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Reconciliation: Saturday, 3:30 pm or by appointment.
Baptism: Call for pre-Baptism preparation video.
Anointing: Contact parish office in case of illness or need.
Wedding Plans? To avoid last-minute confusion, contact Father Corwin at least six months before your planned wedding date!

20th Sunday in Ordinary Time

August 17, 2008

A Prayer for Those Serving in the Military

Almighty God, send your blessing upon all who serve in our armed forces. Shield them from harm. Let peace be the shield that stands guard over them. Look with compassion upon all victims of war; ease their sufferings and heal their wounds. Put an end to all wars over the earth, and hasten lasting peace. Grant this through our Lord Jesus Christ, the Prince of Peace, now and forever. Amen.

Confirmation Class Time Change

In response to the letter I sent out to parents of **Confirmation Students:** the overwhelming response of the parents who got back to me was to move Saturday's class to Wednesday evening. As of now I am planning to have that class on the **1st Wednesday of the month**. The first class would begin in October. We will publish a complete schedule after meeting with the teachers at the end of August.

One concern of the students about moving to Wednesday was that they would have too much homework. I have already contacted one of the schools and will contact the others about not having so much homework assigned for that Wednesday.

I am looking for a few teachers for the coming year as well. We will need a 3rd grade teacher and a 7th grade teacher. We will also need a teacher for the 10th grade confirmation students. If you think you can help, call me at **548-3209** or **548-3459**.

REMINDER

If you are a parent of a 1st grader, or of a student in any grade **who was not in the CCD Program last year**, please contact me at **548-3209**. I need to order books for the coming school year!

~Joan Rothstein, Director of Religious Education

Vatican Orders the Name Yahweh Removed from Liturgical Texts

"Yahweh, I know you are near . . ." is the opening verse in one of America's most popular hymns, but the Vatican has directed that when referring to God in liturgical texts or hymns, the name Yahweh should not be used out of respect for Catholic tradition as well as Jewish sensitivities about pronouncing the name of God.

The Vatican has ruled that the Name of God, commonly rendered as "Yahweh," should never be pronounced in the Catholic liturgy.

The Vatican directive will not require any changes in the language of liturgy, since the Name of God is not spelled out in any authorized translation of the Roman Missal. However some hymns may be deemed inappropriate for liturgical use.

The Congregation for Divine Worship, in issuing the new directive, reminds bishops that in the Hebrew tradition, which the early Christians adopted, the faithful avoided pronouncing the Name of God. The Vatican directive explains that "as an expression of the infinite greatness and majesty of God, it was held to be unpronounceable."

In place of the Name of God, pious Hebrews used the four-letter tetragrammaton *YHWH*, or substituted the terms "Adonai" or "the Lord." The first Christians continued this practice.

The Bible reflects the Hebrew tradition, and the Name of God is not spelled out in authorized Catholic translations. The Vatican instruction notes, "in recent years the practice has crept in" of using the Name of God and spelling out the tetragrammaton. That practice should be avoided. The effect of the directive should be evident in the selection of hymns, since some contemporary liturgical music violates the policy by pronouncing the Name of God. The policy will also call for some care in the preparation of variable elements in the liturgy, such as the Prayers of the Faithful. (source: *Catholic World News*)

MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday at Farming — 8:15 pm
Sunday morning at St. Martin — 10:00 am
Monday morning — **No Mass**.
Tues-Thurs-Friday at St. Martin — 8:00 am
Wednesday at Farming — 8:00 am
Eve of any Holy Day — 8:15 pm at Farming
Holy Days — 8:15 pm at St. Martin
(unless otherwise announced)

MASS INTENTIONS

18 Mon — **No Mass Today**
19 Tues — † Joseph Lieser
20 Wed — **8:00 am Mass at St. Catherine's**
21 Thur — †† Joseph & Susan Kuhl
22 Fri — † Martin Karsch
23 Sat — **8:15 pm Mass at St. Catherine's**
24 Sun — **10:00 am Mass at St. Martin**
~For the Parish

Daily Mass Readings

Sunday Readings: Cycle A Weekday Readings: Year 2

Aug 18 — Monday • Ez 24: 15-24 • Mt 19: 16-22
Aug 19 — Tuesday • Ez 28: 1-10 • Mt 19: 23-30
Aug 20 — St. Bernard • Ez 34: 1-11 • Mt 20: 1-16
Aug 21 — St. Pius X • Ex 36: 23-28 • Mt 22: 1-14
Aug 22 — Queenship of the BVM • Ez 37: 1-14 • Mt 22: 34-40
Aug 23 — St. Rose of Lima • Ez 43: 1-7 • Mt 23: 1-12
***Aug 24– 21st Sunday in Ordinary Time**
• Is 22: 15, 19-23 • Rom 11: 33-36 • Mt 16: 13-20

* = Holy Day of Obligation

Sat., Sept. 20 – Catholic Why?

