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# Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time | August 28, 2022

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# HOLY AND INNOCENT CHILDREN OF GOD,

**Opening Prayer:** May we have the heart to see and treat each other as children of the one true God who humbles the proud and raises the lowly.

Humility as the Way we Treat others as Equals in our Community: People are the ones who are humble and humility is practiced in relation to others. We can be humble but when our humility cannot be applied or practiced or lived it is of no use. Moreover, no one is rewarded for doing nothing. It is when our humility is applied to others that it becomes useful and rewarding. The first parable of Jesus about the person who was invited to the Wedding Feast (Luke 14: 7-11), refers to us Christians as those who are invited to the feast of the Lord's supper. All of us irrespective of social status and importance come to the Eucharist as brothers and sisters of equal standing before God. Among us there is no distinction between the master and the servant, the employer and the employee, the slave and the mistress. All of us are brothers and sisters in the Lord who we refer to as our Heavenly Father. Since no one weds self and a wedding feast is organized for people, disciples of Jesus are to recognize and treat each other as brothers and sisters of equal standing and to show no distinction. Jesus is challenging us His followers to abolish the rich-poor distinction among us and to recognize and treat one another as brothers and sisters of equal standing before God. Every human person made in the image and likeness of God is blessed with good things such as life, talents, abilities and achievements. Since everything we have come from God no one is to claim these gifts as their own but we are to see them as free gifts from God to be used for His glory. Even the honor or the position which we receive from others is to be understood as coming from God and so our only true standing is that which we have in the eyes of God. In God's own way and at His own time, the humble who consider others as brothers and sister and look up to God as the one who bestows all gifts for His glory will exalt His children for their humble behavior: "For all who exalt themselves will be humbled, and those who humble themselves will be exalted" (Luke 14: 11).

Humility as a Way we Honor God in the Poor: Those who are humble are called to practice it towards the less fortunate as their own way of giving honor to God. The second parable about the person who organized a Great Dinner (Luke 14: 12-14), is addressed to Christians who invite others to feast with them especially the feast of the Lord's Supper. This second part of Jesus' teaching to His followers goes beyond levelling out distinctions since it calls for a preferential treatment of the poor or the disabled among us. The lesion presented here is about basic Christian virtues of humility and solidarity with the poor. Followers of Jesus are to pay attention to the poor, the weak, the handicapped with regard to the use of their resources. Disciple of Jesus because of their humble nature as well as their fear and reverence for God are called to totally commit their life to the poor like humble Mother Theresa of Calcutta or Mahatma Gandhi. These people choose to respond to the needy among them with regard to the administration of their resources as it is commanded by the Gospel of today: "Rather, when you hold a banquet, invite the poor, the crippled, the lame, the blind; blessed indeed will you be because of their inability to repay you. For you will be repaid at the resurrection of the righteous" (Luke 14: 13-14). When for the sake of God we humble ourselves and give generously of ourselves and our resources to the poor and the needy who cannot invite us back, our Heavenly Father-God, will be there to repay or reward us at the "resurrection of the righteous."

God Exalts the Humble: Jesus taught the value of humility when He stated: "For all who exalt themselves will be humbled, and those who humble themselves will be exalted" (Luke 14: 11) and in another instance Jesus still said: "...For you will be repaid at the resurrection of the righteous" (Luke 14: 14. Since people are exalted or repaid for being humble, the humble who are able to treat others as equals in the community as well as honor God in the less privileged are made great in the sight of God in His time and way. Scripture presents us with clear examples of people who were raised by God from a seemingly insignificant status and made great. Joseph who was thrown into a pit and withdrawn from it and sold as a slave later became the most powerful man in Egypt after Pharaoh. Left as an infant on the waters of the Nile, Moses was found and ended up as a member of Egyptian royalty until God made him the leader of Israel's Exodus. Ruth, the Moabitess due to her loyally and love for Naomi her mistress was preserved and she became an ancestor of the Messiah. Esther the attractive Jewish girl in a foreign land was promoted to become gueen. God favored David from being a humble shepherd boy to defeating God's enemies until he was made king over his people. Solomon who humbled himself before God and prayed for wisdom was blessed with wisdom and riches more than any other person of his time. The Apostle Paul provides us with the greatest example of humility in the person of Jesus Christ, who although is God decided to empty himself, taking the form of a servant and died on the cross: "Rather, he emptied himself, taking the form of a slave, coming in human likeness; and found human in appearance, he humbled himself, becoming obedient to death, even death on a cross" (Philippians 2: 7-8). No wonder Jesus himself said: "Take my yoke upon you and learn from me, for I am meek and humble of heart; and you will find rest for yourselves" (Matthew 11: 29). If we seek not to unnecessarily advance ourselves, to appear simple, to live not for ourselves but for others, not to overly look for places of honor or for positions of prestige, to serve the less privileged and to extend mercy to the unwanted people of the earth, God who meek and humble of heart will reward us who try to be humble like Him.

