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August 25, 2024

21st Sunday in **Ordinary Time**

Sunday Masses

10am & 8:00pm

Confessions

Sunday, 7:30pm

Pastor:

Father Derek Wiechmann fatherderek17@gmail.com

Sacramental Minister:

Father JohnPaul Igbokwe igbokwejohnpaul7@gmail.com *In case of immediate need, call your parish office to reach a priest directly.

This Week's Happenings

Sunday (8/25)

Coffee and Rolls

Monday (8/26)

Classes start SCSU/SCTCC

Wednesday (8/28)

Student Welcome Picnic

Sunday (9/1):

Food Shelf Sunday

Mass: 10am & 8pm

Monday (9/2)

Office Closed

Dear friends!

Last weekend at St. Anthony's I announced that Andrew Goenner is beginning his studies to be a deacon within our Area Catholic Community. I asked him to write a little bit about himself. So, here are his words:

"My name is Andrew Goenner, and I'm going to be starting school at St. John's University in a couple of weeks as part of the program to become a Deacon for our parish. My wife Ashley, our son Christopher, and I have been members of St. Anthony's since 2016. We are both Eucharistic Ministers for Sunday Mass. Ashley and I work from home for CentraCare and Christopher, our fourteen year old, is active in the Illuminate youth group. I come from a long line of people heavily involved with their Catholic faith and churches. About a year ago, I felt the need to do more for my parish, and that was when there was a blurb in the bulletin about an informational meeting regarding joining the permanent diaconate. I felt the quiet whisper of the call, and after speaking to Ashley, decided we would attend the meeting and start the process. As I begin this journey deeper into service for my Church, I am simply asking for your prayers to help me stay strong and not stumble TOO much between returning to school, and the various life changes this will require on both my part, and that of my family. Thank you and have a blessed day!"

Please keep Andrew and his family in your prayers!

Have you ever wondered how Mass intentions work? Here is a little Mass intentions 101:

"One part of Catholic culture that is sometimes hard to understand and is very often misunderstood is the custom of offering Mass intentions. When a priest celebrates Mass each day, he offers each celebration of the Eucharist for a particular person, or intention. By doing so he applies special graces from God upon that person or intention. Similar to how we are able to intercede for others by our personal prayers, the Church is able to intercede for us through the celebration of the Mass. However, since the Eucharist is the "source and summit of the Christian life" the Mass possesses a power that our personal prayers do not.

The practice of offering Mass for particular intentions is an ancient one, dating back to the early Church. Fr. William Saunders explains, "Inscriptions discovered on tombs in Roman catacombs of the second century [give] evidence [for] this practice: for example, the epitaph on the tomb of Abercius (d.180), Bishop of Hieropolis in Phrygia, begs for prayers for the repose of his soul. Tertullian (c.200) attested to observing the anniversary of a spouse with prayers and sacrifices, i.e. the Mass." This tradition is also seen in St. Augustine's Confessions (c.397), where Monica asks Augustine, "One thing only I ask you, that you remember me at the altar of the Lord." Canon Law confirms this practice and states, "In accord with the approved practice of the Church, any priest celebrating or concelebrating is permitted to receive an offering to apply the Mass for a specific intention" (Can. 945 §1). Furthermore, it continues by saying, "The Christian faithful who give an offering to apply the Mass for their intention contribute to the good of the Church and by that offering share its concern to support its ministers and works" (945 §2)."

You can request a to have a Mass offered by calling your respective parish office. It is custom to offer \$10.00 per Mass intention.

Peace! Fr. Derek

Parish Prayers

† Jacob Olson
†Michael Dale
†Shawn Preisler
†Don Teff, brother of Bonnie Stachowski
†Arleen Boyd, Mother of Glenda Prom
†Parisa
†Julie Gabrielson
†India Faith Krueger Wasilowski
†Bob Trisko
†Frank Roehl
•Nkeiru
•Innocent, Chinwe, and their family
†Mary Helen Montgomery
•Aaron Dockendorf
†Mary Morton

Faith Formation Registration NOW OPEN for 2024/25 School Year

Registration is open to families for our faith formation programs for the 2024/25 school year! We are so excited about this new year, and hope you will join us for faith enriching opportunities for the whole family. Scan the QR code to register on your phone, or look at your parish website over the coming weeks.

Key Dates - All hosted at the Newman Center unless noted:

Confirmation Orientation - Wednesday, September 25th, 7pm

K-9th (Family Faith Formation/SEND) First Session—Wednesday, October 2nd. 6:30pm (Optional Meal served at 5:45pm)

First Sacraments Parent Meeting—Wednesday, October 9th, 6:30pm

More details to come!

Due to limited space, Catechesis of the Good Shepherd (hosted at the Mary Center) is opening registration to returning families first. Open enrollment for new CGS families will begin the weekend of August 24th/25th.

For more information, please contact Philip Shefveland, Director of Discipleship and Evangelization. Call or text 320-281-9518, email pshefveland@scsucatholic.org.



Youth Group Calendar for August:

August 25th: Adoration & Reconciliation

September 1st: No Youth Group Due to Labor Day Weekend

SAVE THE DATE: WEDNESDAY AUGUST 28TH

and Be a HELPER or Be a GUEST at our ... ALL PARISH WELCOME BACK STUDENTS PICNIC!

Help us celebrate the return of our College Students, the start of a new school year and the return of all you parishioners who spend summer weekends away! Watch the bulletin and your email for location and time.

If you would like to be a helper please sign up on the boards or reply to: Jo Hennen jghennen@gmail.com or 320-250-0456 and let us know how you can help!

Coffee and Rolls:

Our first after the summer break will be Sunday August 25th after the 10:00am Mass.

Plan to meet our Peer Ministers who will be serving!

Joining us for the 8:00pm Mass today? Pick up an ice cream treat and greet our students!

Gift Bag donations! The new school year is starting and we want to send our students of all ages into it with our blessing and as usual......treats from the parish! Will you help? Items are needed to include in a small gift bag suitable for grade schoolers and college students alike. We can sort a bit when we build the bags to be age appropriate. Items needed are things like; stickers, pens, snacks (No nuts please) Post-its, juice boxes, magnets, chip clips......think like a big or little kid and you will do fine!

If you choose to help please leave them in the cart marked "Gift Bags" near the office no later than September 9th! And Bless YOU for your donation!

Heartfelt Thank You!

A special thanks to all of you who generously donated to the people in Nigeria for Fr. JohnPaul Igbokwe. He was overjoyed with your generosity. The total amount collected was \$17,773.35 Fr. JohnPaul will be in Nigeria until September 15th and continued thoughts and prayers are welcomed for a safe journey.

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