

SUNDAY, JULY 24, 2016

SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME • TENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST (EF)



Clergy

Reverend Mark Moriarty, Pastor
Reverend Andrew Jaspers, Parochial Vicar
Deacon Nathan Allen
Reverend James McConville, In Residence

Sunday Masses

Saturday 5:15 p.m. (anticipated), with Benediction at 5:00 p.m.
6:30, 7:30 a.m. (Latin EF Low Mass) 8:30, 10:00 a.m. (Latin OF High Mass), 12 Noon

Weekday Masses

8:00 a.m. Monday through Saturday (Saturday — Sung Latin Mass)
5:15 p.m. Fridays
During school year, Mass on Thursday morning is at 9:30 a.m.

Holy Days of Obligation

Watch bulletin for Mass schedules

Confessions

Fridays 4:00-5:00 p.m. (Chapel)
Saturdays: 4:00-5:00 p.m. (Upper Church) and 8:00-9:00 p.m. (Chapel)
First Tuesday following the 7:30 p.m. Novena
First Friday 7:00-7:50 a.m. (Chapel)
First Saturday 7:00-7:50 a.m. (Chapel)

Adoration and Devotions

Tuesday: 7:00 p.m. Chaplet of Divine Mercy and Holy Rosary
7:30 p.m. Novena to Our Lady of Perpetual Help
Friday: Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament following the
8:00 a.m. Mass until 5:00 p.m.
Saturday: Rosary for Life after the 8:00 a.m. Mass
Sunday: 3:00 p.m. Vespers and Benediction of the Most Blessed Sacrament

Parish Office Hours

Monday – Thursday, 7:30 a.m. – 3:30 p.m.
Friday – 8:00 a.m. – Noon

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PASTOR'S COLUMN



TODAY AT SAINT AGNES

National Disorder

Writing in the Washington Post, Colbert King reacted strongly to the many politicians who respond to Americans doing terrible things by proclaiming, "That is not who we are." King claims that the most recent killings and violence reveal that "this national disorder is who we are." He has a point, but then seems to misidentify the root causes. Here is a choice quotation: "There are hordes of Americans who aren't about to guard against the prejudice in their heads and hearts or teach their children better. They don't much care what people who don't look, speak or pray like them think." He suggests that the problem is mainly racial prejudice when he speaks about the racial divide in boardrooms, newsrooms, upper management, etc. He concludes by stating, "But the challenge is greater: to take on and deal with who and what we, as a nation, really are."

I will attempt to take up his challenge. Admittedly, prejudice is a problem; this involves all kinds of prejudice including racism. "An unfavorable opinion or feeling formed beforehand or without knowledge"; this is the definition of prejudice. It is a kind of pre-judging. This is an offense against human dignity as given to us by our Creator and Father. God, who loves us infinitely, wills that we love our neighbor and to approach His sense of value for our fellow man. Although this will not be accomplished perfectly until Heaven, we are duty-bound to make every effort to view others as sons and daughters of God.

Hopefully I am wrong, but I suspect Mr. King would think I am prejudiced in regard to traditional marriage, gender identity, etc. Quite the contrary! My faith and my common sense help me to see the nature of humanity and the great value of a life-giving, permanent bond between a man and a woman. In accepting one's gender, we have the timeless living out of the truth that gifts beyond our control need to be accepted and embraced, not discarded and changed to fit one's liking. These truths should be passed on to our children. Holding fast to them, with charity, is NOT contributing to national disorder. Holding firmly to disorders contributes to national disorder.

Another form of prejudice is not only rampant but law. Unborn children, mostly minority, can be killed in the womb. They are literally being **pre-judged** as worthless, expendable, bothersome, inconvenient and/or untimely. If we can be prejudiced against the most innocent and helpless, should we be surprised when it starts happening to adults? If we objectify one human, what will stop us from objectifying more? Unfortunately, this is who we are as a nation. We are a nation that kills our innocent young. We are a nation that has lost its understanding of marriage and family. We are a nation that questions with Pontius Pilate, "what is truth?" This is not who we are supposed to be. With God's grace, we can grow in love for our fellow man no matter how different we may be. We should also love enough that we want to justly practice what is good and true, as well as, share the truth with others. We may be mistakenly viewed as prejudiced or stirring up hate, but a slow and steady return to ordered reality can soon bring about a great national order.

In Christ,

Fr. Mark Moriarty

Blessing for Couples Experiencing Infertility - July 24

Immediately following the 8:30 am Mass, at the Altar of the Blessed Virgin Mary, there will be a blessing for all couples experiencing infertility.

All are invited to Schuler Hall for coffee and donuts served by the Knights of Columbus.

THIS WEEK AT SAINT AGNES

NFP Awareness Week Begins July 24

The United States Conference of Catholic Bishops has designated the last week of July as NFP Awareness Week. Natural Family Planning (NFP) offers a scientific and marriage building opportunity by learning about one's fertility. NFP Awareness Week supports couples by bringing awareness of spousal love. This year NFP Week runs July 24-30. These dates include the anniversary of the papal encyclical *Humanae Vitae* (July 25) and the feast of St. Joachim and St. Anne (July 26). Human life is a beautiful gift and is to be cherished. For additional information please visit www.archspm.org/NFPAwarenessWeek.

