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Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time **July 5, 2026**

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Eucharist
Saturday Vigil: 4:00 pm
Tuesday 8:30 am
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Reconciliation
First Friday 7:45 am
Saturday 3:30 pm

St. Ann

Eucharist
Sunday: 8:00 am
Thursday: 8:30 am

Reconciliation
Saturday 7:30 am

Holy Rosary

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Sunday: 10 am
Wednesday: 8:30 am

Reconciliation
Sunday 9:30 am

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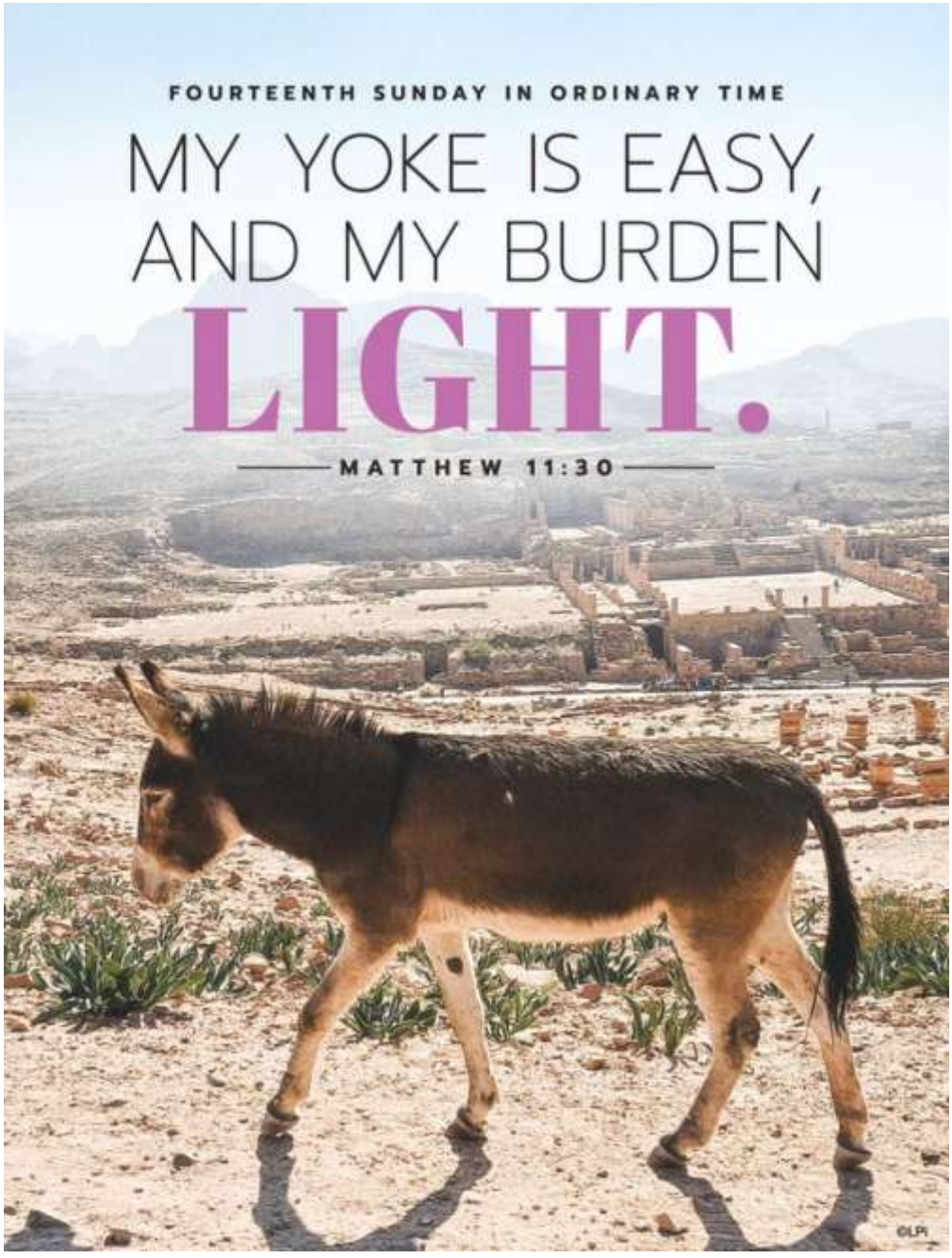


