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SIXTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME | JULY 20, 2025

WEEKDAY MASSES

NOTRE DAME

| 8am | Jul.21 - ੳ Joe & Dorothy Kaiser MONDAY

WEDNESDAY | 8am | Jul.23 - † Don Rubow

THURSDAY | 8am | Jul.24 - 🕆 Joe & Mary Ann Kastelic

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SATURDAY | 8am | Jul.26 - † John & Betty Jennings

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TUESDAY | **5:30pm** | **Jul.22** − **†** James Felix WEDNESDAY | 8:30am | Jul.23 - ₱ John Geissler THURSDAY | 5:30pm | Jul.24 - † Harold Lauer **FRIDAY** | 8:00am | Jul.25 - 🕆 Stephen Sullivan

SUNDAY MASSES

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SUNDAY | 9:15am | Jul.27 - ♥ For the parishes

HOLY GHOST

SUNDAY | 7:30am | Jul.27 - 🕆 Arthur Zwiefelhofer | 11am | Jul.27 - P Living and deceased SUNDAY

members of Joseph & Mary Turany family

NOTRE DAME

SATURDAY | 4:30pm | Jul.26 - ♣ Eric Bowe

| Jul.27 - T Jan & Mike Krejchi **SUNDAY**

SUNDAY | 10:30am | Jul.27 - Intention of the

Spaeth family

SUNDAY | Jul.27 - → David Weibel 7pm

Confession Schedule

Confessions available by appointment.

ND: Weekdays beginning 5 min after daily Mass. Saturday: 3:45–4:15pm Sunday: 7:15-7:45am; 9:45-10:15am; 6:15-6:45pm.

HG: Weekdays beginning 15 min before daily Mass (except on Wednesday during the school year). Thursday: 3pm-4:50pm | Fridays beginning 5 min after Mass.



"MARY HAS CHOSEN THE BETTER PART AND IT WILL NOT BE TAKEN FROM HER." - LUKE10:42

GENERAL PARISH CONTACT

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Notre Dame Campus

Administration Office | 715-723-7108

Monday: 9am-3pm Thursday: 9am-3pm Tuesday: Closed Friday: 9am-Noon Wednesday: 9am-3pm Or by appointment

Holy Ghost Campus

Ministry Office | 715-723-4890

Reception Hours:

Monday: Closed Thursday: 9-Noon Tuesday: 9 am-Noon Friday: 9-Noon

Wednesday: 9-10:30 am

Ministry Hours: By appointment

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St. Bridget

Jul.6-Jul.13 – Birthdays: Tonja Jacoson, Susan Bruhling, Erin Jackson, Andres Wehling, Gregory Gillett, Jane Soden | Anniversaries: Dean & Kris Anderson, Jeff & Jennifer Reetz, Brenda & David Asmussen.

THIS & THAT — CHOOSE THE BETTER PART | We read the Gospel of Luke today where Jesus is continuing his journey to Jerusalem, but stops in the village of Bethany, the home of his friends, Mary, Martha and Lazarus. Martha is busy preparing for a meal, while Mary sat at the feet of Jesus, listening to him speak. Martha complains to Jesus that Mary should help her serve the meal. Jesus gently chides her saying that she is worried about many things. Jesus says that Mary has chosen the better part, and it will not be taken from her. Jesus reminds Martha that the better part of life is being together and loving one another and that it is not about the table trimmings. Jesus accepts Mary as a disciple, which highlights a theme of the Gospel of Luke, namely the great concern of Jesus for women. St. Luke puts this story right after the parable of the Good Samaritan from last Sunday. He seems to be telling us that we need balance. We need to do good things for others and that we also need to take time just to sit at our Lord's feet and communicate with him. What about our busy lives today? One of the good things we are called to do is to slow down, to sit at Jesus's feet and pay attention. Prayer is not doing all of the talking. It is also listening. Like Mary, let us choose the better part. We can accept and appreciate the gifts God has given us and welcome Christ wherever and however he visits us this week. As we choose the better part, let us pray for each other. Have a blessed week!

Holy Ghost

Faith in Action Please give to St. Francesca food pantry this summer. When shopping, pick up extra non perishable food items to donate. Bring items to church and place in our donation bin. Money donations are also welcome. Put your donation in an envelope, label it SFRC, put it in the collection basket. Thank you for your continued generosity to our food insecure.

Fall Festival: Please start bringing in your silent auction and small raffle donations. Don't forget to drop your change or dollars into the donation bucket in back of the church. All monies collected through the year go into a jar for people to bid on. Information is in the pews regarding our festival. Please look it over and volunteer at one of the booths. We need many volunteers to make this Festival a success. We also have our donation leaves on the tree in the vestibule. Please pluck a leaf, purchase the donation request and drop it off in back of church or at the rectory during rectory hours. We appreciate any donations you may have for us. Thanks, Festival Team!

