



### Church Staff

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### Mass Intentions

June 20th: Parishioners of St Andrew  
and St Regina  
June 21st: Virginia Amrhein +  
by Chuck & Kathy Amrhein  
June 28th: Parishioners of St Andrew  
and St Regine

### Liturgical Ministers

**June 28, 2020**  
**Lectors** — Lois Freeland  
**Gift Bearers** —  
**Eucharistic Ministers** —  
**Sacristans** — Mary Alyce Fiechtl  
**Altar Linens** — Eleanor Michie, Khuyen  
Segerson  
**Ushers** — Men of the Parish

## Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time June 21, 2020

Sing to the Lord, praise the Lord,  
for he has rescued the life of the poor.

— Jeremiah 20:13

### ENTHUSIASM AND GRAMMAR

There is a good reason that the writings of St. Paul don't show up as examples in grammar textbooks. Today's reading is a case in point. It begins with one of those long Pauline run on sentences that leave lectors gasping for breath. So what? Take a closer look at how Paul's fervor for his subject matter derails the grammar. There is something admirable about being so caught up in his convictions that the words cannot come fast enough to express them, much less in an orderly fashion. Scripture scholars usually take this grammatical ineptness as a sign of a passage's early importance in the Christian community, something they were so ardent about that their language never got refined.

What leaves us in this condition? Re-telling the plot line of an action movie or the play-by-play of a sporting event? When was the last time any of us was so excited by our faith in Christ that we were left grasping for words, stumbling over our own errors in speech? It may be bad grammar, but it is an excellent way to inspire others with the message of Christ!

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### TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

In the tradition of the Church, not necessarily in your own life's timeline, confirmation is the midpoint of Christian initiation, standing between font and table. Full initiation is completed when a confirmed person shares in the Eucharist. Centuries ago, this first sharing in the eucharistic assembly was marked by a first sharing in the Prayer of the Faithful. This prayer raises up the needs of the church and human community, the concerns of the faithful assembled, as they prepare to lift up the world to the Father's love. So a person could not participate in the prayer until they were anointed with the "Oil of Thanksgiving." Next, the newly baptized presented their gifts at the altar, a sure sign of their investment a new way of life. Until the sixth century, these people normally drank a mixture of milk and honey as a kind of pre-Communion. They were hungry, of course, since they were baptized hungry after long fasting, but this beautiful symbol of the promised land revealed them as God's chosen, heirs to the promise. Although the "milk shake" disappeared centuries ago, we still see the vigor of this new life whenever adults are initiated at Easter, and increasingly in confirmation ceremonies that are attentive to this meaning.

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### WEEKLY OFFERING

June 14th  
Budget \$2100  
Actual \$428  
Bldg. 0  
Short \$1672

### TODAY'S READINGS FOR YEAR A

**First Reading** — The LORD has rescued the poor from the clutches of the wicked (Jeremiah 20:10-13).

**Psalm** — Lord, in your great love, answer me (Psalm 69).

**Second Reading** — The grace of God overflows for all (Romans 5:12-15).

**Gospel** — All who acknowledge Jesus before others will likewise be acknowledged by Jesus before the Father (Matthew 10:26-33).

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### REMEMBER IN PRAYER

#### Parishioners

Grant Adams, Joe Bobak, Ken Frankociak,  
Joyce Franckowiak, Ethel Huffman,  
MaryAnn Maness, Jean Stevens

#### Relatives

Kelli Blankenship, Thomas Blankenship, Austin  
Ernst, Emily Ernst, Jackie Donnett, Andrew Grower,  
Christine Hart and the twin boys Benjamin and  
Theodore, Nicholas Kirkpatrick, Jenny Moore,  
Andrew Morlan, Yu Youn Suk

#### Friends

Emma Cupples, Fr Robert Ponticello

### Co-Ordinator of Student Activities

This volunteer position would work with our DRE, Lois Freeland. Some of the activities from previous years were: Breakfast with Santa, the Christmas Pageant, Movie and Pizza Night, End of Year Swim Party, and other fund raisers or activities.

Please let the office or Lois Freeland know if you are interested in this position.

### Annual Catholic Appeal

Our Goal is **\$8,000** and 100% Participation  
of our 53 registered Families

54.72% Participation  
\$6910 Pledged  
which is 86.38% of goal

### READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: 2 Kgs 17:5-8, 13-15a, 18; Ps 60:3-5, 12-13;  
Mt 7:1-5  
Tuesday: 2 Kgs 19:9b-11, 14-21, 31-35a, 36;  
Ps 48:2-4, 10-11; Mt 7:6, 12-14  
Wednesday: Vigil: Jer 1:4-10; Ps 71:1-6, 15, 17;  
1 Pt 1:8-12; Lk 1:5-17  
Day: Is 49:1-6; Ps 139:1-3, 13-15;  
Acts 13:22-26; Lk 1:57-66, 80  
Thursday: 2 Kgs 24:8-17; Ps 79:1b-5, 8-9; Mt 7:21-29  
Friday: 2 Kgs 25:1-12; Ps 137:1-6; Mt 8:1-4  
Saturday: Lam 2:2, 10-14, 18-19; Ps 74:1b-7, 20-21;  
Mt 8:5-17  
Sunday: 2 Kgs 4:8-11, 14-16a; Ps 89:2-3, 16-19;  
Rom 6:3-4, 8-11; Mt 10:37-42



### Mass Schedule

**Monday:** 11:30 am  
**Wednesday:** 11:30 am  
**Thursday:** 9:00 am  
**Friday:** 11:30 am  
**Vigil on Saturday:** 4:30 pm  
**Sunday:** 9:00 am

### FATHERHOOD

When a father gives to his son, both  
laugh; when a son gives to his father, both  
cry.

—William Shakespeare

### WHAT WE LOVE

We cannot help conforming ourselves  
to what we love.

—St. Francis de Sales

### Coming Events

The office will be closed Friday.

### SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time;  
Father's Day  
Monday: St. Paulinus of Nola;  
Ss. John Fisher and Thomas More  
Wednesday: The Nativity of St. John the Baptist  
Saturday: St. Cyril of Alexandria;  
Blessed Virgin Mary