



Saint Matthew Church **The PULSE**

July 8, 2018

Detroit, Michigan



14th

SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Jesus said to them, "A prophet is not without honor except in his native place and among his own kin and in his own house." - Mk 6:4

Readings for the Week of July 8, 2018

Sunday: Ez 2:2-5/Ps 123:1-2, 2, 3-4 [2cd]/2 Cor 12:7-10/Mk 6:1-6a
Monday: Hos 2:16, 17b-18, 21-22/Ps 145:2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9 [8a]/Mt 9:18-26
Tuesday: Hos 8:4-7, 11-13/Ps 115:3-4, 5-6, 7ab-8, 9-10 [9a]/Mt 9:32-38
Wednesday: Hos 10:1-3, 7-8, 12/Ps 105:2-3, 4-5, 6-7 [4b]/Mt 10:1-7
Thursday: Hos 11:1-4, 8e-9/Ps 80:2ac and 3b, 15-16 [4b]/Mt 10:7-15
Friday: Hos 14:2-10/Ps 51:3-4, 8-9, 12-13, 14 and 17 [17b]/Mt 10:16-23
Saturday: Is 6:1-8/Ps 93:1ab, 1cd-2, 5 [1a]/Mt 10:24-33
Next Sunday: Am 7:12-15/Ps 85:9-10, 11-12, 13-14 [8]/Eph 1:3-14 or 1:3-10/Mk 6:7-13

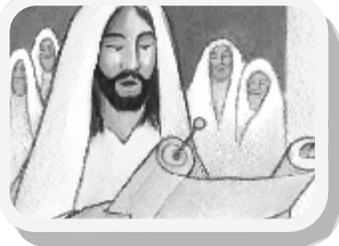


St. Henry, King and Saint

St. Henry, son of Henry, Duke of Bavaria, and Gisella, daughter of Conrad, King of Burgundy, was born in 972. In his youth, he received an excellent education under the tutelage of the bishop of Ratisbon. In 995, he succeeded his father as Duke of Bavaria; and, in 1002 was elected emperor upon the death of his cousin, Otto III. Anchored in the great eternal truths, he kept them alive in his heart by practicing meditation. He was not elated by the dignity of his position and sought the greater glory of God in all things. He was watchful of the welfare of the Church and for maintenance of ecclesiastical discipline through the bishops.

He won several victories over his enemies, both at home and abroad; but he used these with great moderation and clemency. In 1014, he went to Rome and received the imperial crown at the hands of Pope Benedict VIII. On that occasion, he confirmed the legacy made by his predecessors to the Pope, that of the sovereignty of Rome. As the Holy Roman Emperor, circumstances drove Henry into war from which he always came out victorious. He led an army to the south of Italy against the Saracens and their allies, the Greeks, and drove them from the country. The humility and justice of St. Henry were equal to his zeal for his faith. He wished to abdicate and retire to a monastery upon his mistreatment of Bishop Herebert of Cologne, but yielded to the better judgment of the Abbot and retained his position as Holy Roman Emperor.

He and his wife, St. Cunegunda, lived in perpetual chastity, to which they had bound themselves by vow. The Saint established numerous foundations, gave liberally to pious institutions, and built the Cathedral of Bamberg. He died near Halberstad in 1024. His feast is July 13, and he is the patron saint of the childless, the handicapped, and those rejected by a religious order.



14th Sunday in Ordinary Time

If you have been closely following the Sunday readings, today's Gospel could sound a bit like a broken record. Four weeks ago, the Gospel told of Jesus visiting his home of Nazareth and being poorly received by his family members. Jesus had attracted a large crowd as he preached, and his concerned relatives came to bring him home. Jesus, they thought, was out of his league.

Today Jesus takes things further. He returns to Nazareth. Rather than preaching from his house, he enters the synagogue. He speaks eloquently. The listeners acknowledge that "wisdom has been given him" and recognize the "mighty deeds wrought by his hands," but it is too much for them to bear. "Is he not the carpenter, the son of Mary?" The listeners know his whole clan, his male and female relatives. Jesus as carpenter was acceptable. Even Jesus as fringe preacher was interesting enough to draw a crowd. But Jesus as authoritative teacher is too much. "They took offense at him."

