

the *Quill* and the *Cloth*

***“When He disembarked and saw the vast crowd, His heart was moved with pity for them, for they were like sheep without a shepherd.”***

**-St. Mark**



There is an “urban myth”, or should I say a “Church myth”, that Catholic priests work too hard. Now, if they are doing their job, their days are full. I have had already a number of people tell me that I need to “slow down”. Yet, when was the last time you read an obituary where it was reported that someone died from “working too hard”?

The Minnesota writer Carol Bly wrote years ago that we should see our energy as a muscle and that the more we use it, the stronger we become, rather than as a pool that is drained and then it is empty. It truly is a matter of perspective.

Medically speaking, there is a much greater health risk from sitting around and being inactive, than getting up and doing something. For that reason, while being at a desk is mental work, I do appreciate using my hands and doing physical work around the rectory and church.

As of late, my days off consist of physical work, painting, cleaning and doing errands. If I don’t have a medical appointment or a commitment with the family, I will always acquiesce to a family from the parish requesting a funeral on a Tuesday. Yet, because I do this, I am chastised by some of the clergy that I connect with. *“You need to take your day off. You are going to burn out!”* I suspect that if I have not burned out in 27 years, it probably is not going to happen.

I remember being in grade school when our pastor wrote in the parish bulletin that he would be starting to take a day off in our rural congregation of about 400 households. I remember my parents responding less than favorably to the idea as they both agreed that they had not had a day off to do as they pleased in years. (It didn’t seem to hurt them given their advancing years and remarkable health today.)

It has been said today, by some priests, that you know his “true” character when he is called up during the night to anoint a dying soul or if he is asked to perform a funeral or some act of pastoral charity on his “day off”.

Taking a day or some time off does seem to have its roots in the Sacred Scriptures. For, according to St. Mark, our Blessed Lord says to His apostles; *“Come away by yourselves to a deserted place and rest a while.”* So, this is exactly what the Lord and apostles do.

As the Lord is taking “time off”, the crowds continue to follow Him seeking His Good News as well as His cures

and counsel. St. Mark writes so BEAUTIFULLY the Good News of the mercy of the Messiah with those six words; *“... His heart was moved with pity”*.

Pope Francis has a relentless work schedule. The Pope believes in “working hard” too. The Holy Father has largely given up spending a portion of his time taking it easy at the papal summer residence of Castle Gondolpo that previous popes (since the 1600’s) have spent lengthy times at, away from the hustle and heat of Rome.

The Pope has opened a portion of this ancient palace for public touring for a fee. It is believed that the monies gained will go to take care of the needs of the poor who do not have the luxury of a summer residence. In 2014, Pope Francis did not even visit the papal summer residence once. When I saw Pope Francis a year ago in Rome, he looked to me both tired and even a bit stressed. It was not a bad look. It looked as one who was filled with faith and was on a mission to proclaim the Good News of the Mercy of Christ!

This Tuesday I will be taking a day off for a medical appointment and at the same time to do some parish errands in the Twin Cities and perhaps see a couple of friends. I like getting away, but the older I get, I believe more and more in that expression, “East, west, home is best”!

If someone tells you that you “look tired” when in charity you are taking care of your children/grandchildren, working hard to make a living for your family or doing charitable work, take it as a spiritual compliment. That tiredness is but another way to tell others of the Good News of the mercy of the Messiah through “YOU” and the hope of everlasting life. Have a “BUSY” week in the name of the Lord!

*Rev. Paul van de Crommert*  
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 Pastor

**THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK**

*“To love God you need three hearts in one – a heart of fire for Him, a heart of flesh for your neighbor, and a heart of bronze for yourself.”*

-St. Benedict Joseph Labre

**BULLETIN CHANGES!**

By now you may have noticed that we are performing some design changes to the cover of our parish bulletin. The design is a bit lighter last week than we intended. Our hope is that the color of ink will be changing as the liturgical seasons change from green to purple, etc. We are blessed with an Office Administrator (Elaine Wolf) who is so adept in working with design on the computer. We are putting out a beautiful bulletin and we have Elaine to credit with this reality. Anyone can write for a bulletin, but it takes someone special to put it all together and to make it all fit so nicely. Watch for future changes.

**STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE**

Adult	\$ 8,128.00
Electronic Giving	4,356.25
Junior	52.00
Plate	316.00
Peter's Pence Collection	20.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 12,872.25</b>
<b>+ Memorial Monies</b>	<b>100.00</b>
<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>\$ 12,972.25</b>

**STEWARDSHIP**

Happy Summer! It is pretty outstanding that our parish is taking in nearly \$13,000.00 in the midst of summer. I am being made out to be untruthful when I predicted a few weeks back that stewardship in the summer has a tendency to fall off substantially. Thank you for hanging in there in the months of summer when it comes to stewardship. Because of your generosity we closed the year in the "positive" as well as we are taking care of numerous repairs and updates. (Take a look downstairs if you have not already done so to see the work we did on our social hall.) It looks clean, fresh and BIG! Thank you for being such generous stewards during these months of another Minnesota summer. Thank you too for going to electronic giving. It makes a BIG difference to Holy Rosary!!!

**ON THE LIGHTER SIDE**

Someone recently came across this little article of a "light-hearted" and "down-to-earth" description of the Ten Commandments. (I would be happy if our students could summarize in religion classes the Ten Commandments in the proper order and this basic.) Here are the "Hillbilly Ten Commandments".



1. Jest one God
2. Mind yer Ma 'n' Pa
3. No tellin' tales or gossipin'
4. Git yerself to Sunday meetin'
5. Put nothing' before God
6. No foolin' around with another fella's gal
7. No killin'
8. Watch your mouth
9. Don't take what ain't yers
10. Don't be hankerin' fer yer buddy's stuff

**Now that's kind of plain an' simple, don't ya think?**

**RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS**

This week in the RE office, we have been busy fine-tuning the letter and registration forms. Look for them in the mail in the coming week. We are also looking for feedback in several areas including meeting times and adding kindergarten to the current 1 – 6 program. Your input is valuable! Our proposal is to have classes meet *every other week*. Grade school students would meet from 6:00 P.M. to 7:30 P.M. and high school students would meet on opposite weeks from 7:00 P.M. to 8:30 P.M. We are also proposing to add kindergarteners to our grade school program (as opposed to Sunday School). You can email or call me with your thoughts on our proposal!

We have also been discussing purchasing some new desks for our Religious Ed Program. Our current desks are not age appropriate for senior high students. We are looking at getting folding chairs with a tablet arm. These desks would be more portable and user friendly. The cost of each desk is \$30. If you would like to donate towards the purchase of the desks, we would welcome your donation! We will also be approaching several organizations for donations as well.

*-Cathy Neve, Director of Religious Education*

**NEW TO HOLY ROSARY?**

Are you new to Holy Rosary parish? We are glad that you are with us! All you need to do to register is to stop or call the parish office during office hours. Elaine, our Office Administrator, will be happy to help you. The registration takes only a couple minutes to fill out. For those of you that are registered and know of someone who is looking for a parish family, be an evangelizer and tell them how easy it was to join!



**SINCERE**  
**SYMPATHY**

To the family of **John Gag†**

*-May he rest in peace.*

**COME CELEBRATE**  
**MARK AND PAMELA WEINGARTZ'S**  
**"25TH WEDDING ANNIVERSARY"**

Saturday, August 1<sup>st</sup> from 4:00 pm to 9:00 pm

Loose Moose Saloon  
119 South Front Street, Mankato, MN. 56001

**THE WEEK AHEAD**

**Monday, July 20: Weekday**

8:05 am – Rosary  
8:30 am – Mass - Betty Kotthoff†

**Tuesday, July 21: Weekday**

7:00 am – Mass at Ss. Peter & Paul  
8:15 am – Mass at St. John the Baptist

**Wednesday, July 22: Saint Mary Magdalene**

7:00 am – Mass at Ss. Peter & Paul  
8:15 am – Mass at St. John the Baptist

**Winona Priests Deanery Picnic**  
- Madison Lake P.M. (Fr. Paul attends)

**Thursday, July 23: Weekday**

10:15 am – Mass at Pathstone (Fr. Paul)  
- Albin Hartung†  
4:30 pm – Loyola Board of Trustees Meeting  
- Good Counsel (Fr. Paul attends)  
7:30 pm – K of C Planning Meeting

