June 20, 2021 Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time

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From Father Kasel

Praised be Jesus Christ through Mary!

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ Jesus,

Happy Father's Day to all fathers! May our good Lord bless all fathers!

The month of June is dedicated to increased devotion to the Sacred Heart of Jesus. Let us ask our good Lord for the grace to know and understand His personal love for each one of us!

This Sunday I share with you a meditation on the Peace of Jesus. I encourage you to reflect over this message a few times this week:

"Calmness in the Face of Difficulties: The storm on the lake. God will never abandon us.

According to the Gospels, the Apostles, while sailing to the opposite shore as the Lord had told them, were twice caught by a storm on the Lake of Gennesareth. In the Gospel of today's Holy Mass (Mark 4:35-40) St. Mark tells us that Jesus was with them in the boat. He used the time to rest after a hard day's preaching. He lay down in the stern, resting His head on a cushion, probably a simple, coarse leather bag stuffed with rags or wool. That was the usual thing the sailors had on these boats. How the Angels in Heaven would gaze upon their King and Lord as He recovered His strength, lying upon the hard deck planking! He Who governs the universe is stretched out there exhausted!

Meanwhile His disciples, many of them sailors, begin to feel the first squalls of the gathering storm. It soon falls on them, with tremendous force... and the waves beat into the boat, so that the boat was already filling. They did what they could, but the seas grew higher and rougher and they were about to founder. Then as a last resort they turn to Jesus. They wake Him with a cry of distress. Teacher, do You not care if we perish?

The skill of those sea-hardened fishermen was not enough. Our Lord had to intervene. And He awoke and rebuked the wind, and said to the sea, 'Peace! Be still!' And the wind ceased and there was a great calm. Peace also entered the hearts of those frightened men. Sometimes the storm arises around us or within us. And it seems that our frail craft cannot take any more. At times we have the impression that God is heedless of our fate. The waves are breaking over us: personal weaknesses, professional or financial difficulties that are beyond our management, illness, problems with children or parents, the menace of calumny, a hostile environment, slander... But if you live in the presence of God, high above the deafening storm, the sun will always be shining on you; and deep below the roaring and destructive waves, peace and calm will reign in your soul. (J. Escriva, The Forge, 343)

God will never abandon us. We must go to Him, using all the means we need to employ. At all times, tell Jesus with the confidence of one who has taken Him as his Master, and wants to follow Him unconditionally, 'Lord, do not leave me!' And together with Him we will face up to those trials and surmount them. They will no longer be bitter, and we will not be dismayed by the storms that blow.

Welcome to the Churches of



We are happy that you are here! If you are new to our parishes, please call or stop at the Parish Office. We would love to meet you and answer any questions that you might have!

SACRAMENTS

Confession - Saturday 4:00pm at St. Michael; Sunday 8:25am at St. Paul and 8:00am before daily weekday Holy Mass at both parishes. **Baptism -** Please contact the parish office.

Matrimony - Please call Father Kasel at least six months prior to make arrangements.

Anointing of the Sick - This is for someone who is seriously ill, dealing with major surgery or infirm. Please contact Father Kasel to make arrangements.

WEEKEND HOLY MASS SCHEDULE:

Church of Saint Paul - Sunday Confessions at 8:25am, Rosary at 8:25am, Mass at 8:45am

Church of Saint Michael - Saturday Confessions at 4:00pm, Rosary at 4:35pm, Mass at 5:00pm

Church of Saint Michael - Sunday Mass at 7:00am, Rosary at 10:05am, Mass at 10:30am

WEEKDAY HOLY MASS SCHEDULE

Church of Saint Paul - Tuesday and Thursday
Confession 8am & Mass 8:30am, Rosary at 8:10am before Mass
Church of Saint Michael - Wednesday and Friday
Confession 8am and Mass 8:30am

We must be ready to face up to misunderstandings: Jesus awoke and rebuked the wind and said to the sea, 'Peace! Be still!' This miracle made an unforgettable impression on the Apostles. It confirmed their Faith and prepared them for the harder, more testing battles that lay ahead. The sight of a perfectly calm sea, subject to the voice of Christ, was engraved on their hearts. Years afterwards, these men would pray, and the memory of this scene would bring peace to them as they underwent all the trials Our Lord had forewarned them of.