As Christians, we have known the truth of Jesus' identity since we were first introduced to him. He is fully human and fully divine. He is the second person of the Trinity. It could be easy to look down on these 1st century listeners for their lack of faith. But where do we expect to learn our own lessons? The more we age, the easier it is to believe we understand the world and how it works. We have experience with people, with the Church, with politics, and with the affairs of daily living. We have developed criteria for first impressions. We categorize. Today we remember that the Christian life requires humility. Jesus' listeners have an expectation of how things should be, and their lack of faith causes doubt in others. "He was not able to perform any mighty deeds there." Do your assumptions limit your perspective? Who can you learn from that you did not expect?



A Family Perspective

by Bud Ozar

Today's Gospel is so familiar, it hurts! The home town folks couldn't accept the presence of God in Jesus. After all, they had watched him grow up. We can easily make the same mistake if we don't see God present in the ordinary routines of our family. "The Lord be with you" is a statement of fact. Believe it. Live it.

"Give Me to Drink"

When Jesus said to the woman at Jacob's well, "Give me to drink," his thirst was not just physical, but much more profound. This is later reflected when He is dying on the Cross and says, "I thirst," just before He died.

Jesus is thirsty for our love and our salvation as He pours out His love and mercy to us moment by moment in our lives. He is thirsty to have us shine with His Light manifested in us. He is thirsty for us to become the full and shining icons of the Image and Likeness of God in which we were created. Most of all, He is thirsty for us to come to Him in all our weakness and imperfection and ask to be healed, so He can fill us up with the bubbling, fresh, and strong living water of Faith and Love to live with Him forever.

If we humbly and sincerely and continuously ask Him for His Living Water, He will pour His love into us, heart to heart, and we will truly never thirst again.

"No one would exchange his country for a foreign land if his own afforded him the means of living a decent and happy life." (Pope Leo XIII)

*Their cry resounds through the ages: "Will you let me in?"
Give us hearts that break open when our brothers and sisters
turn to us with that same cry.*

Then surely all these things will follow:

Ears will no longer turn deaf to their voices,

Eyes will see a moment of grace instead of a threat.

Tongues will not be silenced but will instead advocate.

*And hands will reach out, working for peace in their homeland,
working for justice in the lands where they seek safe haven.*

Lord, protect all refugees in their travels,

*May they find a friend in me and so make me worthy
of the refuge I have found in you. Amen.*

St. Matthew Parish ~ Happenings

**Saturday, July 14, and Sunday, July 15,
4:30 pm and 10 am Masses - World Mission
Sunday, we welcome the Glenmary Home Mis-
sionary, Father Ed Gorny.**

Doing God's Work in Rural America

Glenmary Home Missioners was founded in 1939 by Father William Howard Bishop. Today, Glenmary priests, brothers, and professional lay co-workers -

- Bring the Catholic Church to the most neglected people and areas in our nation, areas where the Church has never been present before.
- Minister where less than three percent of the population is Catholic, a significant number of people have no church affiliation, and the poverty rate is almost twice the national average.
- Staff missions and ministries in mission dioceses throughout Appalachia and the South.

Since its founding, Glenmary has successfully established over 100 Catholic parishes, But there are still 173 counties in the southern United States without a Catholic Church community, and 196 counties without a resident pastoral minister (priest, deacon, brother, sister, or lay professional minister).

Next week, Father Ed Gorny of the Glenmary Home Missioners will speak at our Masses, telling us about the missionary work his Society is doing to serve the spiritual and material needs of people right here in the United States! This collection for the Glenmary Home Missioners marks the annual Mission Awareness presentation promoted by our diocesan Society of the Propagation of the Faith.

LOST AND (not) FOUND

This is the first and last call for four pairs of eye glasses that are waiting for their owners in the Ushers Room in the back vestibule of the church. Two pairs are reading glasses, and the others are sunglasses. If not claimed in the next two weeks, they will be donated to a charitable organization. Thank you.

