

August 23, 2015

TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Fr. Steve's Quotes for Consideration:

"O God, You have made us for Yourself, and our hearts are restless until they find rest in You."

-St. Augustine

Today's quote comes from one of the great masters of Catholic theology, a bishop and doctor of the Church, St. Augustine. St. Augustine died in the year 430, and we celebrate his feast day on August 28th. He has a rather famous life story because of the dramatic conversion that he underwent. Early in his adulthood he was a pagan, unbaptized, and living a life of sin and caught up in the cares of the world. However, through his study of philosophy and eventually the Bible, he came to realize the truth of God's existence, love and will. He was baptized and became a prolific writer, his most famous work being his "Confessions," which is considered a classic of Christian writing, and in which he details his conversion experience and God's movement and work in his life.

This above quote is from his "Confessions," and is another example in which a few words capture the whole picture. St. Augustine learned the hard way by trying to fill the deepest longings and desires of his heart with things other than a relationship with God, including sinful relationships, partying and worldly ambitions and honors. But he soon realized that none of these things really filled the need for peace and contentment in his soul. It was only God dwelling within him that could satisfy that spiritual longing. And the same is true for us. We often make the mistake in our lives of trying to find lasting peace, joy, happiness and purpose in things, places and persons other than God. This is always a mistake, and never leads to the lasting peace and happiness that we deeply need, because only a personal and intimate relationship with God in Jesus Christ through the Holy Spirit and nourished by the sacraments of the Church can truly fill that void in our hearts. It's a tough lesson to learn, and for some people, it takes virtually their entire life to learn it. Which is why the above quote is so powerful. Our hearts, our souls, our identity will be restless, incomplete, unfulfilled until they rest in God. In other words, until we seek to make God first in our lives and understand Him to be our source of infinite love, life and happiness, we will always feel like something deeply important is missing in our lives. God desperately desires that we find our rest in Him through a loving relationship with Him. Let's not keep Him waiting! God bless you! -Fr. Steve

Note From Fr. Steve: Please be aware that due to privacy laws, if you or a loved one are in the hospital, the hospital will not contact me to inform me that you are there, unless you ask them to contact the Church. So, if you or a loved one are hospitalized for any reason, please let us know by either calling Cindy in the parish office 226-3100 or calling me at the rectory 834-4313 so that I can arrange a visit.

Faith Formation Kick-Off will be **Wednesday, September 30 at 6 pm**. We will start the night with dinner, followed by classes for everyone, including safe environment information for the parents. All students who were enrolled last year are counted as continuing for the current year (let us know if this has changed). If you have a student in Preschool-Grade 11 who hasn't attended the program in the past and you'd like to enroll them for this year, please contact the Parish office. Also, please remember, the Adult Formation is open to anyone, not just the parents, and we have child care available for those who have children younger than preschool, so please feel welcome to join us. We are looking forward to another great year with the program!

Note Date Change: Pastoral Council will meet on **Wednesday, August 26 at 7 pm** in the Church Hall.

WANTED: Crafters or Vendors.... Holy Spirit Catholic Church is having a Bazaar on **Saturday, October 3** from 9-3 pm. Please contact Connie 834-4433 or Cheryl 830-0578 if you are interested in having a table. Each table \$20.

St. Margaret's Circle will be hosting **Coffee & Rolls** after Mass next **Sunday, August 30**. Plan to join us downstairs to enjoy the fellowship and delicious treats.

St. Mary's Catholic Church - 57 Horn Blvd; Silver Bay, MN 55614

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

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Saturday	<i>THE QUEENSHIP OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY</i>	08/22/15
7:15 p.m.	Mass — <i>Kenneth Moe</i> ☩ Reader.....A.J. LeGeault Cantor.....Andy Buell Plate.....Deacon Fred Wright Chalices....Leanne Buell Chalices....Jeff Asmussen Servers.....Lucas & Jake Stadler Gifts.....Volunteers	
Sunday	<i>21ST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME</i>	08/23/15
7:50 a.m.	Sacrament of Penance	
8:30 a.m.	Mass — <i>Intention for All Parishioners</i> Reader.....Tom Frericks Cantor.....Tom Palen Plate.....Deacon Fred Wright Chalices....Ken Kruger Chalices....Bonnie Kruger Servers.....Zack Fredrickson & Jason Blood Gifts.....Volunteers	
Monday	<i>ST. BARTHOLOMEW</i>	08/24/15
Tuesday	<i>ST. LOUIS & ST. JOSEPH CALASANZ</i>	08/25/15
7:50 a.m.	Rosary	
8:15 a.m.	Mass — <i>Intention for Barb & Dick Donahue</i>	
7:00 p.m.	AA Meeting	
Wednesday	<i>WEEKDAY IN ORDINARY TIME</i>	08/26/15
7:50 a.m.	Rosary	
8:15 a.m.	Mass — <i>Intention for DJ Hodge</i>	
Thursday	<i>ST. MONICA</i>	08/27/15
7:50 a.m.	Rosary	
8:15 a.m.	Mass — <i>Intention for Genevieve Grahek</i> ☩	
8:50 a.m.	Adoration	
Friday	<i>ST. AUGUSTINE</i>	08/28/15
7:50 a.m.	Rosary	
8:15 a.m.	Morning Prayer	
Saturday	<i>THE PASSION OF ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST</i>	08/29/15
7:15 p.m.	Mass — <i>Kenneth Moe</i> ☩ Reader.....Thomas Clifford Cantor.....Marilyn Frericks Plate.....Rose Elam Chalices....Don Seipke Chalices....Shelley Fredrickson Servers.....Giovanni & Corrina Marolt Gifts.....Volunteers	
Sunday	<i>22ND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME</i>	08/30/15
7:50 a.m.	Sacrament of Penance	
8:30 a.m.	Mass — <i>Intention for All Parishioners</i> Reader.....Sue Bahar Cantor.....Joanne Curry Plate.....Deacon Jack Ferris Chalices....Gerry Bahar Chalices....Ken Kruger Servers.....Thomas Rowlee & Todd Curry 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:** Fr. Ben Hadrich, Deacon Fred Wright, Fr. Francis Paquette.
- † **Relatives & Friends:** Mary (Baum) Bradley, Kerry Larson, Kennady Roberts, Diane Mayer, Don Hedin, 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.



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!

Register now for the 2015 Annual Diocesan Assembly! The Assembly will be held on **Saturday, October 10**, at Marshall School in Duluth. The theme is "Transforming Catholics for the New Evangelization." Presenters from the Augustine Institute will help our parishes and schools form life-long intentional disciples of Jesus Christ. For more information or to register, please visit www.dioceseduluth.org or call Annette at (218)724-9111. Register by September 28 and save \$10!

LAST WEEK'S CONTRIBUTIONS

General Collection.....\$2162.00
UCA.....\$80.00