Holy Ghost Thrift Sale Sept. 6-7 Drop off your thrift sale items at the HG rectory Tues-Fri 9 am to noon. If you have a lot or the hours don't work for you, call Mary Harings at 715-723-2069 to make arrangements. Everything is accepted except clothing and baby furniture.

Fall Festival Lead Needed The lead position oversees the Fall Festival. I will be on property this year to help train those who will be taking over the position. Please contact Wanda Brooks (715-723-4890) if you are willing to take this on.

Notre Dame

Notre Dame's Laissez Faire Basket Raffle | Donate NEW items or SCRIP cards for 6 themed baskets! Themes for Item Donations: • Treat Yourself & Relax • Man Cave • Midnight Snacks & Movie Nights • Family Fun & Games, • Gifts for Grands (items 0-18 yr olds) • Mystery-Anything Goes. Drop off at the Parish Office, Goldsmith Café, or church vestibule by Aug. 20. Questions? Call 715-723-7108.

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE REPOSE OF THE SOULS OF P

† Harold Lauer (ND)

Eternal rest grant unto him, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon him. May he rest in peace. Amen. May his soul and the souls of all the faithfully departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.

Our Lady of the Falls Community



Bible Study

Bible Study: Meets on Tuesdays from 9:30am-11am in the GREC. For more information, contact Deanna at idsuilmann@gmail.com

Christian Initiation

Do you know someone interested in exploring the Catholic faith or becoming Catholic? Christian Initiation is for them! Sunday 9am sessions will introduce them to Jesus, the Church, Christian life, and much more. Any interested person can contact John Shakal at jshakal@ourladyofthefalls.org.



Please welcome recently baptized at Holy Ghost

Thomas Daniel David Jacobson, son of Mitchell Jacobson & Kiersten (Smathers) Jacobson



CHRIST WITH US ADULT STUDY

Join us for faith and fellowship once a month on Thursday mornings from 9-10:30am in the GREC, St. Joseph room at the Notre Dame campus. Refreshments will be served.

■ July 24 - topic: *Our Lady of Mount Carmel* For questions contact Renee Zimmerman at 608-697-0527 or rzimmerman@ourladyofthefalls.org

HOST FAMILIES WANTED

Become a Host Family — Make a Global Impact! McDonell is partnering with SMG (Student Management Group) for the 2025–26 school year to welcome international students from Spain, Japan, Vietnam, Italy, Germany, Thailand, and France. Host families are to provide a bedroom, meals, and a caring home environment—and receive a \$400/month stipend. Students speak English, have their own insurance and spending money, and are eager to experience American life. Make a difference in a young person's life while enriching your own family's world. Interested? Contact Leah Christopherson at 715-971-7003 or leah.students.global@gmail.com

SOURCE & SPIRIT SMALL GROUPS

A practical primer for living a Spirit-led life. Join Source and Spirit for a powerful small group journey through Source—a dynamic, Scripture-based study that shares clear and Catholic foundations for deepening your life in the Holy Spirit and practical tools for following His lead.

- Started Jul 13, running 6 consecutive weeks. You're still welcome to join, even if you missed the first sessions.
- Meets right after 8am Mass (9-10:15am) in the GREC St. Joseph Room. Childcare is available.
- To register, email Chelsi at webster.c1856@gmail.com/call the rectory.

Join Our Team: Inspire Through Faith, Music, and Service

Do you have a passion for music and a heart for guiding young minds in faith and creativity? Holy Ghost Catholic Elementary School, a joyful and Gospelcentered community, is currently seeking mission-driven individuals for two key part-time roles: Music Teacher and Accounting Assistant (system level). Make a meaningful impact—apply today at McDonellAreaCatholicSchools. org or contact us at hr@macs.k12.wi.us to learn more.

From Fr. David Nowicki

How good and pleasant it is when brothers dwell in unity! This is the first verse of Psalm 133, and it is a stark contrast to the way the priesthood has been lived out in the past forty years. Far too often, the response to having fewer priests to attend to parishes has been to spread priests thinly, so the greatest number of parishes can have their own resident pastor.

The sentiment is understandable, and the principle of having as many parishes as possible support a dedicated pastor is a noble one given the current situation. However, the reality is that with greater distance between priests, priests have become more isolated from each other. If, as we hear at the beginning of Genesis, "It is not good for man to be alone," then the arrangement of each priest in his own rectory, while perhaps beneficial to parishes in the short-term, leaves priests without their brothers to readily share in the vocation of the priesthood through mutual prayer, camaraderie, support, and accountability.

