

MASS INTENTIONS—June 10th—June 18th

Saturday—5pm †Transito Fuentes & Lusiana Reyes
(Bill & Mary Fuentez)
Sunday—8am People of St. Patrick's Parish
10am †Theresa Volmer (Arley Journot)
Monday—8am †Joe Stottmann (Charlene Stottmann)
Tuesday—8am Ruxin Windsor (Family)

Wednesday— NO MASS
Thursday—8am †Cindy Allen (Family)
Friday—8am John Treiber (Family)
Next Weekends Intentions:
Saturday—5pm †Jim & Kathleen Hills (Christa Severt)
Sunday— 8am Father's Day Novena
10am People of St. Patrick's Parish

PARISH NEWS

SUBMIT PRAYER AND ACTION FORMS NOW!
—Do you or someone you know need a little extra help with maintaining your home? Crews of Catholic teens and chaperones will be in Parsons July 9th-28th to joyfully assist you in getting on top of these tasks. The teams are equipped to weed, mow, trim, and clear overgrowth. They can also prep and paint smaller (1 or 2 story) houses, garages, sheds, fences and decks. Many hands make light work! Let these energetic young people demonstrate their care for you in this practical way. Contact the Rectory for more information. **FORM IS ON OUR WEBSITE!**

ACH CONTRIBUTIONS:

As we announced a couple of weeks ago, you are now able to have your church contributions automatically withdrawn from your checking account and deposited to the church account. This process is now in operation. We thank those who have already signed up. This is a very easy tomato your contributions. This is a very easy way to make your contributions. Simply fill out the form, attach a void check, and turn it in to the parish office. Forms are available in the office or on the STPATRICKSPARSONS.ORG web-site under the Home tab; parish documents. If you have any questions, please contact Carilyn in the office.

ANNUAL BABY BOTTLE CAMPAIGN

The Annual benefit for Hannah's Promise is underway. It used to be the baby Bottle campaign but now we use white sacks which will be available in the back of the church. Please pray the prayers together as a family, fill the sacks with change and return them on Father's Day.

CREIGHTON MODEL FertilityCare

System Introductory Session in the Parish Hall on Tuesday, June 13th at 7 pm. Please call Sonja, FertilityCare Practitioner Intern, at 307-760-2580 to register.

AUCTION PROCUREMENT PARTY

Please join us for St. Patrick's Catholic School Auction Procurement Party. Tuesday, June 13th @ 7pm. We will be at the Stice Residence, 1799 24000 Rd, Parsons. Drinks provided, please bring an appetizer. Everyone is welcome. Let's plan for another successful auction for 2017!

THANK YOU!

A special thank you to the Altar Society for the very nice luncheon they provided to the family of Bauldin Welch. God bless you all. ~Jauntia Perez Yanez

Stewarding our Gifts...

"GO IN PEACE, GLORIFYING THE LORD BY YOUR LIFE."
The Most Holy Trinity Sunday

"Glory to the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit; to God who is, who was, and who is to come. " (Rev 1:8) Today we celebrate the Holy Trinity, one of the greatest mysteries of our faith. Readings such as the one from Exodus remind us that God the Father has always engaged in covenants with his people. And the Old Testament makes multiple references to the Holy Spirit moving amongst the people. But the ultimate gift – God's greatest covenant – is presented in the form of Jesus Christ, who is fully human and fully divine. "For God so loved the world that He gave his only son, so that everyone who believes in Him might not perish but might have eternal life." (Jn 3:16) Take a moment today to think about the gift of the Most Holy Trinity. Our God is beautiful and complex. Are we entering into the fullest possible relationship with Him? Are we living a life that is mindful of the gift we have been given? Are we grateful?

WHAT'S HAPPENING AT ST. PATRICK'S THIS WEEK:

Sat June 10*Rosary in the Church 6:30am
*Cursillo Group Meets 7am
*Confessions 3:30pm
Mon June 12*Rosary/Chaplet in the Church 7:30am
*Mass 8:00am
Tue June 13*Rosary in the Church 7:30am
*Mass 8:00am
*Cursillo Group Meets 5:30pm
*Knights of Columbus Meeting 7pm
Wed June 14 No Mass today
*Cursillo Group Meets 5:15pm
Thur June 15*Rosary/Chaplet in the Church 7:30am
*Mass 8am
Fri June 16 *Day of Penance: abstinence from meat, prayer and works of mercy, reading of Sacred Scripture for an outpouring of God's mercy and the Holy Spirit's gifts of holiness and strength upon the Church.
*Rosary in the Church 7:30am
*Mass 8am
Sat June 17 *Rosary in the Church 6:30am
*Cursillo Group Meets 7:00am
*Confessions 3:30pm
Sun June 18 *Men's Basketball 8:30pm

A REMINDERS

Fr. Labenz will be here at St. Patrick's to celebrate Mass on June 10th and 11th. A reception will follow each Mass in the Parish Hall.

**STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE
YOUR GIFTS TO GOD AND PARISH:
MAY 20TH - MAY 21ST**

NEEDED: \$17,081.46 RECEIVED: \$16,610.00

Catholic Culture- The Month of June is dedicated to the Sacred Heart. The Church celebrates the Solemnity of the Sacred Heart of Jesus on the Friday following the second Sunday after Pentecost. In addition to the liturgical celebration, many devotional exercises are connected with the Sacred Heart of Jesus. Of all devotions, devotion to the Sacred Heart was, and remains, one of the most widespread and popular in the Church. Understood in the light of the Scriptures, the term "Sacred Heart of Jesus" denotes the entire mystery of Christ, the totality of his being, and his person considered in its most intimate essential: Son of God, uncreated wisdom; infinite charity, principal of the salvation and sanctification of mankind. The "Sacred Heart" is Christ, the Word Incarnate, Savior, intrinsically containing, in the Spirit, an infinite divine-human love for the Father and for his brothers. Excerpted from the *Directory on Popular Piety and the Liturgy*

**SPEND ONE HOUR WITH OUR LORD!
ADORERS ARE NEEDED FOR THE
FOLLOWING HOURS: THUR 9-10AM,
FRI 8-9AM, FRI 2-3AM,
SAT 2-3AM, SAT 10-11PM,
SUN 12-1AM, SUN 5-6 PM**

Altar Servers:
June 17--5pm L Wolgamott/T Martinez/ L Gilmore
June 18--8am A Nibarger/ C Buller/ C Westhoff
10am J Schibi/Z Johnston/J Cervantes/I Mann
Extraordinary Ministers:
June 17--5pm Bill Wheat
June 18--8am Carl Treiber
10am Harry Hepler
Lector:
June 17--5pm Mike Carson
June 18--8am Sophia Zetmeir
10am Pat Patterson
Offertory Gifts:
June 17--5pm Scotty Zollars
June 18--8am Jack & Therese Flynn
10am Richard & Mary Jo Fitzwater
Ushers:
June 17--5pm T&B Westhoff/C VanMieghem/ M McKinney
June 18-8am Barger Family/ O'Hara Family
10am Mark & Sherri Martin/Keith & Leslie Keller
Money Counters:
June 17 & 18— Steve & Ruth Farrell/Ray & Mary Feess

SACRAMENTAL EMERGENCY

In the case of a sacramental emergency, please call Fr. David Michael in St. Paul. The rectory number is: 620-449-2224. His cell phone number is: 620-757-1047

*Praised Be Jesus Christ!
Thank you all so much for the kindness and generosity you showed me in the weeks before my departure for Rome. The barbecue dinner before I left was a great time with great food - meat, deviled eggs, and dessert - three of my favorite foods! It was heartwarming to have the opportunity to visit and enjoy a beautiful evening together. I will miss you all more than you know. My prayers are with you each day. Please keep me in yours.*

May our holy patron, St. Patrick, intercede for us. Our Lady, Queen of the family, pray for us. Peace in Jesus and Mary,

Fr. Borkenhagen

THE CATHOLIC SIDE

**21 Steps to a Stronger Marriage:
Making Marriage Work**

"Franciscan Way" – Spring 2016
By Emily Stimpson

Good marriages don't just happen-especially not good Catholic marriages. Loving another person-another flawed, sinful, weak, and broken person-as Christ love his Church requires work. It also requires patience, humility, meekness, forgiveness, honest communication, time, sacrifice, laughter and grace- lots and lots of grace. The Franciscan Way magazine recently published an article on making and keeping stronger marriages. It's a great article that you can find online. Listed below are the 21 steps recommended to strengthen your marriage.

Continue from last week...

7. Never lie to each other.
"Be committed to the truth, regardless of how much it hurts, we have to be willing to hear the truth, from both our spouse and ourselves. If we can be truthful in our words and bodily actions, with our spouse and with our kids, our marriage will be much stronger. That's what also allows us the time for forgiveness, repentance, and change."

8. Prune regularly.
Our vineyard requires pruning. You have to cut back healthy vines so that the other grapes can get the sunlight and nutrients they need. Too many branches will cause a low harvest, and the grapes won't taste as good as they could. Marriage is like that, too. If we let too many limbs grow up around us, if we take on too many activities or let too many outside influences pull at us, we get into trouble. We sometimes have to do pruning and cut back on activities, even good wholesome activities, to make sure we have the time and energy we need to grow as a couple."

9. Watch the clock.
"Never discuss difficult problems or finances after 9:00 p.m.," says Silva. "Nothing good happens when you're tired. Schedule a time to talk about big issues or problems when you won't be exhausted."

10. Build strong friendships with others.
"A lot of couples go into marriage thinking, 'We only need each other, but that's false. You also need family, friends, and a spiritual family, plus mentors who can model a healthy marriage for you and who have no problem looking at you and saying, 'You're being an idiot. Repent.'"

11. Go to sleep at the same time.
"This provides you with another opportunity for communication: verbal or physical. You decide. Be open. Enjoy each other's company. If you're normally too tired to do more than collapse into bed and fall directly to sleep, get yourselves in bed sooner. This is more needed couple time."

12. Be patient.
"We live in a perfectionist, 'got to have it now' society." "And that's a bad recipe for individuals going through struggles for healing, wholeness, and holiness. Each of us brought baggage into our marriage. Things don't change overnight. We have to exercise patience with our spouses, and with ourselves."

13. Laugh...even when you're disagreeing.
Have an exit strategy for fights that are lading nowhere—a word or a phrase that will get you out of the situation and maybe even make you laugh. A home needs laughter. You just can't take yourself too seriously. That's a disaster."

14. Don't be afraid to ask for help.
If you're really struggling in your marriage, find a good Catholic counselor or a priest who has experience dealing with marital conflict, communication is key to a strong marriage, and if you're having a hard time communicating, it often requires a third party to come in and help you get back on track.

The final 7 steps continued next week.....