

SUNDAY, JULY 12, 2015

St. Mary Parish LITURGIES FOR THE WEEK

Monday, July 13	8:00am	† Andrew & Margaret Christoph
Tuesday, July 14	8:00am	† Mark & Rose Mergen
Wednesday, July 15	8:00am	† Dick & Mary Goss
Thursday, July 16	8:00am	† Eileen Olson
	10:30am	† Glenn Bartling (Manor Care)
Friday, July 17	8:00am	† Rita Mask
	11:00am	Special Intention (RL) (Park Place)
Saturday, July 18	8:00am	For Nancy Hood(TLM)
WEEKEND LITURGIES		
Saturday, July 18	4:00pm	Deceased members of the Leo & Inez Hying Family
Sunday, July 19	9:00am	† Francis Abing
	12 noon	Misa

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

15th Sunday in Ordinary Time:

Am 7:12-15—Eph 1:3-14 or 1:3-10—Mk 6:7-13.

Monday: St. Henry

Ex 1:8-14, 22—Mt 10:34; 11:1.

Tuesday: USA: St. Kateri Tekakwitha, Virgin

Ex 2:1-15a—Mt 11:20-34.

Wednesday: St. Bonaventure, Bishop & Doctor of the Church.

Ex 3:1-6, 9-12—Mt 11:25-37

Thursday: Our Lady of Mt. Carmel

Ex 3:13-20—Mt 11:28-30.

Friday: Ex 11:10; 12:14—Mt 12:1-8.

Saturday: St. Camillus de Lellis, Priest

Ex 12:37-42—Mt 12:14-21.

16th Sunday in Ordinary Time



Anyone requesting prayer may call 348-6041. Please call in the morning between 8am & 9am. If no answer please leave your prayer.

REFLECTION

"He instructed them to take nothing for the journey but a walking stick – no food, no sack, no money in their belts." (Mark 6:8) How different we are from the Apostles who took nothing when they ventured out to serve God. Today, we make our journey through life more difficult because of all the material baggage that we drag along. Yet, the more we can let go of, the freer we are to serve God with love and joy.

Private Reconciliation—every day, one hour before each Mass & Thursdays after morning Mass until 9:30am.

Eucharistic Adoration on Thursdays begins after 8am Mass and concludes with Rosary and Benediction at 8pm. Adoration will now be in the Chapel.

The Rosary is prayed ½ hour before Mass — 3:30 at the Saturday 4pm Mass—8:30 at the Sunday 9am Mass.

BAPTISM



Congratulations to Derek and Lauren Furrer whose daughter, Emery Lynn Furrer was baptized July 5th. May she always find joy in being part of God's family!

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!!

*Happy Birthday to Father John
who celebrated his birthday Wednesday, July 8th.*

Wisconsin Right To Life

Wisconsin Teens for Life Summer Leadership Camps 2015

If you are a teen who feels passionately about the Right-To-Life cause, please join us for this life-changing experience. Learn how you can make a difference—and have a great time doing it!

South Camp—July 19-24, 2015—Walworth, WI

North Camp—August 9-14, 2015—Osceola, WI

WI residents = \$250 before July 12 South Camp; North Camp August 1. After those dates: \$300. **The WRL of Grant County will pay \$200 to the first four applicants.**

Camp highlights include: educational sessions, pro-life games, the camper games, mystery dinner theatre, amazing speakers; good food and much more.

For more information or to receive a registration packet contact us at jlittle@wrtl.org or log onto www.wrtl.org and click on the "I'm a student" button then click "Wisconsin Teens For Life."

If you have questions call (715) 378-4302 and ask for Joleigh.

Feast of Our Lady of Mt Carmel

Thursday, July 16th is the Feast of Our Lady of Mt Carmel. Scapulars will be given out at the Masses that day both at St. Mary's and St. Augustine's.

ST. MARY PARISH GIVING

July 5, 2015

Weekly Envelopes.....\$4,273.00

Offertory.....282.00

Weekly Average Electronic Funds \$ 800.00

Thank you for your generosity!

Saturday, July 18 4:00 pm		Sunday, July 19 9:00am
David Drefcinski John Drefcinski Ben Drefcinski	Altar Servers	Vince Momot Joseph Vystrcil Dushan Vystrcil
Kent Scheuerell	Lector & Leader of Prayer	Jessica Clifton Mark Ihm Chris Brunette
Greg Merrick		
Sacristan: Connie McCabe		Karla Melssen
Music: Kim & Youth		Classic Choir
Rosary: Rosie Hying		Ave Vystrcil

Our Saints for the week

St. Kateri Teckakwitha Feast Day is July 14

Kateri was born near the town of Auriesville, New York, in the year 1656, Blessed Kateri was the daughter of a pagan Mohawk chief. A Jesuit missionary converted her, and then her relatives shunned her. They attacked her beliefs, resented her for refusing to work on Sundays, and insulted her prayer life. This did not deter her from practicing the Faith. St. Kateri Teckakwitha is the first Native American to be declared a Saint. She was canonized on 10/21/2012 by Pope Benedict XVI.

