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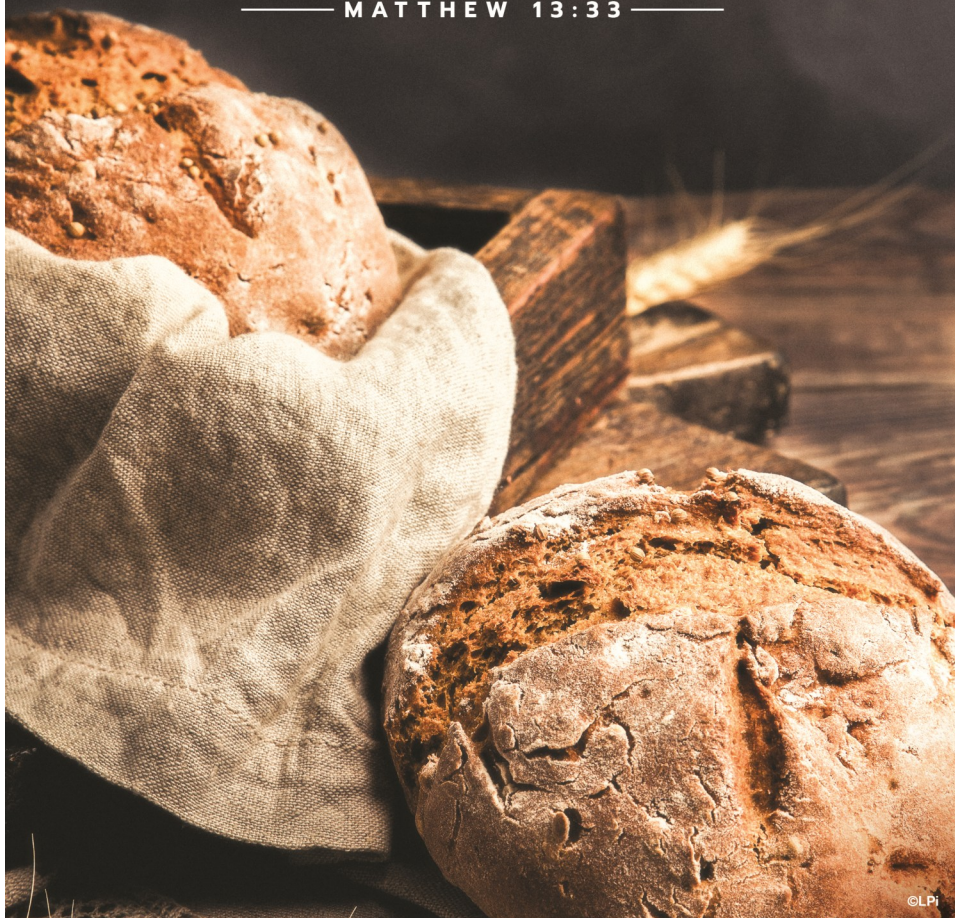


MEMBERS OF NORTHWEST MILWAUKEE CATHOLIC PARISHES

SIXTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

## THE WHOLE BATCH WAS LEAVENED.

— MATTHEW 13:33 —



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JULY 19, 2026 | SIXTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

## Bulletin Deadline Changes

| Weekend      | Deadline, 10:00AM |
|--------------|-------------------|
| August 1-2   | July 23           |
| August 8-9   | July 30           |
| August 15-16 | August 3          |

## Pictorial directory update

As you know, the Archdiocese has changed the date of the merger of our three parishes to January 1, 2027. One of the many things impacted by that delay is that the publication of our pictorial directory will be moved to early 2027. This directory will be the first pictorial directory of our new united parish, and everyone in the directory will be listed as charter members.

We have scheduled an additional day of photography sessions for anyone who is new to the parish, missed the previous sessions, or had a change in the household that would require a new photo. The session is on Tuesday, September 29, from 2:00 to 8:30PM at StB. To register for a time slot, go to [ucdir.com](http://ucdir.com) and click on the Photography Session Sign-up button. Enter our Church Code *wi398* and Church Password *photos* or call your parish office.

