

# Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

July 11, 2021

Jesus summoned  
the Twelve  
and began to  
send them out  
two by two  
and gave them  
authority over  
unclean spirits.

Mark 6:7

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#### Mass Schedule:

Saturday: 5 p.m.  
Sunday: 7:30, 9:30, 11:30 a.m.  
Monday & Friday 5:30 p.m.  
Tuesday - Thursday 7 a.m.

#### Sacrament of Reconciliation:

Saturday: 3 - 4:30 p.m.  
Other times by appointment.

#### Sacrament of Baptism:

Please contact the Parish Center to begin plans for the baptism of your baby or child.

#### Sacrament of Marriage:

Arrangements should always be made at the **Parish Center office at least eight months** in advance of the ceremony. A wedding date is confirmed after the initial meeting with a priest.

#### Parish Priests:

Fr. John Miller  
*Pastor*  
[miller.john@myspartans.org](mailto:miller.john@myspartans.org)  
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*Parochial Vicar*  
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*Shut-ins/Homebound*  
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#### Pastoral Care:

Ms. Kristi Reindl  
*Parish Administrative Assistant*  
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*Hospital & Follow-up / Nursing Homes/  
Assisted Living & Prayer Pipeline*

#### Parish Office Hours:

Monday - Friday: 9 a.m. - 2 p.m.  
Saturday & Sunday: Closed

#### Pastoral Staff:

Mr. Bill Johnson  
*Director of Music & Liturgy*  
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Bulletin Deadline: Friday at 12 p.m., one week prior to publication date. All submissions must be in writing and approved.

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**MASS INTENTIONS****Monday, July 12***14th Monday in Ordinary Time*

5:00 pm Rosary

5:30 pm North Central Ohio Vocations Club

**Tuesday, July 13***Saint Henry*

7:00 am † Richard Morris

**Wednesday, July 14***Saint Kateri Tekakwitha, Virgin*

7:00 am † Norma Geary (Birthday)

**Thursday, July 15***Saint Bonaventure, Bishop & Doctor of the Church*

7:00 am † Greg Trail

**Friday, July 16***Our Lady of Mount Carmel*

5:00 pm Rosary

5:30 pm † Martha &amp; Ted Selby

**Saturday, July 17***Vigil of the 16th Sunday in Ordinary Time*

5:00 pm † Margaret Jerger

**Sunday, July 18***16th Sunday in Ordinary Time*

7:30 am Parish

9:30 am † Rosemary Lang-Martin

11:30 am † Ken Conrad

**IN GOD'S ARMS**

Sally Rabquer

***ETERNAL REST GRANT NTO THEM O LORD.*****PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK OF OUR PARISH**

Names will only be listed for 4 weeks. If you wish to have additional time, contact the Parish Center at 419.524.2572.



Bill Ruhl	Marilyn B. Williamson	Michael Davis
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**From the Pastor:**

As I mentioned at the Masses last Sunday, my name is Fr. Miller and I'm your new pastor. I'm very happy to finally be here. Transitioning from one parish to another is always challenging for us priests for many reasons. Packing our belongings and moving them to a new parish is difficult, even when we don't have that much, as in my case. Packing is still hard because we priests know we are leaving behind familiar faces, who have become our friends and family. I'm happy to be through that process and here where I will begin to make new friends and family members.

My full name is Fr. John Miller. My parents named each of their children (my siblings) after a saint, and for me, it was St. John the Baptist. He was a very impressive person who lived his life for Christ, preparing the way of the Lord. That's a great focus for any priest! The reason I mention this about my name is that some of you have asked how I want to be addressed, knowing that some priests use their first name and others use their last name. Please refer to me as Fr. Miller. When you say that, you'll get my attention, even in a crowd of people.

My email address is [miller.john@myspartans.org](mailto:miller.john@myspartans.org) and my cell phone number is 419-217-0228. In the other parishes I've been, some of the parishioners were surprised that I listed my cell phone number, and even cautioned me not to do so. I've never had a problem with people misusing it and I'm confident the same will be true here in Mansfield. I provide it for your benefit, especially sick calls during the night. Please keep in mind that I don't monitor my phone ever second of the day. There are only so many emails, phone calls, and text messages that I can respond to in a day.

