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Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

July 19, 2020

From: Fr. Tony Hesse

This past week, the reading for evening prayer (which comes from the Liturgy of Hours and is something that the Church prays) came from the 1st Letter of St. Peter, ["All of you, be of one mind, sympathetic, loving toward one another, compassionate, humble. Do not return evil for evil, or insult for insult; but, on the contrary, a blessing, because to this you were called, that you might inherit a blessing"](#) (1 Pt 3:8-9). As I read this, I could not help but think of all that is going on in our world, our country, our state, our communities, our homes, our churches, and even in our own hearts. Although our world is suffering from a terrible pandemic, although our country is divided between the republicans and democrats on various issues, although our state and country is divided by racial tension, although our communities are concerned about our future in farming and prices, although many of our homes are dealing with marriage issues and domestic and child abuse (even in the womb) and other financial and health concerns, although our churches are facing the sad reality of closures and merging, and although our hearts are being torn apart by all of this, we need to still have the mind and the heart of St. Paul's Letter.

We need to not lose sight of who we are as Christians. We are called to be Christ followers. Everything we do, everything we say, should be Christ-like. Jesus never responded evil with evil, insult with insult, but on the contrary He offered a blessing instead. Remember what He said as He hung on the cross to those who were crucifying Him (a pain that we will never have to face in our lifetime), He prayed, "Father forgive them for they do not know what they are doing" (Lk 23:34). Like Jesus, when people hurt us, like seeing the closing of our church or hurt us with words, thoughts or actions, we need to be loving to one another, compassionate, humble, and sympathetic.

Now don't get me wrong. It is easy to sometimes resort with evil or insult when someone has offended us, or think differently than us. Plus, if our lives are being overwhelmed by things out of our control, it is easy for us to snap or be snippy to those around us. Trust me, as I pray with the families of the four funerals we had this week, figure out what will be happening with the future of our churches and AFC, and prepare for the weekend wedding and Masses (while making these services meaningful and prayerful), I certainly can find myself stressing out and being short with people. Although I don't intend to be mean, it can sometimes come across that I am. Instead of resorting with evil or insult, let us pray for God's grace to be more like Him. Let us pray that God will help us set our emotions aside and ask for His grace to Christ to those who think or see things differently than us. Let us pray for those who we feel has harmed us and pray that we might forgive them as Christ did.

Face it, we all need prayers, for ourselves and for one another. Please keep each other in prayer. And again, know that you are all in mine. Finally, speaking of prayer, please keep our Bishop in prayer. For a good while, he has been challenged by physical and psychological health issues. To address these issues, from July 9 through July 31, he has scheduled himself to undergo a physical and psychological assessment at Sacred Heart Mercy Health Care Center in Alma, Michigan. The care center is operated by the Religious Sisters of Mercy. Cards or notes of support for Bishop LeVoir can be mailed to the following address:

Sacred Heart Mercy Health Care Center
2025 West Cheesman Road
Alma, Michigan 48801

Again, dealing with the sexual abuse these last several years, shortage of priests, and walking with parishioners who are closing and merging parishes I'm sure has not been an easy journey for him. Please be an extension of God's love and mercy and keep him in prayer. May 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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Light of the World website: www.LOWAFC.org

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.