St. Cloud Diocesan Council of Catholic Women

invites you to attend the 55th annual convention at St. Nicholas Parish

3.9 miles South of Cold Spring on Hwy 2, then Right on Co. Rd. 21, 1.6 miles.

8:00 am – **Registration** (\$15 before Sept. 8), coffee & rolls

8:45 am – Business meeting

9:30 am – Keynote Speaker: Guy Doud "**Why Be Catholic?**"

10:30 am – Break

10:45 am – **Holy Eucharist** with Bishop Kinney and co-celebrant Fr. Greg Lieser, with other priests in attendance.

• Installation of new officers and special recognition

• Collection for Catholic Charities: Senior Dining

12:00 – Lunch

1:00 pm – Commission Presentations:

Family – Chris Codden, "**Women's Mid-life Years**"

Legislation – Steve Gottwalt, MN state rep:

"**Social Justice**"

Rural Life – Janelle Kuechle and Emily Lahr

"**The Many Labels of Milk**"

2:00 pm – Closing comments, Prayer, Door Prizes

WHAT'S WHERE:

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August 15,16-17 – Sts. Peter & Paul, Elrosa. **Centennial Celebration.**
Friday – Citywide Garage Sale; 7 pm, OldTimers Baseball, 9 pm-1 am, Street Dance. **Saturday**– Craft Sale, 9 am-5 pm; Garage Sales, Volleyball tournament; Hot-Air Balloon Rides; Petting Zoo & Kid Games; 1 pm, Fashion Show @ Skeeters & Display @ the old Bayer's Store; 3:30 pm, **Parade (the St. Martin Band will participate)**; 5 pm, all-school reunion; 7 pm, School Reunion Program on Main Street; 5:30-8:30 pm, Local musicians; 9 pm-1 am, Street Dance; 9:45 pm, Fireworks. **Sunday**– 10:15 am, Polka Mass, Celebrant, Abbot John Klassen; 11 am-1:30 pm, Chicken & Ham Dinner; Beer Garden, Cake Walk + Senior Citizens' Homemade Pie & Ice Cream Stand; 1 pm, Kiddie Parade on Main Street; Hot-Air Balloon Rides, Beanbag tournament, Bingo and Music, no-hands Pudding Eating Contest; 4 pm, Kids' Raffle; 5 pm, Grand Raffle. Also, Threshing Show, Beard Contest, Cookbooks etc.

August 24 – Church of St. Anthony, Watkins. **Annual Fall Festival. Polka Mass** at 10:00 am. Grilled pork chop dinner with all the trimmings. \$7.50 adults, \$3 kids, under age 3 eat free. Bingo, hamburger & beer stands, white elephant sale, farmers' market, entertainments. Silent auction, cash raffle – \$2000 top prize.

August 24 – St. Francis of Assissi, St. Francis. **Church Festival. Polka Mass** begins at 10:00 am. A chicken & ham dinner with homemade dressing and all the fixings will be served starting at 11:00 am. Food, games and refreshments available all afternoon. Live music by the Waltzeteers (noon-4:30) and Country Rascals (5-8 pm). **Grand Raffle** at 8:00 pm.

August 24 – Sts. Peter & Paul, Richmond. **Quilt Bingo.** 6:30 pm. Doors open at 5:30 pm. Over 20 handmade quilts – there'll be a quilt raffle plus a silent quilt auction! Cost for Bingo is \$100 per card – good for 20 games. Must be 18 to play – no checks please! Sponsored by C.A.A.

August 24 – St. John's parish, Meire Grove. **School Benefit Breakfast.** Ham & eggs, fried potatoes, applesauce, frosted bread. Adults \$6, Children \$2.50.

August 21-Sept 1 – Join us at the MN State Fair! **EPIPHANY DINER.** Find us on Underwood Avenue, north of Haunted House & across from Horticultural Bldg. Breakfast 6:30 to 11 am. Lunch/Dinner 11:30 to 8 pm.

