 7

Goal	Total Received & Pledged	Amount Due	Parish 20%
\$23,261.63	\$35,510.80	(\$12,249.17)	\$6,877.16

### 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](mailto: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.



Third Bans of Marriage for *Shelby Taylor & Cortez Arrendondo* to be married at St. Catherine. Please keep them in our prayers.

### Choices Pregnancy Center fundraiser



You can still make a donation to Choices Pregnancy Center's fundraiser held from Mother's Day thru Father's Day. Because of COVID-19 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.

### 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 classes scheduled are August 10th at 7 PM at St. Anne's, and Sept 14th at St. Catherine's to register for class call the parish office at 644-2278, or contact Deacon Ryan at [rpope@dnu.org](mailto:rpope@dnu.org).

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



**Jesus I Trust in You!**  
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**RELIGIOUS EDUCATION**  
**Religious Education July 2020**



Sunday, April 19 - *postponed*

-Confirmation practice & review-Sunday, Sept. 20th from 3-5 PM-SC

- Confirmation Mass-Sept. 23rd at 7:00 PM-SC

Sunday, May 3 – *postponed*

- First Holy Communion—*Rescheduled* dates are set up by each family.

**AFC Youth Group**



Grades 7-12 please join us for AFC Youth Group at St. Catherine's at 7:00pm on Sunday, July 12, for snacks, prayer, games, and fellowship. Youth from any parishes are invited and welcome.

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Facebook page [www.facebook.com/mystcatherines/](http://www.facebook.com/mystcatherines/)

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

**For more prayers or resources, check our diocesan**

**website at:** [www.dnu.org](http://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>

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

**Gift Cards-Easy Shopping**



Check out the scrip cards in the Parish Office.

These gift cards are purchased at face value and a percentage goes to help support St. Anne's Catholic School in Wabasso. Some cards we have are Tersteegs, Walmart, Target, Kohls, Burger King, McDonalds, Subway, Pizza Ranch, Runnings.

**Elementary Teachers needed**

St. Anne's School in Wabasso is hiring elementary teachers (K-6) for the 2020-2021 school year. Full job descriptions can be found on our website:

[www.wabassostannesschool.com](http://www.wabassostannesschool.com).

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**MINDFULNESS - Coping during the COVID-19 Pandemic**

Southwest Center for Independent Living (SWCIL)

Learn tips to lower anxiety, learn quick & easy meditation.

Friday, July 17th at 11 AM online via zoom—FREE

Registration ends Monday July 13th

For information or to register call 507-532-2221 ext 101 or [email Kathy@swcil.com](mailto:email.Kathy@swcil.com). Zoom code and instructions given when you register, call-in option and other accommodations available.

**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!

**San Lucas Coffee**

We have San Lucas Coffee you can buy at St. Catherine's church. Ground coffee, whole bean coffee, dark whole bean coffee for \$10 a bag, proceeds will go to San Lucas Mission.

**Meals on Wheels**



Thank you to everyone who signed up to help with Meals on Wheels for July 16th-31st.

If you need a schedule please pick one up in the gathering space or call and we can email it to you. Meals to be delivered can be picked up at the Redwood Area Community Center.

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**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.

**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.

**This weeks Calendar Raffle drawing winner**

Wed.,	July 8	\$25	George Walter
Friday,	July 10	\$50	Deb Frericks
Sunday,	July 12	\$50	Gene Kohout

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