The original arrangement when our three parishes were united under a single pastor in 2021, with the pastor residing at Notre Dame and the associate at Holy Ghost, was probably necessary to make the initial adjustment, but having a young priest living on his own for his first assignment out of seminary is not a viable long-term solution. I recognized that this setup was not good for me or the parishes, as I was often perceived to be working alone rather than united with the pastor. Bishop Battersby recognized this issue and rightly desired a change in priestly living, starting with pastors and associates. He asked Fr. Sedlacek and I to live in common for the reasons stated above, to which we emphatically agreed. Consequently, this is the first official weekend that I am residing at the Notre Dame rectory with Fr. Sedlacek, having moved there this past week. We priests cannot give what we do not receive ourselves, and if the Lord is calling the Church to deeper communion, then we priests are called to priestly communion.

-Fr. David Nowicki

PARISH SUPPORT

We need your financial support! There are several ways you can make a contribution. You can place it in the collection basket at Mass or:

- Mail your envelope to us at Notre Dame, 117 Allen St., Chippewa Falls, WI 54729.
 Holy Ghost, 412 S. Main St., Chippewa Falls, WI 54729.
- Contact the parish office to set up ACH automatic
 withdrawal, or visit the parish website for online giving via
 - ND: Kellie Anderson kanderson@ourladyofthefalls.org
 - HG & SB: Karin Hawkins khawkins@ourladyofthefalls.org

Goldsmith Chapel Adoration: Sun. 8am-Fri. 9am
Adoration, Confession, Evening Prayer & Mass at Holy
Ghost - Thursdays: 3-5pm Adoration with confession followed
by 5pm evening prayer, Benediction, & 5:30pm Mass.

An adorer is needed for the following hours: Tues 4am, Noon | Wed Midnight, 1am, 2am, 3am, Noon | Friday 2am, 8am. Please call Andy at 715.568.5243 if you can help with any of these hours, or to schedule any hour with Jesus. There are MANY hours that need a second adorer

COVER ART:
"Christ in the House of Martha and Mary"
By: Johannes Vermeer

LOCAL & DIOCESAN ANNOUNCEMENTS

Mass Intentions Needed Holy Ghost and Notre Dame have several dates available during the next few months for Mass Intentions. Mass intentions can be for a living or deceased person and be on a weekday or weekend. Suggested offering is \$20/Mass. Call the Notre Dame office at 715-723-7108.

Hello Moms! The Catholic Moms group Chippewa Valley invites you to join us weekly on Thursday mornings with your kids at a park in the area and monthly on the 3rd Thursday evenings for Moms night out. If you are interested or would like more information, contact Lisa Ruf at 703-850-9131. Lisa can send you the group chat information.

Jul.20: St. Peter Shindig at St. Peter Parish from 11am-6pm (11358 County Hwy. Q, Chippewa Falls). Mass is at 10am. Charcoal Chicken Dinner served until 2pm. Live music by Richie Yurkovich & Polkarioty, cake walk, silent auction, country store, bingo, raffles kid's games, & more. Join us for an afternoon of family fun!

Jul.26: DON'T MISS THE BUS TO THE WISCONSIN STATE CAPITOL

Chippewa Valley Sacred Life an affiliate of ProLife WI, invites you to join the March For Life Wisconsin on Saturday, July 26 at the State Capitol in Madison. A coach bus service will be departing from McDonell Catholic High School on Saturday morning and returning that evening. This family-friendly event has tickets for \$15 per person or \$45 for a family. Register online at: marchforlifewisconsin. org. For more info call Tina at (715) 933-0986 or email chippewavalleysacredlife@gmail.com.

Aug.4-8: St. Paul's, Bloomer invites you to *True North Vacation Bible* **School** from 9 am-noon as we embark on an unforgettable week of faith and adventure! At St. Paul's True
North VBS, kids will discover that in a world full of uncertainties, Jesus is

our unmovable, unshakable friend forever—our True North! Call 715-933-2585 or email clintberge@outlook. com to register.

Aug.9: Still the Answer Eucharistic Rally in Eau Claire! An opportunity for a strengthening of faith, fellowship and encounter like no other! Event Cost: \$20 Use the QR Code or go to ourladyofthefalls.org Announcements to register.

- A Eucharistic procession through Eau Claire
- Mass with Bishop Battersby
- Dynamic speakers
- Live music
- Eucharistic Adoration



Aug.17: *St. Bridget Family Picnic*

Serving dinner 11am-2pm - charcoal chicken, corn on the cob, potato salad, beans, coleslaw, homemade apple pie. \$12 for adults, children \$5. Something for everyone! - silent auction, kids games, produce and baked goods sales. Live music from Stonewall 1pm-4pm.



Your Talent Needed! Parishioners from all over, be a part of Notre

Dame's Laissez Faire variety show! Sept. 5 and/ or 6. Practice times and coaching available.

Call/text 715-705-2240 to participate! *Positions for Tight-Rope Walkers, Jugglers, & Trapeze Artists are limited.

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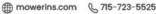




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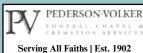
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