

Saturday, July 22

8:00 a.m. Special Intention

8:30-9:00 a.m. *Confession* 4:00-4:45 p.m. *Confession* 

4:35 p.m. *Rosary* 

5:00 p.m. Dan Houlihan +

Sunday, July 23

**Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time** 

7:10 a.m. *Rosary* 

7:30 a.m. Parish Family

9:40 a.m. Rosary

10:00 a.m. Gonzalo Riveros +

Monday, July 24

11:15 a.m. Don & Mary Lou Van Camp Family

Tuesday, July 25

11:15 a.m. Timothy Mitchell +

Wednesday, July 26

**11:15 a.m.** Greg Mayer +

7:15-8:15 p.m. Adoration/Confession Thursday, July 27

11:15 a.m. Jane Witwer +

1:25-2:25 p.m. Adoration Friday, July 28

11:15 a.m. Ryder Jackson

Saturday, July 29

8:00 a.m. Special Intention

8:30-9:00 a.m. *Confession* 4:00-4:45 p.m. *Confession* 

4:35 p.m. *Rosary* 

5:00 p.m. Parish Family

Sunday, July 30

Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:10 a.m. *Rosary* 

7:30 a.m. Ronnie Burns +

9:40 a.m. Rosary

10:00 a.m. Michael Smekens +



MASS READINGS FOR THE WEEK Monday, July 24 - Sixteenth Week in Ordinary Time - St. Sharbel Makhluf, Priest -Ex 14:5-18/ Mt 12:38-42

**Tuesday, July 25 - St. James, Apostle - 2** Cor 4:7-15/ Mt 20:20-28

Wednesday, July 26 - Sts. Joachim and Ann, Parents of the Blessed Virgin Mary -Ex 16:1-5,9-15/ Mt 13:1-9

**Thursday, July 27 -** Ex 19:1-2,9-11,16-20b/ Mt 13:10-17

Friday, July 28 - Ex 20:1-17/ Mt 13:18-23 Saturday, July 29 - St. Martha, Mary and

**Lazarus** - Ex 24:3-8/ Jn 11:19-27 or Lk 10:38-42

Sunday, July 30 - Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time - 1 Kgs 3:5,7-12/ Rom 8:28-30/ Mt 13:44-52 or 13:44-46

# SIXTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - JULY 23, 2023

Congratulations to all who participated at the Wells County 4H Fair this week!

This weekend (July  $22^{nd}/23^{rd}$ ), the Church celebrates the **Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time**. It is also recognized as the third annual **World Day for Grandparents and Elderly**, falling on the Sunday nearest to the Memorial of Sts. Joachim and Anne, parents of the Blessed Virgin Mary (July  $26^{th}$ ).

## PARISH PROJECT UPDATES - PART I

Preparations to welcome the return of the old **church bell** to our parish campus continues. While we initially planned to pour the concrete base for the bell at the beginning of June, we paused the project due to additional work. In addition to the bell, there will be two flagpoles placed in the same area. We are currently waiting on finalized quotes for the flagpoles and, once received, will be able to pour the concrete base and bring this project to completion.

We are nearing a starting date for the installation of the **altar** at **St. Joseph Catholic Cemetery**. Working with a Kansas-based Catholic firm, we have received diocesan-approval to move forward with this project and are setting a date to begin work. The altar will be of a simple design with an emblem of St. Joseph at the base; A crucifixion scene will sit on the back portion of the altar, serving as the focal point of the cemetery grounds.

In addition to these larger projects, we've also completed a number of smaller projects over the past few weeks. Last week, the railings and doors throughout our campus were sanded down and repainted. This week, all of the carpeted areas in the Schaefer Parish Center, the Gym, and the Social Hall were steam-cleaned. With this work done, our campus is ready to resume our Religious Education Classes this coming Fall.

# **DID YOU KNOW? HOLY ORDERS**

All members of the Church participate in the priesthood of all believers through Baptism. However, some men are called to serve Jesus and the Church in the ministerial priesthood through the celebration of the Sacrament of Holy Orders. The Sacrament of Holy Orders is the Sacrament through which the mission of the Church entrusted by Jesus Christ to His apostles continues to be exercised in the world until the end of time.

This Sacrament is one of apostolic ministry and includes three degrees: the episcopate (bishop), presbyterate (priest), and diaconate (deacon). Those who are called to be priests are ordained through the Rite of Ordination. In celebrating this Rite, men receive a permanent spiritual mark, called an indelible character, which signifies that they are ontologically united to Jesus and now possesses the authority to act in the power and place of the person of Jesus.

The Sacrament of Holy Orders was conferred by Jesus on His Apostles, who were to continue His work and be His earthly representatives. The Apostles first received their power from Jesus, **who instituted this Sacrament**: "As the Father has sent me, so now I send you" (John 20:21). The further conferral of this Sacrament by the Apostles onto others by an external rite is revealed to us in both Acts 6:6 and 2 Timothy 1:6 where the Apostles perform the imposition of hands as they pray over those chosen for ministry.

This **outward sign** of the laying on of hands by the bishop has continued to the modern day. This traceable lineage of laying on of hands from the Apostles to our bishops today has remained unbroken for over two thousand years. And, this outward sign is accompanied by an inward and spiritual grace. The **grace given** in the Sacrament of Holy Orders is that those ordained are set apart, authorized, and spiritually empowered to act in the Name of God and of His Church as a Bishop, Priest, or Deacon.

~Faithfully in Christ, Fr. David

#### A Prayer for Rain

O God, in Whom we live and move and have our being, grant us rain, in due abundance, that, being sufficiently helped with temporal gifts, we may seek with more confidence those that are eternal. Through Christ, our Lord. Amen.





