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of the Lord**

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Feast of the Transfiguration of the Lord

Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time | August 7, 2022

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Being Ready for Death and for the Second Coming of Jesus: Death is certain and that after death comes judgment is still more certain: *“Just as it is appointed that human beings die once, and after this the judgment”* (Hebrews 9: 27). It is crucial that we prepare ourselves for our own death and for the coming judgment of God. Our Lord Jesus Christ in today's Gospel Reading uses two parables to call our attention on the need to always remain faithful as we wait for His return. First, in the parable of the watchful servants, Jesus encourages us to be vigilant and ready for action as we wait for the coming of the Master. We are to be watchful in order to recognise the Lord and be prepared to meet Him when He comes. Second, in the parable of the faithful and unfaithful servant, Jesus once again reiterates the need for us to be faithful as we wait for His return. Jesus asks us to be wise disciples who are steadfast and at their duty post even in the master's absence and not like the unfaithful disciple who adopts a complacent lifestyle, takes the law into his own hands and is *“cut to pieces”* and given a place with the unbelievers. The Lord Jesus wants us to be prepared for his coming today, tomorrow, at the hour of our departure from this life (our death), and when he comes again at the end of this present world to judge all the living and the dead. Since the date and time of our death and the final return of Jesus is unknown to us, we should always be ready to meet our Lord at any moment. The call here is to be found watchful in order to recognise the Lord and to be prepared to meet the lord when He comes. We also need to be loving, kind, merciful, compassionate, and at peace with God, with ourselves and with our fellowmen if we are to be watchful and prepared to meet the Lord when He returns.

Waiting for the Return of the Lord with Faith and Hope: We wait for the return of Jesus by being ready and prepared in order to encounter the Lord, God. The Gospel Reading today also calls on us to put our trust in God because God is able to save us and bring us to himself: *“Do not be afraid any longer, little flock, for your Father is pleased to give you the kingdom”* (Luke 12: 32). This reminder to put our trust and hope in God who is ready to allow us to see Him face to face is echoed in the story of the captivity of the Israelites in Egypt in First Reading. Prior to their Exodus from Egypt, the Israelites were filled with faith as well as hope in God that one day God will lead them out of Egypt and bring them safely to the Promised Land. They looked forward to the day of their liberation with faith and expectant Hope. It was with faith and hope that they sacrificed the first Passover Lamb and ate the first ritual meal prescribed by God through Moses. Their Faith and Hope led them to their liberation. Like those Jewish slaves in Egypt who trusted that God will one day liberate them from the hands of the Egyptians, we, too, are challenged to be steadfast in our faith and be hopeful that we will be united with God when Jesus returns to lead us to our Heavenly Promised Land. Additionally, the Second Reading today presents us with the example of the strong faith of the patriarch Abraham. By Faith Abraham left his homeland (Ur of the Chaldees) and accepted God's promise that his descendants would form a great nation. Despite all odds especially the sacrifice of his son Isaac, Abraham remained obedient to the will of God for him. Like Abraham our Father in faith, we too are invited to place our confidence in God and declare our trust in His providence as we look forward to His return in glory. Besides waiting for the return of the Lord Jesus with faith and hope, we are also called to wait for the return of the Lord Jesus by attending to our daily duties, by being committed to our faith, by being open to the grace of God which are given to us through the Sacrament, by reading and reflecting on the word of God and by belonging to a community (Church community) of faith not just living as individuals.

At His Return the Lord Jesus will Reward His Faithful Servants: The Apostle Peter once asked Jesus: *“We have left everything to follow you! What then will there be for us?”* (Matthew 19: 27). Jesus responded by telling Peter that at the next life, when He is seated on the throne those who have followed Him will sit on the throne along with Him and those who have left houses or brothers or sisters or father or mother or children or fields for the sake of Jesus will receive a hundred times as much and will inherit eternal life (Matthew 19: 28-29; Mark 10: 29-30). In another instance Jesus tells us that He will reward us if we deny ourselves and are willing to lose our lives for the Gospel: *“For the Son of Man will come with his angels in his Father's glory, and then he will repay everyone according to his conduct”* (Matthew 16: 27). Jesus' parable today about those servants whom the master finds faithful and vigilant on his arrival tells us that the master will reward his faithful servants by serving them himself. The master himself will put on a servant's apron and personally wait on his servants, serving them with his own rich food and drink (Luke 12: 37). It is our hope that Jesus, who is our Master will reward us his faithful servants by allowing us to be part of the eternal banquet without necessarily having to serve us himself.

