

16th Sunday of Ordinary Time

July 19, 2020

ST. MARY'S CATHOLIC PARISH

PO Box 406; 7105 Cass Ave.

DENTON, NE 68339

Parish priest: Fr. Craig Doty

Regular Sunday Masses: Sat. Vigil: 5:00 pm

8am, 10am, 12 noon

◆ Daily Mass: 8:00 am

**Confession: ½ hour before weekend Masses
or anytime upon request**

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MASS INTENTIONS 7/20/20 – 8/2/20

Mon - No Mass Scheduled

Tues - 8am - St. Mary Altar Society

Wed - 8 - Julie Sullivan

Thurs - 8 - Ava Ringer

Fri - 8 - Bernadt family, living & deceased

Sat - 5pm - Msgr. Kalin

Sun - 8am - Gene Martin

- 10 - Rueben & Betty Porath, Bob & Romaine German

-12noon - For the People

***Fr. Doty will be out of town from July 26-July 31. Fr. Justin Fulton will be hearing confessions and offering all the Masses next Sunday, July 26.**

THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY 6-28-20!

Tithe: \$3,934; Votives: \$28.00; Masses \$30; Loose Plate: \$36.00.

SPIRITUAL COMMUNION PRAYER:

My Jesus, I believe that you are present in the Most Holy Sacrament. I love you above all things and I desire to receive you in my soul. Since I cannot at this moment receive you sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace you as if you were already there and unite myself wholly to you. Never permit me to be separated from you. Amen.

PRAYER LINE: parishioners will pray for your intentions, forward to Boots, bootswailes@aol.com or 402-328-9730.

FOODNET: Volunteers serve at Denton Comm. Center, 5pm Mondays. If you could assist preparing meals at 3:30pm, picking up food from different locations on Mondays 1-3, serving, or cleaning up later contact John Hetcko or Mary Coulter. Extra containers are needed too.

WOMEN'S CONFERENCE September 24-26 @ St. Peter Church in Lincoln. Undone: Freedom for the Feminine Heart. Regular rate ends September 20. Register @ www.jpilhealingcenter.org. Scholarships, student and missionary discounts are available - contact Annette Wemhoff at JPIIRetreatLincolnNE@gmail.com for more information. This event is sponsored by Spirit Catholic Radio 102.7 FM KVSS.

MEN'S CONFERENCE October 17 from 9 am – 3 pm @ St. Peter Church in Lincoln. Men on Fire: Take Back What Belongs To You. Regular rate ends October 11. Register online @ www.jpilhealingcenter.org Scholarships available - contact Annette Wemhoff at JPIIRetreatLincolnNE@gmail.com for more information. A Leaders Summit will also be held the evening before, on Friday October 16 from 7-9 pm. This event is sponsored by Spirit Catholic Radio 102.7 FM.

ST. THERESA OF AVILA'S BOOKMARK

PRAYER: Let nothing disturb you; Let nothing frighten you; All things are passing; God only is changeless; Patience gains all things; Who has God wants nothing; God alone suffices.

CHURCH CLEANING: July: Sheri Fraley, Janet Peterson, Amy Banderas, Carol Heesacker, Tracy Soucek, Julia Miron, Annata Sullivan, Kathryn Pierce, Theresa Troyer, Larissa Martin, Jennifer Krysl.

FORMED.ORG: The parish code is d3d398, then you can access the site and put in your own email and create your own password, to use from home or other gatherings.

FINANCIAL PEACE UNIVERSITY: Call Doug 402-430-6002 or Kelly at 402-429-2896 to enroll.

POPE'S INTENTION for JULY: That today's families may be accompanied with love, respect and guidance.

LITURGY PLANS– July 26, 2020

5pm vigil	8am	10am	ministry
Jurgens	Coppersmith	Clements	music
Griffin	Kouma		lector

12 noon ministers unassigned

No scheduled, servers, acolytes or gift bearers due to social distancing. Offering basket is in the narthex. Confessions will be in the side chapel.