The property and buildings of this parish are as big as any of the parishes in our diocese. There is nothing small about this parish! Fr. Kevin has been a great help to me in learning about lights, doors, security systems, etc. I've been meeting with the staff and learning about what they do. At some point in the weeks ahead, I'll meet with the various parish councils and committees. (According to my count, there are eight of these, but I'm the new guy!) I look forward to working with them to learn more about this parish and their help in providing input for moving forward.

Lastly for this week, a spiritual thought based on the Scripture readings for this Sunday. Jesus empowers the Apostles (the Twelve) with His own authority and sends them forth to do the same work Christ was doing. Then Jesus tells them not to take the normal things people take when they travel – food, money, baggage, etc. Jesus does this because he knows that will become their primary focus instead of where Jesus wants them to focus. Too often we think about and focus on the material instead of the spiritual.

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**ST. JOSEPH'S FELLOWSHIP**

What are you doing Friday mornings between the hour of 6 a.m. - 7 a.m.? Are you a Catholic man interested in restoring St. Joseph's example of masculinity to the church and society as a whole? If so, please join Fr. Kevin and other men of our parish in the FAC St. Claire room for coffee, donuts, fraternity, and fellowship. The group is just beginning and we thought what better way to kick off the group, than consecrating the work and future of the group to our patron!

We'll be reading **Consecration to St. Joseph** by Donald Calloway. It's 33 days of a brief daily reading and then a meeting each week to discuss. The total time is five weeks, so 6/25-7/23, meeting every Friday, with our Consecration Day on Tuesday 7/27, the Memorial of Saints Joachim and Anne, Parents of the Blessed Virgin Mary. If you do not have a copy of the book, one will be provided for you! Please join us!

**FATHER HITE'S  
NEW ADDRESS**

Rev. Gregory R. Hite  
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**CAPITAL CAMPAIGN DONOR BOOK**

The parish is working on completing a brass book that will contain the names of all the donors to the **Preserving Our Past, Securing Our Future Capital Campaign**. This book will be mounted in the vestibule of the church later this year.

Last month, letters were mailed to nearly 1,000 donors to verify how their household name will appear in that memorial book. Corrections need to be provided to the Development Office before July 25.

If you did not receive a letter, or would like a change made to how your name will appear, please contact Cheryl Gurski at (419) 524-2572 x2130 or gurski.cheryl@myspartans.org.

**PRISON MINISTRY CORNER**

More reflections from our RiCI brothers on how they grown spiritually these past months, especially durin isolation of the Covid lockdown:



"At first I couldn't focus; I just went through the motions. Then I intentionally took time to look at myself, my strengths and weaknesses, then I could refocus on what others needed. I found my prayer life actually got stronger."

"I started to take the focus off of myself, I stopped thinking 'poor me.' I moved away from feelings of unworthiness and self-doubt and let God love me. I realize God wants more from me than I can ever imagine."

**HERITAGE ROOM VOLUNTEERS WANTED**

Do you enjoy history? Are you good at organizing? St. Peter's Heritage Room is moving into a new larger space this summer and we are looking for some volunteers to help us carry on the ministry started by Sister Paula Bingert, OSF.

We are also looking for volunteers who still get a print copy of the newspaper and would be willing to watch for and clip articles from the Mansfield News Journal.

If interested, contact Jason Crundwell or Bill Johnson at the Parish Center (419) 524-2572.

**PSR CATECHISTS NEEDED**

We are searching for some catechists for our PSR program for the 2021-2022 year. The year starts in September and ends in April, and the commitment is for 1 1/2 hours per week along with completing a VIRTUS Child Protection Training and background check through the Diocese of Toledo (which is all on-line and takes one hour).

