

ST. BRIDGET CATHOLIC COMMUNITY

**SIXTEENTH SUNDAY IN
ORDINARY TIME**
SUNDAY, JULY 19

**SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY
IN ORDINARY TIME**
SUNDAY, JULY 26



From the pastor...

On Sunday July 19 at 4:00 p.m. is the Ordination of Deacon Joseph Stefancin to the priesthood. Congratulations Fr. Joe Stefancin. We are glad you are with us.

This bulletin is another "two-fer" covering the weeks of July 19 and July 26.

The first weekend of July 19 is the Sixteenth Week in Ordinary time and in the gospel [Jesus said, "An enemy sowed weeds in a farmer's field. When the farmer saw the weeds growing amid the wheat, he told his workers, 'Let the two plants] grow together until harvest. Then I will tell the harvest workers to pull up the weeds...and burn them, and then to gather in the wheat and put it in my barn.'" Matthew 13:30

The wheat stands for good people; the weeds stand for evil people. Jesus' parable reminds me that I should not be disturbed to find "weeds" growing amid the wheat in Jesus' Church. What is/should be my attitude toward the "weeds" growing amid the wheat in Jesus' Church?
(VISION 2000, Mark Link, S.J.)

On Sunday, July 26, we have the Seventeenth Week in Ordinary Time. [Jesus said,] "The kingdom of heaven is like this. A man happens to find a treasure hidden in a field... He goes and sells everything he has, and then goes back and buys that field." Matthew 13:44

An elderly woman in Scotland was so poor her neighbors had to support her. They were happy to do this, but what bothered some of them was that her son had gone to America and become rich. The mother defending her son, saying, "He writes me every week and always sends me a little picture. See," she said, "I keep them in my Bible."

Between the pages of her bible were hundreds of U.S. Bank notes. The woman had a treasure in her Bible, but didn't realize it. To what extent do I need to rediscover the treasure in my Bible: Jesus Christ? Christ is not valued at all unless he is valued above all. Saint Augustine
(VISION 2000, Mark Link, S.J.)

COVID19 Cases Rising in our Area

COVID19 cases are increasing in our area. St. Bridget had its first COVID19 death and funeral at the Church. This disease is real and we all need to be careful. I hear our Church members talking about staying home and being careful, as they should. The reality is we all need to be careful and practice social distancing, wear masks - if you are able, stay home if you are ill. There is life to be lived not in fear but in being prudent. People with underlying health concerns should avoid all crowds and stay at home as hard as that is. Please contact me if you ever want to just talk or have a visit. I will be honored to do so. ~ Fr. Jerry Harris

New Church Office Hours:

Monday - Thursday: 9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.
Friday: 9:00 a.m. - Noon
Closed Saturday and Sunday

Phone 715.425.1870

Pastoral Emergency
715.869.6122

www.saintbridgets.org

New Church Building hours:

Monday - Thursday: 9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.
Friday: 9:00 a.m. - Noon.
Saturday: 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.
Sunday: 9:00 a.m. - Noon

Weekly Masses ~ July 19 to July 25

Sunday, July 19	9:30 a.m. +Int: John Matzek 11:00 a.m. Int: Churches of St. Bridget/St. Mary's
Monday, July 20	8:00 a.m. Liturgy of the Word with Holy Communion
Tuesday, July 21	5:15 p.m. +Int: Marlys Smith
Wednesday, July 22	No Mass
Thursday, July 23	8:00 a.m. +Int: Jerome and Leola Marek
Friday, July 24	8:00 a.m. +Int: Deceased members of the Grove and Tiernan Families

Weekly Masses ~ July 26 - August 1

Sunday, July 25	9:30 a.m. +Int: Shirley DeCoux 11:00 a.m. Int: Churches of St. Bridget/St. Mary's
Monday, July 26	8:00 a.m. Liturgy of the Word with Holy Communion
Tuesday, July 27	5:15 p.m. +Int: Pauline Schmidbauer
Wednesday, July 28	8:00 a.m. +Int: Gordy Pechacek
Thursday, July 29	8:00 a.m. +Int: Jim Matzek
Friday, July 30	8:00 a.m. +Int: Marlys Smith

Rest in Peace



Ruth Kirchner
Sister of Esther Kirchner
Donna Olson
Mother-in-law of Amy Olson Jenkins
Jim Simone Lori Cullen
Lawrence Huppert
Robert Schmidt

Daily Word for July 20 - July 26

Monday, July 20	Mi 6:1-4, 6-8/Mt 12:38-42
Tuesday, July 21	Mi 7:14-15, 18-20/ Mt 12:46-50
Wednesday, July 22	Sg 3:1-4b or 2 Cor 5:14-17/ Jn 20:1-2, 11-18
Thursday, July 23	Jer 2:1-3, 7-8, 12-13/ Mt 13:10-17
Friday, July 24	Jer 3:14-17/Mt 13:18-23
Saturday, July 25	2 Cor 4:7-15/Mt 20:20-28
Sunday, July 26	1 Kgs 3:5, 7-12/Rom 8:28-30/Mt 13:44-52 or 13:44-46