**Closing Prayer:** May God who exalts the humble bless us and grant us the grace attend to each other especially the vulnerable in our midst with love and respect. **FR. JOHN WILLIAM** 

#### PARISH STEWARDSHIP

"For behold, some are last who will be first and some are first who will be last."-Luke 13:30 Our cultural standards are different from God's standards. We often rank people by what they have, how powerful they are, or how successful they are. Jesus reminds us that God will not judge us by the same earthly standards. When God asks you, "What have you done with the gifts I have given you?" How will you respond?

Needed Each Week:	\$2,467.41	\$2,807.70	\$815.76	\$533.66
Needed Year-to-Date:	19,739.28	22,461.60	6,526.08	4,269.28
Actual Year-to-Date:	21,098.05	20,308.67	5,887.75	5,078.35
Date: August 21, 2022:	1,503.00	1,827.00	750.00	560.00
Other Collections:	465.00	100.00	110.00	-

St. Anne St. Catherine St. Raphael St. Gabriel

# **THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISHES**

# Saturday, August 27, 2022

3:30pm Reconciliation at St. Raphael

4:00pm Rosary at St. Raphael

4:30pm Mass at St. Raphael

(Ron Beyer)

6:00pm Rosary at St. Gabriel

6:00pm Reconciliation at St. Gabriel

6:30pm Mass at St. Gabriel

(Chris Kinsley)

# Sunday, August 28, 2022

8:00am Reconciliation at St. Catherine

8:30am Rosary at St. Catherine

9:00am Mass at St. Catherine

(Flavia Gagnier)

10:30am Rosary at St. Anne

11:00am Mass at St. Anne

(Norma Somers)

#### Monday, August 29, 2022

9:00am Mass at St. Anne

(For those on a spiritual journey)

#### Tuesday, August 30, 2022

9:00am Mass at St. Anne

(For the protection of unborn babies)

9:30-10:30am Adoration/Reconciliation

# Wednesday, August 31, 2022

9:00am Mass at St. Catherine

(Jo Ann Beatty)

5:00pm-6:00pm Adoration and

Reconciliation at St. Catherine

# Thursday, September 1, 2022

9:00am Mass at St. Catherine

(William Luckett Jr.)

9:30am-10:30 Adoration at St. Catherine

# Friday, September 2, 2022

No Mass Today

# Saturday, September 3, 2022

3:30pm Reconciliation at St. Raphael

4:00pm Rosary at St. Raphael

4:30pm Mass at St. Raphael

(Dolores Bartnicki)

6:00pm Rosary at St. Gabriel

6:00pm Reconciliation at St. Gabriel

6:30pm Mass at St. Gabriel

(JoAnn Reprogal)

#### Sunday, September 4, 2022

9:00am Mass at St. Catherine

(William Schmidt)

11:00am Mass at St. Anne

(Jeanette Warner)

# MASS FOR ANNOINTING OF THE SICK

**St. Raphael and St. Anne:** September 13 at 5:30pm at St. Raphael

St. Catherine and St. Gabriel: September 28 at 11am at St. Catherine

#### SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

• ST. GABRIEL MEN'S CLUB: Meeting on Tuesday, September 8th at 7:00 pm in the parish hall.

#### COFFEE & DONUTS ~ A GREAT WAY TO ENJOY SOCIAL TIME WITH FELLOW PARISHIONERS!

St. Catherine: The next Coffee & Donuts will be Sunday, September 11th following mass.

St. Anne: Coffee & Donuts will be after mass on Sunday's!

