

12th Sunday in Ordinary Time

June 19, 2016



Fr. Steve's Quotes for Consideration:

"When we are more determined we are less confident of ourselves, for confidence must be placed in God. When we understand this there will be no need to go about so tense and constrained; we will go about with a holy freedom."

-St. Teresa of Avila (1515-1582)

Last week I spoke about how I would be beginning a new bulletin series on ways in which our modern secular society and its philosophies can negatively impact our understanding of our faith. Before diving into specific ideas, philosophies and opinions of our society, I think it is important that we set some important groundwork. The first and foremost is this: despite what our society tells us, we simply cannot always trust ourselves, our own opinions, and even our own thoughts when it comes to the truth about what is right and wrong, religion, God and human nature. One of the most important principles of spiritual development and growth is detailed above by one of the great spiritual masters in Church history, St. Teresa of Avila. She was adamant that growth in our relationship with God required that we placed our confidence in Him, not in ourselves and our own understanding. She argued that self-reliance was a serious roadblock to growing closer to God because we cannot always trust our own minds and hearts to tell us the truth.

That is not to say that our opinions, thoughts and ideas don't matter. They do. But they are not infallible. We can be wrong, and often times, we are. That's the simple truth. And the foundation for exploring the Truth and examining the false notions of our society is believing that we ourselves are not the ultimate source of truth and meaning. We need to trust that God is Truth, and that He reveals the Truth about Himself, about us, and about the world to us through His Church. This is vitally important because some of what I will speak about in the coming weeks' bulletins may conflict with our own opinions, understandings and ideas. Thus it is a basic requirement that we are open to the possibility that Truth is not determined by us and our own opinions. What is right and wrong, what is true and false, what is real and what is not, is knowable, discoverable, and ultimately outside of us- it is revealed to us by God through the Church. With this understanding in mind, we can begin to consider and ponder specific philosophies of our society and examine how they can impact the understanding and practice of our faith. God bless you! *Fr. Steve*

Faith Formation Summer Fun Night: Attention all parishioners! This summer, Holy Spirit Parish and St. Mary's Parish in Silver Bay will be teaming up to have two **Summer Fun Nights** for our Church School students and families. The first will be Sunday evening, July 17, at Odegaard Park here in Two Harbors from 5:00-7:00pm. All Church School students and their families are asked to attend to help host the faith formation families from St. Mary's, and all Holy Spirit Parishioners are invited and encouraged to attend. The evening will include a grilled hot dogs, and other food and drinks, as well as yard games, and a kickball game with the Church School students taking on the Church School teachers and parents. Please mark your calendars and plan to attend. There is a sign up sheet in the back of the Church- please sign up if you are planning to attend so that we know how much food to prepare. Church School families, please consider bringing a dish to share. **And mark your calendars now- the Faith Formation Family Fun Night at St. Mary's in Silver Bay will be Sunday evening, August 14, from 5:00-7:00pm.**

We have Eucharistic Adoration every Friday 9 am until noon. There is a sign-up sheet in the back of the church to be certain that someone is always in attendance during the time of Exposition. If you are available during this time, please consider signing up to spend an hour with the Lord in prayer.

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Saturday	WEEKDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	06/18/16
3:30 p.m.	Reconciliation	
4:30 p.m.	Mass — <i>Intention for All Parishioners</i> Reader: Barb Haynes Chalices: Carol Anderson & To be assigned Servers: Karly Fleischer & To be assigned	
Sunday	12TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	06/19/16
11:00 a.m.	Mass — <i>Intention for † Stanley Jurkanis</i> Reader: Shannah Groothausen Chalices: Jeannie Shaw & Laura Lien Servers: To be assigned	
Monday	WEEKDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	06/20/16
8:15 a.m.	Mass — <i>Intention for † Bill Merhar</i>	
Tuesday	SAINT ALOYSIUS GONZAGA	06/21/16
8:15 a.m.	No Mass	
Wednesday	SAINT PAULINUS OF NOLA	06/22/16
Thursday	WEEKDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	06/23/16
8:15 a.m.	No Mass	
Friday	THE NATIVITY OF JOHN THE BAPTIST	06/24/16
	No Mass	
8:00 a.m.	Adoration	
12:00 p.m.	Benediction	
Saturday	WEEKDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	06/25/16
3:30 p.m.	Reconciliation	
4:30 p.m.	Mass — <i>Intention for All Parishioners</i> Reader: Paulette Moreland Chalices: Beth Egan & To be assigned Servers: Spencer Ross & To be assigned	
Sunday	13TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	06/26/16
11:00 a.m.	Mass — <i>Intention for Richard</i> Reader: Harold Ek Chalices: Nancy Olsen & Shari Hendren Servers: Livy & Sid Hendren	

LIMITED OFFICE HOURS: Treasaigh will be out of the office until June 27. In her absence, Judy Fleischer will be available Monday afternoon and various hours throughout the week, she will be checking messages daily. Please use hspiritemp@outlook.com during the week of June 20-24.



Last Week's Contributions

Weekend Collection	\$1,891.43
UCA	\$125.00
Bldg. Fund	\$40.00



- † **PARISHIONERS:** Please pray for Arthur Barthman, Ron Kor, Diane LeRoy and Peg Werner.
- † **FRIENDS & RELATIVES:** Please pray for Bill Carlson, Penny Hanson, Patty Harrison-Isakson and Gorma Rose.
- † **MILITARY PERSONNEL:** Please pray for Garrett Aho, Nate Berger, Keith Dahl, Jacob Kearin, James Mickle, Ryan Ray, Christopher Uremovich, and Maddison Zavoral.
- † **Sacred Heart Candle:** Joe Haynes Family

Please call the church office if you'd like to submit a prayer request; these requests will run for 3 weeks. If continued prayers are needed after that time, prayer requests can always be renewed by calling the church office 834-4659.

Youth Happenings

Don't forget about Vacation Bible School
-June 27th-30th, 6-7:30pm.
Questions? Contact Connie Koss at 834-4433 or koss@frontiernet.net.

THERE ARE MANY WAYS FOR OUR YOUTH TO MAKE A DIFFERENCE...

Altar Server Appreciation Day 2016: For all active Altar Servers and those who have served at Mass in 2016: **FREE Trip to a Minnesota Twins game!** In appreciation for all of your hard work and devotion in serving Mass in our parish, all active Altar Servers and those Altar Servers who have served Mass in 2016 are invited to join us as the Minnesota Twins take on the Chicago White Sox at Target Field in Minneapolis on Sunday, July 31st, 2016 at 1:10pm, returning to Two Harbors immediately following the conclusion of the game. The coach bus will leave from Holy Spirit Catholic Church at 9:00 am, and Fr. Steve will provide Sunday Mass at Holy Spirit at 8:00 am for those wishing to attend. **Again, this event is FREE! Game tickets and bus fare will be paid for by Holy Spirit Parish and St. Mary's Parish,** altar servers will only be responsible for personal spending money to be used to buy food, drinks, souvenirs, etc. at the Stadium. If you wish to go, you must email Judy Fleischer at jfleischer-hspirit@outlook.com to register by Thursday, June 30th!