

# ST. VINCENT DE PAUL PARISH



## Lord's Day Eucharist:

**Saturday 5 pm**  
**Sunday 10 am**



**Mission: St. Mary's,  
Tribune – Sat. 7 pm**

**Reconciliation: Friday 11:30-12 pm  
Saturday. 4:30-5 pm**

*15<sup>th</sup> and 16<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Ordinary Time*  
*July 15<sup>th</sup> & 16<sup>th</sup> and July 22<sup>nd</sup> & 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2023*

## **Good News Reflection, 15<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time**

### **The seed sown on rich soil;**

This Sunday's readings are about sowing seeds. The important thing to remember about seed sowing is that the effort is worthless if the seeds are not changed by being cast to the ground. Each seed must give up its former self, dying in the dirt while new life stirs within it. Only then can it send out a tender, first root, which will multiply and grow stronger and deeper to support upward growth. Even so, it has to be properly nourished to survive.

If all this takes place, the end result is a plant that looks nothing like the seed, which as it grows develops the ever-more important mission of benefitting the wider world of Nature beyond itself.

As we listen to Jesus explain the parable, we say yes, we want to be seeds that become fruitful lives. But desiring it does not automatically transform us. What is it that makes the soil of our lives rich and growth-producing?

The reading from Isaiah tells us that it is God himself who is the rich soil -- God and his Word. Saint Paul reminds us in the second reading that suffering is part of creation (seeds must fall in the dirt and die in order to produce a fruitful life). Redemption grows from suffering and death.

We will never feel truly fulfilled until we've surrendered to the soil and have allowed God to nourish our growth.

**Questions for Personal Reflection:** What tender, new roots do you have that are sprouting from times of suffering and loss? What blessings are springing up from them? What ministry (what benefit to others) could be a fruitful gift of these blessings?

**Questions for Community Faith Sharing:** Share what it means to give up your former self to allow new life to stir and grow. What is the will of God (what does the Word say) regarding the end result? Give examples from your life or from the lives of others.

## Good News Reflection, 16<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary

### Time: Three layers of evangelization

*Go and Make Disciples: A National Plan and Strategy for Catholic Evangelization in the United States* (published in 1992) names three important layers of evangelization: In this Sunday's Gospel reading, Jesus teaches us these same three strategies, using parables.

**(1) Nurture your own faith-growth:** In the kingdom of God, we are like good wheat growing amidst weeds. This takes effort; the weeds will take over if we're not working daily at growing in holiness. What have you been doing to prevent the weeds around you from taking over and strangling your holiness? How is your faith life benefiting from living in the midst of non-believers and evil? Your Father-Creator is empowering you to grow.

**(2) Invite others to conversion:** In the kingdom of God, we are like the tiniest of seeds that grow into a bush so large that others benefit from our growth. Who is benefiting from your faith? How is your spiritual growth inviting them into a closer relationship with Jesus? The Holy Spirit is empowering you to evangelize others if you're willing to minister to them using what you've learned from your experiences.

**(3) Transform society:** In the kingdom of God, we are like yeast that helps the whole batch swell up and mature into the bread of life that nourishes others. What are you involved in, as a Christian, that improves the world? Is your faith making a difference in your workplace, your community, and your parish? During Mass, as you receive the nourishment of the Eucharist, you are empowered to become Eucharist for the world. Mass ends with Christ commissioning you, through the presider, to be the yeast of goodness that affects those around you.

### **Questions for Personal Reflection:**

Maybe you never saw yourself as an "evangelist", but you are! This is your calling as a baptized Christian. Which of the above three areas of evangelization are you most actively doing? Which needs more of your attention?

**Questions for Community Faith Sharing:** Share what it means to give up your former self to allow new life to stir and grow. What is the will of God (what does the Word say) regarding the end result? Give examples from your life or from the lives of others

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We would like to celebrate your Special Anniversaries and Birthdays with you! Let us know if you are having a special birthday and we will announce it the bulletin. If you are having a special anniversary this year, 25, 40, 50, 55, 60 and up, we will announce them in the bulletin and have a celebration in September.

**Eucharistic Ministers:** We care asking you to come up to the altar and serve at communion if you notice there are not enough servers. We will need 7 adults besides Father for the cup and the Eucharist. Until we get back in the natural swing of things there may be a few awkward moments. God doesn't mind as long as we are serving Him. Thank you in advance.



