



Catholic Church

JULY 2, 2023

THE 13TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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HEY OLAF! CAN YOU SPARE A CUP OF WATER?

Mary Kennedy, Parish Administrator

And whoever gives only a cup of cold water to one of these little ones to drink because he is a disciple—amen, I say to you, he will surely not lose his reward.

- Mt 10: 42

Water is everywhere in the news of late. According to the US Drought Monitor, most of Minnesota is hovering between “abnormally dry,” “moderate drought,” to “extreme drought.” Many across the world were transfixed as recent news reports tracked the tragic migrant boat disaster off the coast of Greece followed by the Titanic-bound submarine which was lost in 1600 feet of water. As temperatures hover between 80’s and 90’s many forget their mid-winter pledge to not complain about the heat and instead look for a patch of shade and a cool drink of clean water to quench the thirst.

In Matthew’s Gospel this weekend, Jesus exhorts his disciples to follow him. This call is to each of us, as well, as baptized disciples of Jesus Christ. That cup of water given to the little ones to drink can be the ultimate example of caring and sharing. The simple act of sharing of what we have, even a glass of water - given with no strings attached is always rewarded. We are asked to follow Jesus Christ in the spirit of hospitality, and it becomes a mission-driven response.

Think of a time when you gave of yourself with no hesitation. As you look back upon the memory, how did the gift make you feel? How about the simple gifts you have received? I can easily remember simple gifts given that made all the difference to me. That cold drink of water on a hot summer day in the midst of a ball game tasted so very good and made me get back out on the field with more gusto. The gift of time given to me by my second-grade teacher, Sr. Lois Ann, who came to the regional speech competition my senior year of high school to root for me in the final round, just because she was “in the neighborhood.” An hour of her time gave me such a boost that I still treasure that memory of her kindness. Gifts like these also keep on giving, and we are back to water imagery again as the gift given invokes the ripple effect of a splash in the water moving out in increasing circles, enveloping others in the kindness.

We at Saint Olaf live out the mission of “*servicing as a living sign of Christ’s saving presence in the heart of the city.*” How can your gifts shared be a part of the mission-driven response? **Pray – Serve – Share** – three aspects of living Stewardship as a Way of Life to consider among your options. Come and pray with us at Mass

or spend quiet time in the Chapel. **Pray** in gratitude for the community you have found in Saint Olaf and pray with care for all who come through these doors. There is no prayer wasted or unheard. **Serve** from your personal, God-given gifts – be it ten minutes or a couple of hours. Look to the activities that bring you joy, whether it is to sing, to read, to sort, to organize, to plan, to lead, to garden, to knit, to decorate, to build, to welcome, to love. **Share** of your resources to make your community of faith stronger – look to what you have to give and then do it. We have daily requests for water, for sandwiches, boots, shoes, shirts, pants, towels, and of course backpacks, backpacks, and backpacks. The financial gifts you share are vital to the mission of Saint Olaf. We are grateful for all the gifts shared that help us worship and provide for the needs of all. There is no gift too small, and every gift is put to the best use to live out our mission here in the heart of the city. We need just one thing: YOU. Got Mission?





EVENTS & OTHER INFORMATION

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION AT SAINTOLAF.ORG/EVENTS

READINGS FOR SUNDAY MASS

**RESPONSORIAL PSALMS ARE DENOTED BY BOLD ITALICS*

July 2, 2023: 2 Kgs 4:8-11, 14-16a, **Ps 89**, Rom 6:3-4, 8-11, Mt 10:37-42

July 9, 2023: Zec 9:9-10, **Ps 145**, Rom 8:9, 11-13, Mt 11:25-30

PRAY SAINT OLAF SUNDAY MASS ON MCN CH 6

Pray our Sunday 10:00am Mass on MCN Cable TV Channel 6 on Sunday evenings at 8:00pm and replayed on Mondays at 10:00am. Saint Olaf also live streams our Monday-Friday 12:00Noon Mass and our Sunday 10:00am Mass on YouTube: youtube.com/user/SaintOlafChurch/live.



TUESDAY, JULY 4 IS INDEPENDENCE DAY

Saint Olaf office will be closed for the holiday. One Mass will be celebrated at 9:00am (no 7:00am or 12:00Noon Mass, No Confessions).

