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JULY 11, 2021 – 15TH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME

From the Cross Through the Church To the World

Next Weekend's annual Diocesan Mission Collection will help support our mission partners around the globe. We currently have 16 priests serving in the Diocese of Jefferson City from India, Nigeria, Uganda, Tanzania and Ghana. Your support helps their foreign dioceses that are sharing their resource of priests with our diocese. Please be generous in your support of the Missions, by using your parish envelope or going online to diojeffcity.org/donate/ and choose Missions.

**Diocesan Mission Collection
July 17-18**

DIOCESE OF
Jefferson City

JULY 4TH OFFERTORY ~ \$3,198.00
CATHOLIC MISSOURIAN - \$329.00

~ PARISH NEWS ~

- **Cookies for Swinkey Days** - We are needing volunteers to make cookies for Swinkey Days! Please drop the cookies of in the gym on Monday morning, July 12th. Thank you!
- **Meals** - There is a sign-up sheet in the vestibule for taking meals to Jared and Acacia Hagan as they welcomed their new baby boy on Thursday.
- **The Swinkey Picnic** is only 1 week away! Work lists for both men and women (and children) are on the table in the vestibule. If you are on the list, but can't help this year or are not on the list, but can help, please contact Lee Anderson or Amanda Spalding. All parishioners are needed to make this event successful!
- **Raffle Tickets** - Please see the sign-up sheet in the vestibule for selling picnic raffle and quilt raffle tickets in front of C&R on Fridays and Saturdays. Contact Debby Quinn if you can help.
- **The next Pastoral Council meeting** will be August 26th.
- **A Weekly Rosary** is prayed each Monday at 12:00 PM at St. Stephen. All are welcome to join and share their intentions, both spoken and unspoken.
- **Live Streaming of Mass:** The 5:30 PM Saturday Mass at Holy Rosary and the 8:00 AM Sunday Mass at St. Stephen can be viewed on Fr. Greg's Facebook page at <http://facebook.com/frgregolig>.

~ KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS NEWS ~

The August KC meeting will be held on Thursday, August 5th with the rosary at 7:00 PM, followed by the meeting. All are welcome to join with the Knights praying the rosary.

~ HOLY ROSARY SCHOOL FUNDRAISER ~

The 15th annual Holy Rosary School Fundraiser will be held Saturday, July 17th at Mosswood Meadows.

- The 7th annual **5K Run/Walk** begins at 7:00 AM. The entry fee is \$20 for adults and \$10 for children 12 and under and includes a t-shirt. For more information, contact Mark Yager at 573-719-6403 or Buzzy Shaver at 573-406-4170.
- The 15th annual **Golf Tournament** begins with a shotgun start at 9:30 AM. The entry fee of \$125/person includes green fees, cart rental and door prizes. For more information, contact Aaron Benson at 573-231-1132 or Ryan Watson at 573-406-2472.

~ MARRIAGE & FAMILY CONFERENCE ~

God First: A Marriage and Family Conference is being held by Joyful Love Ministries on Saturday, July 24th from 10:00 AM to 2:00 PM at the Monroe City KC Hall. Registration is \$35/couple or \$20/adult. All are welcome! For more information, contact Lori Watson at JoyfulLoveMinistries@gmail.com. To register online visit, https://docs.google.com/forms/d/1pa4fty-PJxMkhD-h9cvgKfh1eXTwAYyca1_FTfm5po/viewform?edit_requested=true.

MASS SCHEDULE AT ST. STEPHEN & HOLY ROSARY

DAY	LOCATION	TIME	INTENTION
Sunday 7/11	St. Stephen*	8:00 AM	Tom & Jack Quinn, Ceil Kendrick
	Holy Rosary	9:30 AM	Families of St. Stephen & Holy Rosary No Scripture Service
Monday 7/12			
Tuesday 7/13	Monroe Manor	9:30 AM	Shirley Bevil
Wednesday 7/14	Holy Rosary	7:30 AM	David & Manley Families, Living & Deceased
Thursday 7/15	Holy Rosary	7:30 AM	Ina, Bernard & Greg Mudd
Friday 7/16	Holy Rosary	7:30 AM	Purgatorial Society
Saturday 7/17	Holy Rosary*	5:30 PM	Dede Yager, Kenny Fulton
Sunday 7/18	St. Stephen*	8:00 AM	Gerald & Myrtle Spalding & Descendants
	Holy Rosary	9:30 AM	Families of St. Stephen & Holy Rosary

*Masses can be viewed on Facebook @ "Greg Oligschlaeger"

RECONCILIATION

4:00-5:00 PM Saturdays at Holy Rosary

7:15-7:45 AM Sundays at St. Stephen or by appointment 735-4718

Dear Parishioners,

Phone... wallet... cash... keys... water bottle... Many of us have a mantra or check list that we recite as we leave home to ensure we are ready for the day. Jesus sends us out with less, inviting us to trust, to be ready to engage with and respond to the world around us. In the 21st century, can you imagine not needing your phone?