The greatest gift you could ever share is your experience and knowledge of the faith to help our smallest disciples! If you have any interest in either our Wednesday night or Sunday morning program, please contact Elizabeth Wurm at [wurm.elizabeth@myspartans.org](mailto:wurm.elizabeth@myspartans.org) or at the parish office at 419-524-2572 x 2114. Each of us has a story to tell about our faith...share yours and help a young person take a step farther on their faith journey!

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This week, consider making more room in your daily schedule for God. Life is very busy and there are an almost endless list of things to occupy our time each day. However, be deliberate and intentional in making more room of God and thinking about the things of heaven rather than the things of earth. You'll be glad you did and will experience true peace and joy.

Gratefully,  
Fr. Miller

<b>SUNDAY OFFERING</b>	
	
<i>As of June 2021 Sunday Collection</i>	
Sunday Collection & Holy Day Collection:	\$859,226
Total Budgeted Sunday Collection To Date:	\$852,000
<b>Sunday Collection Surplus/(Deficit)</b>	<b>\$7,226.00</b>
<b>School Collection</b>	
Total School Collection To Date:	\$120,292
Total Budgeted School Collection To Date:	\$144,000
<b>School Collection Surplus/(Deficit)</b>	<b>(\$23,708.00)</b>

## CHRISTMAS IN JULY



St. Peter's Feed the Needy ministry will be hosting a Christmas in July dinner **next weekend**, Sunday, July 18 from 3 -5 p.m. in the church parking lot.

The meal will include a hot chicken dinner, mashed potatoes, gravy, sweet potatoes, a vegetable roll, and desserts. For the kids there will be free snow cones and toys donated by

Hedstrom Plastics in Ashland.

Our Feed the Needy program has expanded to two Sundays a month, usually the first and third Sundays, but because of the Independence Day holiday, meals will also be served this Sunday afternoon.

If you would like to volunteer to be part of our team, please contact Father Kevin. Blessings!

## ADULT FAITH FORMATION AND ENRICHMENT



All adults are welcome to join us every Tuesday this summer at 10:00 for our "Crochet and Pray" class. Come for an enjoyable hour or so to learn to crochet, work on plastic-bag homeless mats, or bring your own knitting/crochet projects and come for the fellowship. Enter thru the Parish Center entrance and our receptionist will direct you to the adult faith room.

All who are interested in finding out more about Catholicism and the potential of preparing for the Sacraments of Initiation are encouraged to call the Parish Center during July to begin the process.

**The 69<sup>th</sup> Annual St. Joseph Festival** will be on Saturday, July 10 from 2:00-10:00 PM and Sunday, July 11 from 11:00 AM-9:00 PM at 36 Melmore Street, Tiffin, Ohio. This year's festival will be a "Hybrid" Festival, featuring games and entertainment that can be offered in a safe way. Our World Famous Chicken Dinners will once again be offered take-out style on Sunday, July 11 and must be pre-ordered and paid by July 5. Order forms are available through the St. Joseph Parish website ([www.tiffinstjoseph.org](http://www.tiffinstjoseph.org)) or at the St. Joseph Parish office. Our 5<sup>th</sup> Annual Car Show will be Sunday, July 11 from 5:00-8:00 PM. Both days of the festival will feature the Main Raffle (Grand prize-\$10,000), Super Raffle (with over 70 prizes for all ages), Big 3 Raffle and 50/50 Raffle and many great games and live entertainment. Area food trucks/vendors will offer a variety of sandwich and snack items for your enjoyment. Come visit us at the festival, and if you can't make it, all raffle tickets are available for purchase through our parish website.



## FORMED

We continue to encourage all parish households to take advantage of the FREE Formed subscription, provided through a generous benefactor to the Diocese of Toledo.

Sign-up is easy: Go to [formed.org](http://formed.org), select our parish (listed as St. Peter's Catholic Church, 104 West First Street, Mansfield), and provide your name and email.

Our pastoral staff has found the Formed materials invaluable in a variety of ways.

- Fr. Kevin has used the excellent series "Beloved" with couples preparing for marriage.
- Elizabeth Wurm has used a wide array of series and programs with families preparing for First Communion and Confirmation as well as sharing special Formed materials geared toward children during Advent and Lent.
- Lynne Lukach has recommended the "Reborn" series to parents preparing for the baptism of their little ones.

