

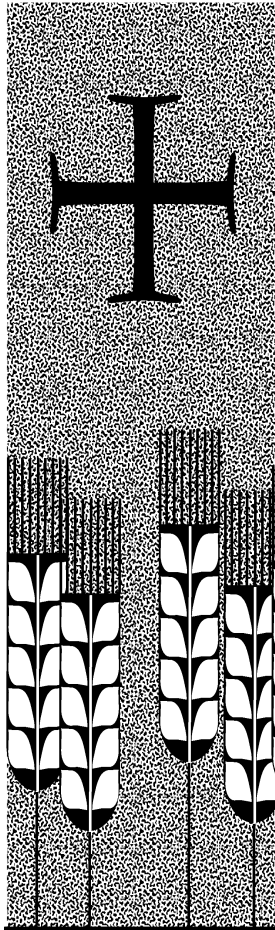
Fifteenth Sunday of Ordinary Time
July 10, 2011

BAPTISM

During Mass on the weekends outside of Lent. If outside of Mass, Sunday afternoon only. If this is your first child to be baptized, you must meet with either Fr. Timothy Hall or Roxanne Kemper for instructions. Please call either the St. Adrian Rectory Office at (507) 483-2317 or St. Anthony Rectory Office at (507) 472-8262 prior to setting the date of the baptism.

MARRIAGE

Arrangements for Marriage must be made at least six months in advance. Your initial visit will be with Fr. Timothy Hall (507) 483-2317. Subsequent meetings, including theology & spirituality will be lead by Fr. Hall. Relationship skills and liturgy will be lead by Roxanne Kemper, Pastoral Assistant.



One day a farmer went out sowing. Part of the seed fell on a footpath where birds picked it up. Part of the seed fell on rocky ground. Again, part of it fell among thorns which grew up and choked it. Part of it, finally, landed on good soil and yielded grain at a hundred fold. Let everyone heed what he hears!

*The seed is the Word of God
and Christ is the sower.*

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OUR LADY OF GOOD COUNSEL**

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SAINT KILIAN**

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Liturgy of the Eucharist

Tues. 8:30 a.m. (L) NO MASS
Wed. 8:30 a.m. (K) Arlene Gerber
Thurs. 8:30 a.m. (A) Domeyer Family
Fri. 8:30 a.m. (W) Bud Kuhl
Sat. 5:00 p.m. (L) Darwin & Noel Stoffel
Sat. 7:00 p.m. (K) Tom Hoffman
Sun. 8:00 a.m. (A) Parishioners
Sun. 10:00 a.m. (W) Jim & Helen Wagner

Word & Communion

Thurs. 8:30 a.m. (L)

Sacrament of Confession

Half- hour before weekend Masses

St. Adrian

Sacrificial Giving – July 3, 2011

Amount needed per weekend.....\$3,844.00
Amount given.....\$1,757.00

Calendar Raffle Winner: Ron & Rosie Heitkamp

Ministry Schedule July 17, 2011: 8:00 a.m.

Readers: Kathy Jackson-Winter & Steven Berkenpas
Servers: Brady Lonneman & Taylor Recker

Attention: You will find updated information and pictures on the renovation project on the 4-Parish main web page. Please check it out.

Fall Dinner: Our annual Fall Dinner is scheduled for September 18th. Be sure to save this date on your calendars. More information will soon follow.

Parish Finance Council meeting is scheduled for Thursday, July 21, 2011 at 7:30 p.m. in the Parish Rectory.

Parish Pastoral Council meeting is scheduled for Thursday, September 1, 2011 at 7:00 p.m. in the Parish Rectory.

The St. Adrian Education Office is closed for June and July. Pam can be reached at 483-2835 if you have questions and to reserve the Education Building for events.

Our joy is full in your presence,
O God!

Our Lady of Good Counsel

Sacrificial Giving – July 3, 2011

Amount needed per weekend..... \$2,106.00
Amount given..... \$1,537.00

Calendar Raffle Winner: Clara Fuerstenberg

Ministry Schedule July 17, 2011: 10:00 a.m.

Reader: Kristi Schettler
Servers: Kyla Fuerstenberg & Logan Lenz
Eucharistic Ministers: Don Hendel, Mark Slater,
Sandy Paulzine

CCW is looking for new officers for the July 2011-July 2013 term. We are in need of a President, a vice President, and a Treasurer for our council. Please pray and look into your heart to see if our Lord is calling you to one of these roles. Please call Teri Spartz 926-5924 or Leslie Slater 478-4540 if you have questions or would like to volunteer. Help us to make our parish vibrant and full of Faith! (Details about the responsibilities of each position will be listed in the newsletter to be arriving soon by email or regular mail.)