### **These Twelve: the Gospel through the Apostles' eyes by Rod Bennet.**

*One, Holy, Catholic and Apostolic Church.* But what does "Apostolic"

really mean? Author Bennet relays the compelling story of the Gospel as seen through the eyes of the twelve apostles. Christ's most intimate followers take on flesh and blood, each with their own unique strengths, weaknesses, backgrounds and motivations. The Apostles were not mere byproducts of Jesus' mission and ministry, no, these men were the mission. The Apostles were the essential mark of the one Church founded by Jesus to go out and make all people His Chosen People. Now available in the Parish Library. Pro Libris!

### **Shrine of Our Lady of Lourdes Pilgrimage:**

August 12 & 13, 2023 at St. Peter's Colony, near Kronau, Sk.

Saturday - 7pm, Social, 7:30 pm Divine Mercy Chaplet and 7:45pm Movie & snacks.

Sunday, 12 pm - Social in the tent, coffee & muffins.

1:00 pm – Adoration & Reconciliation in the Church

2:15 pm – Rosary at the Grotto

3 pm – Mass at Grotto with Archbishop Donald Bolen, Anointing of the Sick, and blessing of holy items. Following Mass will be a pizza supper sold under the tent.

**Let us pray** - Dear God, there are times when it is right — and righteous — to be angry.

It is right to be angry about people who exploit children. Let that righteous anger fuel action, Lord. Don't let it fade into complacency.

We ask this in Jesus name. Amen

## Welcome Visitors and New Parishioners!

Our Parish family warmly welcomes new members. Please fill out a New Parishioner form at your earliest convenience. The forms are located on a table in the foyer!  
As well, if any parishioner has changed their address, phone number etc., please inform the office.

### Upcoming Eucharist Celebrations

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<b>Sat.</b>	July 15	10 Tatagwa 5 PM Mass 7 PM St Marys	Don Thiel + Susan Schmidt + Mary Janeczko =
<b>Sun.</b>	July 16	10 AM Mass	Reggie Frank +
<b>Mon.</b>	July 17	No Mass	
<b>Tues.</b>	July 18	11 AM	Hutt Funeral
<b>Wed.</b>	July 19	9 AM	Logan & Becca McGuire Int
<b>Thur.</b>	July 20	11 AM	Pitre Funeral
<b>Fri.</b>	July 21	12:10 Mass	Adam Zeigler +
<b>Sat.</b>	July 22	10 Tatagwa 5 PM Mass 7 PM St Marys	Katie Nimegeers Int. Dan Burkhardt + Reggie Frank +
<b>Sun.</b>	July 23	10 AM Mass	Mary Janeczko +
<b>Mon.</b>	July 24	10 AM	Honig Funeral
<b>Tues.</b>	July 25	No Mass	
<b>Wed.</b>	July 26	9 AM Mass 10 AM Bison	Pam Hauptstein & Family Int. Thanksgiving
<b>Thur.</b>	July 27	9 AM Mass 10 AM Hilltop	Marc Nickel Int Anthony Matthew +
<b>Fri.</b>	July 28	9:30 WSCH 12:10 Mass	Kelly Nimegeers Int. Thanksgiving
<b>Sat.</b>	July 29	10 Tatagwa 5 PM Mass 7 PM St Marys	Richard Bauche + Jennifer Brown Int. Linda Bohn +
<b>Sun.</b>	July 30	10 AM Mass	Lynne Garner +

**Stewardship Bulletin Bit: 16th Sunday in Ordinary Time;** *“The kingdom of heaven may be likened to a man who sowed good seed in his field...He who sows good seed is the Son of Man, the field is the world, the good seed the children of the kingdom.”-Matthew 13:24, 37-38*

As children of God, we are all “good seeds”. We are blessed by God with the potential to accomplish much good in the world. We fulfill God’s plan when we spend time in prayer every day, use our skills to help others and share our financial gifts to help build God’s kingdom on earth. Through our example of gratitude and generosity we sow “good seeds” on earth and ultimately help each other get to Heaven!

**We are asking for help:** running the projector, especially at the Saturday evening Masses. If this is something you can help with, please contact the office to have your name added to the list. This is an excellent way for young members of the parish to offer their skills to the service of our Lord. We also need Eucharistic ministers now that we are back in full service!

### July 15 & 16, 16<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

Isaiah 55:10-11  
Ps 65:10-14 (with Luke 8:8)  
Romans 8:18-23  
Matthew 13:1-23

### July 22 & 23, 17<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

Wisdom 12:13, 16-19  
Ps 86:5-6, 9-10, 15-16  
Romans 8:26-27  
Matthew 13:24-43



### **Heavenly Father,** we thank you for all the

blessings in our lives; for the very world in which we live and for the health and strength you have bestowed upon us.