Deacon's Perspective

by Deacon Dennis Bennin

A Farewell Message and a Call to Holiness in the Divine Will

I am writing my final article for the bulletin for the Three Parishes on June 16, and it will go in the bulletin you are reading this weekend July 4–5. There are many thoughts going through my mind as to what I should write about. But first I must praise God and with deep gratitude give thanks to Him for this blessed opportunity; it is one in which I am profoundly humbled to be part of your lives.

I began writing these monthly articles when I was hired as your Pastoral Associate in January of 2019, and I like to think that we both grew to know and love and understand each other through the years. My relationships with you were formed not only through school visits, homebound ministry, and time spent in nursing homes and assisted-living facilities, but also through the sacramental moments we shared. I have been blessed to celebrate baptisms, accompany families through funerals, and assist and preach at weekend Masses. These moments — joyful, sorrowful, and everything in between — have shaped my heart and deepened my love for each of our parishes. Every encounter has left an imprint on my soul that I will carry with me into retirement.

As I reflect on these years, I also find myself thinking about the deeper journey that every one of us is called to make — the journey toward holiness. In recent years, the Lord has drawn my heart especially to the writings of Luisa Piccarreta, and to the way Jesus described this journey to her.

Jesus told Luisa that holiness is not first about doing more, but about allowing Him to live His life in us. He explained that the true path to holiness is a return to the "order, place, and purpose" for which we were created — to live *in* the Divine Will, not merely beside it. This is the holiness Jesus desires for every one of us — not only for mystics or saints in stained glass, but for ordinary people living ordinary days.

Jesus told Luisa that when a soul gives Him its human will, He fills that soul with His Divine Will. Then even the smallest acts — washing dishes, driving to work, caring for children, visiting the sick, praying quietly in the morning — become divine acts, filled with eternal value. He told her: "Let Me think in your thoughts. Let Me love in your heart. Let Me act in your actions." This is the heart of holiness: Jesus living His life in us.

Jesus also helped Luisa understand something deeply hopeful: that the journey of living in the Divine Will prepares the soul for eternal life with God. Our ultimate goal is Heaven — union with God forever. Jesus explained that the more a soul lives united with His Will on earth, the more that soul becomes aligned with God's desires, God's love, and God's holiness. And because of this union, the soul becomes increasingly purified *now*, in daily life.

He told her that souls who strive to live in the Divine Will receive continuous acts of divine light and grace, which purify the soul in the present moment. In this way, the soul becomes more ready for Heaven — and less in need of the purification of purgatory. This is not a guarantee or a shortcut, but a beautiful truth: living in the Divine Will disposes the soul to enter Heaven more directly, because the soul is already learning to live the life of Heaven on earth.

Jesus told Luisa that this journey is simple: desire to live in His Will, ask for the grace, offer Him your human will, do your ordinary duties with love, and invite Him into every act. Holiness is not an achievement. It is a gift — a gift God longs to give.

Continued

As I step into retirement, I want to leave you with this: You were created for this moment in history. God placed you here with a purpose in His Divine Will. And He gives you all the grace you need to become holy — not someday, but today.

Thank you for allowing me to walk with you these past years. Thank you for your kindness, your faith, your trust, and your love. You have been a blessing to me, and I will carry you in my prayers.

May each of us continue the journey Jesus described to Luisa — the journey of letting Him live in us, the journey of becoming who God created us to be, the journey of holiness in the Divine Will, the journey that leads us to eternal life.

I'll close with the following prayer in the Divine Will

Lord Jesus,

I place my life, my past, my present, and my future in Your Divine Will.

Take my human will and give me Your Divine Will in its place,

so that every thought, word, and action may be filled with Your light.

May Your Will be the breath of my soul,

the strength of my days,

and the peace of my heart.

Purify me in the moments of my life,

so that I may be ready for the joy of Heaven

and live even now the life that never ends.