Parish Pastoral Council will meet on Tuesday, September 6, 2011 at 7:00 p.m. in the Parish Center.

Parish Finance Council will meet on Tuesday, July 19, 2011 at 7:30 p.m. in the Parish Center.

St. Anthony

Sacrificial Giving – July 2, 2011

Amount needed per weekend.....\$1,296.00
Amount given.....\$1,452.00

Calendar Raffle Winner: Mary Kellen

Ministry Schedule July 16, 2011: 5:00 p.m.

Reader: Brandon Weidert
Servers: Christina Loonan & Erica Diekmann
Eucharistic Ministers: Cliff Altman, Erin Diekmann,
Mary Ann Loosbrock

CCW Vice President: We are looking for a volunteer to step forward and become our new Vice President. As a smaller community, it is often necessary to be an officer more than once. Perhaps this is the year that works best for you. Remember, you will not be working alone but with three additional women who have graciously volunteered to serve their church by being CCW Officers. The parish needs you – please call Jill Diekmann today and say yes!

Knights of Columbus will meet on Monday, July 25th at 7:30 p.m. in the church basement.

St. Anthony Finance Council will meet on Thursday, July 28th at 7:00 p.m. in the parish house.

Mark Your Calendars for the annual Fall Bazaar & Auction on Sunday, September 11th. Once again, we ask you to begin thinking about crafts and other donations for the event.

Open House Bridal Shower for Brittany Steensma, bride to be of Nick Weidert (son of Jeff & Jan) will be on Saturday, July 16th from 9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. at the St. Adrian Education Building.

Annual Diocesan Appeal: Thank you to those who have already donated. However, we need everyone's help in order to meet our parish goal of \$6,060. To date, \$3,395.00 has been collected so we are making good progress. Gifts may be placed in the collection or mailed directly to the Winona Diocese. Additional envelopes are located at the entrance of the church.

Fund-Raiser: Please place your clean, aluminum cans from those graduation and summer parties in the wagon, located in the parking lot, for recycling. All proceeds go towards general maintenance.

St. Kilian

Sacrificial Giving – July 2, 2011

\$330.00 (4 envelopes)

Ministry Schedule July 16, 2011: 7:00 p.m.

Reader: Lois Engels

Servers: Dalton Jeffers & Joe Brake

Eucharistic Ministers: Karen Honermann, David Brake, Linda Fuerstenberg

St. Kilian Parish Picnic and Priest & Pastoral Assistant Appreciation, sponsored by St. Kilian Catholic Association, will be on Sunday, July 17th at 12:00 Noon. Meat, beverages and tableware will be provided. Please bring a dish to pass. We look forward to seeing you there! All Catholic Aid members are invited.

Annual Diocesan Appeal for 2011 has begun and this year's parish goal was set at \$2,450. Currently \$1,200.00 has been pledged and/or paid. Thank you to those who have already contributed. Additional envelopes are located at the entrance of the church.

OF INTEREST TO ALL

Cooperative Mission Appeal: This weekend, Fr. Daniel Cima joined us at Mass speaking on behalf of the missionary endeavors of Institute of the Incarnate Word. A second collection was taken. If you still wish to donate, you may drop off your contribution at the office or place in next week's collection. Thank you for your generosity.

Come One, Come All! The summer book study is in its 3rd week. Don't worry if you have missed one or all of the previous gatherings; every week we start a new topic. This week we will be talking about Religion and the Bible. Join us at **7:00 p.m. on Sunday July 10th** at the **St. Adrian Education Center**.

TOTUS TUUS Fun Facts: The daytime group went to Mass 5 times during Totus Tuus Week. Each day they learned a little bit more about what we do at Mass and why we do the things we do.

Steubenville North begins in Rochester on Friday, July 15th. Please pray that our group of 12 has an amazing experience of Jesus during this weekend, so that we are able to come back to our parishes with a renewed sense of love for our Lord!

July Ministry Schedules for St. Kilian, St. Anthony and Our Lady of Good Counsel are located at the entrance of church. Please pick up your copy. You may also view all 4-parish ministry schedules on line at www.frontiernet.net/~stadrian.

2011 Harvest Mass: Bishop Quinn will preside at our Diocesan Harvest Mass on Sunday, August 14th at 4:00 p.m. at The Hinckley Farm in Chatfield Minnesota. Please mark your calendars for this annual event.

