

SUNDAY COLLECTIONS

July 10	\$972
July 17	\$1,029

MASS SCHEDULE

<i>THE SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME</i>		
Sat. July 23	5:00 PM	For Special Intentions of Jim & Connie Fuehner
Sun. July 24	9:00 AM	For the Living and Dead People of Our Parish
Mon. July 25		NO MASS-FATHER AWAY
Tue. July 26		NO MASS-FATHER AWAY
Wed. July 27		NO MASS-FATHER AWAY (NO ADORATION THIS WEEK)
Thur. July 28		NO MASS-FATHER AWAY
Fri. July 29		NO MASS-FATHER AWAY
<i>THE EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME</i>		
Sat. July 30	5:00 PM	For †Hugh and Helen Kloentrup
Sat. July 31	9:00 AM	For †Ellarie Glenn

PRAYER LIST—Jerry & Eileen Ehlman, Sherri Moffett, Charles Taylor, Mary Louise Cross, Chris Rauf, Katie Davis, Barry Bergman, Andrew Lauck, Bradley Franzen, Pam Babbington, Dave Kordenbrock, Kate & Colton Sherold, Karen Reilly, Emmitt Thomas, Jeff who is suffering from Meniere’s disease, Brian Buckingham, Tony Bach, John Jackson, Hank Bond, Hudson Feinauer, Bobby Jo Glenn, Mike and Bill Lemming, Dave Neuspickel, Kambie Perkins, Jim Happe, and Andy Sper.

BIRTHDAYS– July 1-Louis Cooper, July 2-Bernie Rawe, July 8-Fr. Jacob, July 10-Addelynn Hummel, July 12-Emerson Rawe, July 15-Jimmy Baker, July 16-Dennis Baker, July 16– Tristan Feinauer, July 17-Chris Fryman, July 17-Macy Feinauer, July 24-Kevin Cooper, July 25-Warren Richardson, July 27-Mary Jo Schmiade, July 27-Tony Fariello, July 28-Darlene Schutte.

ANNIVERSARY-July 1-Brad and Meggy Cooper, July 12-Richard and Marian Messenschlager, July 14-Jesse and Lindsay Rawe, July 28-Bill & Rita Funke; July 31-Cliff & Terri Straub

Please send any requests for prayers or memorials to the parish email or call to make a request. If you birthday or anniversary is not listed, let Linda know.



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Worship Schedule:

Saturdays – 5:00 PM

Sundays – 9:00 AM

Weekdays – 8:00 AM (please check each week’s schedule)

Confession Times:

Saturdays – 4:00-4:50 PM

Sundays – 8:00-8:50 AM

Parish Staff and Volunteers

Religious Education – Roseanne Rawe (859) 635-1572

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THE SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

JULY 24

PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

DPAA- Our parish goal this year is \$11,300. As of July 23, our pledge totals have reached \$8,840. If you cannot pledge now, you are always welcome to send in donations on a per-month basis through the parish collection basket (be sure they're marked for DPAA). God Bless Each and Every one of our Donors.

FESTIVAL— Our next meeting is Thursday, Aug. 4 at 7 PM. It is time to begin finding sponsors and bringing in silent auction and Dollar auction items. Please bring only new or like new items. Ask your local merchants for items for the auctions. We will also begin bringing in two liters and grocery items for baskets soon, Please let Linda or Father know if you are going to be able to work and what your preference is. Tickets to sell are in. Please take some and sign them out. Thank you.

WEDDING ANNIVERSARY VESPERS—Bishop Iffert will celebrate Vespers at the Cathedral to honor couples celebrating significant wedding anniversaries in 2022. Married couples celebrating their 1st, 25th, 50th, or 60+ wedding anniversary in 2022 are invited to the celebrations on Sunday, Oct. 2, 2022, at 3 PM. Anniversary couples should RSVP at covdio.org/wedding-vespers/ or contact Lisa Taylor at 859-392-1533 to register. Reservations are required for anniversary couples; family members and guests are welcome to attend.

CLEANING EVENT—Save the date of **Sept. 10** to come and help with pre-festival cleaning. We need to clean the kitchen, eating area and the garage. Plus we are hoping we can get the porch ceiling painted that day as well. We will have donuts in the morning and pizza if we are still there at lunch time.

LECTOR— July 24-Linda Fryman, July 31-Bernie Rawe, August 7-Kathy Bach

CLEANING TEAM— July 31-Chris and Linda

FROM THE PASTOR—MODESTY & CHURCH VEILING

To conclude this series of articles on modesty, I would like to address a practice that has reemerged in recent years within Catholic circles: the practice of women veiling while in church. You will notice this right away if you attend a traditional Latin Mass, but I have seen this practice enter into other churches as well. I had students at Thomas More ask about it and begin to do it, and it seems to be of great interest to younger generations. We can see this practice in a sense coming from the practice of modesty, but there is more to it than just modesty. Let us look into a little of the history and understanding of veiling to see its significance and practice.

The traditional biblical text for understanding the veiling of women in church is 1 Cor. 11, where St. Paul cites the Jewish custom of women veiling at worship and states that Christian women should do the same. Women already veiled not only in Jewish society but also in most European societies, so the practice was not uncommon or unfamiliar. This tradition of veiling in church remained a steadfast part of the faith until the late 1960s with the rise of movements against traditional femininity and womanhood. But a resurgence does seem to be occurring in small ways.

The link between modesty and church veiling begins with remembering the main reason we are at church, or rather the main Person: God. It cannot be doubted that women are the more beautiful gender of the human race and that this is to their praise, not to their detriment. To veil oneself is a sign of respect and reverence to God who is not only the source of that beauty but also the most beautiful one in all existence. Nothing should distract us from our attention and prayer while we are in the presence of God.

The veil is also a symbol of the uniquely feminine ability of being the source of life for all, and this can be compared to the tabernacle veiled in the sanctuary. A veil is placed over the tabernacle not merely for reminding us of the liturgical seasons but as a reminder of the presence of God, in this case the very Real Presence of Jesus Christ in the Eucharist reposed and held within the tabernacle. The woman is able to be a tabernacle in the sense of bearing life in their womb, just as the tabernacle bears the Bread of Life within it. We see this most perfectly in Mary who was the first tabernacle but a living one bearing God in her virginal womb. The veil then marks this trait that only women can exercise in relation to Christ, which is why traditionally religious sisters and nuns perpetually wore veils after they made their vows.

The church veil can also serve to declutter our muddled modern mindset concerning sex and gender. With the increasing promotion of the transgender movement comes a degradation of what it means to be male or female, along with receiving that gift of one's identity from God. Men and women are different, not better or worse than the other. In Christ we are one but we are still what God created us to be, both body and soul. We must reject the culture which not only denies these differences but seeks to say that one can redefine oneself whenever and for whatever reason. A woman veiled before God is a silent witness of the goodness of womanhood and reverence towards God who has given that gift to those whom He has chosen from before time.

I will certainly not mandate a return of this tradition, but you are welcome to practice it as you see fit. Remember above all to do it (as you should do all that we have discussed) not for your own glory but for the praise of God and the salvation of your soul. Let us humble ourselves before God both inside and outside of church so that we may be worthy to see Him unveiled before us in eternal life.

Fr. Jacob Straub