Let us know what you have found helpful in your spiritual journey.

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**Presale tickets will be available after Masses the weekend of July 10-11 & 17-18.**

Purchase Online:  
**[mansfieldstpeters.org/august](http://mansfieldstpeters.org/august)**

**VOLUNTEERS:**

We also will need many volunteers for this event to be a success. Our helpers will receive free admission and 10 food and drink tickets. Visit the AugustFest webpage for more information on how you can volunteer!

**NEW OPPORTUNITIES FOR SCHOOL CHOICE**



School Choice was a big winner in the new State of Ohio budget bill increasing scholarship amounts for this upcoming school year.

The Ohio EdChoice Scholarship window has reopened! **Parishioners who qualify for an EdChoice Scholarships and a Parishioner Scholarship can have 100% of their tuition costs covered! Does my family qualify?**

*Catholic Parishioner Scholarship* — All families who are registered members of the parish and actively participate in their faith — automatically qualify for a Parishioner Scholarship.

*EdChoice Expansion Scholarship* — If your annual household gross income does not exceed the limits based on the chart to the right, you qualify for an EdChoice Expansion Scholarship.

Household Size	Income Limit
1	\$32,200
2	\$43,550
3	\$54,900
4	\$66,250
5	\$77,600
6	\$88,950
6 or more?	Call us!

*EdChoice Traditional Scholarship* — If you live in the Mansfield City School District and your child is assigned to any school (except Woodland), you automatically are eligible for a scholarship! If you live inside Mansfield City Schools but are open enrolled in another school district, you can transfer to St. Peter's on scholarship.

However, if your household income is above these limits, you can still apply for traditional financial aid. We still have aid available for the upcoming school year. Parishioners and alumni donate tens of thousands each year to assist families who want a Catholic education for their children. It's their way of giving back for the great education they received.

Have questions? Give us a call. **Our parish families always have priority in new enrollments.** Call Jason Crundwell (419) 524-2572 to start the process!

Our new AfterCare program still has limited space available for students in grades K—6 for working parents!

**JULY BIRTHDAYS**



We want to recognize our parishioners age 85 and above who are celebrating birthdays in July. Please keep these individuals and everyone celebrating a birthday in your prayers.

Richard Lehman, Antoinette Nolletti, Mary Peterson, Stella Sutter, Josephine Contra, Mary Jackson, Jean Chambers, Delores Dowiatt, Mary Ann Robertson, George Siciliano, Carl Taddeo, Lorraine Shrilla, Elizabeth Moore, Marilou Marshall, Thomas Etzwiler, Olga Ferger, Anton Brenner, Richard Renie, Raymond Kvochick, Beverly Magee, Marcia Bond, and Shirley Castrataro

“Lord, let us see your kindness,  
And grant us your salvation.”

~ Psalm 85 ~

DEANERY & DIOCESAN NEWS

HUGE Jewelry Sale at St. Joseph Parish, Tiffin, Ohio. Thousands of pieces only \$2 each! You have to see it to believe it! The sale will be in a new location this year, in the St. Joseph Activity Center Gym (the building next to the Old Gym), 56 Melmore Street. The sale runs Thursday, July 29 from 9 am - 6 pm, Friday, July 30 from 9 am - 7 pm, and Saturday, July 31 from 9 am - 3 pm. Proceeds benefit Calvert Catholic Schools and the Missions. Don't miss it!

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

St. Peter's Parish & School is currently seeking to fill the following positions.

- Head of School
- Director of Development and Advancement
- Business Manager
- Accounting Assistant (Part-time)
- Third Grade Teacher
- Cafeteria Cook (Part-time)

To learn more about the job positions and to apply, please visit our website: [mansfieldstpeters.org/employment-opportunities](http://mansfieldstpeters.org/employment-opportunities).

All employees must pass BCI/FBI background checks and complete VIRTUS requirements.