St. Mary's Parish in Ellsworth is celebrating 125 years of faith and the parish Knights of Columbus 100 years of loving service on Sunday, July 10, at 2:00 p.m. You and the whole Deanery community are invited to participate in our anniversary event. Bishop John Quinn will celebrate Mass with us at 2:00 p.m. in Church, conferring the Bishop's Medal for exceptional service on Bill & Jean Deutsch. About 3:00 p.m. we will move to a big tent on the lawn for food and fellowship. Serving of the pork sandwiches, potato salad, beans, cake, punch, and root beer floats meal will last until about 4:30. We hope to see you for our anniversary!

Recycle your empty ink cartridges in the box at the west end of St. Adrian Church.

The summer quarterly meeting of the Winona Diocese Council of Catholic Women will be held in La Crescent Wed., July 13, at The Church of the Crucifixion with Mass at 8:00 a.m. and meeting at 9:30 a.m. Our in-depth for the meeting is Service (Community and Family). Ramona Miller, a member of the Congregational leadership team for the Sisters of St. Francis of Rochester, will speak to us about the new spirituality center at Assisi Heights. Ladies from Blue Star Mothers of America will be speaking to us about what they do to help our military families. The town project for this meeting is the La Crescent Food Shelf. Paper products are their first choice, otherwise nonperishable food items. Need more information? Call Bev McCarvel 507-360-6906 or Mary Schweiss 507-764-4336.

AWARENESS TRIP TO GUATEMALA – January 10-18, 2012 we will be visiting the Mission of San Lucas Toliman on the shores of Lake Atitlan in the highlands of central Guatemala to learn more about the lives of the people there, sharing in the stories of their struggles and their joys. The trip is designed for adults, but youth are welcome with a parent. Preparations will include monthly meetings for the travelers to learn more about the history and modern day issues in Central America (beginning June 20th). The total cost of the trip will be \$1100-\$1200 per person, a \$100 deposit is required to hold a spot at this time and we have several spots open yet. To make your reservation or for more information, please call Lisa Kremer - 507-360-3423.

The Church of St. Mary in Worthington, Minnesota, a vibrant, culturally diverse parish, is seeking a youth minister. The qualified applicant is an active Catholic, fully living a visible commitment to their faith. Candidates also need to be able to connect with and foster the personal and spiritual growth of our youth, work collaboratively, and have good visioning, planning, communication and organizational skills. Experience working with youth and a degree in theology, youth ministry or a related field is expected. Bi-lingual (English/Spanish) is preferred. The anticipated hire date is August 15th. Please send a résumé and references to Lisa Kremer, The Church of St. Mary, 1215 7th Ave., Worthington, MN 56187.

Good Seed – Good Soil!

Have you ever heard the saying: *What we plant today determines what we reap tomorrow!?* As a farming community, we understand the basics of keeping fields and flowers alive. We need good soil, rain (not too much – not too little), plenty of sunshine and a willingness to do whatever it takes to produce abundant crops (fertilize, cultivate, nurture, discuss

with neighbors, trust and pray). Today's scriptures share a common theme: the planting and harvesting for spiritual growth. Our readings call us to nurture and cultivate God's Word in our lives.

In our first reading, God's Word (the scriptures) becomes the *Good Seed* and we become the *Good Soil* if **and** when we realize the importance of God in our lives. We will be blessed; our *harvest* will be bountiful with God in control. Isaiah reminds us that God's Word always searches for welcoming hearts that are open and willing to respond. God's Word is meant to grow. Are we willing to allow Christ to tend the soil of our hearts?

In Matthew's gospel, we are reassured that the *seeds* of God's good news, grace, and blessings are generously sown among us. It is up to each of us to determine how well the *seeds* take root and grow. We know that God's love is always present. Our journey in this life is defined by the decisions we face, the choices we make, and the responsibilities we accept. If we hear the good news and cooperate by responding as Christians – if God's graces are appreciated and used wisely – **AND** if God's blessings are welcomed and shared with others, then and only **THEN** will we be firmly rooted in Christ. With the help of the Holy Spirit, each of us will be able to produce a harvest of good deeds and become *good soil*. Our journey of life is helping to build-up the Kingdom of God, right here and right now. Like the fields that need the summer rain for growth, may we recognize that God is our water for life!

I would like to share a story with you – this is especially for those who (like me) might have trouble growing beautiful gardens or getting anything to grow well . . .

'I want to start a garden, but my yard's a little problematic,' a customer told the owner of the Yard and Garden Center. 'I get blazing afternoon sunshine for about two hours, but otherwise it's all shade.'

'What kind of soil?' asked the owner.

'Hard clay, lot of rocks. What do you recommend I plant?'

'Hmmm,' mused the store owner. 'Why don't you look down Aisle B? We've got a big new supply of bird-baths and flagpoles...'

I encourage you to enjoy the summer and sow the seeds of God's love for an abundant harvest of life!

Summer Blessings,

Roxanne