In today's gospel (Mark 6:7-13), the apostles are sent out by Jesus in pairs and He gave them authority to both cast out evil and to endure rejection. They were to trust in God to provide all they needed to do God's work: no food, money or anything extra. If the ministry they provided was not received, they would literally "shake the dust from their feet" and move on to where God's gifts would be welcomed and appreciated.

If you are like me, you put too much emphasis on negative criticism and allow yourself to become defensive, protective and hyper-sensitive to slights and insults. Jesus invites His followers to shake off and leave behind negativity, resistance, religious persecution and unfriendliness. We, too, ask Jesus to help us keep our eyes on Him, to see our work as His ministry. The devil sometimes uses the rejection Christians receive from one group to be a personal assault and thus we are hurt and discouraged. The devil wins when you and I quit and don't try to do ministry because it seems like we were rejected and nobody wants to listen to us. Jesus reminds us that it is a rejection of Jesus, not us, and yes, others do want the gift of Grace that Jesus can provide through our words and deeds.

If we feel overwhelmed by this challenge, remember that Jesus doesn't expect us to be "Lone Ranger" disciples. Jesus sent His disciples out in pairs with no more than sandals and a walking stick and said 'trust me'. Turn to the power of the Holy Spirit and be immersed in it. God will show you the way. Don't do it alone. Ask someone to help you be that faithful disciple. Be courageous in living the Gospel daily.

Prayers and Blessings.

Fr. Greg Oligschlaeger



~ HOLY FAMILY SCHOOL JOB OPENING ~

Holy Family School in Hannibal, MO is accepting applications for a Kindergraten teacher. Please contact the principal, Sarah Hooley, at 573-221-0456 for more information.

~ PLEASE KEEP IN PRAYER ~

Father, we lift up those today that are fighting disease and ailments, whether in mind or body. When they want to give up, give them fresh strength and courage. Comfort them in times of pain, give them peace in times of fear and bless them with your healing touch. Come Lord Jesus!

Richard Elliott	Rusty Adam	Regina Hays	Daniel Patrick Mudd
John Kendrick	Trent Zeiger	Dcn. Mike Long	Teresa Ritter Toland
Hazel Smith	Sue Gilbert	Natalee Amos	Rosemary Evans
Deanna Buckman	Jackie Ryan	Logan Maher	Lakian Lehenbauer
Mark Leake	Kenneth Ryan	Bonnie Ess	Barbara Kendrick
Connie Kendrick	Nick Mudd	Tim Quinn	Michael Kellerman
Harold Adam	Frankie Maddox	William P. Smith	Janice Kendrick

For all who are ill, especially those who are awaiting surgery or seriously ill, and for their caregivers and for those who have died, we pray to the Lord.

~ Following God's Lead Along With Donna ~

Steubenville - Holy Rosary and St. Stephen Churches have a group of 30 students, 3 young adults and 8 chaperones traveling to Springfield for the Steubenville Mid-West Youth Conference during this weekend of July 9-11. Please keep them in your prayers for a safe journey and uplifting experience.

Parish-Wide Study coming soon! I have purchased *Parousia: The Bible and the Mass* by Dr. Scott Hahn. I had the opportunity to watch the videos in this study during Lent and am excited to share them with you. The study is 10 weeks with multiple opportunities each week to participate. Please take the survey you will find on our parish website.

<https://ststephenic.diojeffcity.org/>

Find the Parish Life tab; Select Faith Formation; then click the button "Faith Formation Parish-Wide Study Survey".

There is a paper version available, call Sally at (573) 231-6980 if you prefer a paper copy and put it in the basket at either church. The survey will help me with further planning. Thank you for taking the time to share your input.

FORMED.org - It's summer and vacation time is upon us. Are you looking for a place to visit? *The Faith Traveler in the United States: East Coast Shrines* explores some of the Catholic shrines and places of pilgrimage in Pennsylvania, Maryland, New York, and New Jersey.

<https://watch.formed.org/the-faithful-traveler-in-the-united-states-east-coast-shrines>

To inquire about faith formation/religious education contact Donna Long anytime at donnalong.hrss@gmail.com or call me at the rectory, 735-4718, my office hours are 8:00 am to Noon, Monday through Friday.

~ SWINKEY PICNIC MEMORIES ~

(Taken from *Swinkey Stories, 175 Years of memories*)

- ♦ Some of the older residents can remember when the picnic was held on the Jim Tom Spalding farm and what is now the Tom Whelan Farm [now the home of Philip and Beth Whelan]. In those days, the picnic grounds were more woods and were "more like a good old country picnic."
- ♦ Contests such as sack races, horseshoes, baseball, best matched buggy, popular young lady, were mentioned as residents recalled the past. "I remember one year in the most popular girl contest, there were only two entries and when the winner was announced, the other girl fainted."
- ♦ In 1961, it was required that each family donate the best parts of 5 chickens, one half gallon of potato salad, one head of cabbage, two quarts of green beans and two quarts of corn, beets and cucumber pickles, four pies, onions, tomatoes and green and red peppers. All were to be ready to use.
- ♦ The first Swinkey Picnic Sunday that we didn't have to fry chicken, Kathy Smith came into the kitchen and said, in her Texas drawl, "I feel like I've sinned!!" We all agreed - felt a little guilty, remembering what our mothers had to endure, then enjoyed the day.

