

August 2, 2015

EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Fr. Steve's "Quotes for Consideration"

"Until you are convinced that prayer is the best use of your time, you will not find time for prayer."

-Rev. Hilary Ottensmeyer, OSB

As the first of my quotes for consideration, I thought I would begin with perhaps one of my all-time favorites. This quote is from a Benedictine monk who lived at St. Meinrad Monastery in St. Meinrad, Indiana, the place where I went to major seminary. Fr. Hilary is now deceased, but this quote of his is framed and hangs on one of the walls in the seminary. I really enjoy this quote because it is so direct and challenging - it cuts right to the heart concerning the practice and discipline of prayer.

Often times, people don't think about prayer as a discipline. Unfortunately, for some people, prayer is something which one does only when one thinks about it, or only when one needs something from God. But for our friendship with God to deepen and grow, prayer, or conversation with God, must be a priority. It is, in fact, the best use of our time. That is not to say that other things such as work, study, family time, and recreation are not important. But time spend in genuine prayer does the most good and has the most potential for spiritual fruit to develop in our lives. If we truly believe that prayer is how we communicate with God, and God is the source of our very life and spiritual health, then prayer is like food for the soul. Without it, our spiritual life and development will shrivel and die. It's quite rare that we don't make time to eat, so why wouldn't we make time every single day to pray? However, as Fr. Hilary reminds us, unless we are convinced of the importance of prayer, we will never make time for it. It's all about priorities. Where are ours in regards to personal prayer?

This Week: Schedule five more minutes of prayer each day than you normally do.

Come and wish Fr. Michael a "Happy Retirement" and welcome him as a new Silver Bayite. We are so blessed to regain a retired resident priest! Please join us ... Picnic time is **Sunday, August 16 at 1 pm**. Hamburgers and Hot Dogs provided and grilled by our own Knights of Columbus. Bring your favorite picnic dish, along with your Silver Bay hospitality, and join us for a great afternoon event!

Housekeeper Wanted. We're looking for a housekeeper for the rectory. 4 hours per week. Applications can be picked up in the Parish office. The application deadline is Tuesday, August 4 at 2 pm.

Tuesday, August 4 marks the Feast of St. John Vianney, patron saint of all priests. This weekend is also the start of the **2015 Summer Seminarian Appeal**. Bishop Paul Sirba asks all Catholics in the diocese to pray for and support our seminarians as they prepare for a life of sacred service in the parishes and ministries of the Diocese of Duluth. Gifts to the 2015 Summer Seminarian Appeal will be used to pay expenses directly related to the education and formation of our future priests. Please mail your gifts directly to the Diocese of Duluth. Bishop Paul Sirba asks for your continued prayers and encouragement for our seminarians and for our vocations program. Thank you.

Finance Council will meet on **Thursday, August 13** in the rectory.

Liturgy Schedule: It is that time again, please submit any dates that you are unavailable as soon as possible; I am working on putting together the liturgy schedule for September, October & November. If you are not already involved, please prayerfully consider helping with the celebration of Mass. We can always use more volunteers and there is nothing better than volunteering to keep your parish a thriving parish.

Don't forget to bring in your **aluminum cans** – They can be put in the garage or call the parish office if you would like Lance & Rodney to pick up the cans from your home (in the Silver Bay area).

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Parish Office Located in Rectory 8 am - 2 pm Monday - Thursday **Office/Rectory** 226-3100 **Fax Machine** 226-3116

Church Hall 226-3691 **Parish E-Mail** stmary@mchsi.com **Parish Website** www.stmarysilverbay.org

Eucharistic Adoration Thursdays 8:45 am - 3:00 pm **K of C Auxiliary Prayer Chain** 226-3639 or 226-3351

Fr. Steve Laflamme (218) 834-4313 **Fr. Steve's E-Mail** slaflamme@mediacombb.net

