

July 18 , 2021 16th Sunday in Ordinary Time

St. Joseph (SJ) and St. Patrick (SP) Weekly Mass Schedule						
Date			Place	Time	Mass Intention	Sacred Scriptures
Mon	July	19			NO MASS	Exodus 14: 5-18; Matthew 12: 38-42
Tues	July	20	SJ	6:15 pm	+ Arlene White	St. Apollinaris: Ex. 14: 21-15:1; Matthew 12: 46-50
Wed	July	21	SJ	8:00 AM	+ Bruna Masolini	St. Lawrence of Brindisi: Ex. 16: 1-5,9-15; Matt. 13:1-9
Thurs	July	22	SP	5:45 PM	Special Intention	St. Mary Magdelene: Song of 3: 1-4; John 20: 1-2, 11-18
Fri	July	23	SJ	8:00 AM	+ John Wilson	St. Bridget: Exodus 20: 1-17; Matthew 13: 18-23
Sat	July	24	SJ	5:00 PM	+ Margaret Tiernan	2 Kings 4: 42-44; Ephesians 4: 1-6; John 6: 1-15
Sun	July	25	SP	8:00 AM	+ Josephine Ann Oujiri	2 Kings 4: 42-44; Ephesians 4: 1-6; John 6: 1-15
Sun	July	25	SJ	10:00 AM	For Our Parish	2 Kings 4: 42-44; Ephesians 4: 1-6; John 6: 1-15

Prayer Chain: Nellie Bindel, Shirley Bittinger, Maxine Brunsman, Mike Burgus, Patty Burgus, Bob Casper, Kellen Casper, Pam Coffey, Nick (Kordick) Degnan, Jay Eveler, Hayden Grandfield and family, Joe Hoffman, Dr. Joe Johll, Joanne Nichols, Glen Schellenhammer, Linda Sullivan, Tom Teno. If you would like to be added to our parish prayer chain, please email Terri Sullivan @ stmnsully@gmail.com or call Patricia Corkrean at 462-4251 or Rosemary Stuchel at 462-4152.

St. Joseph Food Pantry: We are in need of donations for our food pantry to help those who need assistance. We welcome donations of non-perishable food items, personal care items (soap, toothpaste, deodorant, toilet paper, etc.), cleaning supplies (detergent, paper towels, dish washing soap, etc.). If you prefer to donate cash, we welcome the money so we can re-supply our pantry. Thanks as always for your generosity.

Annual Diocesan Appeal: As of July 1, St. Patrick's has received pledges or gifts from 32 donors for a total of \$16,125 toward its 2021 ADA goal of \$15,775 giving **REFUND** to the parish of \$350 and St. Joseph has received 87 pledges or gifts for a total of \$33,350 toward its goal of \$36,129 leaving a shortfall of \$2,779. **Please remember that any shortfall at year-end will have to be paid to the Diocese by the parish and is paid out of the general tithing collections. For the 2020 ADA campaign, St. Joseph paid \$6,909 and St. Patrick's paid \$3,300 for their respective shortfalls.**

Welcome Back Brunch!: We will be having a brunch after Mass next Sunday, July 25. We invite you to join us and bring a dish to share. A time for fun, friends and fellowship! See you there!

Next Weekend's Ministry Schedule for July 24 & 25, 2021			
Ministry	St. Joe's Sat. 5 pm	St. Pat's Sun. 8 am	St. Joe's Sun. 10 am
Lector		Robert Holtzbauer	Jim Pottebaum
Extra Com.		Robert Holtzbauer	
Gifts		Rob & Amy Hall	
Servers			
Ushers		Jim Watts, Mike Pedersen	
Greeter		Elaine Lenze	

From the Pastor's Desk: In the last 16 months life has really changed, the lockdown, the social distancing and finally the vaccine. On March 15th the Bishops decided that in order to slow the spread of the Corona Virus Churches were not opened for the celebration of Mass. At that time, they also dispensed with obligation to attend Mass. This lasted until mid-June 2020. Since then we have slowly been re-gathering based on the medical information that was available. Beginning next weekend July 25th Bishop Joensen is lifting the dispensation from the obligatory attendance at Masses on Sundays and Holy Days.

When I looked up the word "Obligation" I found an interesting definition for the word, "A binding contract, promise, a moral responsibility, ...the condition or fact of being indebted to another for a favor or service received." In the bible there are many binding contracts usually involving the sacrifice of an animal and the blood poured out. So, what is our binding contract, or better yet who is our binding contract; just look at the Crucifix, there it says it all. God binds himself to us in the sacrifice of his only begotten Jesus the Christ and we bind ourselves to God in the same person. God promises to love us tenderly and we promise to be faithful to Him throughout our lives. Since we could never pay the price of the sin of Adam; God took to himself the perfect way to reconcile us through the blood Jesus poured out from the Cross.

We are duty bound to thank God for the gift of salvation, the promise of everlasting life. But we must enter the mystery of Cross through the celebration of the Mass. For the Mass is the re-presentation of Calvary yet in an unbloodied manner. In the Liturgy of the Mass time and eternity meet and we are experiencing reality of the Last Supper and the Sacrifice of the Cross. This is our moral responsibility, to worship Almighty God through the sacrifice of Christ, all through the power of the Holy Spirit.

So no longer can we think of this obligation as a weight around our neck. No, the obligation is a duty and a responsibility to give God continual thanks for making us his beloved sons and daughters. Fr. Thomas Dooley

St. Patrick: Please check out the updated parish website www.ouririshsettlement.com There you will find the latest information of the parish. The weekly bulletins are posted there.

Eucharist Adoration: at St. Joe's: on Tuesdays from 11 am to 6 pm the Lord is exposed on the altar with Benediction (the blessing) at 6pm. At St. Pat's on Thursdays from 4pm to 5:30pm with Benediction at 5:30 pm. Mass follows at 6:15pm.

Liturgical Ministry at St. Joe's: Now that we have come through the darkness of Covid it is time to rebuild our ministries. In the entryway you will find signup sheets for Lector, Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion (EMHC), Servers and ushers. Please indicate which Mass you normally attend or if you would be willing to help at either Mass. We will be doing training soon.

Youth Ministry Opening: St. Joe's is searching for a part time Youth Minister, someone to provide leadership, ongoing formation, and fun for our H.S. youth. Working closely with Coordinator of Catechesis. 8 to 10 hour a week. Please contact Fr. Dooley, phone, or email for more information.

Consecration to St. Joseph: St. Patrick's Irish Settlement will be hosting a Diocesan wide Consecration to St. Joseph on Sunday August 5 at 4pm. Bishop Joensen will celebrate an outdoor Mass. You can begin this 33-day consecration on July 14th to be finished by August 15, or you may want to begin it on August 15.

FORMED: Go to formed.org click on "I belong to an organization", type in Winterset's zip code "50273", enter your name and then email and find all the wonderful and faith inspiring talks, movies and shows

Prayer to St. Joseph. "Hail, Guardian of the redeemer, spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary. To you God entrusted his only Son; in you Mary placed her trust; with you Christ became man. Blessed Joseph, to us too, show yourself a father and guide us in the path of life. Obtain for us grace, mercy, and courage, and defend us from every evil. Amen."