Sept 7 – Community Park, 13th Ave N., Waite Park. **St Joseph's (Waite Park) Parish Festival.** 10:30 AM Polka Mass, followed by Roast Pork Dinner. Stands open 11 AM.

STEWARDSHIP	July 27, 2008		August 3, 2008	
	Adults	1007.00	Adults	885.00
	Youth	2.00	Youth	1.00
	Children	3.01	Children	1.00
	Plate	69.50	Plate	60.75
	Energy	710.00	Energy	160.00
	Votives	19.00	Votives	27.00
	Total	1810.51	Total	1134.75



“Courage, my sons. Don't you see that we are leaving on a mission? They pay our fare in the bargain. What a piece of good luck! The thing to do now is to pray well in order to win as many souls as possible. Let us, then, tell the Blessed Virgin that we are content, and that she can do with us anything she wishes.”

~Maximilian Mary Kolbe, when first arrested.

Portrait of a Sunday Bulletin editor with compressed neckbones...after picking beans.



“I don't know what's going to become of you!” How many parents have said that? Maximilian Mary Kolbe's reaction was, “I prayed very hard to Our Lady to tell me what would happen to me. She appeared, holding in her hands two crowns, one white, one red. She asked if I would like to have them—one was for purity, the other for martyrdom. I said, ‘I choose both.’ She smiled and disappeared.” After that the wild lad was not the same.

Max Kolbe entered the minor seminary of the Conventual Franciscans in what now is the Ukraine, near his Polish birthplace, and at 16 became a novice. Though he later achieved doctorates in philosophy and theology, he was deeply interested in science, even drawing plans for rocket ships.

Ordained at 24, he saw religious indifference as the deadliest poison of the day. His mission was to combat it. He had already founded the Militia of the Immaculata, whose aim was to fight evil with the witness of good life, prayer, work and suffering. He dreamed of and then founded **KNIGHT OF THE IMMACULATA**, a religious magazine under Mary's protection to preach the Good News to all nations. For the work of publication he established a “City of the Immaculata”—*Niepokalanow*—which housed 700 of his Franciscan brothers. He later founded one in Nagasaki, Japan. Both the Militia and the magazine topped the one-million mark in members and subscribers...and still grows. His love of God was daily filtered through devotion to Mary.

In 1939, Poland was overrun with deadly speed. *Niepokalanow* was severely bombed. Kolbe and his friars were arrested, then released in less than three months...on the feast of the Immaculate Conception.

In 1941 he was arrested again. The end came quickly in Auschwitz three months later, after terrible beatings and humiliations. A prisoner had escaped. The commandant announced that 10 men would die. He strutted along the ranks. “This one. That one.” As they were marched away to the starvation bunkers, Number 16670 dared to step from the line. “I would like to take that man's place. He has a wife and children.” “Who are you?” “A priest.” No name, no desire for fame. Silence. The commandant, perhaps with a fleeting thought of history, kicked Sgt. Francis Gajowniczek out of line and ordered Kolbe to go with the nine. In the “block of death” they were ordered to strip naked and the slow starvation began in darkness. There was no screaming—the prisoners sang. By the eve of the Assumption four were left alive. The jailer came to finish Kolbe off as he sat in a corner praying. He lifted his fleshless arm to receive the bite of the hypodermic needle. It was filled with carbolic acid. They burned his body with all the others. He was beatified in 1971 and canonized in 1982.

Father Kolbe's death was no sudden act of heroism. His whole life had been a preparation for going home. His holiness was a limitless, passionate desire to convert the whole world to God. His beloved *Immaculata* was his inspiration. For yours, look for a blue-white pamphlet under the Bulletin board. *yr. obt. svt.*

Chinese pastors warned against worship during Olympics

Beijing, Aug. 13, 2008 (CWNews.com) - Leaders of Chinese “house (underground) churches” have been required to sign a pledge that they would not organize worship services involving foreigners during the span of the Olympic Games, according to the China Aid Association.

Pastors were pressured to sign a statement agreeing to refrain from “doing anything that endangers society” during the weeks before, during, and after the Olympics. The statement specified that this prohibition would extend to “illegal gatherings”—that is, religious services not authorized by government officials – and “receiving donations, sermons, and preaching from overseas religious organizations and groups.” Violation of these rules could result in disciplinary action by local government officials.

Adult Choir Practice

•Monday, August 18th at 7:30 pm.