Saturday	<i>ST. ALPHONSUS LIGUORI</i>	08/01/15
7:15 p.m.	Mass — <i>Intention for Alice Gjurich</i> ☩ Reader.....Jody Majewsky Cantor.....Andy Buell Plate.....Rose Elam Chalices....Leanne Buell Chalices....Shelley Fredrickson Servers.....Caleb Geissler & Zack Fredrickson	
Sunday	<i>18TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME</i>	08/02/15
7:50 a.m.	Sacrament of Penance	
8:30 a.m.	Mass — <i>Intention for All Parishioners</i> Reader.....Susan Michels Cantor.....Kim Josephson Plate.....Deacon Jack Ferris Chalices....Marge Jorgenson Chalices....Lois Kaari Servers.....Laurese McKinney & Mita Frericks	
Monday	<i>WEEKDAY IN ORDINARY TIME</i>	08/03/15
Tuesday	<i>ST. JOHN VIANNEY</i>	08/04/15
7:50 a.m.	Rosary	
8:15 a.m.	Mass — <i>Intention for Gladys Gatz</i>	
7:00 p.m.	AA Meeting	
Wednesday	<i>THE DEDICATION OF THE BASILICA OF ST. MARY MAJOR</i>	08/05/15
7:50 a.m.	Rosary	
8:15 a.m.	Mass — <i>Intention for</i>	
Thursday	<i>THE TRANSFIGURATION OF THE LORD</i>	08/06/15
7:50 a.m.	Rosary	
8:15 a.m.	Mass — <i>Intention for living & deceased members of the Tom & Gloria Thornborrow family</i>	
8:50 a.m.	Adoration	
Friday	<i>ST. SIXTUS II & COMPANIONS ST. CAJETAN</i>	08/07/15
7:50 a.m.	Rosary	
8:15 a.m.	Mass — <i>Intention for</i>	
Saturday	<i>ST. DOMINIC</i>	08/08/15
7:15 p.m.	Mass — <i>Intention for Mason DeRosier</i> ☩ Reader.....Jeff Asmussen Cantor.....Terri Frericks-Blood Plate.....Deacon Fred Wright Chalices....Leanne Buell Chalices....Rose Elam Servers.....Caleb Geissler & Jason Blood Gifts.....Volunteers	
Sunday	<i>19TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME</i>	08/09/15
7:50 a.m.	Sacrament of Penance	
8:30 a.m.	Mass — <i>Intention for All Parishioners</i> Reader.....Gerry Bahar Cantor.....Sue Bahar Plate.....Deacon Fred Wright Chalices....Michael Rowlee Chalices....Tom Frericks Servers.....Jada Kirk & Thomas Rowlee Gifts.....Volunteers	

PLEASE KEEP THESE PEOPLE IN YOUR PRAYERS:

- † **Parishioners:** Lanay Frericks, Richard Keseley, Lyle Shepersky, Alan Larson, Vicky Johnson, Sharon Kelley, Terry Scallen, Betty Dugas, Suzanne Seguin, Angie Pruse, Marlene Petersen, Deanna Larson, Alma Ferris.
- † **Clergy:** Deacon Fred Wright, Fr. Francis Paquette.
- † **Relatives & Friends:** Mary (Baum) Bradley, Kerry Larson, Kennady Roberts, Diane Mayer, Don Hedin, Ronny Morrison, Betty Westaby, Bob Martinsen, Dick Kunz, Johnny Jerabek, Lincoln Traut, Amy Buckner, Mae Dehnhoff, Emma Cavataio, Elsie McGuire, Stephanie (Clifford) Martin, Jim Morcomb, John & Denise Kuchta (Elaine Rollins’ nephew & his wife who are expecting quadruplets).
- † **Military:** Karen McGrane, Alex Seanger, Michael Seipke, Sam West, Chris Gensing, Sean Stebbins.

Please call the church office if you’d like submit a prayer request; these request will run for 3 weeks. If continued prayers are needed after that time, prayer requests can always be renewed – just call the church office to let us know.



As part of the **Diocese of Duluth’s 125th Anniversary Celebration**, the entire diocese is invited to join together in a Eucharistic Procession through the city of Duluth on **September 12, 2015**. The Procession will begin at noon at the Cathedral of Our Lady of the Rosary and proceed to the Duluth Entertainment Convention Center (DECC) where Mass will be celebrated by Bishop Sirba at 4:30 pm. Parking will be available at the DECC with Shuttle service to the Cathedral and points along the Procession route. The Procession will have stops along the way where participants may join in and have a shorter course to navigate. If you’d prefer not to participate in the Procession but want to attend the Mass, you are invited to pray at the DECC while the Procession makes its way there. Please consider joining the Eucharistic Procession as a family, as an individual, as a group or as a parish— registration will open in August. Together, we will make an extraordinary public witness to and celebration of the Faith!

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A GENTLE REMINDER THAT WE NEED
EVERYONE’S PARTICIPATION. THANK YOU
FOR YOUR ONGOING AND GENEROUS SUPPORT.**

LAST WEEK’S CONTRIBUTIONS	
General Collection.....	\$1956.30
Building Fund.....	\$100.00