CSA Minute ~ Sharing Christ



Catholic Services Appeal - The 2018 Catholic Services Appeal is underway. Gifts to the CSA make possible more than 100 ministries, programs, and services that bless the lives of thousands throughout our Archdiocese each day.

This year's CSA theme is *Opening Doors to Grow with Christ*. As we unleash the Gospel throughout the Archdiocese of Detroit, we grow in our love of Jesus as his missionary disciples.

If you have already pledged your gift to the 2018 CSA, thank you! If you have yet to make your gift, please prayerfully consider generously supporting this year's effort. You may pledge your gift online at give.aodcsa.org. Your gift has a tremendous impact to countless beneficiaries of CSA-funded services in southeast Michigan and beyond.

For information about CSA-funded ministries, programs, and services, please go to www.aod.org.

14th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



St. Matthew Tiger Baseball Outing ~ Ticket Order Form Detroit Tigers vs. Cincinnati Reds ~ Tuesday, July 31st ~ Game Time 7:10 p.m.

Name (s): _____

Contact Phone #: _____

Ticket (s) _____ X \$40 (\$33 for game; \$7 for bus) = \$ _____

of Persons for Bus Transportation _____ (Bus transportation is limited to 56 Persons!)

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WEEKEND/WEEKDAY MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday	4:30 p.m.
Sunday	10:00 a.m.
Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday	9:00 a.m.
Reconciliation	By Appointment
Holydays	9:00 a.m. 7:00 p.m.

In your prayers...

Please remember those in our parish and in our families who are sick or in need of our prayers.

Chuck Schuster
Bienvenido Fajardo
Lolita Dorado
Rita Moroni
Albert Fajardo
Virginia Fajardo
Madeline O'Neill
Regina Butler
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Richard Lafferty

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MINISTERS

Janet Bielman
Mary Bielman
Janet Law

LECTORS

Saturday, July 14, 2018, 4:30 p.m.

Liz Foley-Dunstone

SERVERS

Lauren Gross
Mary E. Dunstone

Sunday, July 15, 2018, 10:00 a.m.

Marilyn Lynn
Patti Adams
Beverly Goll
Veronica Obianwu
Greg Redman
Jean Solomon
Kristen Stark

Bruce Campbell

Ian Campbell
Julia Zuerblis

Mass Schedule

Saturday, July 7th - Vigil: 14th Sunday in Ordinary Time

4:30 p.m. - Emma Langan

Sunday, July 8th - 14th Sunday in Ordinary Time

10:00 a.m. - Judy Stark, The Babas Family

Monday, July 9th - St. Augustine Zhao Rong, Priest, and
Companions, Martyrs

Tuesday, July 10th -

9:00 a.m. - For the Poor Souls in Purgatory

Wednesday, July 11th - St. Benedict, Abbot

9:00 a.m. - For the Sick, Suffering, and Dying

Thursday, July 12th -

Friday, July 13th - St. Henry

9:00 a.m. - For the Military Serving around the World

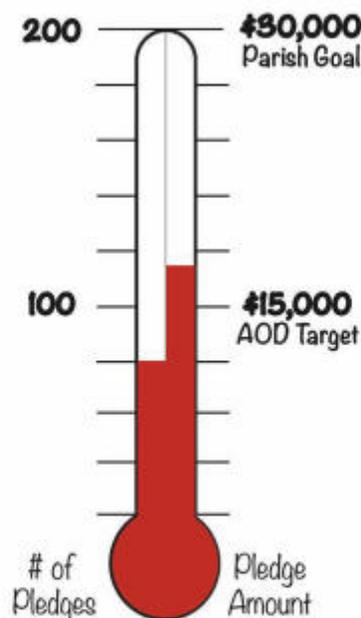
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4:30 p.m. - For the People of St. Matthew Parish

Sunday, July 15th - 15th Sunday in Ordinary Time

10:00 a.m. - Judy Stark, Annette Laige

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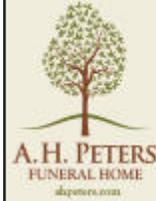


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