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WHAT WILL BE YOUR LEGACY?

by Mary Kennedy, Parish Administrator

It is like a mustard seed that, when it is sown in the ground, is the smallest of all the seeds on the earth. But once it is sown, it springs up and becomes the largest of plants and puts forth large branches, so that the birds of the sky can dwell in its shade. - Mark 4:31-32

"Hello Mary, Mary. I'm back in my room again. This is your father speaking. Give me a call then. I guess that should take care of it."

The message is brief, a mere twenty-seven words. To anyone else who heard this recording, it wouldn't mean much, but the voice is that of my dear, departed dad. He left me this brief voice mail on my mobile phone in February of 2015. It was five months before he passed away. At the time, he was a week or so out of the hospital and staying at a nursing home to rehabilitate. When I got the message, I was irritated with myself for missing his call. Now I gratefully hang onto this audio snippet as a treasured memento. When I find myself missing him, I go someplace private and play the message over and over to listen with my heart, bask in the timbre of his voice, and remember the gift I enjoyed of this amazing man who was my father. After a listening, I often enjoy a burst of energy, a need to go and do something: face a challenge head on, be present to those around me, enjoy life's simple pleasures, or in some way honor my father's life and legacy.

Memories, enhanced by technology, have the power to touch our heart or bring a smile to our face. The words and actions of those who came before us can also provide much more than great memories. In the actions of others, we can be educated and renewed. We can find courage, inspiration, and motivation to take the next steps to move forward in our own life's mission and reach toward a goal.

There is a mighty legacy left by those who came before us in the first eighty years of Saint Olaf. There was much work to be done in building, gathering, rebuilding, and forming a community called to serve as the living sign of Jesus Christ's saving presence in the heart of the city. Today, we are blessed by the love, spirit, faith, and hope of those who came before us. They have left reminders throughout the building of their abundant faith, strength, and determination required to pray – serve – share in the heart of downtown Minneapolis. They have left us much to steward as we continue the mission of Saint Olaf.

Each of us has been challenged in our lives, especially in the past year and a half. We also have been abundantly blessed in a myriad of ways. As we celebrate Saint Olaf's 80th Anniversary this year, we ask you to consider how you can commemorate and celebrate Saint Olaf in your life. As we asked in the Summer 2021 Newsletter, please share YOUR

Saint Olaf story – how did you get here, but more importantly what made you stay? We also would like to ask for your thoughtful consideration of a planned gift towards Saint Olaf's Endowment Fund. The Saint Olaf Endowment Fund is a permanent endowment, the principle remains untouched, but the interest in the form of grants will provide this parish annually with Forever Gifts. Saint Olaf is designating \$80,000 from the Pauline Altermatt estate gift to kick off the Celebrate Eighty Anniversary celebration and we have set a goal to raise the Saint Olaf Endowment fund to \$500,000 (from its current status of \$160,399). Gifts can be "Now Gifts" in any amount, or "Forever Gifts" designated in your estate plan. Remember the mustard seed, it may be small, but the fruits of its growth allowed all the birds needed sanctuary. Your gifts to the Saint Olaf Endowment Fund will help this parish in all of our tomorrows.

What is your Saint Olaf Story? What will be your Saint Olaf legacy?





EVENTS AND OTHER INFORMATION

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION AT SAINTOLAF.ORG/EVENTS

READINGS FOR SUNDAY MASS

June 13: Ez 17: 22-24, Ps 92, 2 Cor 5: 6-10, Mk 4: 26-34
June 20: Jb 38: 1, 8-11, Ps 107, 2 Cor 5: 14-17, Mk 4: 35-41

WATCH SAINT OLAF SUNDAY MASS ON CABLE TV

Watch our Sunday 10:00am Mass on MCN Cable TV Channel 6 on Sunday evenings at 8:00pm and replayed on Mondays at 10:00am.

DAILY MASS LIVE STREAM

Saint Olaf Live Streams our Monday-Friday 12:00noon Mass and our Sunday 10:00am Mass on YouTube: [youtube.com/user/SaintOlafChurch/live](https://www.youtube.com/user/SaintOlafChurch/live). On Facebook, search for and like: **Saint Olaf Catholic Church, Downtown Minneapolis**. Saint Olaf also archives all of our Masses on the website, www.SaintOlaf.org/media.

