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### Reading tutors needed at NWCS

The Northwest Catholic School Happy Readers Program is seeking caring adults to serve as volunteer reading tutors for the coming school year. No experience is necessary. If you enjoy working with children and are looking for a way to make a lasting difference in a child's life, this could be the perfect volunteer opportunity. Each tutor gives two hours a week and works one-on-one with the same students throughout the school year so meaningful relationships can develop. Training, materials, and staff give tutors the support they need to succeed. If you have any questions, please contact Mary Beth Driscoll at mbdathome@gmail.com. If you would like to learn more, or to register, please go to https://tinyurl.com/SetonHappyReadersFall25.

# New member registration and blood pressure screening at OLGH on hold

There will be no new member registration or blood pressure screening at OLGH in June and July. We will resume on Saturday, August 23, after the 4:00PM Mass. If you would like to register with the parish before August, please contact Margaret Thorn in the OLGH office at 414-352-1148. Anyone who feels the need to have his or her blood pressure checked before August, please contact Peg or Mike Harloff at church.



### Catholic trivia

Question: What is the instrument used to sprinkle holy

water on the congregation during Mass called?

Answer: The aspergillum



St. Bernadette: All those on the long-term prayer list in the Book of Assembly Prayer and posted in the gathering area

St. Catherine of Alexandria: Kay Thompson, and all those on the long-term prayer list posted at the back of church

Our Lady of Good Hope: Jane Kirst, Marie Lore, and all those on the long-term prayer list posted at the back of church



Because of vacation days, 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.

#### Adult formation on FORMED

Deepen your relationship with God to know Him better.

June 29 ~ The Wild Goose with Fr. Dave Pivonka Breath of God: https://watch.formed.org/the-wild-goose -with-fr-dave-pivonka/season:1/videos/breath-of-god

### FORMED for families with children

Teach your children about our Catholic faith.

June 29 ~ Extraordinary Stories for Children Let's Celebrate: https://watch.formed.org/extraordinarystories-for-children/season:1/videos/let-s-celebrate



Walk with the saints this summer—faith-filled stories for the whole family on Forme



#### What is Summer with the Saints?

- Every week of summer (beginning of June to end of August), receive an email containing a Formed video pertaining to a saint from that week.
- Two options to opt-in to: Adults and Kids
- Each week's email will include activity suggestions for families to help them apply what they've watched, keeping the summer both fun and faith-filled.



For more information, visit: Formed.org/Summer-with-the-Saints

#### What is Formed?

Formed guides Catholics and those they evangelize to a fully Catholic life through faith-informed content. As a faithful authority and helpful guide, which draws people closer to Christ, the Formed platform provides a captivating experience that is comprehensive, customizable, educates, and moves with you wherever you are in your Faith journey.



Not on Formed yet? Head to <u>Formed.org</u> to sign up with your parish account.





#### **Eucharistic Adoration**

July 3, 10:50-11:50AM at StCA July 15, 2:50-3:50PM at StB July 19, 2:50-3:50PM at OLGH

## A heartfelt thank you from Fr. Greg

As I leave our beloved Northwest Milwaukee Catholic Parishes, I find myself overwhelmed by the outpouring of love you have shown me in these final weeks. The warm hugs shared after Mass, the heartfelt cards tucked into my hands, the kind words whispered in passing—each gesture has touched my soul deeply. And then there's your incredibly generous farewell gift that will carry me to the beautiful islands of Hawaii as I celebrate turning 60 on September 21. (I'm already dreaming of those Maui sunsets and Oahu beaches!) Your love has surrounded me like a gentle embrace, reminding me once again why saying goodbye is so bittersweet.

You have been my teachers, my companions, and my greatest blessings. Through shared joys and sorrows, celebrations and challenges, Sunday liturgies and quiet moments of prayer, you have helped shape me into the priest I am today. More than that, you have helped me become the true me—the person God created me to be, living my life most fully and authentically.

In this beautiful month of June, as we celebrated both the Sacred Heart of Jesus and Pride Month in the LGBTQ+ community, I was reminded of how your incredible, immense love has affirmed me and countless others. You have shown me what it means to be a community where all are truly welcome, where hearts are opened wide, and where love conquers fear.

From our mission work in Honduras to everyday pastoral moments to extraordinary acts of faith, you have walked alongside me with such grace. You have laughed with me, prayed with me, and yes, even cried with me. You have taught me that the greatest gift we can give one another is simply this: to love and accept each other exactly as God made us.

