

# SAINT LUKE - SACRED HEART CATHOLIC COMMUNITY

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*14<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time*  
 July 2-3rd, 2022

Saturday Mass July 2nd 5:00 p.m. For Living and Deceased  
 Members of St. Luke's parish  
 Thursday, June 30<sup>th</sup> 9:30 a.m. Prayer Service

Saturday Mass July 9-10th 5:00 p.m. John and Grace Gulden  
 Requested by Paul and Rita Zimmerman

**CONFESSION BEFORE SATURDAY MASS**  
**ADORATION MONDAYS FROM 6:00 A.M. TO 6:00 P.M.**  
**NO ADORATION ON MONDAY JULY 4<sup>TH</sup> ~ HOLIDAY**

**BECOME INVOLVED: MEMBERSHIP AND SACRAMENTAL**

*COLLECTION*

Loose offering: \$ 112.00  
 Envelope offering: \$ 1,025.00  
 Candles: \$ 20.00  
 CASA HOGAR MISSION \$95.09  
 Annual Appeal \$ 4,478.00 pd  
 Still to be collected \$ 2,247.00

**Joining Our Parish:** If you are new to the parish, please call the parish office to register. We are glad you are here.

**Celebrating Baptism:** Baptism is celebrated throughout much of the liturgical year. If you want to raise your child in the Catholic faith and celebrate your child's baptism, please call the parish office, 715-778-5519 for more information. Parents celebrating the baptism of their first child are asked to complete a baptism orientation class.

**Caring for the Sick:** If you or a loved one are seriously ill, homebound or anticipating surgery, please call or email the central office to schedule a visit and/or the sacrament of Anointing of the Sick.

**Celebrating Marriage:** We eagerly welcome couples seeking to celebrate the Sacrament of Marriage. Contact the central office to talk about scheduling your wedding and to learn more about marriage preparation.

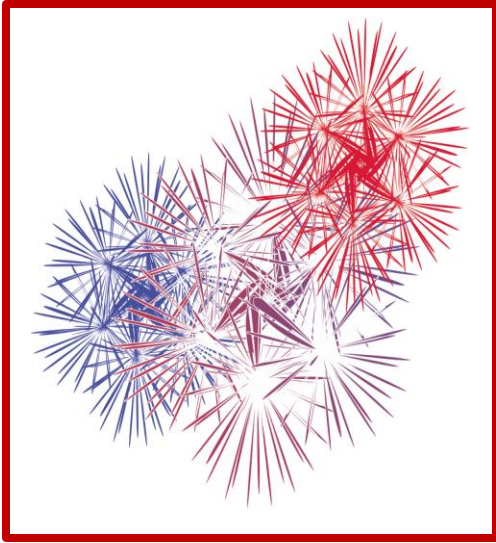
**GOSPEL MEDITATION - ENCOURAGE DEEPER UNDERSTANDING OF SCRIPTURE**

**July 3, 2022 14th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

Freedom properly defined is freedom properly understood. The Cambridge Dictionary tells us that it is, "the condition or right of being able or allowed to do, say, think, etc., whatever you want to, without being controlled or limited." That same dictionary defines liberty as, "the freedom to live, work, and travel as you want to." Both definitions sound very similar. Is there a difference between freedom and liberty? Many are accustomed to believing that freedom and liberty are interchangeable and simply involve possessing rights and privileges. For the Christian, however, there is a big difference between the two.

St. John Chrysostom directs that "the only person who is free is the one who lives for Christ." There are many other inspirational people throughout history who see freedom as something far greater than liberty. True and properly understood freedom has little to do with entitlement or self-promotion. For the believer, it is a matter of the heart and soul. Freedom (and liberty, for that matter), seen only in terms of the world, can quickly be taken away. The freedom spoken of by St. John Chrysostom can only be lost by personal choice. When one lives for Christ, they live in pursuit of virtues that enlighten one's soul (faith, hope, and love) and strengthen one's character (justice, fortitude, temperance, and prudence). Rather than having the ability to acquire or do more things, true freedom asks us to be detached. Privileges, rights, and responsibilities are important, but they do not define us.

