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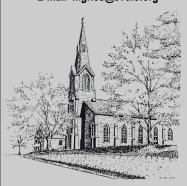
**WEEKEND MASS SCHEDULE** Saturday-5 PM Sunday-8 & 10:30 AM **SACRAMENT OF** RECONCILATION SATURDAY 4-4:30 PM

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#### JULY 9, 2023 THE FOURTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Dear friends,



We are off to a great start with our "Rebuilding our Church" campaign. So far 18% of our parish families (90) and pledged 68% of our goal (\$600,000). By this time all of you should have received a pledge card to make your pledge. If, by some chance, you did not receive a pledge card, let me know and I will get one to you. Please know how grateful I am to

see so many of you step I up in a big way to meet this financial challenge. It is a great reflection of

your love for our parish. I am hopeful that people can fill out and return their pledge cards by the end of the month.

This love for the parish is also expressed by the way so many folks have stepped forward to help with the actual work of rebuilding our church. Special thanks to Jim Gries for finding a place to store the Knights of St. John Booth and the Money Wheel stand from the summer social. And thanks for moving all of them. That will give us room to store the pews in the storage building. Thanks to Jim and Jane Scheller for helping to haul off unneeded items from the storage building.

Special thanks to Madonna Niemeier for the work she has done and will be doing to oversee the interior painting of our church and the installation of the new car-

I'm grateful too for the work that Alan Blankenberger has done with the electrical work in church. Grateful too for all the help we have had repairing our pews and getting them ready to put the new coat of conversion varnish on them: Gary Fehrenbacher, Bob Fehrenbacher, Randy Fehrenbacher, Fred Gries, Randy Tenbarge, Dave Richter, Jim Herr, Dennis Gibbs, Vernie Gries, Gary Gries.

Thanks to Mary Kay Fehrenbacher and Jane Scheller for bringing some cookies for the brick masons from Empire Construction. We're open to having more people make cookies for the workers!

I'm very grateful too for all the folks at Fehrenbacher Cabinets and Fehrenbacher Wood Specialties for allowing us to use their facilities to cut the new pew supports and to stain and finish them. It's amazing what can be accomplished when you have good equipment!

We are blessed too by all the work that is being undertaken by the committee overseeing all the work on our church. Tom Blythe, Mike Loehrlein, Dennis Niemeier, Bob Fehrenbacher and Janice Herr have put in many hours taken care of a myriad of details involved with our rebuilding efforts in the church. You can be sure that our rebuilding work is in good hands.

Leaning into the journey of life

Fr. Gene Schroeder

P.S. A special word of thanks to **Todd** Wingert for taking care of our water treatrment plant sand filter and to **Brad** Dick for taking care of the trees that got blown down by last week's storms.

# REBUILDING OUR CHURCH CAMPAIGN

CAMPAIGN GOAL PLEDGED TO DATE \$600,000 \$409,300

Thanks to the following who have made their pledge (Partial Listing)

Lee & Toni Askins Nick & Kelsey Austin Jim & Amy Back Bob & Martha Baehl Diane & John Bassemeier Rick & Clare Baylor David Conaway Glenn & Julie Conlev Cathy & Joe Crowdus Joan & George David Dave & Donna Dippel Neal & Peggy Dossett Terru Drone Jean & Chick Duncan Ron & Dee Dee Eickhoff Rick & Pauline Elpers Jim & Kristi Elsner Tom & Jackie Elsner Bob & Mary Kay Fehrenbacher Gary Fehrenbacher Ruth Burk Peter & Jodie Fehrenbacher Keith & Carrie Fehrenbacher Butch & Linda Feulner Stan Fishburn Pat & Jeanne Freeman Steve & Marica Frey Glenn & Kristi Givens Steve & laura Gries Rich & Connie Harpenau Greg & Susie Head Ji & Becky Heidorn Jim & Susan Helmer Jim & Janice Herr Jim Hermann Don & Carolyn Hutchison Ryan & Natalie Kassenbrock Winnie Kempf Margaret & Thomas

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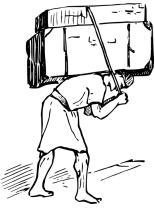
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Dave & Lori Wol



# CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST

SATURDAY, JULY 8 THE FOURTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

**5:00 PM MASS:** Doug & Stan Schapker, Elmer & Charlotte Schapker, Lena Spahn, Joseph (1932) & Louise Macke, Rowen Enlow (1958), Mary Kibby (1989), Carolyn (2001) & Melvin Garvin

SUNDAY, JULY 9 THE FOURTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

8:00 AM MASS: Paul & Marlene Hasselbrinck, Henry, Leota ,& Merl Effing, Edward Rexing (1893), Albert Smith (1958), Paul (2001) & Alma Schapker, Roberta (2020) & Leo Waninger

10:30 AM MASS: Don, Brian, George & Loretta Burgan, Shirley Wessel, Anna Jenkins, Joe Stith, Edward, Justina Henry, Doris & Charlotte Weiss, For the people in our parish.