As I mentioned in my final homily, "I will miss you greatly." However, I carry with me not sadness, but profound gratitude for the friendship, the formation, and the love you have shared so generously over all these years.

Until we meet again, know that you remain forever in my prayers and in my heart.

~Fr. Greg

# Prayer of Pastoral Care

O God,

Bless the souls You have entrusted to our care. As You hear every one of their prayers, help us to hear them, too. Answer their prayer intentions and personal needs through us and our ministry, as we all seek to do Your will. Amen.

# Congratulations to our StB Calendar Raffle winners

06/12/25	Paul Sanders
06/13/25	Houa Vang
06/14/25	Barbara Yauger
06/15/25	Jean Dumke
06/16/25	Mark Thorn
06/17/25	Tabatha Matovich
06/18/25	Helen Raboin
06/19/25	Diane Garhart
06/20/25	Joanne Braun

## Congratulations to our StCA Calendar Raffle winners

06/12/25	Jim Kopydlowski
06/13/25	<b>Bradley Laczniak</b>
06/14/25	Kathy Palzewicz
06/15/25	Christine Julius
06/16/25	Edita Tubongbanua
06/17/25	Carissa Braun
06/18/25	Scott Riemer
06/19/25	Kira Welcenbach
06/20/25	Bernie Radke

## Donations needed for the food pantry

Our pantry is grateful for the support of NWMCP! The impact of our parishes working together is seen in the number of people we serve. For July, we are asking for donations of ketchup, mustard, barbecue sauce, pickles, and relish. Please leave these items and other nonperishable food items in the drop-

off containers at any of our parishes. Thank you for making it possible to help more needy families in our neighborhood.

**FOOD** 

**PANTRY** 

### March for Life Wisconsin rescheduled

March for Life Wisconsin has been rescheduled to Saturday, July 26, due to the national mass demonstrations that occurred on the original date of the Saturday, June 14. In the interest of ensuring the safety of our attendees, including families with children, this joyful and peaceful march to protect every human life has been rescheduled to 2:00-4:00PM on Saturday, July 26, on the State Street steps at the State Capitol in Madison. Please join us to stand for life. Find more information at MarchforLifeWisconsin.org or contact Lesley Chisholm, Pro-Life Wisconsin Outreach Director, at 262-796-1111, ext. 116, or Lesley.C@ProLifeWI.org.

"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



During the summer, many of us enjoy vacations and out-of-town weekends. Hopefully the adventures and memorable experiences, big events, and quiet moments spent with family and friends are enjoyable and refreshing. When you're out of town, consider finding a Mass near

you to attend. It is easy to locate a Mass near you. In ten minutes on the internet you can locate a church, get the times of their worship services, and get directions. You can even get a first impression by checking out their website and Facebook pages. Besides looking for Masses on the websites of the dioceses, you can also try masstimes.org to find a Catholic service when away from home. (And if you don't have a computer, ask your parish administrative assistant for some help!) With a Mass easy to find, here are six reasons why you might want to attend when away:

God desires your worship. Nothing makes God happier than when we bring our thankfulness and praise, and a community of worshippers helps us express it.

You can share your faith. Maybe attending Mass won't fit into your plans. God is gracious; don't sweat it. But maybe it could fit. Maybe you just didn't think about it or didn't consider asking those you are with if they would like to attend with you. Inviting others is a great way to share your faith and let them know worshiping God is important to you. If family or friends are not churchgoers, they might turn you down, but then again, they might accept. If you have brunch afterwards, you might have an interesting conversation.

Develop empathy and a warmer welcome. Walking into a church on Sunday morning, when you don't know what to expect, can feel awkward. Being a stranger in a crowd of

people who seem to all know each other can be terribly uncomfortable. Being a visitor in another congregation will help you appreciate what the visitors coming to your parish experience. How you were welcomed as a newcomer may teach you how to better welcome others.

This is something to teach your children. It would be great if all our parish children stayed here forever. Chances are they won't. The will go off to school or move for work. When they do, we want them to find a new parish community. You can share with your children the experience of visiting a new church. You can talk together as a family about what was similar to and what was different from your parish. You can share your hopes that they will continue to practice their faith and have a parish community wherever God leads them.

Discover good ideas. Churches constantly borrow ideas from each other! Visiting other churches is how we find some of these good ideas. If you see something great, bring it back to your parish.

