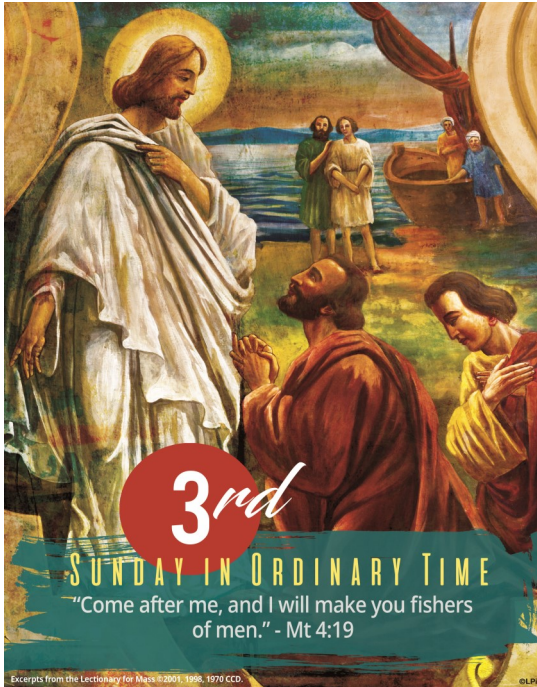


January 26, 2020

The Third Sunday in Ordinary Time



• *ST. PIUS X*
(*SOLON SPRINGS*)

• *ST. ANTHONY*
(*GORDON*)

• *ST. MARY*
(*MINONG*)

As [Jesus] was walking by the Sea of Galilee, he saw two brothers, Simon who is called Peter, and his brother Andrew, casting a net into the sea; they were fishermen. He said to them, "Come after me, and I will make you fishers of men." — Mt 4:18-19

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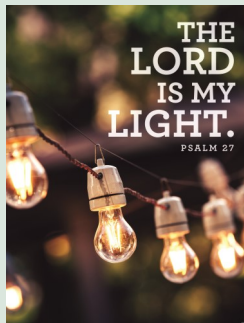
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New Parishioners

Call the office (378-4431) to register full or part-time.

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday:

11:00 am at St. Pius
3:00 pm at St. Anthony

Sunday:

11:30 am at St. Mary's*

*Please indicate to Father your intent to make confession either by appointment or in person so he may make himself available to you.

Winter Mass Schedule

Saturdays:

Gordon—4:00 pm

Sundays:

Solon—8:30 am
Minong—10:30 am

Visitation of the Sick

We are most eager to help anyone who cannot celebrate Mass with us because of illness, handicap or age. If you wish to receive the sacrament please call the rectory. Please notify us of any hospitalizations so that we may be of assistance.

The second collection this weekend is for the Haiti fund.

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Weekday Mass Schedule

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| Monday, | No Mass | |
| Tuesday, | 01/28/20 | Solon |
| 9:00 am | Duayne & Helen Dahlby | |
| Wednesday, | 01/29/20 | |
| 9:00 am | Terry & Joyce Fisher | Minong |
| Thursday, | 01/30/20 | Gordon |
| | Jean & Joseph Vancura | |
| Friday, | 01/31/20 | Solon |
| 9:00 am | Jim Coughlin | |

Weekend Mass Schedule

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| Saturday, | Feb. 01, 2020 | |
| 4:00 pm | Dot Zumwalt - Friends of Dot | Gordon |
| Sunday, | Feb. 02, 2020 | |
| 8:30 am | Sarah Ranta—Carol Marsh | Solon |
| 10:30 am | All Parishioners | Minong |

Extraordinary Ministers Schedule

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| Saturday, Feb. 01, 2020 | |
| 4:00 pm | Gordon |
| Server | As Available |
| Reader | Ann LaLiberte |
| Extraordinary | |
| Ministers: | Jean Rehl |
| Sunday, Feb. 02, 2020 | |
| 8:30 am | Solon |
| Server | As Available* |
| Reader | Diane Lagae |
| Extraordinary | |
| Ministers: | Denise Stoczynski Amy Patel Mary Ann Walt |
| * Emmett Patel, Nolan Patel | |
| 10:30 am | Minong |
| Server | As Available* |
| Reader | Linda Havlicek |
| Extraordinary | |
| Ministers: | Paula Naill John Hallman Rick Birtzer |
| * Chris Kenny, Logan Henning or Jeff Meling | |