On another occasion, on the way to Jerusalem, Jesus had told them that what the prophets had foretold about the Son of Man was about to be fulfilled. For He will be delivered to the Gentiles, and will be mocked and shamefully treated and spat upon; they will scourge Him and kill Him, and on the third day He will rise. (Luke 18:31-33) At the same time He warns them that they too will go through terrible times of persecution and slander. A disciple is not above his teacher, nor a servant above his master. If they have called the master of the house Beelzebub, how much more will they malign those of his household? (Matt. 10:24) Jesus wants to convince those first disciples, and us too, that there is no compromise possible between Him and His doctrine on the one hand, and the world as a kingdom of sin on the other. (cf. The Navarre Bible, note to John 15:18-19) He reminds them not to be surprised to be treated in this way: If the world hates you, know that it has hated Me before it hated you. (John 15:18) Hence, as Saint Gregory explains, the hostility of the wicked echoes like praise for our way of life, because it shows that insofar as we annoy those who do not love God, there is at (cont. on pg. 3)

The next **Holy Hour for Women** will be <u>Sunday, June 27,</u> at 6:00pm at Church of St. Michael, Pine Island. All women invited!

CHURCH OF SAINT MICHAEL NEWS

Catholic Vacation Bible School 2021

AUGUST 9-13, 2021 8:30am-12:00noon
Church of St. Michael for children 4 yrs old-6th gr.
A Radical Ride on the Wings of Prayer ...

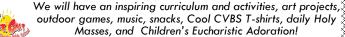


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Daily Mass is offered in Church each weekday at 8:30am

Registration form is available at the entrance of the Church



CVBS Volunteers Needed! We are in need of help in the following areas: teaching or assisting in teaching, art, games, and nursery for children of volunteers. Please contact the parish office by August 1 if you are willing to volunteer.

Thank you, Fr. Kasel

From St Cyprian's treatise on the Lord's Prayer

"Christ has clearly added a law here, binding us to a definite condition, that we should ask for our debts to be forgiven us only as much as we ourselves forgive our debtors, knowing that we cannot obtain what we seek in respect of our own sins unless we ourselves have acted in exactly the same way to those who have sinned against us. This is why He says in another place: By whatever standard you measure, by that standard will you too be measured. And the servant who had all his debt forgiven him by his Master but would not forgive his fellow-servant was cast into prison: because he would not forgive his fellow-servant, he lost the indulgence that his Master had granted him.

And Christ makes this point even more strongly in His teaching: When you stand up to pray, He says, if you have anything against anyone, forgive it, so that your Father who is in Heaven may forgive your sins. But if you do not forgive, nor will your Father in Heaven forgive you. On the day of judgment there are no possible excuses: you will be judged according to your own sentence, and whatever you have inflicted, that is what you will suffer. For God commands us to be peacemakers, and to agree, and to be of one mind in His House. What He has made us by the second birth He wishes us to continue during our infancy, that we who have begun to be children of God may abide in His peace, and that having one Spirit we should also have one heart and one mind. Thus God does not accept the sacrifice of one who is in disagreement but commands him to go back from the altar and first be reconciled with his brother, so that God may be placated by the prayers of a peacemaker. Our peace and concord are the greatest possible sacrifice to God - a people united in the unity of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

Not even when Abel and Cain were making the first sacrifice - not even then did God pay attention to their gifts. He looked into their hearts, and the gift that was acceptable was the one offered by the one who was acceptable in his heart. Abel, peaceable and righteous in sacrificing in innocence to God, taught the rest of us that when we bring our gift to the altar we should come, like him, with the Fear of God, with a heart free of deceit, with the law of righteousness, with the peace of concord. He sacrificed in such a way, and so he was worthy to become, afterwards, himself a sacrifice to God: he who bore witness through the first martyrdom, who initiated the Lord's passion by the glory of his blood, had both the Lord's righteousness and the Lord's peace. Such are those who are crowned by the Lord at the end; such are those who will sit and judge with Him on the day of judgment.