SAMARITAN MINISTRY CLOSED JULY 3-5

Samaritan Ministry will be closed Monday-Wednesday, July 3-5 since our great volunteers will be taking the holiday week off. We appreciate the service of our volunteer crew who perform a variety of tasks to serve those in need in our community. If you have some free time those mornings and are interested in lending a hand we would welcome your assistance. Volunteer opportunities include working with clients, offering hospitality, filling orders; or accepting, sorting and organizing donations. Training is provided, including the required Virtus training. Contact Michael Griffin, MGriffin@SaintOlaf.org to learn more about opportunities to serve or to schedule a tour to see all the great things we are doing to serve in the heart of the city.

SAMARITAN MINISTRY NEEDS

Samaritan Ministry needs backpacks, shoes and work boots to serve to our guests. We ask that items be new, or clean and in good repair. You may drop them off at the front desk. Thank you!

SEWING ASSISTANCE NEEDED

Sewing assistance needed for the Liturgical Environment Ministry Team to assist in sewing and/or repairing cloth banners, embellishments, and altar cloths. Ideal volunteer has a sewing machine at home, but Saint Olaf can also arrange for on-site sewing if needed. Fabric and materials would be provided by Saint Olaf. For more information, or to sign up, contact Don Gibson at dgibsondesign@gmail.com.



THIS WEEK'S SCHEDULE

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION AT SAINTOLAF.ORG



WELCOME!

- Building closes at 5:30pm Monday - Friday.
 - Offices are open until 4:30pm Monday-Thursday
 - Chapel is open for private prayer Monday - Friday, 7:30am - 5:30pm
- + LIVE STREAMED

SATURDAY, JULY 1

10:00 AM CENTERING PRAYER
MONTHLY GATHERING
FORLITI GATHERING RM

12:00 PM **MASS**

12:30 PM CONFESSIONS

12:30 PM ROSARY - CHAPEL

4:00 PM **VIGIL MASS**

SUNDAY, JULY 2

6:00 AM **MASS**

8:00 AM **MASS**

10:00 AM **MASS+**

12:00 PM **MASS**

4:00 PM **MASS**

MONDAY, JULY 3

7:00 AM **MASS - CHAPEL**

7:30 AM CONFESSIONS

12:00 PM **MASS+**

12:00 PM AA MEETING - EDU RM



TUESDAY, JULY 4

HAPPY INDEPENDENCE DAY!

*PARISH OFFICES CLOSED,
BUILDING CLOSSES AFTER MASS*

9:00 AM **MASS**
Postlude - *The Stars and Stripes*
Forever with an actual piccolo!

WEDNESDAY, JULY 5

7:00 AM **MASS - CHAPEL**

7:00 AM AA MEETING - EDU RM

7:30 AM CONFESSIONS

11:30 AM NICOTINE ANONYMOUS
MEETING - EDU RM

12:00 PM **MASS+**

6:30 PM WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY
FORLITI GATHERING RM

THURSDAY, JULY 6

7:00 AM **MASS - CHAPEL**

7:30 AM CONFESSIONS

12:00 PM **MASS+**

12:30 PM CONFESSIONS

FRIDAY, JULY 7

PARISH OFFICES CLOSED

7:00 AM **MASS - CHAPEL**

7:30 AM CONFESSIONS

10:00 AM KNITTING GROUP
FORLITI GATHERING RM

11:00 AM ADORATION

12:00 PM **MASS+**

SATURDAY, JULY 8

12:00 PM **MASS**

12:30 PM CONFESSIONS

12:30 PM ROSARY - CHAPEL

4:00 PM **VIGIL MASS**

SUNDAY, JULY 9

6:00 AM **MASS**

8:00 AM **MASS**

10:00 AM **MASS+**

12:00 PM **MASS**

4:00 PM **MASS**

ANNUAL BUDGET AS OF WEEK #51

CONTRIBUTIONS	ACTUAL	BUDGET	DIFFERENCE
June 12 - 18	\$10,724	\$19,000	-\$8,276
YTD through Week #51	\$1,222,564	\$1,264,000	-\$41,436

Thank you for your continued support of Saint Olaf!