From the Pastor's Desk

I was really fascinated by the Linn book, *Good Ghosts*, when it talked about the relationship between fear of hell and addictions. The Linn's are psychologists with two of them steeped in Catholic theology as are all Jesuits. The beauty of that combination is that theology is usually grasped from an intellectual perspective while psychiatric expertise deals with the emotional or irrational realm to which the intellectual perspective often comes up quite lacking. When we talk about addictions, a psychiatrist can understand the "gray" subtleties of inner motivations that a theologian can only see more or less as "black or white", sin or virtue. Having said that let's return to the Linn Q and A and that relationship.

Besides addictions, how is the fear of hell related to emotional illness in general?

The fear of abandonment and not belonging, based on the belief that we are loved only on condition that we are "good," underlies not only addictions but most, if not all, emotional illness. We first learn this fear with our human parents and then we are likely to project it onto God. The great Swiss psychiatrist Paul Tournier writes, "Fear of losing the love of God—this is the essence of our human problem and of psychology." As Bernard Cooke says, psychological health demands that we know God is "absolutely faithful and unswerving in a compassionate love of us humans. God does not go from being displeased with us to being once more friendly; God is infinitely above being offended and does not ask to be appeased. God's forgiveness is not a response to our admission of guilt and our conversion; it is their cause."

"In some ways a loving parent's way of dealing with a child gives us an insight into the divine attitude toward human sin: while the parent will lead the young person to recognition of misdeeds and at a certain age to a sense of culpability, while the parent will work to help the child change to a better attitude and a better pattern of behavior, the parent's forgiveness of the child does not wait for some appeal for that forgiveness. Instead, the forgiveness is assumed even before the child's "sin." It is never retracted at any point and is a personal force that energizes the parent's effort to lead the child toward moral responsibility."

Punishment Never Heals, Only Love can heal. Question: If fear of punishment can never change a person, why does the bible tell us to fear God? Some justify the use of fear to control others' behavior by saying that the scriptures tell us to "fear God." However, the word that we translate as "fear," in expressions like "fear of the Lord" (*phobos*), is not the experience of being intimidated by another. According to William Barclay, *phobos*, in relation to God, would be better translated "awesome respect," meaning loving wonder (e.g., Ps. 103:11-17).

We are all Good Goats. Question: Matthew 25 is the passage I've most often heard quoted to prove that some people go to heaven and some people go to hell. Can you give me any more evidence for your interpretation? Deak's interpretation of Matthew 25:31-46 is similar to ours. He says that sheep and goats represent not two different groups of persons, but two realities that coexist within every person, "realized goodness" and "past failures."

We recognize that this way of understanding Matthew 25 does not exhaust the meaning of the passage. We cannot deny the historical dimension, the "not yet," of revelation, and say that the kingdom of God is only within us in our current experience. However, we can say that it is also within us in our present experience. Thus our present inner experience is essential information for our effort to understand the mysteries of heaven and hell.

On the other hand, Dalton does take the passage in the more historical sense, as referring to two groups of persons. He sees the message to the goats as a warning, not as a statement of what will actually happen. Referring to the situation of the goats, he says, "it is not affirmed that any human being, given the grace and mercy of God, ever arrives at this desperate situation."

The great scripture scholar William Barclay described himself as a "convinced universalist." Commenting on Matthew 25:46, in which the goats on the left hand are sent away to "eternal punishment," he says that what is meant . . . **This will be continued in next week's column**

Jan. 26, 2020

| 01/19/2020 | Solon | Gordon | Minong |
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| Envelopes | 453.00 | 37.00 | 626.00 |
| Loose Change | 42.00 | 40.00 | 108.00 |
| Fuel | 50.00 | | 50.00 |
| Building Fund | 90.00 | 15.00 | 154.00 |
| Catholic Schools | 20.00 | | 2.00 |
| Candles | | | 20.00 |
| Haiti | 10.00 | | |
| Total | \$665.00 | \$92.00 | -\$960.00 |
| CSA Goals | \$10,531 | \$6,789 | \$13,639 |
| CSA Results (11/1/19) | 7177.50 | 5232.50 | 4890.00 |
| % of Goal | 68% | 77% | 36% |
| Electronic Donations (Monthly) | 450.00 | 235.00 | 500.93 |



- Good Shepherd for Children is on Sunday, Jan. 26th at St. Pius after the 8:30 mass.
- River of Life prayer group meets on Monday, Jan. 27th from 6–7:30 pm at St. Mary.
- There is a Personal Silent Retreat on Wednesday, Jan. 29th from 5–7 pm at St. Mary.

