

Readings for the Week

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Mass Intentions

For the Week of July 20 - 26

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| Tuesday | 8 am | Audrey Langston † |
| Wednesday | 8 am | Sheila Mitchell † |
| Thursday | 8 am | Dale Anderson † |
| Saturday | 5 pm | McDonald Family |
| Sunday | 9 am | Parishioners |

Please Support our Youth Mission Trip

Our young people planning the Mission Trip still need donations to cover the cost of their chaperones. Donations may be sent to the office at Sacred Heart. Please be generous.

****Weekend Offerings ****

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| Envelopes (71) | \$1,978.00 |
| Plate | \$ 887.31 |
| Building Maint. | \$ 48.00 |
| Total | \$2,913.31 |
| Budgeted Amount | \$2,425.00 |

**** Church Donations ****

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| Kitchen Fund | \$ 5.00 |
| Youth Group | \$1,000.00 |
| Candles | \$ 3.00 |
| Total | \$1,008.00 |

**** Other Donations ****

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| Peter's Pence | \$ 21.00 |
| Sabbatical Fund | \$ 100.00 |
| Total | \$ 121.00 |

A Prodigal Farmer

I was born and raised in a small farming family. We cultivated rice three times a year and there was always plenty of work on the farm; weeding was one of them. Pulling the weeds in ankle-deep water was indeed a hard task. Only experienced workers were entrusted with that job for fear of pulling out the rice plants along with the weeds. I was never good at it, because it was almost impossible to distinguish the weed from the rice. The earlier we pulled the weeds, it was better for the rice plants.

A farmer who does not weed his field at an early stage is indeed a prodigal. The Gospel speaks of such a farmer who lets the wheat and weed grow together until harvest (Mtt 13:24-30). But in this particular case, however, there is a difference. There is a possibility of the weeds transforming and turning into wheat plants, capable of producing a good harvest. Therefore the patient delay in weeding on the part of the farmer, is very good news for the weeds. There are opportunities yet, for a total change. But the harvest time is set, and the time of reckoning will be soon near. The fiery furnace is getting ready for the weeds that refuse to reform. Would they reform?
Fr. Xavier

MCCL at the Chisago County Fair

We had another very successful time at the Chisago County Fair. We talked to so many people and have a renewed faith that there are many more pro-life people out there than we think. Thank you to all who gave of your time to sit at the booth and profess that you truly respect life. Please see our website for a list of everyone that helped with the booth. You all did an awesome job--thank you and God's blessings.
~Elaine Schneider

Prayer Corner

We pray for our young people who undertake the Mission Trip, that it may be a life-changing experience for each of them.



This Week at Sacred Heart

Sunday, July 20

4:00 pm Mission Trip BBQ (Jungels)
6:30 pm Gamblers' Anonymous

Tuesday, July 22

4:30 pm Kitchen Committee Mtg

Wednesday, July 23

12:00 - 4:00 pm Adoration

Thursday, July 24

1:00 - 4:00 pm Project Group
6:30 pm Staff Evening

Friday, July 25

7:15 pm Softball @ Rush City

*"My dog and cat have taught me a great lesson
in life... shed a lot"*
~Susan Carlson

Inauguration of Remodeled Kitchen

Thanks to the earnest efforts of a group of men and the whole-hearted support of the parish, the remodeling work of the kitchen is being completed. Next Sunday, July 27, after Mass we will have a blessing and inauguration of the facility. An egg bake breakfast organized by the CCW will follow.

Baptism Congratulations!

Congratulations to Amanda and Shane Lodhar on the baptism of their first child, Alijah Thomas, on Saturday, July 19.

Happy Anniversary!

James and Susan Yanta (23 years)
William and Helga Weinreich (18 years)
Rick and Mary Ann Drevecky (36 years)
David and Mitzi Campbell (3 years)
Rodney and Carole Swanson (50 years)



Birthdays of the Week

7-20 Nicholas Cieminski 7-21 Laverne Johnson
7-22 Tamara Fields, Roger Korf, Drake
Schellbach 7-23 Michael Korf, John Lind, Dana
Manske 7-24 Heather Johnson 7-25 Jaysa
Saumer 7-26 Kristie Frazier, Anthony & Hunter
Hermanson, Jena Tomczyk

Those Who Need Our Prayers

John Gorman, Clarence McDonald, Betty
Odendahl, and Vivian Peltier.



Pontoon Pot Luck

Due to the threat of heavy rains on Thursday, the Men's Club Pontoon Potluck has been postponed to Sunday, July 27. Please join us!

Saints of the Week

July 21 *Lawrence of Brindisi, priest, doctor; † 1619; Capuchin, linguist, military chaplain, diplomat and minister general; learned exegete, forceful preacher, and controversialist; fifteen volumes of his writings are extant.*

July 22 *Mary Magdalene; † 1st c.; healed of possession; disciple of Jesus and present at his crucifixion; in Mark, the first to witness to the risen Lord (hence, called the "apostle of the Apostles"); mistakenly identified as the sinful woman of Lk 7:36-50; patroness of the Order of Preachers.*

July 23 *Bridget of Sweden, religious; † 1373 in Rome; born in Sweden; mother of eight; mystic prophet and foundress of the Order of the Most Holy Savior ("Bridgettines"); patroness of Sweden; with Teresa Benedicta of the Cross and Catherine of Siena, declared co-patroness of Europe by Pope John Paul II (1999).*

July 24 *Sharbel Makhluf, priest; † 1898. Born in 1828 in a small mountain village in north Lebanon, he became a monk of the Maronite Rite and was ordained a priest in 1859, devoted to the Blessed Virgin Mary, he spent the last 23 years of his life as a hermit. Canonized by Pope Paul VI in 1977, Sharbel is known as the "Hermit of Lebanon". This memorial has been newly included in the Universal Calendar of the revised *Missale Romanum, editio typica tertia.**

July 25 *James, Apostle; brother of John, James is called "the Greater" because he followed Christ before the other apostle of the same name; first of the Twelve to be martyred, being decapitated by order of Herod Agrippa I, c.4; venerated at Compostella, Spain; named in the Roman Canon; patron of pilgrims, of Spain, Guatemala, and Nicaragua.*

July 26 *Joachim and Anne, parents of the Blessed Virgin Mary; Names for the parents of Mary found in the 2nd c. Protoevangelium of James; veneration of Anne originated in the 6th c. East; patroness of childless women and miners; devotion to Joachim dates from the 8th c.*

Next weekend is our monthly Food Drive