Knights of Columbus council #117373 is providing the bulletins for 2019; charity, unity, fraternity and patriotism are the pillars of this organization. Contact Greg Shinaut 402- 416-5067 or Bill Chapman, 402-416-3277 for information

KNIGHTS SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

now available. Forms will be provided electronically this year. Please email urbanovskyfamily@gmail.com to request the application packet. Submission of completed application is due by August 31, 2020.

RETRouvaille MARRIAGE RETREAT

August 21-23 2020. Register by August 1. Call 1-800-470-2230 or www.helpourmarriage.org, www.retrouvaille.org (Confidential). Retrouvaille provides help with problems/difficulties/crises.

IMMACULATE HEART OF MARY

COUNSELING CENTER (IHMCC) at Catholic Social Services continues to support mental health through the use of telehealth. Visit their website at immaculateheartcounseling.org or call 402-489-1834.

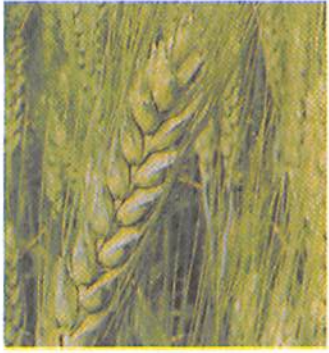
EMMAUS INSTITUE:

Register now for the following in-person or online fall classes with The Emmaus Institute for Biblical Studies, running September 8 – November 16: The Letter of James, Leviticus through Deuteronomy, Interpreting the Bible, the Book of Job, The Saints and the Scriptures. Learn more and register at www.emmausinstitute.net.

RETREATS: The parish pays \$85 of a retreat at Our Lady of Good Counsel Retreat House, 402-786-2705 or see www.goodcounselretreat.com

RECOMMENDED BOOK:

Be Healed: A Guide to Encountering the Powerful Love of Jesus in Your Life, by Bob Schuchts



WE NEED TO GROW

We live in an instant world of microwaves and drive-throughs and a disposable society in which things quickly become obsolete, so today's message is very strange. In all the readings today, and especially in the Gospel, we see transformation, but it is not something that happens overnight, nor does it take place without effort. We are met with parables of a patient and loving God who can see a positive outcome at the end and is willing to wait and nourish us and

help us all get there. The sower's seeds require a growth period and some careful sorting. To make the bread, one must knead it and wait patiently. In planting a mustard seed, something so tiny yields great results, but not until after completing a period of dormancy and waiting.

WHAT IS OUR LEAVEN?

In our own growth, something usually spurs us on and calls us to change. For a young couple who find out they are expecting, this may be the impetus to "grow up" and straighten out their spending habits. For another, perhaps a heart attack or prolonged illness calls one to wake up and gives one a second chance at life. Losing a job or a spouse or surviving a car accident may mean it is time for a "do-over." Isn't it amazing to realize that we are blessed with a tender, loving God who will walk through all these changes in our lives, who is cajoling us into a better self? Here is a God who doesn't pull the plug because of our sins, but is willing to wait and sort and "gather the wheat." Let us be grateful for this gift of loving mercy. Recall the simple prayer found in Psalm 86:15-16: "You, O Lord, are a God merciful and gracious, / slow to anger, abounding in kindness and fidelity. / Turn toward me, and have pity on me; / give your strength to your servant."

Today's Readings: Wis 12:13, 16-19; Ps 86:5-6, 9-10, 15-16; Rom 8:26-27; Mt 13:24-43 [24-30]

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Jesus said,
 "The kingdom of heaven may be likened to a man who sowed good seed in his field."
 MATTHEW 13:24

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A God who judges with leniency and clemency, a Spirit groaning because we know not how to pray, a patient master waiting to separate wheat and weeds, a tiny seed growing into a great bush, and the miracle of yeast and flour! All of these images found in our readings today speak of the unexpected, the countercultural, and of the compassion and intimacy of our relationship with God. Many

times we are afraid to come to God in prayer, or we may turn away from our God because of our weakness and sinfulness. We are not presented with a vengeful God who is waiting to smite us, but a God of infinite love and wisdom and patience who will show us the way. What an amazing gift this is!

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