

MINISTRIES FOR JULY 17 & 18, 2021

	SATURDAY 5:00 PM	SUNDAY 10:00 AM
LEADER:	Deanna Gaston	Cindi Egging
LECTOR:	Rich Phillips	Charlotte Dorwart
MIN. OF BREAD:	Janet Peetz	Walter Egging
ALTAR SERVER:	Ben Colerick Laramey Mlsegadis	Kyle Jagers Zach Rotert Kash Knobbe
USHERS:	Duane Peetz Larry Peetz	Charles Gartner Tony Uhlir
Music:	Cora/Pat/Dennis Steve/Jack	Guitars/Jamie

Communion to Extended Care/Home Bound, July 18
Nyla Hobson and Dianne Dorwart

RUMMAGE HOUSE NEWS

Open Friday & Saturday 9:00 am—1:00 pm

JULY 16—17 TEAM 5 — BETTY MIKA
JULY 23—24 TEAM 1 — PHYLLIS TUZICKA

MASS READINGS JULY 12—18, 2021

- 12 Monday**
Ex 1:8-14, 22/Mt 10:34—11:1
- 13 Tuesday—Saint Henry**
Ex 2:1-15a/Mt 11:20-24
- 14 Wednesday—Saint Kateri Tekakwitha**
Ex 3:1-6, 9-12/Mt 11:25-27
- 15 Thursday—Saint Bonaventure**
Ex 3:13-20/Mt 11:28-30
- 16 Friday—Our Lady of Mount Carmel**
Ex 11:10—12:14/Mt 12:1-8
- 17 Saturday**
Ex 12:37-42/Mt 12:14-21
- 18 Sunday—Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time**
Jer 23:1-6/Eph 2:13-18/Mk 6:30-34



Pro-Life Adoration - July 20th - We will have a Pro-Life day of Adoration on July 20th. We pray that life from conception to natural death will be protected in our laws and in our hearts. Contact Henrietta Pelster to sign-up for a time or just come to the chapel anytime that day to pray. Pro-Life Rosary – July 24th & 25th - Please also join us for a Pro-Life rosary 20 minutes before both Masses on July 24th and 25th.

Oppose new NDE Health Standards: The Nebraska Department of Education (NDE) recently released a first draft of Health Standards. These standards are meant to guide curriculum for all Nebraska schools, including public and non-public schools. The Health Standards are a deeply flawed, ideologically driven document. Should such standards be adopted by schools, children will be placed in peril, many educators will find their professional judgment and conscience under attack, and the culture will move toward a further normalization of child sexualization. There are ways to have your voice heard!

1. You can share your thoughts directly with your elected State School Board Members. You can find your representative at <https://www.education.ne.gov/stateboard/members/>

2. Stay informed by joining our Nebraska Catholic Conference Advocacy Network at <https://necatholic.org/what-we-do/billtracker.html> or link through <https://www.gidiocese.org/pro-life>

Stop your tax dollars from going to abortion.
www.notaxpayerabortion.com

NFP – Natural Family Planning
Here is an excellent site to learn more about NFP and why it is so important for us in our faith journeys:
www.usccb.org/issues-and-action/marriage-and-family/natural-family-planning

If you want more information on Pro-Life events, please contact Brenda Smith at 249-5070.

The Lord's Portion

July 4	\$4,384.83
Holy Father/Peter's Pence	\$885.00
June Online Giving	\$4,055.00



Saint Patrick's Catholic Parish Community

1039 14th Ave. PO Box 99
Sidney, Nebraska 69162

Web site: sidneystpats.com Email: parish@sidneystpats.com
Facebook: Sidney St. Patrick's Church

Fifteenth Sunday In Ordinary Time
July 11, 2021



Mass Schedule for the Week

Monday, July 12		No Mass
Tuesday, July 13	5:15 p.m.	Int. Tjaden Family
Wednesday, July 14	7:15 a.m.	Int. Sharon Oliverius
Thursday, July 15	7:15 a.m.	Int. Mark Thompson
Thursday, July 15	12:15 p.m.	Rollie Beran
Friday, July 16	7:15 a.m.	Int. Norm & Barbara Karo
Saturday, July 17	5:00 p.m.	Int. Ashley Dorwart, J.D.
Sunday, July 18	10:00 a.m.	Int. People of St. Patrick's

Daily Masses are celebrated in the Eucharistic Chapel—Please use the southwest entrance.

When a funeral Mass is held—there will be no daily Mass. The Mass intention will be rescheduled—Thank You.