#### MONDAY, JULY 10 **WEEKDAY**

6:30 PM MASS: Henry Malkers (1860), Anna Bender (1891), Mark Schneider (1958)

#### TUESDAY, JULY 11 SAINT BENEDICT

7:30 AM MASS: Valentine Freyhaut (1879), Ethel Helfrich (1971), Albert Woodward (1974), Anna Bender (1982)

#### WEDNESDAY, JULY 12 WEEKDAY

7:30 AM MASS: Jerry Cain, Agatha Fischer (1870), Agatha Broermann (1895), Francis (1990) & Viola Englert, Al (2009) & Kate Schmitt (2009)

#### THURSDAY, JULY 13 **WEEKDAY**

NO MASS Clarence Goebel (1912), Justina (1983) & Edward Weiss, Darren Drone (1988), Charlie Head (2019)

#### FRIDAY, JULY 14 SAINT KATERI TEKAWITHA

7:30 AM MASS: Darren Drone, Clara Schorlau (1861), Anna Ziegler (1879), Theodore Schenk (1894), George Baehl (1921), Mary Scheller (1962), Kevin Cain (1977), Keith Cain (1977), Jerome Elpers (1994), Karen Elpers (2014)

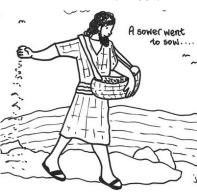
### SATURDAY, JULY 15

#### THE FIFTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

5:00 PM MASS: For the people in our parish. John Elpers (1865), Eugene (1982) & Mary Butler (1982)

#### SUNDAY, JULY 16

#### THE FIFTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



8:00 AM MASS: Robert Margie Harpenau, Dean Trowbridge, Dottie Happe, John & Buelah Gramelspacher, Jerry Kremer, Fran & Priscilla Kremer Mary Lyke, Sr. Dorothy Steckler OFM, Sr. Julitta Steckler, OFM 10:30 AM MASS: Eric Francis Goebel Seib, (1858), George Salzmann 1. (1872), Andrea Wersdorfer (1872), Henry Reid-

ford (1935), Fred Hartmann (1978)

#### STEWARDSHIP: The Lord's Way

"Let all Your works give You thanks, O Lord, and let Your faithful ones bless You," says the Psalmist. Stewardship is this "attitude of gratitude"



HAPPY

**BIRTHDAY** 

HAPPY

for the many gifts God has given us.		Mok	
July 2, 2023	\$	11,507.10	
WEEKLY BUDGET	\$	14,650.00	
TOTAL INCOME TO DATE	\$	11,507.10	
BUDGET TO DATE	\$	14,650.00	
MAINTENANCE COLLECTION	\$	110.00	
CHILDREN'S COLLECTION	\$	8.00	

Thanks to our young stewards: Max & Quinn Layman, Beatrice, Bernadette, Paul & Peter Reckelhoff

#### **OUTREACH MINISTRIES**

HAITI COLLECTION	Ş	200.00
HAITI STUDENTS	\$	168.90
ST. VINCENT'S FOOD PANTRY	\$	5.00
PETER'S PENCE	\$	110.00

May we continue to be blessed by your faithful financial support to our parish and to our outreach ministries. Remember that you can SEND YOUR COLLECTION THROUGH THE MAIL:

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### PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS THOSE WHO HAVE BEEN IN THE HOSPITAL AND NURSING HOMES

HERITAGE CENTER: Brenda Koester, Christine Settle PREMIER NURSING CENTER (NEW HARMONY) Betty Fischer

THE RETREAT AT LEISURE LIVING: Margaret Kafel

CYPRUS REHABILITATION CENTER (NEWBURGH): Steve Hasselbrinck

NORTH PARK NURSING CENTER: Marie Gumbel, Carl Kempf

GOOD SAMARTIAN: Doris Head RIVER POINTE: Beverly Jones SOLARBRON TERRACE: Rose Weiss

July 9: Allison Knight, Herman Schmitt, Jr.

July 10: Nancy Angermeier, Stephanie Hostettler

July 11: Marcia Frey, Lorri Fritch, Amelia Harl, Jeannine Shumate, Bryan Will,

Steve Willis, Rockie Wolfe

July 12: Sherry Dile, Melissa Gillenwater, Caitlyn Jeffers-Owen

July 13: Ray Happe, Griffin Jarboe, Lucas Weinzapfel

July 14: Cassie Englert, Eve Macke, Alexis Will,

Arley Will

July 15: Butch Gibbs, Alison Martin, Jacquelyn Raben, Tim Voelker, Jordan Wilkinson, Jack Wingert ANNIVERSARY

July 12: Brian & Jenny Elpers, Zak & Stephanie Tanner

July 14: Jim & Kristie Elsner, Jonathan & Shannon Eickhoff

July 15: John & Cecilia Koch



Each Monday we invite people to come to pray before the Blessed Sacrament from 7 am to 6:30 pm. We gather in our temporary chapel in the parish rectory. We are always looking for new

people to take the place of those who can no longer come for an hour of adoration in church. You can sign up to come for a regular hour each Monday or just come when you can.