But he who quarrels and stirs up discord, he who is not at peace with his brethren - the Apostle and holy Scripture together testify that even if he meets death for the sake of Christ's Name, he will still be held guilty of fraternal dissension, for it is written, whoever hates his brother is a murderer, and the murderer cannot attain the Kingdom of Heaven or abide with God. No-one can be with Christ who preferred to imitate Judas rather than Christ."

WEEKLY TITHING for June 12-13, 2021

 Sunday Envelopes:
 \$ 2,039.00

 Plate:
 \$ 1,388.45

 EFT:
 \$ 582.50

 Total:
 \$ 4,009.95

Kitui Mission Collection: \$ 363.22

†ADORATION of the BLESSED SACRAMENT† (Time change this week only)

St. Paul, Zumbrota on Tuesday, June 22, from 7am-5pm St. Michael, Pine Island on Wednesday, June 23, from 7am-5pm

Altar Server Training

There will be two Altar Server Training sessions at the Church of St. Michael for all new or aspiring servers coming up: Monday, June 28 from 9am - 10:30am and Tuesday, June 29 from 10:30am - 12noon.

These practices will also be very helpful for experienced servers. Please contact Fr. Kasel or the parish office with any questions.

Dear Parishioners,

Next month the Church of St. Michael will be hosting a Schoenstatt Camp for girls from July 19-22.

If you are interested in signing up your girls (age 8-14), here is the link for more information/registration for

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Please note: There will be no protocols in place!

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Let me know if you have any questions.

God bless your day!

In Christ through Mary, Fr. Kasel

UNA VOCE Silent Retreat for men with the Extraordinary Form of the Holy Mass - JULY 9-11, 2021

A silent retreat for men will be held July 9 - 11 at the Franciscan Retreat and Spirituality Center in Prior Lake, MN. All Holy Masses will be offered in the Extaordinary Form. For more Information, see: http://unavocemn.org/.

Quilting Bee Cause will meet on Tuesday, June 22, at 9am, in the church hall. Everyone is welcome.

ROCHESTER ROSARY RALLIES UPDATE

<u>Please note:</u> There will **NOT** be a 3pm Rosary Rally at the Rochester Government Center on Sunday, July 4.

Pine Island Food Shelf: The items requested for June: Cereals

HOLY MASS TIMES

Wednesday, June 23, 2021

6:30am Holy Mass (please note time change this week only) 7:00am-5:00pm Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Friday, June 25, 2021

8:00am Confessions/8:30am Holy Mass

Saturday, June 26, 2021

4:00pm-4:50pm Confessions

5:00pm Holy Mass

Sunday, June 27, 2021

7:00am Extraordinary Form Holy Mass

10:30am Holy Mass

HOLY MASS INTENTIONS



June 25, 2021 Rita Kaiya (AnneRose Wanjiru)
June 26, 2021 Leah Chavers (J. Meyer)

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June 27, 2021 (EF)†Everett Reimer (Carolyn Ocariz)

June 27, 2021 Parishioners



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We will have an inspiring curriculum and activities, art projects, outdoor games, music, snacks, Cool CVBS T-shirts, daily
Holy Masses, and Children's Eucharistic Adoration!

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Thank you, Fr. Kasel

(From Father Kasel...from pg. 1) least some rectitude in us. Nobody can please God and the enemies of God at the same time. (St. Gregory the Great, Homilies on Ezekiel, 9) So if we are faithful there will be winds and storms. But Jesus will say once more to the stormy sea 'Peace! Be still!'