**Friday, July 24: Weekday**

10:15 am – Mass at Monarch Meadows (Fr. Paul)  
- Eugene Yerhart†

**Saturday, July 25: Saint James, Apostle**

4:30 pm – Sacrament of Reconciliation  
4:30 pm – Rosary  
5:00 pm – Mass - Bob Frederick†

**Sunday, July 26: 17<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time**

7:30 am – Rosary  
8:00 am – Mass - Jan Brumm†  
9:30 am – Rosary  
10:00 am – Mass - People of the Parish



**SAVE THE DATE**

September 20, 2015 at 1:00 pm

Concert to Celebrate SSND 150 years in Mankato

**LOYOLA CATHOLIC SCHOOL  
JOB OPPORTUNITIES**

Loyola Catholic School is currently seeking candidates for the following teaching positions for the 2015/16 school year: Kindergarten teacher, part-time Intermediate Music (choir) teacher, and part-time with potential of full-time Preschool aid. For more information, visit Loyola's website: [www.loyolacatholicschool.org](http://www.loyolacatholicschool.org), About Us, Employment Opportunities or contact Casey Breen, [cbreen@loyolacatholicschool.org](mailto:cbreen@loyolacatholicschool.org)

**FR. ED ARDOLF ENDOWMENT FUND**

This fund is now at \$135,152.00. 85% of the earnings of this fund go to pay tuition at Loyola Catholic School for Holy Rosary families. Contributions to this fund may be dropped off at the parish office or sent to Amy at Loyola.

**JULY 25-26 LITURGICAL ROLES**

**Lectors**

5:00 pm: Eileen Wadekamper  
8:00 am: Linda Olson  
10:00 am: Tim McGowan

**Eucharistic Ministers**

5:00 pm: Karen Winters, Jordan Moore, Bev Linnes, Rebecca Gruenes, Mary Beth Nygaard, \*Jim Theuninck  
8:00 am: Jane Younge, Peter & Danielle Backes, Bernie Bastian, Arlyce Anderson, \*Margaret Ayers  
10:00 am: Curt & Donna Stanke, Marsha Murphy, Rick Gruber, Ryan Howe, \*Dennis Haga

**Altar Servers**

5:00 pm: Mitchell Bigaouette, Larkin Hansen, Anna Voracek (*Cross/Book/Bell*),  
8:00 am: Ben & Lauren Cahalan, Tony Weber  
10:00 am: Jacob Reynolds, Elias & Sheamus Westermann

**Presentation of Gifts**

5:00 pm: Kent & Marilyn Durenberger  
8:00 am: Mike Brumm Family  
10:00 am: Norah Dmytrasz Family

**Ushers**

5:00 pm: Steve Enderle, Gary Wintheiser, Kenneth & Patricia Thiele  
8:00 am: Chris Sturm, Bill Cahalan, Carl Steffensmeier, Paul Stevens  
10:00 am: Brent Friedrichs, Jim Barker, Scott & Brady Smith

**Music Ministry**

5:00 pm: Myra Schroepfer/Jeanne Makela  
8:00 am: Joe Kunkel/Jeanne Makela  
10:00 am: Lori Christiansen/Jeanne Makela

**Rosary Leaders**

5:00 pm: Eileen Wadekamper  
8:00 am: Sharon Lenz  
10:00 am: Donna Wolf

**Money Counters for July 2015:**

Arlyce Anderson, Jim Kirschbaum, Mary Coleman, Marie Bernardy, Helen Anderson

**Bulletin Folders for July 2015:**

Anne Frederick, Betty Rykhus, Dolores Portz

**K OF C COUNCIL #5551 NEWS**

July 23 - General Meeting  
August 13 - Planning Meeting  
August 22-23 - KC Softball Tournament



**LORD, HEAR OUR PRAYERS...**

**PRAYERS AND SUPPORT FOR ALL OF OUR SICK AND INJURED OF HOLY ROSARY PARISH**



Our prayers go out to all of the sick and injured in our parish who are at home, in the hospital, nursing homes or assisted-living residences. May God bless them and keep them under His guidance and protection!

