



# Weekly Update | June 27, 2021

Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time



## St. Joseph Food Program Collection - July 3/4

This time, we're looking for canned or packaged tuna, chicken, salmon or any meat or protein products. Nothing perishable, in glass, or past its expiration date please. Thank you for helping to feed those who are in need.

## Health & Safety Information

- Those who are fully vaccinated should feel confident to attend Mass or be in any parish building without a face covering.
- Those who are not fully vaccinated should continue to wear a face covering in our indoor and outdoor spaces.
- Face coverings are always welcome for anyone, even if you are fully vaccinated.
- During Mass, the chapel and choir loft will be reserved for those wearing face coverings. You are also welcome to wear a face covering in the church.

## A Grateful & Blessed Family

Ripples of God's Love - Through Our Hearts - To All Hearts!

St. Mary Parish Support			
June 2021	Budget	Received	Variance
received 6/14- 6/18/2021		7,283	
June - month to date:	60,000	40,205	-19,795
7/1/20-6/30/2021			
Fiscal Year To Date :	880,000	801,120	-78,880



## Mass Times

Mon., June 28, 5:30pm  
Tue., June 29, 5:30pm  
Wed., June 30, 12:05pm  
Thur., July 1, 12:05pm  
Sat., July 3, 4:30pm  
Sun., July 4, 7:45am  
9:45am  
6:30pm

## Intentions

Parishioners of St. Mary  
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Mary Jury  
Emmett Clark  
Diane Collar  
Robin Wege  
Emmett Clark  
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## Mass Attendance

As we have plenty of socially distanced capacity at all weekday Masses, we will no longer be tracking and publishing weekday Mass counts. Please join us! Our weekday Masses offer a very safe worship environment.

Saturday, 4:30 pm (101) | Sunday, 7:45 am (96), 9:45 am (132), 6:30 pm (35)

## In Loving Memory

Please pray for those who have lost a loved one. May fond memories comfort them at this time. If you have lost a loved one and would like them to be remembered in the bulletin, call the parish office at 739-5119.

## Prayer Requests

Contact Luanne Witthuhn (dlaawi@gmail.com) or Ann Walkowski (920-428-0969) if you have a prayer need. Please remember the requests in our prayer baskets.

## Events Calendar

### *Monday, June 28*

7:00pm Boy Scouts/St. Anne Room

### *Tuesday, June 29*

2:00pm Rosary Group/Chapel

6:15pm Confessions/Chapel

### *Wednesday, June 30*

9:00am ROCKs Meeting/Community Room

### *Thursday, July 1*

7:00pm Cor Jesu/Community Room, Church & Chapel

### *Friday, July 2*

parish office closed

### *Saturday, July 3*

**St. Joseph Food Program Collection**

9:00am Confessions/Chapel

*Sunday, July 4 – Have a safe & happy 4<sup>th</sup> of July!*

**Coffee & Donuts and  
after 7:45 & 9:45 am  
Masses this  
Sunday, June 27!**



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## Xavier Catholic School System

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## Marriage

Congratulations! Contact Fr. Bill at least 6 months before your planned wedding date.

## Baptism

Congratulations! Contact Nadine Duncan for information.

## Confession

Sat. 9-10am and Tues. 6:15-7:15pm (except for the 1st Tuesday of the month)

## St. Mary Parish Office

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Monday – Thursday, 8:30am-4:30pm  
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# *In Joy & Sorrow with Father Bill +*

I am writing this reflection at the beginning of my vacation in Colfax, Wisconsin. My brother, Bob, and sister-in-law, Judy, have graciously opened their lakehouse to me for the week. The evening sun is shimmering through the pine trees. Tainter Lake is some 120 steps down from the top of the hill where the lake house sits. Those steps are formidable and impossible for me to manage with my impaired balance. All trips on the lake begin with picking me up at the boat landing where I board the boat.

This is an idyllic place, very peaceful and beautiful. I am taking it easy and doing some praying, reading, reflecting, and writing. My nephew and his wife and my niece and her husband, and their son and two daughters are nearby. My nephew likes grilled ribeye steaks so those are on the menu, provided by yours truly from Jacob's Meats. Ribeye steaks come with a precious price but they are worth it and melt in your mouth. Hope to spend a day in the park with my niece's kids. The three of them are so sweet!

It feels so good to return to what life was before the pandemic. If you're like me, I took all of this connecting with family and friends for granted. Let's be resolved to treasure each other even more!

God willing, I am planning on finishing up my reflection on our Synod experience, which I have titled *Were Not Our Hearts Burning Within Us*, which about sixty of our parish family members participated in on the Eve of Pentecost, May 21. Our time together on that day was Grace-filled and Spirit-inspired. There was a joy in our Community Room that must have been present, too, among Mary and the

Disciples in that Upper Room on the first Pentecost.

Post-Synod, my hope is to convene Task Forces of people interested in developing specific experiences that will help us move forward as a parish family and a community of faith that is committed to reflecting hope and healing to our families, our parish family and beyond. What specific action items can we implement in our mission/vision focus areas of fellowship, discipleship, ministry, worship, and mission that will deepen our experience of the Lord and his church?

On these days when there is so much division among our US Bishops, it falls on us at the grassroots to be a community that welcomes, listens, and accepts others rather than judges and excludes them. Hearts are not changed overnight. What is needed is a willingness to accompany people in a spirit of respect, sensitivity and compassion. Fostering an environment that encourages belonging must always come before any calls to conversion. It is in finding common areas in which we can work together to address the hopes and dreams of our fellow human beings that we will come closer together to each other. In that closeness there can be a grace that bridges our differences. When we find something we can do together to make our church and world better, we will grow in love for one another and, from that new-found love and respect, we can begin to address our differences. It is always the work of the Holy Spirit to create a unity that centers around a consistent ethic and solidarity of life. The beauty of the whole always shines more brightly than its individual parts.

Pray for me as I promise to pray for you.