At the very beginning of the Church the Apostles gathered abundant fruits. But at the same time they would suffer threats, insults, persecution. (cf. Acts 4:41-42) They were not concerned whether opinion was favorable or hostile towards them. They were concerned to make Christ known to all, to take the fruits of our redemption to the uttermost corner of the earth. They preached the doctrine of Christ, which in purely human terms constituted a scandal for some and seemed sheer madness to others. (cf. 1 Cor. 1:23) This doctrine entered all environments, transforming souls and customs. Many of the circumstances within which the Apostles had to work have changed, but others remain as they were or have become even worse. Materialism, the excessive love of comfort and well-being, sensuality and ignorance represent once again in many places furious winds and stormy seas. And we can add to this the temptation of many people to adapt the doctrine of Christ to the times, seriously deforming the essential message of the Gospel.

If we want to be apostles in the midst of the world we must realize that some people - at times our husband, our wife, our parents, or an old friend - will not understand us. We will have to take heart, because it is not easy to row against the stream. We will have to work calmly and firmly. We cannot be deterred or allow ourselves to be deflected by the attitude of those who in many ways have compromised or so identified themselves with the customs of the new paganism that they seem unable any longer to understand the transcendent, supernatural meaning of life.

Our intimacy with God will give us calmness and strength, and we will be a firm rock for many. We can never forget that, particularly nowadays, the Lord needs strong and courageous souls who refuse to come to terms with mediocrity, but will be able to enter all kinds of environments with a sure step... (J. Escriva, Furrow, 416) In parent-teacher associations, in professional bodies, in the universities, in the trade unions, in informal conversation before or after a meeting... As a specific example, the influence of families is particularly important in social and public life. 'They should be the first to take steps to see that the laws... not only do not transgress against, but actually support and positively defend the rights and duties of the family,' (cf. Familiaris Consortio, 44) in this way promoting real 'family politics' (ibid). In this field it is essential to foster in a renewed and complete way knowledge of the doctrine of the Church on the family, to awaken the consciences and social and political responsibilities of Christian families, and to establish or strengthen existing associations for the good of the family. (Spanish Episcopal Conference, Pastoral Instruction, Catholics in Public Life, 22 April 1986, 162) We cannot remain inactive while the enemies of God strive to eliminate all trace of the eternal destiny of man.(cont. on p4)

WEEKLY TITHING for June 13, 2021

 Sunday Envelopes:
 \$ 660.00

 Plate:
 \$ 557.00

 Total:
 \$ 1,217.00

†ADORATION of the BLESSED SACRAMENT† (Time change this week only)

St. Paul, Zumbrota on Tuesday, June 22, from 7am-5pm

St. Michael, Pine Island on Wednesday, June 23, from 7am-5pm.

Farewell Reception

We will have a reception immediately after the Sunday Holy Mass on June 27 for Fr. McCabe on the occasion of his leaving the Church of St. Paul, as a thank-you for his wonderful service. Coffee, juice, treats, and a light meal will be served.

Dear Parishioners,

We are seeking volunteers to provide flowers for our church. Please see the sign-up in the entry of church. Volunteers would be responsible for 3 bouquets on the altar for a month. Flowers can be fresh or silk. Also, any flowers in the yard at the red house on the church property may be used for this purpose. This effort is brought forth by our CCW members to help beautify our sanctuary. Please consider signing up! Thank you! In Christ through Mary, Fr. Kasel

PRO-LIFE QUOTE:

"If the bringing of children into the world is today an economic burden, it is because the social system is inadequate; and not because God's law is wrong. Therefore the State should remove the causes of that burden. The human must not be limited and controlled to fit the economic, but the economic must be expanded to fit the human." — *Archbishop Fulton J. Sheen*

WORDS TO LIVE BY:

"Mankind will not have peace until it turns with trust to My Mercy." Jesus to St. Faustina

"A great means to preserve continual peace and tranquility of soul is to receive everything from the hands of God, both great and small, and in whatever way it comes." St. Dorotheus

"Who except God can give you peace? Has the world ever been able to satisfy the heart?" St. Gerard Majella

"Peace begins with a smile." St. Mother Teresa

"Keep your soul at peace, in order to be able to be attentive and very faithful to the inner movement of the Holy Spirit." St. Peter Julian Eymard