## Prayer for Summer

O God,  
Pour Your blessing upon these summer months of sun and clouds, flowers and growth. In this season of cultivation, cultivate us as we worship, work, play, and rest in You. May this season, and all the others, serve to draw us closer to You. Amen. ©LPi



*St. Bernadette:* Anita Apazeller, Anonymous Special Intention, Mia Berger, Holly Biersack, Ella Enger, Guy Gromala, Lois Hermann, Marge Hoffman, Irene Mumm, Lenard Mumm, Carol Valla, and Ann Washnesky

*St. Catherine of Alexandria:* Anonymous, Leslie Christofferson, Patrick Christofferson, Corrinne Coffey, Sandra Coffey, Joanne Collins, Maureen Conaty, Winnifred Glasshof, Bruce Nead, Kathy Nead, Amanda Nunez, Liz Oke, Becky Parr, Barbara Schuetz, and Weston J. Welcenbach

*Our Lady of Good Hope:* Anonymous, Jane Kirst, Dennis Sobiech, Paul Sobiech, Bernadette Timm, and Eric Timm

## Adult formation on FORMED

Deepen your relationship with God to know Him better.

July 19 ~ The Bible Collection: Paul the Apostle  
<https://app.formed.org/app/videos/653125>

## FORMED for families with children

Teach your children about our Catholic faith.

July 19 ~ The Mark 10 Mission: Do Not Be Anxious  
<https://app.formed.org/app/videos/4077706?cid=1496885>

## Volunteer for bingo

Weekly bingo nights are a vital fundraiser and a wonderful way to bring our community together. To keep this important tradition running smoothly, we are in need of additional volunteers to work generally once a month.

We are especially looking for help in the following areas:  
Floor walkers    Kitchen workers    Bar workers  
Callers            Supervisors

Even a small commitment of time makes a big difference. Bingo not only supports us financially, but also strengthens fellowship and connection within our community.

Please consider joining our volunteer team. For more information or to volunteer, contact Mary at 414-460-5485 or [kucharsk\\_dale@att.net](mailto:kucharsk_dale@att.net).

## A note of gratitude from Fr. Mark

Dear parish family,  
I want to extend my deepest gratitude to each of you for the outpouring of prayers, well wishes, cards, and kind words during my recent open-heart surgery and recovery at St. Luke's Hospital. Your love and support have meant more to me than words can express, and I truly believe your prayers played a part in my healing.

I am happy to report that I am doing very well since the surgery. I am currently attending rehabilitation sessions on Mondays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays to build my strength, and I look forward to resuming my full schedule soon. God willing, I hope to return to celebrating Mass with you again very soon.

Please know that your kindness during this time has been a true blessing, and I carry each of you in my prayers as I continue on this road to recovery.

With gratitude and blessings,  
Fr. Mark

### Archdiocesan donations

When making donations to Archdiocesan causes, such as the Catholic Stewardship Appeal, Combined Collections, or Love One Another, **please send the checks directly to the Archdiocese** in the envelopes they provide.

*Please do not return them to the parish office.*

Thank you!

### Gospel Reflection

In today's Gospel, Jesus tells us that the kingdom of heaven is like a farmer who lets weeds and wheat grow together until the harvest, trusting that uprooting too soon would harm the good grain along with the bad. This is a hard teaching for us, because we would often rather judge and separate now than wait. Yet Jesus reminds us that only God sees clearly enough to distinguish weeds from wheat, and only God's timing is truly just. The parables of the mustard seed and the yeast that follow remind us that God's kingdom often grows quietly, hidden within the ordinary soil of our daily lives, until it surprises us with its fullness. Perhaps this week we are invited to look at the "weeds" in our own hearts and in the people around us with more patience than judgment. Growth, both ours and others', rarely happens on our timetable. Instead of pulling up what looks imperfect, we are called to tend the field with hope, trusting the harvest to God. May we plant small seeds of faith today and trust that God is at work, even when we cannot yet see the fruit.