Jesus, live in me,

love in me,

and act in me,

so that my life may be a small reflection of Yours.

Fiat, Lord — let it be done in me according to Your Will.

May God bless you always. Amen.

Offices Closed

The parish offices will be closed on Monday, July 6 in observance of the 4th of July. As we celebrate the 250th Independence Day, may we all take time to enjoy our family and friends, and thank God for the many gifts He has given us.

Medjugorje Pilgrimage

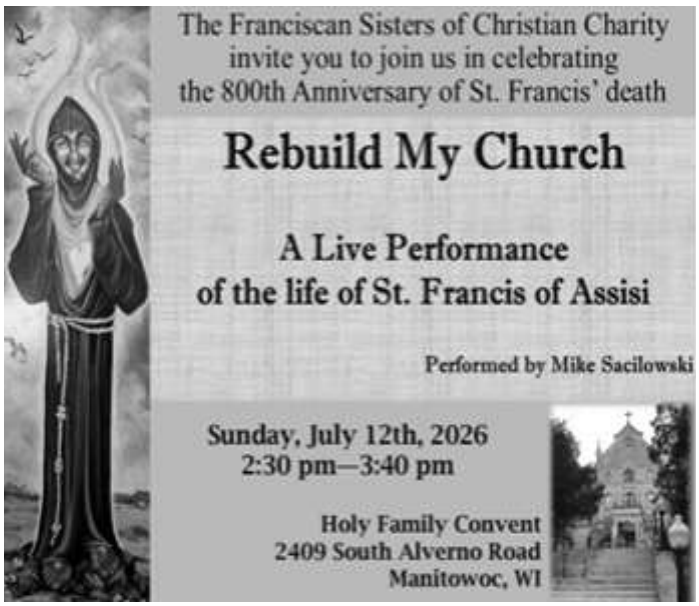
If anyone may be interested in making a pilgrimage to Medjugorje (where Mary the mother of Jesus has been appearing daily for almost 45 years) Deacon Pat will be leading a group to go there from October 17th to the 25th. Cost is $3,368. Flyers can be found in each of our three linked parishes, or you can contact him for more information.

Substitute Teachers Needed

Divine Savior School is looking for people to add to their substitute teacher roll for the 2026-2027 school year. Do you have a teaching license or a bachelor's degree? Do you enjoy working with students at Divine Savior? Please call the school office at 920-894-3533 or email Mr. Shircel at principal@divinesaviorschool.org if interested. Thank you.

Traveling Rosary for Vocations

Thursday, July 16; 1:00 – 2:30 PM at **St. Peter the Fisherman Parish; 3201 Mishicot Rd, Two Rivers, 54241.** All women and men are invited. The agenda includes song, rosary, and speaker Dcn. Tom Tomaszewski. We close with a reception. For more info call 920-323-3243 or visit www.gbdccw.org.



SS. Peter & Paul, Kiel

Calendar of Events +Mass Intentions
July 6—12, 2026

Mon Office Closed
Adoration 4—5 pm
Pietra Fitness 4:15 pm

Tues Mass 8:30 AM **+Al & Pat Hartmann**
Pietra Fitness 9:30 am

Sat Confession 3:30 pm
Mass 4 pm +**Ralph & Rosella Bruckner & Paul Raquet**

Sun Rosary 6 pm

For the week of July 5 the Sanctuary Candle is burning
in Memory of Roy Schuler & Judy Sabel

Rosary

Each Hail Mary may seem small on its own. But over time, these repeated prayers shape our hearts. They teach us patience. They quiet our distractions. They keep drawing our attention back to Christ through the eyes of His Mother.

Think of the parent who tells a child, "I love you," every day. The words are repeated, yet they never become meaningless. In fact, it is often the repetition that gives them their strength.

The Rosary invites us into that same kind of faithful love. Far from being empty repetition, each Hail Mary becomes another opportunity to contemplate the mysteries of Christ's life. As our lips repeat familiar prayers, our minds and hearts are invited to dwell on the Incarnation, the Cross, the Resurrection, and the glory of Heaven.