BAPTISMS: Please contact Fr. C.P. Varghese

MARRIAGES: Please contact Fr. C.P. Varghese six months before scheduling (a four-month period of preparation is required).

PASTORAL HOME/HOSPITAL VISITATIONS: If a family member or friend is homebound or in the hospital, and would like a pastoral visit, please contact the Parish Office.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION: Tuesday at 4:30 pm & Saturday 4:00 pm. Other time by Appointment.

NEW PARISHIONERS: Welcome! Please register at the Parish Office, 1039 14th Ave.

Diocesan Mass Times: www.gidiocese.org/Parishes.aspx ♦ **Nationwide Mass Times:** www.masstimes.org

SAINT PATRICK'S PARISH MISSION STATEMENT

Saint Patrick's Parish is a community empowered by the Spirit of God to love, serve, and welcome all to Christ. As a family of common faith, we encourage stewardship by living our baptismal call.

Pastor: Rev. C.P. Varghese	Office: 254-2828; Residence: 254-6334, Cell: 308-530-6733
Pastoral Minister: Pat Mertz	254-2828
Director of Grades K—6 Faith Formation / Hispanic Ministry: Joan Falcon	254-2828
Director of Grades 7—12 Faith Formation: Amy Colerick	254-2828
Administrative Assistant: Tamara Beyer	254-2828
Community Outreach Director: Jessica Schumacher	254-2828
Building & Grounds Supt.: Ben Schumacher	254-2828
Housekeeping: Stephanie Mertz-Valentine	254-2828

OFFICE HOURS: MONDAY THRU THURSDAY 8:00 AM—5:00 PM; FRIDAY 8:00 AM—12:00 PM

FROM FR. C.P. VARGHESE. . . .

Dear Sisters, Brothers, and Children in Jesus Christ,

Today's liturgy of the Word reminds us that we belong to God's family and that we are called to preach the Gospel. As faithful disciples of Jesus, we bear witness to God's love and mercy thus participating in God's salvific plan: "God chose us in Christ before the foundation of the world." (Ephesians 1:4). Let us consider it not only as our privilege but also a responsibility.

I am slowly getting settled in your midst. Thanks to everyone who is making this process easy for me. Once again thanks to all of you for the warm welcome. The installation mass is going to be on July 17th Saturday at 5.00 PM. Our bishop Joseph Hanefeldt will be presiding over that mass during which I will be officially installed as your new pastor.

As mentioned last Sunday, if anyone has anything to bring to my attention, they are most welcome at any time. God bless us all.

Peace and all good—Fr. C.P. Varghese

A MINISTRY OF THE HEART

"Do not cast me away when I am old; do not forsake me when my strength is gone."

Psalms 71:9

We are now at a place where we can resume taking Eucharist to people in our parish who are either homebound or living at Sloan Assisted Living or the Extended Care. What a gift!

Members of this ministry take communion once a month. Some take communion to everyone on the list, others share the ministry with another person.

If this ministry tugs at your heart and you would like more information please contact Pat in the parish office, 254-2828.

Fr. Mike McDermott's contact information.

—Address Fr. Michael F. McDermott
603 Fairview Avenue
Frederick, MD 21701
—Phone (308)249-2392
—Email michaelmcdermott854@gmail.com

SAINT PATRICK'S COMMUNITY NEWS

July 13 Hands for Growing by the Legion Park horseshoe pits, 9:00—11:00 am

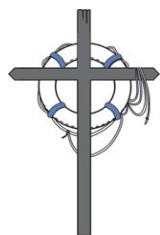
July 17 Mass of Installation, Bishop Joseph Hanefeldt, 5:00 pm

July 18 EskOMI Collection

MASS OF INSTALLATION

Bishop Joseph Hanefeldt will celebrate a Mass of Installation for Fr. C.P. Varghese as Pastor of St. Patrick's in Sidney and St. Joseph's in Kimball **Saturday, July 17, 2021 at 5:00 p.m.**

Light refreshments will follow in the East Gathering area following Mass.



RETROUVAILLE

Faith, Hope and Love . . . Are these present in your marriage? Have you given up hope that they can be?

