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### Fourteen Sunday in Ordinary Time

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|-----------|------|----------------------------|--|
| Sunday    | 7/6  | 8:00 AM<br><b>10:00 AM</b> | Bill & Elaine Letter<br><b>Mass at St John's</b> <b>John &amp; Pat Matteson</b>  |
| Tuesday   | 7/8  | <b>8:15 AM</b>             | <b>Mass at St John's</b> <b>OPEN</b>   |
| Wednesday | 7/9  | <b>8:15 AM</b><br>9:00 AM  | <b>Mass at St John's</b> <b>OPEN</b><br>Holy Communion Outside of Mass / Faith Formation to follow   |
| Thursday  | 7/10 | <b>8:15 AM</b>             | <b>Mass at St John's</b> <b>Dan &amp; Mary Van Dyn Hoven</b>   |
| Friday    | 7/11 | 8:15 AM                    | Donald Vande Hei     From Trudie & Kathy   |
| Saturday  | 7/12 | <b>4:00 PM</b>             | <b>Mass at St John's</b> <b>Carl &amp; Pat Anshutz</b>   |
| Sunday    | 7/13 | 8:00 AM<br><b>10:00 AM</b> | Greg & Burton Stevens and Dan Nienhaus     From Nancy Stevens<br><b>Mass at St John's</b> <b>Ricky Vande Hei, Bill Van Handel, Deceased Family Members</b> |

#### (PRACTICING) CATHOLIC – BENEATH THE SURFACE

By Colleen Jurkiewicz Dorman

**Mini reflection:** Too often, life falls short of my expectations — an opportunity didn't work out, a day didn't go the way I planned — so I ball up my fists and stomp my feet.  
And God takes the Book of the Gospels and opens it to Luke, Chapter 10.

#### On Pilgrimage

Before I embarked on my trip to the National Eucharistic Congress last summer with a group from my archdiocese, we had an orientation meeting. At that meeting, the coordinator of the trip shared with us "The Five Rules of Pilgrimage."

If you're not familiar with them (I wasn't), here they are:

1. Don't complain.
2. Don't complain. (It's so important, it's listed twice.)
3. When you see a bathroom, use it.
4. When someone offers you something, receive it.

When someone asks you for something, give it.

It's great advice for a pilgrimage, but more than that, I think it's great advice in general. So when I read today's Gospel and I hear Jesus say essentially the same thing to his disciples as they set out to evangelize (well, minus the bathroom tip, but those weren't as much of a thing in biblical Judea), I come to an important realization.

The whole Christian life is a pilgrimage.

Too often, life falls short of my expectations. An opportunity didn't work out. A day didn't go the way I planned (like, *at all*). A person didn't accept me. And I ball up my fists and stomp my feet like a full-grown Veruca Salt, and I yell: *I cannot work in these conditions!*

And then, I imagine God, on his celestial throne, sighs and opens the Book of the Gospels (surely he keeps it handy, don't you think?) to Luke, Chapter 10. And he whispers in my heart what he said to his disciples 2,000 years ago.

*Don't complain. Be open and give of yourself, and in turn, receive what comes your way, whatever it is. If it's good, rejoice. If it's not good, move on. And in the end, remember where you're headed — the place you're trying to go.*

Oh, and again: don't complain.

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We are reconciled with one another, united and transformed by the love that flows abundantly from the heart of Jesus. Let us walk together humbly and resolutely in His footsteps, firm in faith and open to all in charity. May we bring the peace of the Risen Lord to our world, with the freedom born of the knowledge that we have been loved, chosen, and sent by the Father.