Closing Prayer: *When the Lord Jesus comes may we be found worthy to join the Saints and the Angels in the everlasting kingdom of God.*

~ FR. JOHN WILLIAM

PARISH STEWARDSHIP

“For where your treasure is, there also will your heart be.” Luke 12:34
Jesus encourages us to build up our treasure in heaven. The world encourages us to build up our treasure in real estate, investments, and material goods. How much time are you investing in building up a worldly treasure? How much time are you investing in building up a heavenly treasure? To invest more in the things of heaven, you must let go of some of the things of this world.

	<u>St. Anne</u>	<u>St. Catherine</u>	<u>St. Raphael</u>	<u>St. Gabriel</u>
Needed Each Week:	\$2,467.41	\$2,807.70	\$815.76	\$533.66
Needed Year-to-Date:	12,337.05	14,038.50	4,078.80	2,668.30
Actual Year-to-Date:	9,736.33	15,996.67	3,216.60	2,952.28
Date: July 31, 2022:	1,799.51	2,496.00	413.00	593.00
Other Collections:	555.00	30.00	50.00	20.00
Vanco Collections:	3,106.28	763.67	133.40	96.28

THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISHES

Saturday, August 6, 2022

3:30pm Reconciliation at St. Raphael
4:00pm Rosary at St. Raphael
4:30pm Mass at St. Raphael
(*Parishioners of St. Anne, St. Catherine, St. Gabriel & St. Raphael*)
6:00pm Rosary at St. Gabriel
6:00pm Reconciliation at St. Gabriel
6:30pm Mass at St. Gabriel
(*Helen Anstead*)

Sunday, August 7, 2022

8:00am Reconciliation at St. Catherine
8:30am Rosary at St. Catherine
9:00am Mass at St. Catherine
(*Al Vichunas*)
10:30am Rosary at St. Anne
11:00am Mass at St. Anne
(*Roman and Gertrude Beyer*)

Monday, August 8, 2022

9:00am Mass at St. Anne
(*Antonija Ovcjak*)
4:15pm St. Raphael Sodality Meeting

Tuesday, August 9, 2022

9:00am Mass at St. Anne
(*Bill Manczak*)
9:30-10:30am Adoration/Reconciliation

Wednesday, August 10, 2022

9:00am Mass at St. Catherine
(*Jo Ann Beatty*)
5:00pm-6:00pm Adoration and Reconciliation at St. Catherine

Thursday, August 11, 2022

9:00am Mass at St. Catherine
(*Richard LaBonte*)
9:30am-10:30 Adoration at St. Catherine

Friday, August 12, 2022

No Mass Today

Saturday, August 13, 2022

3:30pm Reconciliation at St. Raphael
4:00pm Rosary at St. Raphael
4:30pm Mass at St. Raphael
(*Jeanette Warner*)
6:00pm Rosary at St. Gabriel
6:00pm Reconciliation at St. Gabriel
6:30pm Mass at St. Gabriel
(*Martin Palin*)

Sunday, August 14, 2022

9:00am Mass at St. Catherine
(*James & Barbara Donajkowski*)
11:00am Mass at St. Anne
(*Tom West*)

SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

- **St. Raphael Sodality:** Welcomes all ladies of our parishes to join them as we resume meeting on Monday, August 8th, 4:15pm at St. Raphael Church.
- **St. Gabriel Altar Society Meeting:** Tuesday, August 9, 2022 at 2:00 pm
- **COFFEE & DONUTS ~ A GREAT WAY TO ENJOY SOCIAL TIME WITH FELLOW PARISHIONERS!**
St. Catherine: The next Coffee & Donuts will be Sunday, August 21st following mass.
St. Anne: Coffee & Donuts will be after mass on Sunday's!
- **VOLUNTEERS NEEDED:**
 - Volunteers needed in the St. Anne Cemetery to fill in the potholes. There is a pile of topsoil behind the shed. Please contact the office to get all the details.
- **ST. ANNE'S ~** Volunteer Cleaners needed for the months of August - December!
- **MASKS AND HAND SANITIZER IS AVAILABLE**

SCRIPTURE READINGS

For The Week (Year C)

SUNDAY:

WIS 18:6-9, HEB 11:1-2, 8-19,
LK 12:32-48

MONDAY:

EZ 1:2-5, 24-28C,
MT 17:22-27

TUESDAY:

EZ 2:8—3:4,
MT 18:1-5, 10, 12-14

WEDNESDAY:

2 COR 9:6-10,
JN 12:24-26

THURSDAY:

EZ 12:1-12,
MT 18:21—19:1

FRIDAY:

EZ 16:1-15, 60, 63,
MT 19:3-12

SATURDAY:

EZ 18:1-10, 13B, 30-32,
MT 19:13-15

PRAY FOR OUR PRIESTS AND RELIGIOUS

Sunday:

Rev. Chet Collins

Monday:

Rev. Nicholas Cooper

Tuesday:

Deceased Priests

Wednesday:

Rev. Raymond Cotter

Thursday:

Rev. Anthony Cureton

Friday:

Rev. Robbie Deka

Saturday:

Most Reverend Jeffrey J. Walsh

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8/14 PARISH PICNIC @ 1PM

Located at the Mikado Pavilion
behind the township hall.