**FOR THOSE WHO ARE ILL**

Daniel Crowley, Nancy Evans, Marilyn Rieff, Donna Peterson, Charlie & Juliette Shamp, Vi Suedbeck, Ruth Baker, Ruth Fitterer, Bruce Grausam, Kris Bachmann, Jane Keltgen, Isaac Kolstad, Rachel Tobin, Mary Jane Ledwein, Tom Grausam, Don Haley, Doris Lorentz, Bill Goettlicher, Lenore Sweers, Krystal Portz, Steve Fitterer, Nancy Marquardt, Gabriel Speckel, Shannon Murphy, Lisa LaPoint Leland, David Bruender, Marilyn Bastian, Susan Zenk

**FOR OUR FAMILIES**

**Monday** Andrew & Kayla Dickinson  
**Tuesday** No Mass  
**Wednesday** Margaret Fallenstein  
**Thursday** Margo Wheeler  
**Friday** Thomas & Betty Goettlicher  
**Saturday** Michael & Donna Fischer  
**Sunday** Matt & Rita Jones

**FOR THOSE IN THE MILITARY**

Nick Blace	Timothy Eick	Alex Ek
Jared Hiniker	Matt McGraw	Ben Barsness
Ann Winkler	Christopher Schmidt	Sean O’Dea
Dana Schiller	Jonathan Heintz	Daniel Fitterer
Mark Hansen	William Backes	Anna Drummer



**PRAYER CHAIN**

If you, or someone you know, would like to be included in our prayer chain, please call Karen Etzell, 387-7877.

**READINGS FOR THE WEEK**

**Mon:** Ex 14:5-18/Mt 12:38-42  
**Tues:** Ex 14:21—15:1/Mt 12:46-50  
**Wed:** Ex 16:1-5, 9-15 (397)/Jn 20:1-2, 11-18  
**Thurs:** Ex 19:1-2, 9-11, 16-20b/Mt 13:10-17  
**Fri:** Ex 20:1-17/Mt 13:18-23  
**Sat:** 2 Cor 4:7-15/Mt 20:20-28  
**Sun:** 2 Kgs 4:42-44/Eph 4:1-6/Jn 6:1-15

**STEWARDSHIP CORNER**

Diocesan United Fund (D.U.F.) Diocesan Priest Pension Fund/ Medical, Care Comp Ins, and Priest Care Fund:	
DUE:	\$ 53,956.79
Pd. to Date:	\$ 0.00
Annual Diocesan Ministries Appeal (D.M.A.):	
DUE:	\$ TBA
Rec'd. to Date:	\$ 0.00
Loyola Catholic School "Investment":	
DUE:	\$ TBA
Pd. to Date:	\$ 0.00
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Partial Assessments 2015-2016:	\$ 53,956.79
Total Paid to Date 2015-2016:	\$ 0.00
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 **LOYOLA CATHOLIC SCHOOL NEWS**

Loyola Elementary is pleased to announce exciting changes for the upcoming school year!

~Incoming fourth graders will be moving to classrooms on the Good Counsel Campus

~Our current grade 7-12 Spanish program will be expanded to include classes for students in Kindergarten-grade 6.

~Loyola is adding a full-time resource teacher in the elementary school

~Loyola’s SMART program (Stimulating Maturity through Advanced Readiness Training) will be revitalized for PS-grade 3

These changes and additions will further enhance our atmosphere which nurtures Faith, challenges students’ full potential, and instills the confidence to lead and serve!

~Grade 6 students will be incorporated into junior high class offerings and schedules

~Grade 5 students will be incorporated into Student Council, Builder’s Club and other activities that enhance leadership and service skills

~Loyola will continue to challenge high school students with AP and PSEO class offerings

~Loyola is beginning a Positive Leadership Council for high school students, inspiring them to become a community of leaders and helping them to see the impact of their leadership.

God has a dreams for your student...and so do we! Imagine how dreams can come true in an atmosphere which nurtures Faith, challenges toward full potential, and instills the confidence to lead and serve...

For information about enrollment or to schedule a tour/visit, please contact Sister Mary Beth at 507.388.0618 or 507.388.0615 or email [mbschraml@loyolacatholicschool.org](mailto:mbschraml@loyolacatholicschool.org)