The world is not always open to listening to the truth. "I am sending you like lambs among wolves," Jesus tells his disciples. The secular definitions of freedom and liberty are very attractive. They promise us a great deal. It is no wonder Jesus asks his disciples to travel with very little. The Gospel is not dependent upon things or anything those with worldly power or investment can say or do. When one chooses to live for Christ, they choose to live with peace. That's what true freedom will give us. If we do not want what Christ offers, we can close the door, and the messenger will walk away. Distracted by the lure of personal liberties, we risk losing our freedom. We will not have anything truly life-giving to share with others. ©LPi



**Blessed  
is the nation  
whose God is  
the LORD.**

PSALM 33:12

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## *NO ADORATION MONDAY, JULY 4<sup>TH</sup> ~ HOLIDAY*

### **THURSDAY MORNING PRAYER SERVICE**

During the weeks that we do not have  
A permanent priest, we will NOT have  
Thursday morning Mass. However, there  
Will be a Thursday Morning Prayer service.  
It will be at 9:30 a.m. and all are welcome to attend.

### **BAPTISM**

Dally Sioux Siebert will be baptized on  
Saturday, July 9th.  
Her parents are Breanna Anderson and  
Jason Siebert.

### **Thank you** from Marge Sykora

To all who helped to make her birthday so  
special, especially the cards and well wishes  
and the lovely birthday gathering last  
Saturday. Thank you to Betty for organizing  
and for all who came.

### **HOUSEKEEPING NOTE**

Please leave the fans going in the church due to  
moisture in the ceiling from rain. We need to keep  
the air circulating to prevent mildew.  
Please remember to conserve energy by turning out  
the lights. Thank you so much! :)

### **ANNUAL APPEAL**

Thank you to all you donated to this year's  
Annual Bishop's Appeal



**PRAY FOR  
WORLD  
PEACE!**

**PRAY FOR  
PEACE IN  
OUR  
NATION!**

### **Please remember in Prayer**

- **Please continue** to pray for **Brother Michael** as he recovers from Covid and being hospitalized in River Falls this past week.
- **Dwayne Hedlund** has been hospitalized in VA hospital since last Tuesday with issues with diabetes. Lori Hurtgen asks for prayer for him and Helen.
- We received word that **Fr. Bill Neis** who was our pastor from 1993-1997 passed away this past February. He is remembered by many for his very short Homilies. May he rest in peace.

### **For the faithful departed we pray:**

Dustin Berends, Frances Knopps, Anthony Robert Squillace, Frank Hellman, Dawn Squillace, Margaret Poeschel, Keith Lutzen, Grace and John Gulden, Betty Garside's cousin, Fr. Bill Neis

### **For the sick we pray:**

- Mark Nelson – Infection
- Karen Erickson ~ MS
- Jeanne Wendt ~ Recovery from Illness
- Olivia Sundby ~ Breast Cancer
- Ashley Doornink ~ pregnancy
- Wally and Rose Nelsen
- Katie and Lucas Jennings ~ miracle for baby thank you!
- John Werner ~ heart failure
- Leo Romos -3 year old needs a new kidney and bladder ~ doing much better ~ Thank you
- Cheryl Ann, Kathleen, and Jolene Rifenberg
- Robert and Peter Howe
- Cathy Cook and Arthur Lauer
- Steve Slind
- Dave Smith
- Continued prayer for Options for Women

### **UPCOMING PARISH COUNCIL ELECTIONS**

These elections are scheduled for the weekend of July 9-10. There are 3 positions to fill. Frank and Sam are the current PC members and can be re-elected, but the position is open to any other member of the parish who would like to run. Please let us know ASAP so you are on the ballot.

**\*\*** The Pastoral Council plays a very important role in making sure our parishes stay strong. **PLEASE give prayerful consideration to nominating**

*July 2-3, 2022*