"While you are proclaiming peace with your lips, be careful to have it even more fully in your heart." St. Francis of Assisi

"By humility a man finds grace before God and peace with men." Bld. Giles of Assisi

HOLY MASS TIMES

Tuesday, June 22, 2021

6:30am Holy Mass (please note time change this week only) 7:00am-5:00pm Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Thursday, June 24, 2021

No Holy Mass

Sunday, June 27, 2021

8:20am Rosary/8:25am Confessions

8:45am Holy Mass - On 1st, 3rd, & 5th Sundays of the month populum: 2nd & 4th ad Orientem

HOLY MASS INTENTIONS

June 22, 2021 Gary & Michelle Kemmetmueller Family
June 27, 2021 Parishioners

NEWS FROM SAINT MICHAEL AND SAINT PAUL

(from pg. 3) Our attitude towards difficulties: 'The three concupiscences (cf. 1 John 2:16) are like three gigantic forces which have unleashed a tremendous frenzy of lust, of a created being's conceited pride in his own strength, and of a desire for riches' (Monsignor Escriva, Letter, 14 February 1974, 10)... And without being pessimistic or depressed, we can see that ... these forces have achieved an unprecedented development and a monstrous aggressiveness, to such an extent that 'an entire civilization is tottering, powerless and without moral resources to fall back on' (ibid.). (A. del Portillo, Letter, 25 December 1985, 4) We cannot remain inactive in such a situation. For the love of Christ urges us on, says St. Paul in the Second Reading. (2 Cor. 5:14-17) Charity, and the real need of so many creatures, drives us to carry out an untiring apostolic activity in all environments. Each person has to work in his own environment, in spite of the hostility we will meet and the misunderstandings of people who cannot or do not want to understand.

Walk therefore, 'in nomine Domini', with joy and security in the name of the Lord. No pessimism! If difficulties arise, then the grace of God, will come more abundantly as well. If more difficulties appear, more of God's grace will come down from Heaven. If there are many difficulties, there will be many graces from God. Divine help is always proportionate to the obstacles with which the world and the devil oppose apostolic work. And so I would even dare to affirm that, in a way, it is good that there are difficulties, because then we will obtain more help from God. 'Where sin increased, grace abounded all the more' (Rom. 5:20). (A. del Portillo, Letter, 31 May 1987, 22) We can use this opportunity to purify our intentions, to be more attentive to the Master, to strengthen our Faith. Our attitude must always be one of forgiveness and calmness, because God is with each of us. Christian, Christ is sleeping in your boat, St. Augustine reminds us;



Prayer to St. Joseph for Men: Blessed St. Joseph, patron saint of husbands, fathers, men, and workers, pray for me that I may fulfill my duties as husband, father, man, and worker. Amen.

Peter's Pence Collection: June 26-27, 2021 - if you would like to contribute, there will be an opportunity next weekend.

Wake Him, and He will rebuke the storm and peace will be restored. (St. Augustine, Sermon 361, 7) Everything is for our good and the good of souls. It is enough to be in His company to feel that we are safe. Worry, fear and cowardice arise when our prayer weakens. He knows well enough everything that is happening to us. And if need be, he will rebuke wind and sea, and a great calm will be established, and His peace will flood into us. And we too will be filled with awe like the apostles.

The Blessed Virgin will not leave us for an instant. If the winds of temptation arise, fix your eyes on the star, call upon Mary... With her for a guide you will not go astray; whilst invoking her, you will never lose heart; so long as she is in your mind, you are safe from deception. If she holds your hand, you cannot fall; under her protection you have nothing to fear; if she walks before you, you will not grow weary; if she shows you favor, you will reach the goal. (St. Bernard, Homilies on the Blessed Virgin Mary, 2)" (From: In Conversation with God by Francis Fernandez) Through the intercession of the Immaculate Heart of Mary, St. Joseph, St. Michael and St. Paul, may God grant us His peace in the midst of all difficulties! In Christ through Mary,



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