~ Blessings, Fr. Mark

### Thank you to StB from Catholic Ecology Center

Dear St. Bernadette Congregation,

Thank you for your continued support of Laudato Si' Project and the Catholic Ecology Center. Your contribution will enable us to deepen faith and foster a stewardship ethic through hands-on encounters with the natural world.

Sincerely,  
MaryGrace Thompson, Educator

### Eucharistic Adoration

July 21, 2:50-3:50PM at StB  
August 6, 10:50-11:50AM at StCA  
August 15, 2:50-3:50PM at OLGH

### Congratulations to our StB Calendar Raffle winners

|          |                     |
|----------|---------------------|
| 07/08/26 | Dawn Bacon          |
| 07/09/26 | Tom Reiter          |
| 07/10/26 | Lisa Thomas         |
| 07/11/26 | Tom Schwalbach      |
| 07/12/26 | Jonathan Stroik     |
| 07/13/26 | Ginny McFadden      |
| 07/14/26 | Cathy Walker-Harris |

### Congratulations to our StCA Calendar Raffle winners

|          |                       |
|----------|-----------------------|
| 07/08/26 | Bertrand Simpson, Jr. |
| 07/09/26 | Geoff Gilles          |
| 07/10/26 | Christian Puckhaber   |
| 07/11/26 | Sabrina Weber         |
| 07/12/26 | Kathy Weber           |
| 07/13/26 | Holly Commodore       |
| 07/14/26 | Gerry Gilles          |



Because of vacation days during the summer, the parish offices might not always be open at the regular times. It would be best to call before your visit to be sure that someone is available.

#### Please note:

The parish offices will be closed all Fridays during the month of July, unless arrangements are made with the pastoral staff for appointments/meetings.

### Catholic trivia

*Question:* When bishops from around the world gather in council to make decisions for the Universal Church, what is the council called?

*Answer:* An Ecumenical Council

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### StB rummage sale thank you

Heartfelt thanks go out to all who helped make the rummage sale a success:

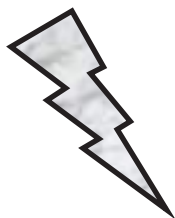
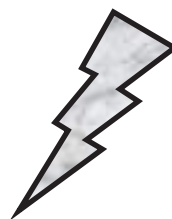
- Donors of all the items that overflowed our parish tables
- Volunteers who gave countless hours, especially in preparation for the event
- Vendors who rented tables to sell their items
- Everyone who came to shop

It was a wonderful team effort!

*"Consult not your fears, but your hopes and dreams. Think not about your frustrations, but about your unfulfilled potential. Concern yourself not with what you tried and failed in, but with what it is still possible for you to do." ~ Pope Saint John XXIII*

## Lightning strike at StCA

The steeple at StCA took a direct lightning hit when thunderstorms rolled through the area in the early morning hours of July 2. As well as the steeple, some electronic equipment and the air conditioning system in the church were also damaged. We are in the process of opening a claim with our insurance carrier so we can begin repairs.



This breathtaking view is usually one only the birds get to see.

Thank you to our volunteer drone operator for helping us see the rooftops to determine where the lightning strike occurred.

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## Thank you to StB from Women's Care Center

Dear friends,

We are incredibly grateful for your generous gift to the Women's Care Center of Milwaukee. Your recent donation helps ensure that expecting mothers have access to essential support and services that strengthen their well-being during pregnancy and empower them to thrive as nurturing, self-sufficient parents.

With your support, Women's Care Center has already provided over 6,000 services to women this year. In April alone, we provided a record-breaking 262 ultrasounds to women in need.

We kindly ask for your continued friendship and prayers as we carry out our life-affirming mission to empower women to embrace their dignity and live with strength and purpose. Thank you for helping us walk alongside women at every step—supporting them as they choose life, build strong families, and transform communities.