In 1 Corinthians 13:13 Jesus tells us the greatest of these is Love. Living in a marriage that is missing love can be difficult. If you have given up hope that your marriage can and will get better, ask your spouse to consider attending a Retrouvaille program. Retrouvaille is an international Christian-based ministry that offers a three-stage program to help couples improve their marriages. First, a weekend program is attended, followed by post-weekend meetings. Finally, an on-going monthly small group of couples gather for support and growth. If improving your marriage is important to you, reach out today. For more information about a Retrouvaille Weekend program. August 13-15 2021 to register call 1-800-470-2230 Or www.helpourmarriage.org, www.retrouvaille.org last day to sign up July 23rd 2021

MAGNIFICAT BRUNCH

Saturday, July 17, 2021 — 9:00 am—Noon
Holy Rosary Lyceum
916 Cheyenne Ave, Alliance Ne
Featured Speaker: Karen Benzel

For reservations contact Teresa Nelson
308-762-1368 • Cell 308-760-3070
turts@charter.net

ESCAPE ROOM

Can you escape from the Catacombs before the Roman guards return? St. Patrick's is excited to offer an escape room experience this summer and even better – it is Free!

When is it?

We will offer it July 14-July 19 in the evenings – either 7pm or 8pm. HOWEVER, we are open to other times – just tell us when you are available and we will work together to make it work.

What is an escape room?

Escape rooms are interactive experiences that use different skill sets to solve problems, open locks, and ultimately escape the room in a given time period. Groups work together to gather clues from around the room and then work on finding the ways the puzzle fits together to get out in time. The ideal group is 4-6 people. If there are more in your group, we will want to split and make into 2 separate groups.

What is the scenario about?

Escape from the Catacombs is an original Catholic escape room about the early Christians escaping capture from Roman persecutors. It takes place in the catacombs (underground burial sites) that the early Church used to say Mass and gather as a church.

Is this kid-friendly?

That is up to parental discretion. The early tombs regularly had bones, skeletons, and relics, so you will see these things in the room, but there is nothing "spooky" or "scary." It would be suitable for middle school and up, but if elementary kids want to participate, that will be left up to the families to decide but if younger kids are there we will need at least one adult present in the group to assist.

How do I sign up?

Call the Parish Office at 308-254-2828 to sign-up your group. You can also text Amy at 308-249-7122 to reserve your spot.

We are excited to try this for our teens and young adults (or young at heart that would like to test their puzzle solving skills!)

So, do you think you can escape?

Amy

AN OPPORTUNITY TO SERVE

We are in need of a volunteer to launder communion cloths. Please contact the Parish Office at 254-2828 to volunteer.

We thank Joan Huss for her many years of faithful service of laundering communion cloths.

LIVING CATHOLIC

"The Preciousness of Life

It is not so difficult to understand why, through all the ages, people searching for the meaning of life tried to live as close to nature as possible. Not only St. Benedict, St. Francis, and St. Bruno in the olden days but also Thomas Merton, who lived in the woods of Kentucky, and the Benedictine monks who built their monastery in an isolated canyon in New Mexico. It is not so strange that many young people are leaving the cities and going out into the country to find peace by listening to the voices of nature. And nature indeed speaks: the birds to St. Francis, the trees to Native Americans, the river to Siddhartha. And the closer we come to nature, the closer we touch the core of life when we celebrate. Nature makes us aware of the preciousness of life.

Henri Nouwen

Speaking about ecological conversion, Pope Francis says that the Bible teaches us that the world was not born of chaos or chance, but of a decision of God Who made it out of love.

"The Christian, he underlined, 'cannot but respect the work that the Father has entrusted to him, like a garden to cultivate, to protect, to grow according to his potential' ...

He continued by saying, 'when nature is considered solely as an object of profit and interest - a vision that consolidates the will of the strongest - then harmony is broken and serious inequalities, injustices and suffering occur'...

While the conditions on the planet may appear catastrophic and certain situations seem even irreversible, he said, 'we Christians do not lose hope, because we have our eyes turned to Jesus Christ. ' "

<https://www.vaticannews.va/en/pope/news/2020-09/pope-francis-conversion-of-humanity-necessary-to-heal-the-earth.html>

The Way Healing Retreat

The Way is a healing retreat for survivors of abuse; a 3-day guided meditation and prayer experience for adults whose abuse by another has deeply affected their heart, mind, body and soul.

Retreat for female survivors of abuse will be held at St. Benedict Center in Schuyler, July 23-25, 2021.

Retreat for male survivors of abuse will be held October 1-3, 2021 at Camp Comeca in Cozad.

For more information, go to <https://www.gidiocese.org/safe-environment/victim-assistance>

You will also find pamphlets in the east and west gathering areas of the church.