Perhaps that is why so many saints loved the Rosary. They understood more often than not that holiness is formed through countless small acts of faithfulness offered day after day.

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The Rosary group meets on Sunday nights at 6 pm to pray the rosary, except this Sunday, July 5, when we are taking off for the holiday. We invite you to pray the rosary on your own on Sunday; as you sit on your porch looking out at the beauty of God's creation, as you take your dog for a walk, or in the quiet of your home. We invite you into God's faithful love.

Sanctuary Candle Spots Available in 2026

There are many open weeks in 2026 for the sanctuary candle. The cost is $20/week. Please contact the parish office for scheduling availability.

Mass Intention 2027 Book

Mass Intentions are a wonderful way to remember a deceased loved one, celebrate a birthday or anniversary, or for any special intention you may have. Canon Law requires that each pastor celebrate one of the Sunday Masses with the intention being "Pro Populo", or 'for the people', and it is always scheduled for the first weekend mass of each month. In order to allow access for all parish families, and to ensure room for the families of the recently deceased, we have the following guidelines for mass intentions:

Six Masses per year.

Three (3) on weekends and Three (3) on weekdays

Please contact the parish office to schedule a mass.

Many retired priests in our diocese, as well as priests in mission areas, would be happy to pray for your intention at Masses they celebrate. The parish office is able to send additional mass intentions to the retired priests of the diocese or to the missions. These arrangements also are made at the parish office. The offering/stipend for masses is $20.

Thank You for Your Generous Stewardship

Whether you give weekly, monthly, quarterly, or annually, your support sustains our faith community. As challenges arise in our daily lives, we remain deeply grateful for your commitment to our parish.

Our fiscal year closed on June 30, and thanks to your incredible generosity, we reached **99%** of our budgeted stewardship goal. Thank you to everyone who contributed.

Your Stewardship Sharing
Ending June 30, 2026

Stewardship	$ 9,620.00
Loose	$ 192.00
Building & Grounds	$ 786.00

Thank you for your contributions!

Needed weekly to meet budget: $5,480

SS. Peter & Paul Liturgical Roles	
4 pm Mass	**Saturday, July 11**
GREETERS	J DeTroye
LECTOR	A Roe
EUCHARIST	Gary V & Diane N
SERVERS	M Brost
USHERS	S Roe

St. Ann, St. Anna

Calendar of Events + Mass Intention

Sunday – July 5
Confession 7:30 am
Mass 8 am **+ For the Living & Deceased Members of St. Ann, SS. Peter &Paul & Holy Rosary**

Thursday – July 9
Mass 8:30 am **+Mildred Scholz**

Friday – July 10 Adoration 4—5 pm

Sunday – July 12
Confession 7:30 am
Mass 8 am **+ John & Paulina Franzen Kauth**

Feast Day of St. Anne and St. Joachim

As our parish patron saints, St. Anne and St. Joachim remind us of the importance of faith, family, and passing on the love of God from one generation to the next. To honor their feast day, we invite everyone to join us at Mass on Sunday, July 26, followed immediately by a small parish social.

Please mark your calendars and stay after Mass to enjoy muffins and more while mingling with fellow parishioners and visitors.

Please note, because of our recent 175th Anniversary Parish Celebration, we will not be hosting our annual Outdoor Mass and Dinner in the park this year.

We hope you will join us!

Thank You

Thank you to the St. Ann parishioners for the generous gift for my retirement. I am grateful for the kindness shown to me. Thank you for welcoming me into this community. God's blessings on you all.

~Lynne Becker

Scrip

Traveling this summer? To ball games, concerts, fairs, and vacations? Stop at the scrip box and pick up some gas cards to get you where you're going. And support your parish at the same time. Scrip is available in the back of church after mass.

Pantry Collections

St. Ann collects non-perishable food items for the Helping Hands Food Pantry. Drop items in the bin at any mass and we'll make sure they get to the pantry.

Church Flowers

If you have any flowers you would like to donate for decorating the church, bring them to the north entrance of church by 8:00 am on Saturday mornings. If you are interested in helping arranging the flowers, you are most welcome to join us. Vases are available at church.