With appreciation,  
Sheryl Laird, Executive Director

## Schedule of Masses & Intentions

**Sunday, July 19, 2026: 16th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

8:30AM FA at StCA

10:30AM FA at StB: †Erich Stapelfeldt & daughter Lynn

**Monday, July 20, 2026: St. Apollinaris**

No Mass

**Tuesday, July 21, 2026: St. Lawrence of Brindisi**

4:00PM MB at StB: †Peter Govern

**Wednesday, July 22, 2026: St. Mary Magdalene**

No Mass

**Thursday, July 23, 2026: St. Bridget**

12:00PM MB at StCA

**Friday, July 24, 2026: St. Sharbel Makhlūf**

No Mass

**Saturday, July 25, 2026: St. James**

3:00PM Sacrament of Reconciliation at OLGH

4:00PM MB at OLGH

**Sunday, July 26, 2026: 17th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

8:30AM MB at StCA

9:00AM RM at StB (Hmong): †Rogelio & Olivia Castro

10:30AM MB at StB: †JoAnn Nigro

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|---------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------|
| MB = Fr. Mike Barrett                                         | FA = Fr. Francis Assisi |
| AJ = Fr. Alan Jurkus                                          | RM = Fr. Roman Mueller  |
| FATP = For all the parishioners of StB, BIS, StCA, StMM, OLGH |                         |

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## This Week at Our Parishes

**Sunday, July 19, 2026**

- Bible study: Gospel of Matthew, after Mass at StCA-GR
- Facilities tour, after Mass at StB
- Bingo, 5:00/6:00/7:00PM at StB-cafeteria

**Monday, July 20, 2026**

- Advanced tai chi, 9:30AM at OLGH-NH
- July 26th bulletin announcement deadline, 10:00AM
- Beginner tai chi, 11:00AM at OLGH-NH

**Tuesday, July 21, 2026**

- Preparing bag lunches for the homeless, 9:00AM at StB-LMR
- StB facilities tour, 2:00PM at StB
- Adoration and rosary, 2:50PM at StB

**Wednesday, July 22, 2026**

- Intermediate tai chi, 9:00AM at OLGH-NH
- Seated tai chi, 10:30AM at OLGH-NH

**Thursday, July 23, 2026**

- August 2nd bulletin announcement deadline, 10:00AM
- Pulpit announcement deadline, 12:00PM

**Friday, July 24, 2026**

- Parish offices closed
- StVdP food pantry open, 9:00AM-12:00PM at StCA

**Saturday, July 25, 2026**

- Anointing of the sick, after Mass at OLGH

**Sunday, July 26, 2026**

- Anointing of the sick, after Masses at StCA & StB
- Bible study: Gospel of Matthew, after Mass at StCA-GR
- New member registration, after Masses at StB-cafeteria
- Bingo, 5:00/6:00/7:00PM at StB-cafeteria

## Readings for the Week of July 19, 2026

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|--------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Sunday:      | Wis 12:13, 16-19/Ps 86:5-6, 9-10, 15-16/<br>Rom 8:26-27/Mt 13:24-43       |
| Monday:      | Mi 6:1-4, 6-8/Ps 50:5-6, 8-9, 16bc-17, 21 and 23/<br>Mt 12:38-42          |
| Tuesday:     | Mi 7:14-15, 18-20/Ps 85:2-4, 5-8/Mt 12:46-50                              |
| Wednesday:   | Sg 3:1-4b or 2 Cor 5:14-17Ps 63:2, 3-6, 8-9/<br>Jn 20:1-2, 11-18          |
| Thursday:    | Jer 2:1-3, 7-8, 12-13/Ps 36:6-7ab, 8-11/Mt 13:10-17                       |
| Friday:      | Jer 3:14-17/Jer 31:10-12ab, 13/Mt 13:18-23                                |
| Saturday:    | 2 Cor 4:7-15/Ps 126:1bc-6/Mt 20:20-28                                     |
| Next Sunday: | 1 Kgs 3:5, 7-12/Ps 119:57, 72, 76-77, 127-130/<br>Rom 8:28-30/Mt 13:44-52 |