Honduras Mission Kids Collection

Luanne Gasparek, our tri-parish bookkeeper/secretary is going on another mission trip to Honduras in early February. She is collecting socks and underwear for the mission children ages 5 to 18. Collection bins are in each church so let's fill them up!

"Go Green" Bag Campaign

The "Bag Ladies" from the CCW&M outdid themselves and created 86 reusable market bags to distribute to parishioners. The bags are available at each church and parishioners are being encouraged to reduce, reuse and recycle by using these bags instead of plastic every time they go shopping. Watch for an article about the campaign in an upcoming issue of the Catholic Herald and check out the pictures of the bags on the tri-parish website: <https://www.stspiusmaryanthony.com/pictures>

Pray For our friends and neighbors who are ill or homebound. If you know someone who should be put on or removed from this list, please call the office.

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| Janet Henrkson | Joseph Treb |
| Dawn DenHartog | John Poole |
| Patty Cosgrove | Patricia Burgraff |
| Tamara Frie | Virginia Bartelt |
| Marlene Lucas | Darlene Flamang |
| Linda Sanders | Patti Joswick |
| Daryl Erickson | Joe Kaufman |
| LaVerne Treb | |

Catholic Schools Week Collection

On the weekend of Feb. 1st & 2nd you will have an opportunity to participate in the annual Collection for Catholic Schools.. This special collection is designed to provide an additional source of annual support for schools. 100% of the funds raised will be allocated to the schools in our diocese based on their number of students. Thanks for your generosity.

Laudato Si' - A weekly tip on Caring for Our Common Home

Familiarize yourself with life-affirming legislation and with church teaching on the sanctity of life, including St. Pope John Paul's "Evangelium Vitae," which is available online.

Readings for the week of January 26, 2020

Sunday: Is 8:23–9:3/Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14 [1a]/1 Cor 1:10-13, 17/Mt 4:12-23 or 4:12-17

Monday: 2 Sm 5:1-7, 10/Ps 89:20, 21-22, 25-26 [25a]/Mk 3:22-30

Tuesday: 2 Sm 6:12b-15, 17-19/Ps 24:7, 8, 9, 10 [8]/Mk 3:31-35

Wednesday: 2 Sm 7:4-17/Ps 89: 4-5, 27-28, 29-30 [29a]/Mk 4:1-20

Thursday: 2 Sm 7:18-19, 24-29/Ps 132:1-2, 3-5, 11, 12, 13-14 [Lk 1:32b]/Mk 4:21-25

Friday: 2 Sm 11:1-4a, 5-10a, 13-17/Ps 51:3-4, 5-6a, 6bcd-7, 10-11 [cf. 3a]/Mk 4:26-34

Saturday: 2 Sm 12:1-7a, 10-17/Ps 51:12-13, 14-15, 16-17 [12a]/Mk 4:35-41

Next Sunday: Mal 3:1-4/Ps 24:7, 8, 9, 10 [10b]/Heb 2:14-18/Lk 2:22-40 or 2:22-32

Kids Corner

Hey Kids!

Today's a "**double**" day! It's the feast of Saint Titus **and** Saint Timothy. Saint Timothy was a "best" friend of Saint Paul. When Paul traveled around telling people about Jesus, Timothy would sometimes go ahead—like a messenger—to tell people Paul was coming; and sometimes after Paul left, Timothy would stay behind to continue the work Paul started. Timothy was a good friend and a good helper. Are you a good friend and a good helper? Could you be a good friend and helper to the children in Honduras by sending them new socks and underwear with Luanne when she goes on the mission trip? Hurry and get those new socks and undies in the collection boxes in the back of our churches. Wouldn't helping those kids make us "**double**" friends— like with those kids and Jesus?