Free coffee. Seriously...a lot of congregations serve free coffee after their worship services. Sometimes you will even be served free doughnuts or pastries. If you are, know that this congregation genuinely wants to welcome you. Healthy churches love visitors. They don't care if you're just in town for the weekend or have moved in down the block. They are glad you came and are delighted to meet you. In fact, churches in tourist areas learn to expect visitors and see it as part of their ministry.

These are just six good reasons to attend Mass when you are away. Share your experiences with your parish family when you return. Have a great rest of the summer!

# Ways to beat the heat

- Keep your living space cool. Cover windows to keep out direct sun. If you don't have an air conditioner, open windows to let air circulate. When it's hotter than 95 degrees, use fans to blow hot air out of the window. Basements or ground floors are often cooler than upper floors.
- \*\* NEVER leave children, disabled people, or pets in a car, even briefly. Temperatures in a car can become life-threatening within minutes.
- Slow down. Limit physical activity. Plan outings or exertion for the coolest parts of the day (early morning or after dark).
- Drink plenty. Eat lightly. Your body needs plenty of water or juice. Don't wait for thirst—drink frequently throughout the day. Avoid hot or heavy meals, alcohol, and caffeinated drinks.
- Wear lightweight, loose-fitting, light-colored clothes, and add a hat or umbrella to keep your head cool. Don't forget sunscreen!
- © Easy ways to cool off include a cool (not cold) bath or shower; a trip to an air-conditioned lobby or the basement; or cold, wet rags applied to neck, head, and limbs.

Source: City of Milwaukee Health Department



#### Schedule of Masses & Intentions

Sunday, June 29, 2025: Sts. Peter & Paul

8:30AM Mass at StCA: For all the parishioners of NWMCP

10:30AM Mass at StB: †Roger Doering

†Andrew Erenyi

Monday, June 30, 2025: First martyrs of the Holy Roman Church

No Mass

Tuesday, July 1, 2025: St. Junípero Serra

4:00PM Mass at StB: †Kathy Gleason

Wednesday, July 2, 2025

11:00AM Mass at OLGH: †Lee Cesarec

Thursday, July 3, 2025: St. Thomas

12:00PM Mass at StCA: †Carol Hasenyager

Friday, July 4, 2025: Independence Day

10:00AM Mass at StB: †Rose Marie Riebau

Saturday, July 5, 2025: St. Anthony Zaccaria, St. Elizabeth

of Portugal

3:00PM Sacrament of Reconciliation at OLGH

4:00PM Mass at OLGH: †Thomas Gray

Sunday, July 6, 2025: 14th Sunday in Ordinary Time 8:30AM Mass at StCA: †Josephine C. Braun

10:30AM Mass at StB: For all the parishioners of NWMCP

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### This Week at Our Parishes

Sunday, June 29, 2025

- Bingo, 5:00/6:00/7:00PM at StB-cafeteria

Monday, June 30, 2025

- Advanced tai chi, 9:00AM at OLGH-NH

Tuesday, July 1, 2025

- Rosary, 3:25PM at StB

Wednesday, July 2, 2025

- StCA StVdP meeting, 8:30AM at StCA-food pantry
- Beginner tai chi, 9:00AM at OLGH-NH
- Seated tai chi, 10:10AM at OLGH-room 2

Thursday, July 3, 2025

- Adoration, 10:50AM at StCA
- Pulpit announcement deadline, 12:00PM

Friday, July 4, 2025

- Parish offices closed: Happy Independence Day

Saturday, July 5, 2025

- Food pantry open, 9:00AM-12:00PM at StCA

Sunday, July 6, 2025

- No bingo

### Readings for the Week of June 29, 2025

Sunday: Acts 12:1-11/Ps 34:2-9/2 Tm 4:6-8, 17-18/

Mt 16:13-19

Monday: Gn 18:16-33/Ps 103:1b-4, 8-11/Mt 8:18-22
Tuesday: Gn 19:15-29/Ps 26:2-3, 9-12/Mt 8:23-27
Wednesday: Gn 21:5, 8-20a/Ps 34:7-8, 10-13/Mt 8:28-34
Thursday: Eph 2:19-22/Ps 117:1bc, 2/Jn 20:24-29

Friday: Gn 23:1-4, 19; 24:1-8, 62-67/Ps 106:1b-5/

Mt 9:9-13

Saturday: Gn 27:1-5, 15-29/Ps 135:1b-6/Mt 9:14-17 Next Sunday: Is 66:10-14c/Ps 66:1-7, 16, 20/Gal 6:14-18/

Lk 10:1-12, 17-20