CAR WASH -- MONDAY, JULY 17
The teachers and staff of our school will be hosting a Teacher Car Wash on Monday, July 17<sup>th</sup> from 4:00-6:00 PM in the school parking lot. Come out to have your car washed and visit with your favorite teachers! Car washes are for a donation and all funds raised will go directly to-

wards helping the teachers prepare for the upcoming school year. We will also be donating a portion to the Parish Capital Campaign.

BECOME A HERO and BUY A FRIEND/NEIGHBOR A CHICKEN DINNER

# CARING FOR OUR COMMON HOME



In this year of Eucharistic Renewal, we continue reading Pope Francis's teaching letter (encyclical) entitled Laudato Si-Caring for Our Common Home



and seeing the real presence of God in all things.

Some of the strategies for the low emission of polluting gases aim at the internationalization of environmental costs, with the danger of imposing heavy commitments on emission reductions on countries with fewer resources, similar to those of more industrialized countries. The imposition of these measures penalizes the countries most in need of development. This adds a new injustice under the cover of caring for the environment.

As the effects of climate change will be felt for a long time, even if strict measures are now taken, some countries with scarce resources will need help to adapt to the effects that are already occurring and affecting their economies.

The strategy of buying and selling "emission credits" can



give rise to a new form of speculation and would not serve to reduce the global emission of polluting gases. This system seems to be a quick and easy solution, with the appearance of a certain commitment to the environment, which however does not imply a radical change at the height of the circumstances. Indeed, it can become an

expedient that allows to support the super-consumption of some countries and sectors.

For poor countries, the priorities must be the eradication of poverty and the social development of their inhabitants. At the same time they must take into consideration the scandalous level of consumption of some privileged sectors of their population and better fight corruption. Of course, they must also develop less polluting forms of energy production, but for this they need to count on the help of countries that have grown a lot at the expense of the current pollution of the planet.

The direct exploitation of abundant solar energy requires that mechanisms and subsidies be established so that developing countries can have access to technology transfer, technical assistance and financial resources, but always paying attention to concrete conditions. The costs would be low when compared to the risk of climate change. In any case, it is above all an ethical decision, founded on the solidarity of all peoples.

There is an urgent need for international agreements to take place, given the scarce capacity of local authorities to intervene effectively. Relations between states must safeguard the sovereignty of each, but also establish agreed paths to avoid local disasters that would end up damaging everyone. We need global regulatory frameworks that impose obligations and prevent unacceptable actions, such as the fact that companies or powerful countries dump highly polluting waste and industries on other countries.

We also mention the system of governance of the oceans. In fact, although there have been several international and regional conventions, the fragmentation and the absence of severe regulatory, control and sanction mechanisms end up undermining all efforts. The growing problem of marine litter and the protection of marine areas beyond national borders continues to present a special chal-Ultimately, we need agreement on governance regimes for the full range of so-called global commons. TO BE CONTINUED

# COUNTDOWN TO OUR SUMMER SOCIAL--JULY 30

Thanks to all those who have returned CHAIR COUPLES your tickets. So far about 44% of our parish families have done so. Congratualtions to Joe Scheller who was the winner of our early bird drawing. Remember we also have extra tickets if you can sell them (or would like to buy more tickets!) Again, call/text us (812-499-9074) and we'll get them to you.

By this time you should have received **Britt and Patrick** some chicken dinner tickets. We are sending everyone four tickets. We're hoping you can buy them or sell them. Many of you will want more tickets. Call/text us (812-499-9074) and let us know how many you need and we'll get HELP US SPREAD SOME them to you.

One of the great ways that you can help Megan and Chip with the chicken dinner is to take 812-204-4091





a packet of tickets and sell them. Check with your family and friends, neighbors, co-workers. chicken dinners are really great—enough food for several meals. We don't want to keep all this goodness for just ourselves, so let's spread a little "chicken joy" to others.



Special thanks to our "cookie crew" who began making those delicious cookies for our dinner. Just the things to top off a great meal.



Mark your calendar for our dumpling making day, Monday, July 17. We'll start at 7 pm. Bring a rolling pin and/or pizza cutter. No experience required. you'll be an expert in no time!

SUMMER SOCIAL RAFFLE UPDATE **FAMILIES RETURNING** THEIR TICKETS -253

MONEY RAISED TO DATE - \$54,650.00

Thanks to the following people who have returned their social ticket packets

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