~ Pope Leo XIV

| DAY/TIME                                | LECTORS    | DISTRIPTORS    | SERVERS                         | USHERS                                    |
|---|------------|----------------|---------------------------------|---|
| <b>Sunday 8:00 AM</b><br><b>July 13</b> | Dan Rynish | Tim Eisenreich | Jordan Banker<br>Jackson Banker | Adam VanderHeiden<br>Preston VanderHeiden |

#### **INCOME FOR WEEK:**

|                        |            |
|------------------------|------------|
| Church Support         | \$ 1130.00 |
| Loose Collection       | \$ 199.00  |
| Votives                | \$ 6.00    |
| Building & Maintenance | \$ 20.00   |

#### **DISBURSEMENTS FOR WEEK:**

|                          |            |
|--------------------------|------------|
| WE Energies              | \$ 451.88  |
| James Imaging (Toner)    | \$ 65.59   |
| St John's - Cost Share   | \$ 5351.02 |
| Cathedral Corp Envelopes | \$ 119.63  |
| Miscellaneous            | \$ 179.35  |
| WeShare CC Fees          | \$ 7.63    |

#### **Bulletin Changes**

Beginning with this Sunday's bulletin, you will see that the front & back cover with no longer be in color print. With everything moving toward digital, the company we worked with no longer offers this service. We are trying a trial subscription to obtain the cover online and looked into having them printed in color for us, but the expense is quite high. For this reason, we will be printing them off ourselves with our black & white copier we currently have. We will continue to look into different avenues for the future. Thank you for your understanding!

#### **EVERYDAY STEWARDSHIP — Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS** **When God Speaks Like a Polish Grandmother**

A friend of mine had a Polish grandmother who was famous for giving her children some blunt advice every time they left the house: "Eyes straight ahead. Mind your own business."

Every mother knows her children best, and this mother knew hers liked to argue and sometimes liked to show off. She knew that could lead to trouble. She could not anticipate every scenario they would encounter each time they departed from her. All she could do was distill what she knew about life, safety, and manners into a few simple words, and hand them over to her children like a set of car keys or a hastily scribbled map. In this way, a woman who rarely said "I love you" expressed her devotion. And long after she was dead and buried, her aging sons and daughters repeated these words to themselves, like a child wrapping himself in a warm blanket.

Jesus does much the same for us, in many portions of the Gospels. *"Ask the master to send out laborers for his harvest... Carry no money... Eat what is set before you... Know that the Kingdom of God is at hand... Rejoice because your names are written in Heaven."*

He knows us best — knows our strengths, but even more importantly, he knows our weaknesses. He doesn't always have the space to address each of these explicitly in the pages of Scripture, but what he can do is distill the truth of effective evangelization into a few simple words, and hand them over to us as food for our journey of discipleship. In this way, a God who addresses the entire world and every soul who ever lived also speaks intimately to each one of us.

#### **CATHOLIC TRIVIA – JUST FOR FUN**

**Question:** Where is St. Peter buried?

**Answer:** The current location of St. Peter's Basilica.

#### **Prayer for Evangelization**

As You reach out to the world, Lord,  
let us be Your hands!  
As You answer those crying, send us.  
Let us be Your people, answer to prayers prayed,  
comfort to the afflicted.  
May we be laborers in Your harvest.  
Amen.

#### **Devotions, Explained! St. Michael Prayer**

The prayer to St. Michael, composed by Pope Leo XIII, invokes the protection of the archangel Michael in the ongoing spiritual battle for the souls of all mankind. It is commonly said at the end of the rosary and by some parishes after the conclusion of Mass.

#### **Live The Liturgy - Inspiration of the Week**

As he sends his disciples into the world to proclaim his name, Jesus tells them to be bold. He tells them to be flexible. To be forgiving. To be faithful.  
As we enter this week, let's remember these instructions.  
It's good advice, in any century.



**St Sebastian's has reached**  
**\$14,625.10 of our \$15,974 goal!**  
**Only \$1,348.90 Still Needed**  
**Thank you!!**

**The July Bulletin**  
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**Norm, Julie & Rick Soltvedt**  
**From Jim & Jodi**



**Ministry of the Sick:** Please notify the parish office if a member of your family is confined to their home or is hospitalized. Also, please inform the hospital of your affiliation with your parish.

**Baptisms:** Please call the parish office two months in advance.

**Marriage:** Please call St. John's parish office eight months in advance.

**Funeral Arrangements:** Please call St. John's parish office.

**Anointing of the Sick and Dying:** Please call St. John's parish office.

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**Wed: 8:30 - Noon, Closed: Tues & Fri**