#### SIGN-UP SHEET IN THE NARTHEX

Join us for a Potluck Dinner on Tuesday, July 25th in the Social Hall at 5:00 PM and meet the Totus Tuus Missionary Team. Everyone in the Parish is invited! The Parish will provide Sloppy Joes and Lemonade & Water. Please bring a dish to share.



**ASK FATHER** \* Thursday, July 27 at 5:30 PM in the Parish Conference Room



### KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

Monthly Meeting - Tuesday, August 1, 2023 Recitation of the Holy Rosary at 6:40 p.m. in the Church, and meeting in the Parish Social Hall at 7:00 p.m.

FIRST FRIDAY ADORATION, August 4, 2023 (Following 8:30 a.m. Mass) 9:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m. No 6:00 p.m. First Friday Mass in August "Spend an Hour with me." - Jesus Please sign up on the sheet in the narthex.



### PARISH CALENDAR

- Sat., July 22 Confession 4-4:45 p.m. / Mass 5:00 p.m.
- Sat., July 22 Totus Tuus Missionary Team after 5:00 Mass.
- Sun., July 23 Mass 7:30 a.m. / Mass 10:00 a.m.
- Sun., July 23 Thursday, July 27 High School Totus Tuus Program - 6:45-8:30 p.m.
- Mon., July 23 Friday, July 28 Grades 1-6 Totus Tuus Program - 9:00 a.m. - 2:40 p.m.
- Mon., July 24 Mass at 11:15 a.m.
- Tues., July 25 Mass at 11:15 a.m.
- Tues., July 25 Parish Potluck 5:00 p.m. Entrée and drinks provided.
- Wed., July 26 Mass at 11:15 a.m. / Adoration & Confession 7:15-8:15 p.m.
- Thurs., July 27 Mass at 11:15 a.m. / Adoration 1:25-2:25
- Fri., July 28 Mass at 11:15 a.m.
- **Sat., July 29** Mass 8:00 a.m. / Confession 8:30 a.m.
- Sat., July 29 Confession 4-4:45 p.m. / Mass 5:00 p.m.
- **Sun., July 30** Mass 7:30 a.m. / Mass 10:00 a.m.
- Tues., Aug. 1 Adoration 7-8:00 a.m. / Mass 8:00 a.m. / Confessions 8:30 a.m.
- Tues., Aug. 1 Knights of Columbus Recitation of the Holy Rosary at 6:40 / Meeting at 7:00 p.m.
- Wed., Aug. 2 Adoration 6-7:00 p.m. / Confession 6-6:45 p.m. / Mass 7:00 p.m.
- Wed., Aug. 2 Parish Council Meeting at 7:45 p.m.
- **Thurs., Aug 3** Mass at 8:00 a.m.
- Fri., Aug. 4 First Friday Adoration Mass at 8:30 a.m. / Adoration from 9:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m. / Mass at 6:00 p.m.

#### Weekend of 29/30 Weekend



5:00 Teresa and David Smith 7:30 Mike Morrissey Dan Lautzenheiser



Stacey Coulardot 7:30 Steve Wagner

10:00 Patti Clark-Johnson



10:00 Rick Singer, Diana Cole



Volunteer, Volunteer 7:30 Spencer McCorkle, Volunteer, Volunteer

ervers 10:00 Ellie Coyne, Charlie Andrews, Volunteer

#### St. Joseph Parish Finance Report for the Weekend of July 15/16

Adult Envelopes- \$2,295.00 Loose- \$111.20 Repair/Rainy Day Fund-\$1,140.57

> Votive Candles- \$76.25 **Totus Tuus- \$22.00** Total- \$3,645.02

#### Our weekly budget is \$5,116.40

We are \$1,947.28 behind our budget for the month of July.

St. Vincent de Paul Fund-\$1,157.00

Your gifts to St. Joseph Parish are greatly appreciated. Thank you!

If you would like to set up Online Giving through Our Sunday Visitor, please visit this website: https://www.osvhub.com/ stjosephchurchbluffton/giving/funds



#### PRO-LIFE ROSARY

Join the Knights of Columbus on Saturday, August 5th at 4:35 p.m for the recitation of the Pro-Life Rosary for unborn children and their mothers. Everyone in the Parish is invited to participate.

St. Aloysius Parish Festival—14623 Bluffton Rd, Yoder, IN 46798 You are invited to the St. Aloysius Parish Festival on Saturday, August 12th from 10:00am to 3:00pm. There will be a Chicken Dinner from 11:00am-1:00pm for \$14 and kids' meals for \$7. Other activities include a Farmer's Market, a Flea Market, Bingo, Ice Cream, Children's Games, and a Raffle Drawing with tickets available for purchase the day of the festival. We look forward to seeing you there!

## **AUGUST 15 - THE ASSUMPTION** OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY A HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION

# Mass Schedule:

Vigil Mass-Monday, August 14 at 7:00 p.m.

Mass on the Day—Tuesday, August 15 at 7:00 a.m., Noon and 7:00 p.m.



# RELIGIOUS EDUCATION REGISTRATION **SATURDAY, AUGUST 26TH**

We will have our Annual Religious Education Registration Pizza & Sundae Bar on Saturday, August 26 following 5:00 Mass. Classes begin Sunday, September 10, 2023 from 8:30 a.m. - 9:45 a.m. Children should be registered before class begins. If you are not able to attend, please contact the Parish office at 260-824-1380.

We are seeking volunteers as Catechists, Aides or Substitute Catechists, please call the Parish office if your are interested.





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