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PRAYER NETWORK

Contact Bev Passe
637-5967
bpasse60@yahoo.com

EVENTS OF THE WEEK

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

7-8:30 PM AFC Youth Group-SA

MONDAY - July 20

St. Apollinaris, Bishop & Martyr

Mi 6:1-4,6-8; Mt 12:38-42

No Mass

12 Noon Angelus & Rosary-*pray on your own*

3 PM Divine Mercy Chaplet-*pray in your home*

TUESDAY - July 21

St. Lawrence of Brindisi,

Priest & Doctor of the Church

Mi 7:14-15,18-20; Mt 12:46-50

12 Noon Angelus & Rosary-*pray on your own*

3 PM Divine Mercy Chaplet-*pray in your home*

4:45 PM Confessions-SC

5:15 PM Mass - *St. Catherine*

d. Mel Liebl

WEDNESDAY - July 22

St. Mary Magdalene

Sng 3:1-4b or Cor 5:14-17; Jn 20:1-2,11-18

7:30 AM Confessions-OLV

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

d. Mike & Eileen Schueller

12 Noon Angelus & Rosary-*pray on your own*

3 PM Divine Mercy Chaplet-*pray in your home*

THURSDAY - July 23

St. Bridget, Religious

Jer 2:1-3,7-8,12-13; Mt 13:10-17

7:30 AM Confessions-SA

8 AM Mass - *St. Anne-Live Stream*

d. Rosie (Schunk) Kretsch

12 Noon Angelus & Rosary-*pray of your own*

3 PM Divine Mercy Chaplet-*pray in your home*

FRIDAY - July 24

St. Sharbel Makhlof

Jer 3:14-17; Mt 13:18-23

7:30 AM Confessions-SC

8 AM Mass - *St. Catherine-Live Stream*

d. Fran & Dorothy Uhlenkamp

12 Noon Angelus & Rosary-*pray on your own*

3 PM Divine Mercy Chaplet-*pray in your home*

SATURDAY - July 25

St. James, Apostle

2 Cor 4:7-15; Mt 20:20-28

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

12 Noon Angelus & Rosary-*pray on your own*

3 PM Divine Mercy Chaplet-*pray in your home*

3:30 PM Confessions-SC

4 PM Mass - *St. Catherine-Live Stream*

d. Ron Martin

6 PM Mass - *St. Anne*

People of our Parishes

SUNDAY - July 26

17th Sunday in Ordinary Time

1 Kgs 3:5,7-12 (109A), Rom 8:28-30; Mt 13:44-52 or 13:44-46

7:30 AM Confessions-SC

8 AM Mass - *St. Catherine*

d. Rosie MacHolda

10 AM Mass - *St. Anne-Live Stream*

d. Andy Schiller

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	5,551.00	Adult for Week	5,551.00
Maintenance	600.00	Adult Budget	3,773.58
Student	3.00		
Catholic Schools	110.00		
Peter Pence	10.00		
Ascension	20.00		
Cemetery	50.00		
Loose plate	196.00		
VBS	20.00	YTD Actual	8,634.00
Total	6,560.00	YTD Budget	7,547.16

St. Catherine - Diocesan Ministry Appeal

121 Donated as of July 14

Goal	Total Received & Pledged	Amount Due	Parish 20%
\$23,261.63	\$35,510.80	(\$12,249.17)	\$6,887.16

CALLED TO ETERNAL LIFE

Our sympathy and prayers go to the families and friends of Janet Stellpflug, wife of John, and Krista Daniels, wife of Michael. Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let the perpetual light shine upon them. May they rest in peace.

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.

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



First Banns of Marriage for *Morgan Drey & Brian Swedzinski* to be married at St. Catherine. Please keep them in our prayers.

Address for Fr. Christian Adike:

Fr. Christian Adike
PO Box 52
414 North Main St.
Clara City, MN 56222



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. Anne's from 7-8:30pm on Sunday, July 19, for snacks, prayer, games, and fellowship. Youth from any parishes are invited and will meet outside the church.

Worldwide Marriage Encounter



A Marriage Encounter Weekend is a private weekend away from life's distractions that allows a husband and wife to focus on each other. The next available weekends are Sept. 25-27, 2020 in Windom, MN. Early registration is highly recommended. For more information visit our website at: southmnwwme.org or contact Miki at 507-227-8229 or website; applications@southmnwwme.org.

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>

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>
For Department of Labor and Industry updates related to COVID-19, visit: 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.

Employment at St. Anne's offers a unique community of educators, students and community, committed to growing in faith, academics and service. Contact us at 507-342-5389 to learn more.

You are Invited!

...Japanese Martyrs Annual Summer Festival in Leavenworth, MN is on Sunday, July 26th. Mass will be at 10:30 AM, food & music from 11 AM - 3:30 PM, drawing at 3:30 PM. All social distancing regulations will be followed to make this Festival both FUN and SAFE. Attendees are welcome to wear masks and volunteers will as well. If you are ill, please do not attend.

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!

End of Life Issues-Catholic United Financial Webinar

Join a Webinar for everyone from a Catholic perspective sponsored by Catholic United Financial on Thursday, August 6th at 6:30 PM.

Speakers: Fr. Tony Hesse and John Tetzloff

The webinar speakers will discuss:

- Church teaching on end of life medical care
- How to create your own Catholic health care directive
- Guidance for funding your final expenses
- How to protect and direct assets
- Manage tax exposure
- Understand probate, wills and trusts.

Register: <https://bit.ly/August6-Wabasso>

Host: David Schonhardt dschonhardt@catholicunited.org or phone # 763-670-9058

NO BAKE, NO PREP FUNDRAISER

As you know with the pandemic there has been no opportunities for fundraisers so we are having a cash donation fundraiser for St. Anne's Catholic School.

Our Lady of Victory Catholic United Financial is sponsoring a Matching Grant Fundraiser on Sat. & Sun, Aug. 1 & 2. There will be a second collection basket after all Masses at St. Catherine's & St. Anne's church for a donation to fund St. Anne's Catholic School. Catholic United Financial will match funds up to \$1000. Also, you can mail your donations to OLV CUF PO Box 96 Lucan, MN 56255.

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 15	\$25	Amanda Frank
Friday,	July 17	\$50	Liz Kohout
Sunday,	July 19	\$50	Dominic Facile

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

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