



Catholic Church

JULY 9, 2023

THE 14TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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“COME TO ME”

Fr. Kevin Kenney, Pastor

“Come to me, all you who labor and are burdened, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you and learn from me, for I am meek and humble of heart; and you will find rest for yourselves. For my yoke is easy, and my burden light.”

What is your favorite pastime during the summer? Mine has changed over the years. I used to like to swim in the lake, take long bike rides, eat lots of ice cream, read a book, travel, go camping, fishing, and waterskiing. Now I cherish sitting on a pontoon and slowly tooling around a lake, enjoying friends, a beverage, and checking out where people spend their weekends. Yes, it is true, I am sounding like an old man, but pontoon rides can be refreshing, renewing, and carefree. I picture it like Jesus saying, “Come, sit back, let the air flow around you, and release all your thoughts and worries into the air and breathe!” That is of course if we are smog free!

The above passage from Matthew’s Gospel, chapter 11, is part of this Sunday’s gospel. It is also part of the Anointing Rite. It is one of my favorites and has been for many, many, years. It brings people calm in life and on the journey towards death.

I remember when I was heading once to Guatemala for a summer, my sister gave me this verse and said, “Do not worry.” I cannot tell you how many times I read it and reflected upon this gospel passage, giving me comfort during challenging times.

In the summertime, we need to take time to relax, sit outside, take a walk, and ride in a boat. Water is so healing, the sunshine is invigorating, and the taste of picnic food never tasted so good. Hot dogs, brats, and hamburgers on the grill, fried chicken, potato salad - that has to be iced, coleslaw, marshmallow crispy bars (the chocolate deluxe version), chips and many other assorted summer picnic fares always tempt me to join picnics in the park stating that I am a long-lost relative that found them on Ancestry.com. Do you think this would work?

Reading books is one of my dreams. I have little piles of books all over, begging to be read. I rarely make it through the introduction before I begin to see zzzzz’s. I have learned that lying and swaying in a hammock is not the best place to read a book so if you find me in Francis Park, snoozing

in a hammock, just wave and pass me by. I always remember my college days falling asleep in the library and upon waking, finding a book crease on my forehead and down one cheek.

Ponder the above words and invitation of Jesus. Summertime in the city, at the lake, in the country, in your apartment, senior housing, or wherever home may be gives us permission to slow down, enjoy the sunshine, drink lemonade, eat a popsicle or ice cream cone and let it drip down your chin without having to make any excuses. Let go of the anxieties of trying to balance a budget, program for the coming year, clear off your desk, organize wedding files, return phone calls, oops, there is one I need to do, and go for a walk or better yet, a pontoon ride. I will look for you on the horizon this evening as the sun sets and I thank God for another day. Enjoy friends, family, and fun!

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EVENTS & OTHER INFORMATION

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION AT SAINTOLAF.ORG/EVENTS

READINGS FOR SUNDAY MASS

**RESPONSORIAL PSALMS ARE DENOTED BY BOLD ITALICS*

July 9, 2023: Zec 9:9-10, **Ps 145**, Rom 8:9, 11-13, Mt 11:25-30
 July 16, 2023: Is 55:10-11, **Ps 65**, Rom 8:18-23, Mt 13:1-23

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.

LITTLE SISTERS OF THE POOR AT SAINT OLAF JULY 15 & 16

The Little Sisters of the Poor will be visiting Saint Olaf on July 15th & 16th. They care for the elderly poor in 32 countries around the world and continue to care for the elderly in their Home in St Paul, MN. Saint Jeanne Jugan, their foundress and first Little Sister, would always say "if God is with us, it will be accomplished." God truly manifests His goodness to them through your generous gifts. – Sister Joseph Marie. For more information about this organization, visit littlesistersofthepoor.org.

SAVE THE DATE – SAINT OLAF SATURDAY CELEBRATION

Mark your calendars for Saturday, July 29 as we honor our patron Saint Olaf with an International Music Potpourri at 2:00pm, featuring the talents of Saint Olaf's musicians, 4:00pm Vigil Mass, and immediately after Mass, join us for our first International Potluck. Bring your favorite family heritage dish to share, whether it is an appetizer, a salad, a main course, or dessert. Saint Olaf will also have food and beverages on hand so no one will go hungry. All are welcome to share their heritage and history. If cooking is not in your wheelhouse, worry not – come and celebrate Saint Olaf! Bring your dish to be shared to Forliti Gathering Room before Mass and we will keep it warm (or cool) during Mass. Sunday, July 30 we will have our tasty coffee and donuts after all the Masses as well.

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 8

- 12:00 PM **MASS**
- 12:30 PM CONFESSIONS
- 12:30 PM ROSARY - CHAPEL
- 4:00 PM **VIGIL MASS**

THURSDAY, JULY 13

- 7:00 AM **MASS - CHAPEL**
- 7:30 AM CONFESSIONS
- 12:00 PM **MASS+**
- 12:30 PM CONFESSIONS

SUNDAY, JULY 9

- 6:00 AM **MASS**
- 8:00 AM **MASS**
- 10:00 AM **MASS+**
- 12:00 PM **MASS**
- 4:00 PM **MASS**

FRIDAY, JULY 14

- 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+**

MONDAY, JULY 10

- 7:00 AM **MASS - CHAPEL**
- 7:30 AM CONFESSIONS
- 12:00 PM **MASS+**
- 12:00 PM AA MEETING - EDU RM

SATURDAY, JULY 15

- 12:00 PM **MASS**
- 12:30 PM CONFESSIONS
- 12:30 PM ROSARY - CHAPEL
- 4:00 PM **VIGIL MASS**

TUESDAY, JULY 11

- 7:00 AM **MASS - CHAPEL**
- 7:30 AM CONFESSIONS
- 12:00 PM **MASS+**
- 12:30 PM CONFESSIONS

SUNDAY, JULY 16

- 6:00 AM **MASS**
- 8:00 AM **MASS**
- 10:00 AM **MASS+**
- 12:00 PM **MASS**
- 4:00 PM **MASS**

WEDNESDAY, JULY 12

- 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

ANNUAL BUDGET AS OF WEEK #52

CONTRIBUTIONS	ACTUAL	BUDGET	DIFFERENCE
June 19 - 25	\$17,232	<i>*Fiscal Year ends June 30</i>	
YTD through Week #52	\$1,239,796	\$1,290,000	-\$50,204

Thank you for your continued support of Saint Olaf.