~ THANK YOU ~

The family of Vida Greening would like to thank everyone who helped with her funeral service and the lovely funeral dinner. All of this was done without any electrical power in Monroe City. We are deeply grateful and thankful and would like to extend special thanks to the Stephen Catholic Church for allowing us the use of their church as they still had electrical power.

~ PERPETUAL ADORATION CHAPEL ~

Please contact Phyllis Campbell at 573-795-2290 if you can fill one of the following open hours or are willing to sign up as a substitute. Sunday: 2-3pm; Monday: 2-3am, 3-4am, 2-3pm (temp), 6-7pm; Tuesday: 1-2am, 2-3am, 3-4pm; Wednesday: 12-1am, 1-2am, 2-3am; Thursday: 3-4am; Friday: 12-1pm, 9-10pm, 10-11pm; Saturday: 7-8am, 8-9am.

~ UPCOMING EVENTS ~

July 12-14	8:30 AM	Swinkey Days for Kids
July 13	9:30 AM	Mass at the Nursing Home
July 16		36 th Anniversary of the Adoration Chapel
July 17		HRS 5K/golf tournament Fundraiser
July 18		SWINKEY PICNIC!
July 25		World Day for Grandparents & the Elderly
July 27	9:30 AM	Mass at the Nursing Home

SCRIPTURE READINGS FOR JULY 18, 2021

16th Sunday in Ordinary Time

First Reading: *Jeremiah 23:1-6 (107B):* The Lord was angry and promised to punish the shepherds who misled and scattered the flock. The Lord God would gather the flock and appoint new shepherds to care for it.

Responsorial Psalm: *Psalm 23:1-3, 3-4, 5, 6:* "The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want."

Second Reading: *Ephesians 2:13-18:* In Christ, we are reconciled and united with each other and with God. Christ Jesus came to announce the good news. Through him we come in one Spirit to the Father.

Gospel: *Mark 6:30-34:* The disciples returned from work and went with Jesus to a quiet place to rest. Crowds followed. Jesus took pity on them, "for they were like sheep without a shepherd."

LITURGICAL ASSIGNMENTS

July 11 – 15th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sacristan	Kathy Anderson
Greeter	P.A. & Kay Turnbull
Rosary	Maureen Lemongelli
Music	Beth Whelan & Julienne Burns
Song Leader	Lee Anderson
Servers	Meghan Hays & Joey Puro
Cross Bearer	Desiree Mudd
Lector	Greg Maher
Offertory	Lambert & Brenda Buckman
Communion	Peggy Spalding, Kay Turnbull, Phil Whelan,
Ministers	Dwayne & Madeline Williams
Counters	Carol Hagan, David & Julie Hays

July 18 – 16th Sunday in Ordinary Time (Swinkey Picnic)

Sacristan	Doug & Julie Orf
Greeter	Kathy Spurgeon
Rosary	Rose McNally
Music	Sr. Sue Walker
Song Leader	Judy Irons
Servers	Kyle Hays & Michael Spalding
Cross Bearer	Dwayne Williams
Lector	Mark McNally
Offertory	Deanna Buckman
Communion	Kathy Anderson, Beth Whelan, Mark Leake,
Ministers	Sally Lemongelli, Rose McNally
Counters	Carol Hagan, Ted & Judy Irons

July 25 – 17th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sacristan	Dwayne & Madeline Williams
Greeter	Shane & Amanda Spalding
Rosary	Nancy Shively
Music	Jan Adam & Debby Quinn
Song Leader	Beth Whelan
Servers	Cole Hays & Rylie Mulvaney
Cross Bearer	Glen Bichsel
Lector	Desiree Mudd
Offertory	Dan & Becky Buckman
Communion	Deanna Buckman, Laura Mulvaney, Marie
Ministers	Puro, Doug & Julie Orf
Counters	Carol Hagan & Robert Keller

Ushers for July

Tom Murphy, Jordan Ogle, Doug Orf, T.L. Pangborn

Pastoral Council Members: Chair., Amanda Spalding; V. Chair., Doug Orf; Sec'y, Carol Hagan; Members: Lee Anderson, Eric Keller and Danny Sims.

Finance Committee: Monica Otto-Lloyd, Chair.; Tom Hagan, Sec'y; Phil Whelan, Susan Winking

K of C's: Grand Knight: Ed Bom; Deputy Grand Knight, Kevin Long; Recording Secretary, Michael Maher; Financial Secretary, Shane Spalding

Altar Society Officers: Pres., Lynn Ogle, Treas., Julie Hays, Sec., Marie Puro

Picnic Committee: Coordinators, Lee Anderson & Pastoral Council; Treas., Darin Underhill

Cemetery Committee: Pres., Joe Puro; Treas., Marie Puro; Dwayne Williams, Matt Hays, Shane Spalding, Dan Buckman