Natural Family Planning Classes

The Couple to Couple League is offering a series of classes for engaged and married couples, on the *Sympto-Thermal Method of Natural Family Planning* here at Saint Agnes. New streamlined methodology and new materials integrate Pope John Paul II's Theology of the Body. Classes began on Tuesday, July 19th, at 7:30 pm. Registration at twincities.ccli.org. For more info, call 612.721.3791 or email: twincities.ccli.org@gmail.com.

SOON AT SAINT AGNES

Catechesis of the Good Shepherd - September 14 to May 3

We are having a new Catechesis of the Good Shepherd program for the 2016-2017 school year. Two sections of atrium will be offered for children ages 3-6, from 8:00 to 9:30 am (to accommodate school families especially), and 10:00 to 11:30 am every Wednesday from September 14 through May 3, with seasonal school breaks. Online registration is open at the parish website and closes on September 1. Parishioners will be given priority placement. As sections are limited to 10-13 children each, it is first come, first served. Direct questions to Annamarie Adkins at cgs@churchofsaintagnes.org.

*The love of husband and wife is the force
that welds society together."*

Saint John Chrysostom

Grow deeper in that love! A Marriage Encounter Weekend allows a husband and wife to get away together and focus on each other. The next Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekends are Oct 7-9 in Buffalo and Nov 18-20 in Prior Lake. Early registration is highly recommended. For more information visit our website at: twincitieswwme.org or contact Brent & Tracy at applications@twincitieswwme.org or 612.756.8720.

ALTAR SERVERS

Saturday, July 30
5:15 pm

Lucas Lahlum, Chris Ethier, Michael McNamara

Sunday, July 31
7:30 am

Dominic Adkins, Nate Bennett

8:30 am

Philip Rother, Stephan McNamara,
Thomas McNamara, William Murphy, Thomas Jalbert

10:00 am

William Kostuch, Anton Praska, Petrus Washburn,
Ross Wright, Ben Lenzmeier, Alex Lenzmeier,
Alouisus Washburn, Ambrose Washburn

12:00 pm

Joe Galush, Nguyen Phan, An Phan

ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Welcome to our parish family
through the sacrament of Baptism:**

Jude Daxton Kohler

Son of Robert and Carla Kohler

Gifts in memory of:

Timothy Kuschel

Victoria Mottl

AROUND THE ARCHDIOCESE

Reception to honor parishioner, Deacon John Mangan

John is retiring from diaconal service and a reception will be held in his honor on August 5 at 2:00 pm at the Minnesota Veterans Home, 5101 Minnehaha Ave. S., Building 19, Minneapolis. It is being hosted by Chaplain Jim Leith & and Chaplain John Steiner. It would make John's day to see some friends from St. Agnes. Questions? Call 612.548.5700.

Confirmation Classes for those with Special Needs

Confirmation classes are available for persons with special needs, or mental or physical disabilities, age 16 or older. Classes will be held Saturday, August 20 and Saturday, August 27, 9:30–11:30 am at the Church of St. Richard, Richfield. Both classes are mandatory for guardians and candidates. Pre-registration is required. Candidates will be confirmed during the Annual Mass for Persons with Disabilities on Sunday, September 11 at 3 pm. To register, contact Deacon Sean or Joan Curtan at 651.291.4543 or curtans@archspm.org.

Silent Retreat for Men - August 26-28

A silent retreat for men based on the Spiritual Exercises of St. Ignatius will be preached by priests from the Miles Christi Religious Order on the weekend of August 26-28, at the Franciscan Retreat Center in Prior Lake. To register, contact Karen Hastreiter at 651.451.1132 or minnesota@spiritualexercises.net.



WEEKLY CALENDAR

(Regular, weekly Masses, Confessions, and Devotions are found on the bulletin cover)

Sunday, July 24

Coffee and donuts (Schuler) by the Knights of Columbus

Monday, July 25

No scheduled activities

Tuesday, July 26

Legion of Mary (Brides) 6:15 pm

Rosary & Novena (Chapel) 7:00 pm

Wednesday, July 27

No scheduled activities

Thursday, July 28

No scheduled activities

Friday, July 29

No scheduled activities

Saturday, July 30

Rosary for Life following the 8:00 am Mass

MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, July 25 | Saint James, Apostle

8:00 am Rev. James McConville

Tuesday, July 26 | Saints Joachim & Anne

8:00 am Benefactors of the Sisters of Charity

Wednesday, July 27

8:00 am Bernice Pribnow † (B)

Thursday, July 28

8:00 am Bill Woullery †

Friday, July 29 | Saint Martha

8:00 am John Fier

5:15 pm Thomas McShane †

Saturday, July 30 | Saint Peter Chrysologus, Bishop & Doctor of the Church

8:00 am* Patricia Erickson †

5:15 pm Mark & Molly Moriarty

Sunday, July 31 | Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time Eleventh Sunday After Pentecost (EF)

6:30 am Luke & Kristin Fier Family

7:30 am Marie Froehner †

8:30 am Michael Flanagan †

10:00 am* Thomas Hanson †

12:00 pm *Missa pro populo* (For the people)

(A) Anniversary (B) Birthday † Deceased *Sung High Mass

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