St. Raphael: Refreshments will be after mass on Saturday's! (Except Labor Day due to Bake Sale)

#### • 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.
- Volunteer Cleaners needed for the months of September December!
- MASKS AND HAND SANITIZER IS AVAILABLE

# **SCRIPTURE READINGS**

For The Week (Year C)

#### **SUNDAY:**

SIR 3:17-18, 20, 28-29, HEB 12:18-19, 22-24A,

LK 14:1, 7-14

#### **MONDAY:**

1 COR 2:1-5,

MK 6:17-29

#### **TUESDAY:**

1 COR 2:10B-16, LK 4:31-37

#### **WEDNESDAY:**

1 COR 3:1-9,

LK 4:38-44

# **THURSDAY:**

1 COR 3:18-23, LK 5:1-11

#### **FRIDAY:**

1 COR 4:1-5, LK 5:33-39

#### **SATURDAY:**

1 COR 4:6B-15, LK 6:1-5

# PRAY FOR OUR PRIESTS AND RELIGIOUS

#### Sunday:

Rev. Zeljko Guberovic

#### Monday:

Rev. James Hayden

# Tuesday:

Rev. Santiago Hoyumpa

#### Wednesday:

Rev. Gerard Hunko

# Thursday:

Rev. Michael Janowski

#### Friday:

Rev. Christopher Jarvis

#### Saturday:

Pope Francis

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# ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR PARISHES OF THE RESURRECTION:



#### BAKE SALE AT ST. RAPHAEL LABOR DAY WEEKEND: SEPT. 3

St Raphael is holding a bake sale please bring or plan on buying a scrumptious dessert. Proceeds go to help pay for refreshments after mass and other events.

# **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 Monday, August 22, 2022:

St. Anne has reached in one-time gifts and pledges, \$15,855 which is 67.78% of our goal. We need an additional \$7,537. To date, 45 parishioners have contributed or pledged to the CSA. This represents 27.4% of our members. St. Catherine has reached in one-time gifts and pledges, \$25,445.00 which is 91% of our goal. We need an additional \$2,659.00. To date 75 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!

# **BISHOP WALSH IS COMING TO VISIT OUR PARISHES!!**

**September 24:** St. Raphael at 4:30pm Mass and St. Gabriel at 6:30pm.

**October 16:** St. Catherine at 9am and St. Anne at 11am. There will be refreshments after 11am mass in Maria Hall. All parishioners are welcome and encourage to join in welcoming Bishop Walsh.

# **OTHER ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

#### KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS POLISH DINNER ~ SEPT. 11 IN POSEN, MI

The Knights of Columbus are hosting a polish dinner (Polish kielbasa, Swedish meatballs, and ham, plus sides) after the Posen Potato Festival Parade, on Sunday, September 11, 2022, from Noon to 4:00 p.m.. The dinner will be at the K of C Hall in Posen, 10813 Michigan St., Posen 49776. Tickets are \$10:00 for adults, \$5.00 for children 5 - 13 years old, and free for under 5 years old. The dinner is a fundraiser to buy an ultrasound machine for the Options Pregnancy Center in Alpena. If you cannot make the dinner, a donation would be appreciated. We are also looking for volunteers to help out the day of the dinner.

#### For tickets or to volunteer to help at the dinner please call or talk to:

Bob Sierota - 863-558-1872 Gerald Labaza - 989-724-5682 Gerald Boerner - 517-449-7352 Dan Richardson - 248-789-2526

# 7TH ANNUAL FUNDRAISING BANQUET FOR HARBOR LIGHTS PREGNANCY CENTER

Harbor Lights Pregnancy & Information Center is making preparations for their 7th Annual Fall Fundraising Banquet which will be held on Thursday, October 6, 2022 in the Family Center of Sacred Heart Catholic Church in Oscoda. The cost to sponsor a table is \$225.00. The tables will seat six guests. All donations are tax deductible. Please submit your check and a list of your six guests to Harbor Lights Pregnancy & Information Center, 310 Newman St, East Tawas, MI 48730 by September 15, 2022.

#### WOULD YOU LIKE TO HELP STRENGTHEN NORTHERN MICHIGAN'S FAMILIES AND COMMUNITIES?

We invite you to pray. In the month of September our parishes will Embrace Catholic Human Services. This agency is the visible sign of Catholic good works in our communities. CHS is celebrating 50 years of service in the Diocese of Gaylord. Please pray every day for the continued success of CHS. To learn more about this prayer support initiative, please enroll. Each week you will receive an email (or regular mail for those who prefer). It will include a story of people who give or receive these services, a prayer and scripture. Catholichumanservices.org/prayer-project or call Susan (989)785-3030.