Daily Word for July 27 - August 2

Monday, July 27	Jer 13:1-11/Mt 13:31-35
Tuesday, July 28	Jer 14:17-22/Mt 13:36-43
Wednesday, July 29	Jer 15:10, 16-21/ Jn 11:19-27 or Lk 10:38-42
Thursday, July 30	Jer 18:1-6/Mt 13:47-53
Friday, July 31	Jer 26:1-9/Mt 13:54-58
Saturday, August 1	Jer 26:11-16, 24/Mt 14:1-12
Sunday, August 2	Is 55:1-3/Rom 8:35, 37-39/ Mt 14:13-21



Radio Mass Aired Sundays at 9:00 a.m.
WEVR 1550 AM/106.3 FM

The Mass for July 18 is in loving memory of
Edmund, Rose and Donald Huppert

The Mass for July 25 is in loving memory of
Donald Langer

Message from Deacon Joe

Hello everyone. You may have seen me at Mass with Fr. Rich Rhinehart and/or Fr. Jerry Harris our Pastor. I will be ordained in 10 days to the order of the priesthood. As I prepare for the most grace-filled sacrament, I ask for your continued prayers. I personally cannot wait to celebrate the Mass with you as one of your priests and to administer the sacraments to you. If I had to choose one sacrament to administer to you, it would be the sacrament of reconciliation. I would like all of you to feel the love of God as he wipes away your sins, for there is no sin he cannot forgive us for, not one. With this gift of forgiveness, we are all open to what the sacraments have to offer us. During this Coronavirus Pandemic, I pray for a vaccine so that we can meet each other face-to-face and not computer screen to computer screen.

May God continue to bless all of us with the grace we need to face the challenges of another day.

~ Deacon Joe Stefancin.

PRAYER LIST

- Let us know if someone would like to be prayed for in church or be listed in the bulletin prayer list. To be included in the prayer line, call Virginia Magner at 715 - 220 - 7792.

Laura Bowman	Sarah Roble
Linda Giardina	Katy Morris
Judy Pechacek Harri	Paula Flood
Ann Holland	Karin Jarosch
Barb Ickler	Gwen Paulson
Ray Belisle	Linda Radtke
Joseph Pentusa	Irene Anderson
Michelle Radtke	Rod Cina
Isabella Thompson	Sharon Reese
Sonia Steiner	Sandie Huberty
Steve Alberg	Tony Jilek
Grace Radtke	

FAITH FORMATION

Congratulations to our Newly Confirmed!

Lindsey Andrea	Brandon Nelson
Raymond Austin	Adam O'Malley
Victor Bye	Isabelle O'Malley
Charles Campbell	Nathan Ottum
Connor Cardell	Sy Pitzen
Samuel Cernohous	Sophie Pope
John Conway	Isapela Pupungatoo
Calvin Cox	Rachel Randleman
Sydney Diers	Hayden Rock
Jameson Dougherty	Jacob Sammon
William Dougherty	Jada Saxton
Jackson Edelman	Jaeden Tometich
Matthew Friemann	Samuel Uetz
Isabel Herrera	Marcus Vitt
Ambrea Kjos	Luke Welke
Kassidy Konieczka	Jaden Woiwode
Michael Krueger	Aria Woolsey
Grant Magnuson	Maci Wruck

First Communion Love Bank Update

Thank you to all of our First Communion candidates, who raised \$1,677.05 to help the needy! These funds will be donated to help those in need in our own community (Our Neighbor's Place and the River Falls Food Pantry), to children who are ill (St. Jude's Children's Hospital), and to at-risk animals (Coco's Heart Dog Rescue and St. Croix Animal Friends). Thank you, First Communion candidates, for putting your faith into action and generously helping those in need!

TITHES AND OFFERING

WEEK OF JUNE 29 & JULY 6

Adult Contributions	\$21,703.00
Future Parish Needs	\$841.00
Loose Collection	\$274.10
Text to Give	\$445.00
Online Giving	\$1,685.00
Scrip Rebates (31 orders)	\$431.73
Priest Emergency Fund	\$100.00

Fr. Joe will officially become Fr. Joe this Sunday with his ordination in Superior, Wisconsin. You can visit Cathedral of Christ the King Facebook page this **Sunday, July 19 at 4:00 p.m.** Fr. Joe's First Mass will be at Holy Rosary in Medford, Wisconsin. Their contact is Holy Rosary Medford Facebook page. Congratulations Fr. Joe Stefancin. We are proud and praying for you!
~ Fr. Jerry Harris

WELCOME TO OUR CHURCH FAMILY

New Member

Michael Munns

Baptisms

Etta Jo Hall
Daughter of Erika and Isaac Hall

SPIRITUAL GROWTH

Morning Prayer at the Labyrinth

If you've been nudged by the Holy Spirit to change up or add to your prayer life I'd invite you to meet at the Labyrinth on Wednesday, July 22 at 7:30 a.m. for Morning prayer using the Labyrinth. We will begin with a short reflection and guidance in using the Labyrinth and then enter into a time of silent prayer. If you have questions or desire more information please email Jodie, jrubenzer@stbparish.com. Please bring your own lawn chair.

RCIA Update

We welcome Richard Graf as he was fully initiated into the Catholic Church. All candidates have now been received. If you who would like more information on joining the Catholic faith, please invite them to contact Jodie at jrubenzer@stbparish.com or call the church office and I'd be happy to reach out to them.

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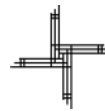
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