

### SUNDAY COLLECTIONS

June 26	\$1,251
Peter's Pence	\$338

### MASS SCHEDULE

THE FOURTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME		
Sat. July 2	5:00 PM	For †Ann Rieckhoff
Sun. July 3	9:00 AM	For The Living and Deceased People of our Parish
Mon. July 4	8:00 AM	For †Dinger/Sonny Long
Tue. July 5	8:00 AM	For †Tom Wilson
Wed. July 6		NO MASS [NO ADORATION OR CONFESSIONS]
Thur. July 7		NO MASS
Fri. July 8		NO MASS
THE FIFTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME		
Sat. July 9	5:00 PM	For †George Bach
Sat. July 10	9:00 AM	For †Erman Long

**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, and Andy Sper.

**BIRTHDAYS**— July 1-Louis Cooper, July 2-Bernie Rawe, July 8-Fr. Jacob, July 12-Emerson Rawe, 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 28-Darlene Schutte.

**ANNIVERSARY**-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

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## THE FOURTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

JULY 3

### PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

**DPAA**—The 2022 DPAA is now underway. Our parish goal this year is \$11,300. As of May 31, our pledge totals has reached \$7,045. 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.

**NEEDED: SUNDAY SCHOOL TEACHERS IN THE FALL**—St. Matthew is in need of Sunday School teachers. Is this for you? Please pray about it and speak with Fr. Straub or Rosanne Rawe with any questions or a willingness to help.

**FESTIVAL**— It is time to begin finding sponsors and bringing in silent auction and Chinese 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. 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 [covidio.org/wedding-vespers/](https://covidio.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.

**LECTOR**— July 3—Julie Feinauer July 10-Lisa Cooper, July 17-Bill Funke

**CLEANING TEAM**— July 3-Penny and Patty.

*Pray for our nation!  
May America bless God!*



### FROM THE PASTOR—MODESTY: AN INTRODUCTION

With the brunt of summer beginning to fall upon us comes the adjustment in our outerwear. We may more often than not consider our garments only in regards to the weather and the occasion which is coming up, yet we should reflect more on the importance of what we wear and even how we wear it so as to uphold ourselves before God and before others. The external reflects the internal, as the saying goes. We should reflect on our outer appearance and behavior and whether they comport with Christ who lived humbly and simply while personally present in the world and called us to do the same.

The practice of moderation in dress and behavior is known as modesty in traditional Catholic morality. This practice is seen as a virtue (a habitual practice which leads us to the good) because it builds up or flows from other virtues, specifically humility and temperance. We should start our reflection on modesty by considering the words of Jesus in regards to modesty in dress:

“Therefore I tell you, do not be anxious about your life, what you shall eat or what you shall drink, nor about your body, what you shall put on. Is not life more than food, and the body more than clothing?...And why are you anxious about clothing? Consider the lilies of the field, how they grow; they neither toil nor spin; yet I tell you, even Solomon in all his glory was not clothed like one of these. But if God so clothes the grass of the field, which today is alive and tomorrow is thrown into the oven, will he not much more clothe you, O you of little faith? Therefore do not be anxious, saying, ‘What shall we eat?’ or ‘What shall we drink?’ or ‘What shall we wear?’ For the Gentiles seek all these things; and your heavenly Father knows that you need them all. But seek first his kingdom and his righteousness, and all these things shall be yours as well.” (Matthew 6:25, 28-33)

How often we can be consumed with concern over what to wear, with fitting in to societal standards or wanting to look our best, when God has already crowned creation with such great dignity within itself. Hence, the virtue of modesty in the practice of our faith is to temper this attitude and redirect it so that we may be more concerned with pursuing the kingdom of God rather than pleasing men.

All of us are called to practice modesty not only to give up prideful displays but also as a sign of respect towards ourselves and our dignity as children of God. We can consider this in a negative way in remembering our first parents: Adam and Eve were originally naked and unashamed in the garden until after the Fall which clouded their judgment with sin, thus leading to their hiding in shame before God and even before each other. With the original sin came the loss of the proper balance in our moral thinking, which led to God clothing our ancient parents due to their sin (cf. Gen 3). We cover ourselves because we are sinful creatures who lack the tact and reserve to respect the bodies of others without falling to sin.

But we should also see it in a positive way, in that modesty permits us not only to avoid sin but establishes a sign of dignity towards ourselves and others. Not everything is meant to be revealed or paraded around. We dress and act in a modest manner because we are not meant to be the center of attention but to point others to Christ. Let us be open to the virtue God calls us to practice and to emulate the words of Saint Paul to clothe ourselves in Christ (Romans 13:14) so that His glory may shine through us. Let us not give in to the lustful ways of the world but conduct ourselves worthily so that we may be clothed in glory forever with Christ.

*Fr. Jacob Straub*