The suffering Christ endured provided healing and power over illness. Lord, direct that healing toward our loved ones who suffer and who believe that you can and will restore them to full health.

We call them by name: **Linda Kot, Benedict Vinck, Pat Benning, John Tuchscherer** and all those facing an illness or any of life’s struggles.

Our condolences to the family and friends of **Florence Benning, Henry Hutt, Agnes Pitre, Jerome Step and Mervin Honig and Margaret Cox**

The thoughts and prayers of your church family are with you.

### **Summer Bible Study - The Gospel of John**

The Summer Bible Study is returning for another year. We will be using the Follow Me program written by Dr. Edward Sri to explore the Gospel According to John. John's Gospel is the source of a surprising number of Catholic beliefs so it is important for us as Catholics to understand it. Join us in this fun and engaging Bible study so you can better hear the voice of God in Scripture while deepening your relationship with the living person of Jesus Christ. We will be hosting two sessions this year, in the Slezak room at 1pm for those with daytime availability, and in the Church basement at 7pm for anyone with evening availability. The study runs for eight sessions every Wednesday from July 5 to August 23. Workbooks are \$10 each, payable at the first session on July 5. Hope to see you there! A project of the Spiritual and Adult Faith Formation Committee.

## Stewardship of Time & Talent - July 15 & 16

	Saturday 5 PM	Sunday 10 AM	
<b>Readers</b>	Cecile Sellinger	Pat Wolensky Stewart Ferguson	<b><u>Eucharist Ministers</u></b> Those serving the Blood of Christ please stand on the outside two spaces when going up to the altar and wear your crosses please. Leave the cups on the altar after communion for Father to clean.  Those serving the Body of Christ stand in the centre when you go up to the altar, with the acolytes. This way Father knows who gets which one.
<b>Eucharistic Ministers</b>	Wendy Sidloski Derek Redman Dorothy Lawrenz Carol Anderson	Susan Kot Jean Woodard	
<b>Acolytes</b>	Stella Hoffart Ken Bero Kurt Bero	Aime Isabey Ron Klein	
<b>Power Point</b>	Vacant	Gerry Langlois	
<b>Hospitality</b>	Yvonne Dzuba Jim Wanner Margaret & Bruno Tuchscherer	Lynn & Kevin Colquhoun Amanda Kopec Ken & Susan Kot	
<b>Counters</b>	Harry Plemel Nick Coroluick Terry Bliss		

## Stewardship of Time & Talent - July 22 & 23

	Sat. 5 PM LayService	Sunday 10 AM	<b>There will be a training at the end of August for all Eucharistic Ministers and Acolytes. If anyone wants to start now Father will do a special training for you. We need the volunteers!</b>
<b>Readers</b>	Patricia Redman Derek Redman	Carol Toles Glenda Shupe	
<b>Eucharistic Ministers</b>	Dave Creurer Brian Winter Steve Zackrisson Lloyd Zyla	Shirley Mondor Connie Regier Gary Sidloski Sheldon LeBlanc	
<b>Acolytes</b>	Armand Delanoy Peter & Maggie Richards	Ken LeBlanc Chimdal & Kamsi Ejiolor	
<b>Power Point</b>	Lloyd Zyla	Jennifer Woodard	
<b>Hospitality</b>	Brian Winter Dorothy Gaab Dave Creurer Pat Wolensky	Judy & Mel VanBetuw Gordon Rutton Danette & Calvin Tracey	
<b>Counters</b>	Jeff & Mary Ann Flaaten, Frank & Bonnie Kaip		

## Stewardship of Time & Talent - July 29 & 30

	Saturday 5 PM	Sunday 10 AM	
<b>Readers</b>	Lloyd Zyla	Wendy Pitre	
<b>Eucharistic Ministers</b>	Rose Loos Kim Haupstein Mary Ann Piwarski	Marcel Bauche Yvonne Kerr Lynne Colquhoun Doreen Verbeurgt	
<b>Acolytes</b>	Bruno Tuchscherer Zeus Hinlayagan Charlie Ernst	Don Bohn Frank Porte	
<b>Power Point</b>	Roberto Roman	Gerry Langlois	
<b>Hospitality</b>	Bernice Driscoll Ev Corbin Heather Fellner Ruby Gandianco	Roseanne Mantei Betty Herlick Willie & Adele Nimegeers Audrey Michel	
<b>Counters</b>	Don Kraft, Bev Tourand, Demmy & Nhar Pinon		

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**Matrimony** – Contact the parish office at least 6 months prior

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