Mass Intentions

Each year you may offer Mass Intentions for deceased loved ones, living family members, or celebrations such as anniversaries or birthdays.
The following Thursdays are open:
July 23, August 13, Sept 3
Please email Kim at secretary@sspeternpaul.org, call her at 894-3553, or stop in the SS. Peter & Paul office to schedule your intentions.

St. Ann Parish Liturgical Roles	
8 am Mass	***Sunday—July 12***
GREETERS	Volunteers Needed
LECTOR	Dave W
EUCHARIST	Renee K
SERVER	Terry W or Lisa G/Mike W
USHERS	Julie S

Your Stewardship Sharing

Week Ending June 28, 2026

Stewardship	$ 2,632.50
Loose	$ 225.00

Weekly Stewardship needed to meet budget: $1,543.00

Thank you for your contributions!

Holy Rosary, New Holstein

Calendar of Events + Mass Intentions

Monday – Jul 6
Parish Office Closed
Choir Practice| 6:30 PM

Wednesday – Jul 8
Mass| 8:30 AM **+ Frank & Arlene Schneider**
Adoration| 4 - 5 PM

Sunday – Jul 12
Confession| 9:30 AM
Mass| 10 AM **+ Leonard & Dolores Pethan**

Sanctuary Candle Memorial
For the week of July 5, the Sanctuary Candle is burning in Memory of
Roger Heus

Helping Hands Food Pantry

The Helping Hands Food Pantry is in need of more of the following items: ketchup, mustard, kleenex, grape jelly, strawberry jam, and boxed cereals.

2026 Bishop's Appeal

Woohoo!! Through your incredible generosity, we have surpassed our Bishop's Appeal goal! Your support strengthens vital ministries, reaches those in need, and builds up the Body of Christ. Thank you for being a living example of stewardship and discipleship. You are a blessing to our parish and to the Diocese.

2026/2027 Stewardship Envelopes

Your stewardship envelopes for the upcoming fiscal year are ready for you. Please stop by after Mass to pick them up (church is open Monday – Thursday 8-4, and Friday 8-noon). Your faithful giving helps us continue our mission of worship, service, and community outreach. Thank you for being a vital part of our parish family!

Sanctuary Candle Spots Available in 2026

There are still a few spots available in 2026 for the sanctuary candle. These are the dates: August 2 & 30, September 27, November 1 & 15. The cost is $20/ date. Please contact the parish office.

Thank You – Holy Rosary Parishioners

Thank you, Holy Rosary Parishioners, for the generous gift and love you've shown me as I transition to retire. Serving the parish has truly been a blessing, and I will always treasure the memories and friendships we've shared. Your kindness reflects the beautiful spirit of our community, and I am grateful. ~ Lynne Becker

Holy Rosary Liturgical Ministers

July 12– Sunday | 10:00 AM

	ALTAR SERVER	LECTOR	EUCHARIST
	Matthew Villalobos (Volunteer Needed)	Zarahya Villalobos	Patty Jaeckels
	USHERS	**GREETERS**	
N	Donna Schwantes	Donna Schwantes	**MUSICIANS** Choir Ann Arbuckle
W	Ann Koenigs	Ann Koenigs	
S	Rich Greuel	Rich Greuel	

Holy Rosary Stewardship: June 30, 2026

	Weekly	Fiscal Year Budget
Church Support Envelopes:	$ 9,568.00	**$207,000.00**
Loose Offertory:	$ 284.00	**$ 19,000.00**
Total	$ 9,852.00	**$226,000.00**
Adult Support Needed	**$ 4,607.00**	$204,216.03 received for year
Funds Short This Week	+ 5,245.00	$ 21,783.97 needed by 6/30/26
Mission Co-Op Collection	$ 55.00	
Building & Grounds	$ 100.00	

Bishop's Appeal $ 34,215.00 Goal ($33,974) 101% of goal

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Marriage

Congratulations on your engagement! Contact the office at least six months before your intended date to meet with Father Amadi and to make arrangements for the marriage preparation process.

Bequests

Please remember our parishes when making out your will. Thank you.

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