SUNDAY MASS OBLIGATION RETURNS JULY 3-4

The COVID-19 pandemic has been a painful time of separation that necessitated, for a short while, suspension of public Masses and the dispensation from the Sunday obligation to attend Mass. Nonetheless, since May 2020, Minnesota's bishops have made available the public celebration of Mass to those who wished to attend. Parishes have done an amazing job creating safe spaces for worship and the sacraments during the past year. Now, as the pandemic subsides, and public gathering restrictions and safety protocols are lifted, it is time to gather as the Body of Christ once again. Therefore, the bishops and diocesan administrators of the Minnesota Catholic Conference have decided to reinstate the obligation to attend Mass on Sundays and Holy Days of Obligation beginning the weekend of July 3-4, 2021. For the complete statement see the Saint Olaf website, www.SaintOlaf.org.

MASKS STILL ENCOURAGED THOUGH MASK MANDATE ENDED

On June 1, Mayor Frey ended the Mask Mandate for the city of Minneapolis, which includes all public buildings. Although the pandemic is not over, the vaccination rate has risen to allow this restriction to be lifted. Saint Olaf encourages all visitors, especially those who are not fully vaccinated, to wear a mask while in the building. Masks are available upon request. Join us in our communal prayers for the end of this pandemic and those souls we have lost over this last year and a half. We continue working hard to keep Saint Olaf safe for all and look forward to more parishioners and guests joining in our worship and prayers.

REMEMBERING OUR FATHER'S ON FATHERS'S DAY

This Father's Day, June 20, remember fathers, living and deceased with a donation toward church environment and flowers. Suggested offering is \$5.00. Use forms available in the acrylic racks at the church entrances. Make checks out to Saint Olaf Church with "Father's Day Environment" in the memo line.

NO DAILY MASS OR CONFESSIONS JUNE 22-24

Due to the biennial Archdiocesan Priests Assembly in Winona, there will be no 7:00am or 12:00noon Mass or Confessions Tuesday - Thursday June 22-24. The main church will be open for private prayer on those days.

ADOPT-A-GARDEN AT SAINT OLAF

Calling all gardeners and garden lovers! Saint Olaf has some garden plots that could benefit from some dedicated attention. If you have a few minutes before/after Mass or your regular Saint Olaf visit, consider adopting one of our garden plots for the season and providing regular attention to shower love, weed, prune, and water. We will provide you with the water and any needed materials, you just provide the love and attention. Join in with a neighbor or a Saint Olaf friend, this is a great family opportunity too! Contact the parish office Monday-Thursday mornings for details about available gardens you can adopt.



THIS WEEK'S SCHEDULE

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION AT SAINTOLAF.ORG

WELCOME HOME

Please be attentive to the following:

- If you are sick, please stay home
- Hand sanitizer is available
- The wearing of masks is encouraged – please observe social distancing

*Building closes at 3:30pm Monday - Friday until further notice.
Offices are open until 4:30pm Monday-Thursday
Chapel is open for prayer from 1-3:30pm.*

SATURDAY, JUNE 12

12:00 PM MASS
12:30 PM CONFESSIONS
4:00 PM MASS

SUNDAY, JUNE 13

6:00 AM MASS
8:00 AM MASS
10:00 AM MASS (+LIVE STREAMED)
12:00 PM MASS
4:00 PM MASS

MONDAY, JUNE 14

7:00 AM MASS
7:30 AM CONFESSIONS
12:00 PM MASS (+LIVE STREAMED)

TUESDAY, JUNE 15

7:00 AM MASS
7:30 AM CONFESSIONS
12:00 PM MASS (+LIVE STREAMED)
12:30 PM CONFESSIONS

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 16

7:00 AM MASS
7:30 AM CONFESSIONS
12:00 PM MASS (+LIVE STREAMED)

THURSDAY, JUNE 17

7:00 AM MASS
7:30 AM CONFESSIONS
12:00 PM MASS (+LIVE STREAMED)
12:30 PM CONFESSIONS

FRIDAY, JUNE 18

OFFICE CLOSED ON FRIDAYS

7:00 AM MASS
7:30 AM CONFESSIONS
11:00 AM ADORATION
12:00 PM MASS (+LIVE STREAMED)

SATURDAY, JUNE 19

12:00 PM MASS
12:30 PM CONFESSIONS
4:00 PM MASS

ANNUAL BUDGET AS OF WEEK #48

CONTRIBUTIONS	ACTUAL	BUDGET	DIFFERENCE
May 24 - 30	\$14,295	\$16,172	-\$1,877
YTD through Week #48	\$1,117,366	\$1,078,524	\$38,842

Thank you for your continued support of Saint Olaf.