She is the patroness of the environment and ecology as is St. Francis of Assisi.

St. Bonaventure, Bishop and Doctor of the Church Feast day is July 15. He was known as "the seraphic doctor," born at Bagnorea in Tuscany, in 1221.

At the age of twenty-two he entered the Franciscan Order. Having made his vows, he was sent to Paris to complete his studies.

At the age of thirty-five he was chosen General of his Order and restored a perfect calm where peace had been disturbed by internal dissensions. He did much for his Order and composed *The Life of St. Francis*. He also assisted at the translation of the relics of St. Anthony of Padua. He was nominated Archbishop of New York by Pope Clement IV, but he begged not to be forced to accept that dignity. Gregory X obliged him to take upon himself a greater one, that of Cardinal and Bishop of Albano, one of the six suffragan Sees of Rome. Before his death he abdicated his office of General of the Franciscan Order. He died on July 15, 1274.

Our Lady of Mount Carmel Feast Day is July 16—Our Lady of Mount Carmel is the title given to the Blessed Virgin Mary in her role as patroness of the Carmelite Order. The first Carmelites were Christian hermits living on Mount Carmel in the Holy Land during the late 12th and early to mid 13th century. They built a chapel in the midst of their hermitages which they dedicated to the Blessed Virgin, whom they conceived of in chivalric terms as the "Lady of the place." Our Lady of Mt. Carmel is the patron saint of Chile.

Since the 15th century, popular devotion to Our Lady of Mount Carmel has centered on the Scapular of Our Lady of Mount Carmel also known as the Brown Scapular, a sacramental associated with promises of Mary's special aid for the salvation of the devoted wearer. Traditionally, Mary is said to have given the Scapular to an early Carmelite named Saint Simon Stock.

MOBILE FOOD PANTRY

Our next Mobile Food Pantry is this Friday, July 17th.

Help is always needed to unload, distribute food and clean up.

Food will be distributed from 10am –11am.

Fresh produce, canned goods, breads, meat.

ADVERTISER OF THE WEEK

**Chiropractic Associates
Of Platteville
348-3156**

We invite you to consider these businesses and thank them for their support.



Our weekly prayer intention for this week based upon the World Meeting of Families Event is for Widowed, Divorced or Separated

CATHOLIC HERALD—If you would like to subscribe to the Catholic Herald Newspaper or continue your current subscription, an envelope is in your July packets or you may use a blank envelope and mark it Catholic Herald. The cost is \$20.00.

WORLD WIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER

Jesus sent out the Apostles two by two to preach. Our marriage sacrament is a sign to others – what sign are we showing? The next Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekends are on July 31-Aug 2 in Madison, WI; Sept. 11-13 in Crystal Lake, IL and Oct 23-25 in Brookfield, WI. Early registration is highly recommended.

For more information visit our website at: alifetimeoflove.org or call (888) 574-5653.

For a fin de semana en Espanol in Chicago on Sept. 4-6 or Nov. 6-8, contact Andres y Maria at 630-229-2600.

Pastoral Council Column

Gnosticism Is Alive and Well; by Fr. Robert Barron

Two recent news items put me in mind of St. Irenaeus and the battle he waged, nineteen centuries ago, against the Gnostic heresy. The first was the emergence of Bruce Jenner as a "woman" named Caitlyn, and the second was a "shadow council" that took place in Rome and apparently called for the victory of a theology of love over John Paul II's theology of the body.

I realize this requires a bit of unpacking. Let me begin with Irenaeus. Toward the end of the second century, Irenaeus, the bishop of Lyons, wrote a text called *Against the Heresies*, and the principle heresy that he identified therein was Gnosticism.

Gnosticism was, and is, a multi-headed beast, but one of its major tenets is that matter is a fallen, inferior form of being, produced by a low-level deity. The soul is trapped in matter, and the whole point of the spiritual life is to acquire the gnosis (knowledge) requisite to facilitate an escape of the soul from the body. In the gnostic interpretation, the Yahweh of the Old Testament, who foolishly pronounced the material world good, is none other than the compromised god described in gnostic cosmology, and Jesus is the prophet who came with the saving knowledge of how to rise above the material realm. What Irenaeus intuited—and his intuition represented one of the decisive moments in the history of the Church—is that this point of view is directly repugnant to Biblical Christianity, which insists emphatically upon the goodness of matter. Scan through Irenaeus's voluminous writings, and you will find the word "body" over and over again. Creation, Incarnation, Resurrection, the theology of the Church, sacraments, redemption, the Eucharist, etc. all involve, he argued, bodiliness, materiality. For Irenaeus, redemption is decidedly not tantamount to the escape of the soul from the body; rather, it is the salvation and perfection of the body.

Now you might think that this is all a bit of ancient intellectual history, but think again. As I hinted above, the gnostic heresy has proven remarkably durable, reasserting itself across the centuries. Its most distinctive mark is precisely the denigration of matter and the tendency to set the spirit and the body in an antagonistic relationship.

(to be continued next week)