**ALL PARISHIONERS OF ST. ANNE,
ST. CATHERINE, ST. GABRIEL AND
ST. RAPHAEL ARE ENCOURAGED
TO JOIN IN FUN & FELLOWSHIP!!**



FUN & GAMES FOR EVERYONE!

**PLEASE PLAN ON COMING OUT AND
ENJOY THE AFTERNOON WITH GAMES
FELLOWSHIP AND FOOD.**

**MEAT (BURGERS AND HOT DOGS) AND
BEVERAGES (JUICE, WATER, ICED TEA,
AND COFFEE) WILL BE PROVIDED;
PLEASE BRING A DISH TO PASS!**

CATHOLIC SERVICES APPEAL '22

Catholic Service Appeal (CSA) provides the financial support for a number of important services maintained by the Diocese of Gaylord. It is expected that the parishioners of each parish will provide the assigned amount of support projected by the Diocese as that parishes' goal.

As of Friday, July 29, 2022:

St. Anne has reached in one-time gifts and pledges, \$15,285 which is 65.2% of our goal. We need an additional \$8,107. To date, 47 parishioners have contributed or pledged to the CSA. This represents 28.6 % of our members. St. Catherine has reached in one-time gifts and pledges, \$24,195.00 which is 86% of our goal. We need an additional \$3,909. To date 70 parishioners have contributed or pledged to the CSA. This represents 54% of our members. St. Gabriel & St. Raphael have both reached there CSA goal in contributions but not in participation.

If you have not already contributed or pledged, please do so soon! It is imperative that we reach our goal. Thank you to all who have responded so far!

SUPPORT OUR SEMINARIANS! SEMINARIAN EDUCATION FUND SPECIAL COLLECTION: AUGUST 6/7

This is a special year, as we embark on a national Eucharistic Revival. Jesus Christ invites us to return to the source and summit of our faith: his Real Presence in the Eucharist. The heart of this Eucharistic Revival — and ultimately the heart of the Church — is our diocesan priests. Our bishop, Bishop Jeffrey Walsh, shares, "Our shepherds fill us with great hope, for they bring Jesus to us, and us to him. Our priests are called to be champions of faith in our lives, the foot soldiers in the spiritual battleground of the everyday. So too, we must be the champions of our priests and seminarians."

We are blessed to have two new seminarians this fall in the Diocese of Gaylord, joining three others who will continue their studies and journey towards the priesthood. To walk alongside our seminarians, we take up a special collection for their education expenses each August, in honor of St. John Vianney, patron of parish priests. This is an important endeavor, as the financial burden is significant for young men entering the priesthood — the average annual cost for one seminarian being approximately \$40,000 per year in our diocese.

You should have received a letter from Bishop Walsh in the mail inviting you to support our seminarians. Please pray for our young men and consider making a financial gift to support the 2022 Seminarian Education Fund. Contributions can be made online at www.dioceseofgaylord.org/make-a-gift and checks made payable/sent to the Diocese of Gaylord (611 West North Street, Gaylord, MI 49735).

FR. CLARENCE SMOLINSKI ASSEMBLY # 485 ANNUAL STEAK FRY: WEDNESDAY 8-24-2022 AT THE LOST LAKE CLUB LOCATED ON F41.

To enter you must stop and tell them you are for the K/C steak fry. Doors will open at 5:00 pm and dinner at 5:30 pm. Please bring your own place settings. We will provide the potatoes, salad, coffee, tea, water & soda. There will be a CASH BAR to buy alcohol, no outside drinks are allowed. All members of Fr. Clarence # 485 Assembly their spouse, widow, or significant other are invited to attend. To ensure that we have enough food.

PLEASE RSVP BEFORE MONDAY 8-22-2022 TO THE FOLLOWING :

Navigator Jon Benson @ 989-657-0140 or email jabjeb@frontier.com
Comptroller Jason Banny @ 989-657-1904 or email banny_44@hotmail.com
Gerry Labaza @ 989-724-5682 or email gslabaza@gmail.com

VOCATIONS BBQ IN ALPENA:

Interested young men are invited to attend a Vocations BBQ with Bishop Walsh.

Date: Wednesday 10 August 2022. **Place:** Alpena Yacht Club. **Time:** 6:00P.M.-8:00P.M. Parents are to transport their young ones. There are parents consent forms at the Church entrance for those that are interested.