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12th Sunday in Ordinary Time June 23, 2024

Sunday, June 23, 2024

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Job 38:1, 8-11; 2 Corinthians 5:14-17;
Mark 4:35-41

Monday June 24, 2024

The Nativity of St. John the Baptist

Isaiah 49:1-6; Acts 13:22-36;
Luke 1:57-66, 80

1:00 PM - Al-Anon
Office Closed

Tuesday, June 25, 2024

2 Kings 19:9b-11, 14-21, 31-35a, 36;
Matthew 7:6, 12-14

Office Closed

Wednesday, June 26, 2024

2 Kings 22:8-13; 23:1-3; Matthew 7:15-20
Office Closed

Thursday, June 27, 2024

St. Cyril of Alexandria

2 Kings 24:8-17; Matthew 7:21-29

Friday, June 28, 2024

St. Irenaeus

2 Kings 25:1-12; Matthew 8:1-4

9:00 AM - Daily Mass - Rectory
†Jim Talaske by the Talaske Family

Saturday, June 29, 2024

St. Peter and Paul

Acts 12:1-11; 2 Timothy 4:6-8, 17-18;
Matthew 16:13-19

4:00 – 4:30 PM Reconciliation – St. Philip Neri
5:00 PM Mass at St. Philip Neri
†Tom Eichenberg Jr.
by Tom Eichenberg

Collection Report

June 15, 2024

St. Philip Neri

Envelopes (42) \$3,215.00

Loose \$537.00

\$3,752.00

Wkly. Budget \$3,100.00

O/ (U) Budget \$652.00

YTD Budget \$158,100.00

YTD Collections \$146,855.59
(\$11,244.41)

Schedule of Ministers

St. Philip Neri

June 29, 2024, 5:00 PM

Eucharist: Beth Hoeh

Eucharist: Cecile Slywka

Eucharist: Barb Spindler

Word: Amy Shank

Hospitality: Betty Yost

Hospitality: Jim Kaverman

Hospitality: Larry Wisniewski

Hospitality: Jerry Slywka

O God

Hear our prayer

And let our cry come to You.

Bless the Diocese of Grand Rapids

with many vocations to the

Priesthood, diaconate,

and religious life.

Give your sons and daughters

the confidence to

accept Your call,

and the love to follow always

in the footsteps of

Your beloved Son

with courage and dedication

to Your will.

Amen

Faith Formation News

One prayer that I am working on incorporating into my prayer life is calling upon the Sacred Heart of Jesus. Last week I was diagnosed with shingles. As I was trying not to itch the rash/blisters I started using the prayer "Sacred Heart of Jesus, have mercy on me." Over and over, I prayed that prayer. At this point the shingles have not been too bad for me, praise God.

"Devotion to the Sacred heart leads us to ponder the sacred humanity of Jesus, God with us. Using the universally accepted symbol of the heart as the sign of the center of who we are, this devotion focuses on Jesus as the man for others, who showed humans how, in a human way, to love as God loves, and to act as God wants us to act." Heart Speaks to Heart, Cardinal Thomas Collins Pg 5. My illness reminded me of my humanity. I have been trying to unite my humanity with Jesus, that in his humanity God is with us.

Even in suffering and illness Jesus must be the center of our lives. Sometimes it was hard to remember to pray. I often have many people I am praying for, so I have been offering up my illness for them and in the midst of those prayers I remembered to pray for help to the Sacred Heart of Jesus. This encounter with Jesus has helped me focus on him instead myself and my needs. I have been able to notice a growth within my spiritual life as I place others before me, as I offer up my suffering for whatever and whomever God wants to use it for. I never liked when people would say "offer up your suffering to God" with a kind of laughter in their voice. I did not seem sincere to me. I have come to believe through this encounter with Jesus Most Sacred Heart that it when we sincerely offer up our hurting and suffering to God, to use in whatever way he may want then there is an encounter with Jesus. That the Word made flesh knows that our human flesh will know pain, disease and illness.

This encounter with Jesus helped me with humility Cardinal Collins also speaks about in the section under repentance called V. "Create in me a clean heart, O God (Psalm 51). "We can become so self-satisfied, but that only leads to spiritual mediocrity, and none of us can afford that in a world as challenging as the one in which we live. The first message of both John the Baptist and of Jesus was a call to repentance, to a heartfelt turning away from slavery to ego, and a turning to the way of freedom which God offer: "Repent, for the

kingdom of heaven is at hand." (Matthew 3:2; 4:17)"

I pray you too are finding spiritual growth during the month of the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus. That within this growth there is an encounter of Jesus Most Sacred Heart that resulting in spiritual growth and a deeper prayer life.

There are still copies of Cardinal Collins Pastoral Letter that I have been writing about in the back of the Church if you care to read the letter.

In Peace, Beth Dake, Director of Faith Formation

Msgr. Victor Gallagher Council 12668



Committed to living catholic values while serving our parish community



ICE CREAM SOCIAL - JUNE 29

Officially summer has arrived. To celebrate the summer season, the K of C council of our parish will be hosting an ice cream social following Mass, Saturday, June 29th. Join your fellow parishioners for ice cream, refreshments and fellowship following Mass.

Altar Flowers

Do you have a special occasion and would like to furnish flowers for in front of the altar? Or have flowers in your yard or garden you would like to share.

Please call the parish office if you would like to donate some flowers.

