

SAINT LUKE - SACRED HEART CATHOLIC COMMUNITY

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PASTORAL TEAM

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Mass Intentions This Week:

Sunday July 19 11 a.m. Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time
 +Kathej Santanni
 Requested by Paul & Rita Zimmerman

Thurs. July 23 8:30 a.m. +Virgil Hill
 Requested by Joe & Karen Adams

Sunday July 26 11 a.m. Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time
 +Dee & Jim Baudhuin
 Requested by Joe & Karen Adams

ADORATION: Monday 6:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. **ANOINTING OF THE SICK & EMERGENCIES:**
 Contact Father Amir at 715-598-4877

Web address: www.saintlukebv.org

STEWARDSHIP

“For where your treasure is, there also will your heart be” (Luke 12:34)

You may drop your envelopes in the offertory box which is on the back table in church, or you may mail your contribution to St Luke at: PO Box 316, Boyceville, WI 54725

PARISH PASTORAL ELECTIONS:

The Pastoral Council is the consultative body to the pastor with elected and appointed members which help define, plan, prioritize and carry out the mission of our parish.

The Pastoral Council plays a very important role in making sure our parishes stay strong. PLEASE give prayerful consideration to nominating replacements for those whose terms are expiring. Members whose terms are expiring are Dennis Hill, Lori Boesl and the open seat previously held by Ben Mrdutt. Nominations are open through July 26th and can be mailed or emailed to the office. With our limited attendance at Mass, this year’s elections will take place by mail-in ballots. Ballots will be emailed or mailed out to all parishioners the week of July 27th. Please return your cast ballot by August 2nd by placing your ballot in an envelope and dropping in the offertory boxes at church on Sunday August 2nd, or mail to PO Box 316, Boyceville, WI 54725 or email to stlukebv@yahoo.com

Pastoral Council Elections

A parishioner is eligible to serve on the Pastoral Council who: (1) is at least sixteen years of age; (2) is baptized, confirmed, and registered member of the parish in full communion with the Catholic Church; (3) is willing and able to serve for the elected or appointed term of 2 years; (4) is a contributing member of the parish in prayer, time, talent and treasure; and (5) maintains a public posture not inconsistent with the teachings of the Church. In order to serve fruitfully on the Pastoral Council, the councilor should be wise and prudent – a committed Catholic with the capacity for study, for reflection, and for reaching sound conclusions.

Mission Cooperative Sunday is August 2 about mission work from the Archdiocese of Juba serving South Sudan. Due to Father John’s health issues, Father Amir will present the information about the missions of South Sudan

Pastoral Council meeting scheduled for Thursday, July 30 at 7 p.m. in the church dining hall.
Daily Mass on July 30th will be switched to 6 p.m. on that day ONLY



PUBLIC WEEKDAY MASS BEGINS

Bishop Callahan has approved for public weekday Masses to start again. Mass times will be as follows for our Tri-Parish community Tuesday– Saturday:

Tues– in Spring Valley at 6:30 PM
 Wed– in Elmwood at 7:00 PM
Thurs– in Boyceville at 8:30 AM
 Friday– in Spring Valley at 10:00 AM
 Saturday– in Elmwood at 10:00 AM

Faithful Citizenship – Election 2020

It is important to form our consciences in light of Catholic teaching & principles. Resources on this topic can be found by visiting: diolc.org/faithful-citizenship



“Let the seeds grow together until harvest; then at harvest time I will say to the harvesters, ‘First collect the weeds and tie them in bundles for burning, but gather the wheat into my barn.’” Matt 13:30

PASTORAL REFLECTION

Dear sisters and brothers in Christ Jesus,

The mustard seed is one of the few small seeds in the world. The two parables are stories that we can ponder on and inspire us to honestly ask ourselves who we are. A man sowed good seeds in his field. The good seeds are likened to the children of the kingdom, they are those who listened to the Word of God and followed it.

Let us look at our daily lives and ask ourselves if we really have seriously reflected on the Word of God every time we celebrate the Eucharist or in our private reading of the Scriptures.

How do we know the message of God if we don't read and reflect on the Scriptures and read the signs of our times? The Lord expects the children of the kingdom to be those seeds that would become wheat, which would be used in making bread so others may eat and have life to the full.

The gospel reading has a lot of images that connote many things. In the parable, the weeds are referred to as children of the evil ones; some scrupulous and ill-intent people who initiate and influence bad thoughts, intentions, and plans among the good ones.

When we become self-righteous and self-centered in our dealings with others, we actually want to do things in our own way, forgetting God and most likely at the expense of others. Sometimes, we hinder the growth of others and block in their desire to take the path to holiness and wholeness.

Are you the wheat or the weed in the field? We should be the wheat for the weeds have no use as they will be tied together and thrown away during harvest time. The weeds shall be allowed to grow until the wheat is ripe for harvest.

And like a mustard seed, small at that but will grow when planted in fertile and good soil. That small seed will grow with complete care into a bush for the birds in the air to rest. The one who sows is Jesus the Son of God. Are you that mustard seed that had grown into a bush so others may rest? We seek rest in the Lord to be safe and secure with the Him. In return, we also make others rest in us.

Yours sincerely in Christ Jesus,

Rev. Arockia Stanislaus.

For all the faithful who have died and for the sick, we pray: , David Buck - Cancer, Repose of the soul of Virgil Hill, Father of Dennis Hill, Bruce – Cancer, Debbie McNamara – Cancer, Betty Jean Smith – continued recovery, Repose of the souls of Joseph Zimmerman & Kathey Santanni. Tom McAndrew – recovery from a stroke, Betty Garside – recovery from stroke, Judi Uthall – car accident, Ken Hansen – recovery from knee replacement surgery, Sue Anderson- Hip replacement Joyce Hill – recovery gall bladder surgery. The work of: Options for Women, pregnancy care center

BECOME INVOLVED: MEMBERSHIP AND SACRAMENTAL

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, 715-643-3081 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 Father Amir 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 Father Amir to talk about scheduling your wedding and to learn more about marriage preparation.

Becoming Catholic: If you are baptized in another Christian tradition and seek to become Catholic, or are interested in becoming a Christian through baptism, contact Father Amir at pastor@svecatholic.org.

An Act of Spiritual Communion

My Jesus,

**I believe that you are present
In the Most Holy Sacrament.**

**I love you above all things,
And desire to receive you into my soul.**

**Since I cannot at this moment
Receive you sacramentally,
Please come spiritually into my heart.**

**I embrace you now
As if you were already there
And I unite myself wholly to you.**

Never permit me to be separated from you. Amen.

July 17-18, 2020