ANNIVERSARY MILESTONE MASS

Thank you for your witness to the Sacrament of Marriage. The Diocese of Toledo will honor you and other couples celebrating 25, 40, 50, 60 and 60-plus years of marriage at a Mass celebrated by Bishop Daniel E. Thomas on Sunday, October 24, at 3:00 pm, at Rosary Cathedral, 2535 Collingwood Blvd, Toledo.

To register, visit [www.toledoanniversarymass.org](http://www.toledoanniversarymass.org). Every registering couple is guaranteed an anniversary certificate. Questions? Please contact Alice Jacobs at 419-214-4978 or [ajacobs@toledodiocese.org](mailto:ajacobs@toledodiocese.org).

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Mass, Adoration, food, seminarians and inspiring speakers on how to hear God's call in your life. July 21, 2021—10 am - 4 pm St. Thomas More Univ. Parish Bowling Green, OH. To register or for more information, contact Father Phil Smith in the Office for Diocesan Priestly Vocations [smith@toledodiocese.org](mailto:smith@toledodiocese.org) or (419) 214-4941. [www.toledopriesthood.org](http://www.toledopriesthood.org)

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## GOD CHOSE US

Who chose first, God or you? That is the question explored in today's three readings. The second reading, from Paul's Letter to the Ephesians, reads almost like a hymn. It praises God for choosing us, for calling us to serve, and for blessing us in our service. Paul makes it clear how honored we are and how special is the call to live as children of God. This is through no doing of our own.

The first reading and the Gospel use prose rather than poetry to describe the same truth: God did the choosing, not us. When the prophet Amos was berated for being a prophet, he retorted that the whole thing wasn't his idea in the first place. Neither did the twelve apostles in today's Gospel ask for their calling. Jesus sent them forth, two by two, to do the work of his kingdom.

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## UNFINISHED MISSION

Here's a simple test to find out whether your mission  
on earth is finished: If you're alive, it isn't.

—Anonymous

## FEAST OF FAITH

### Invitation to the Eucharistic Prayer

After the presider washes his hands, he turns to the people and says, "Pray that our sacrifice may be acceptable to God the almighty Father." We have brought forward bread and wine, and now we are asked to see in these simple gifts upon the altar a sacrifice offered to God. Our response is rich in theological meaning. "May the Lord accept the sacrifice at your hands."

The words point to the unique role of the priest, whose hands, at his ordination, were anointed for just this purpose: that he might "sanctify the Christian people and offer sacrifice to God" (Rite of Ordination). We ask God to accept our sacrifice not because it is worthy of God, but simply "for the praise and glory of his name."

God does not need our offering, but allows us to give it so that we might grow in holiness. And God, never to be outdone in generosity, gives all that we have given back to us, "for our good and the good of all his Church." This Mass benefits not just those who have gathered, but, in the mysterious economy of grace, the whole Church. In the words of Saint Paul, when one part rejoices, the whole body "share[s] its joy" (1 Corinthians 12:26).

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## READINGS FOR THE WEEK

- Monday:** Ex 1:8-14, 22; Ps 124:1b-8; Mt 10:34 — 11:1
- Tuesday:** Ex 2:1-15a; Ps 69:3, 14, 30-31, 33-34; Mt 11:20-24
- Wednesday:** Ex 3:1-6, 9-12; Ps 103:1b-4, 6-7; Mt 11:25-27
- Thursday:** Ex 3:13-20; Ps 105:1, 5, 8-9, 24-27; Mt 11:28-30
- Friday:** Ex 11:10 — 12:14; Ps 116:12-13, 15, 16bc, 17-18; Mt 12:1-8
- Saturday:** Ex 12:37-42; Ps 136:1, 23-24, 10-15; Mt 12:14-21
- Sunday:** Jer 23:1-6; Ps 23:1-6; Eph 2:13-18; Mk 6:30-34

## TODAY'S READINGS

**First Reading** — Amos said, "The LORD took me from following the flock, and said to me, Go, prophesy to my people" (Amos 7:12-15).

**Psalm** — Lord, let us see your kindness, and grant us your salvation (Psalm 85).

**Second Reading** — The God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ has blessed us in Christ with every spiritual blessing (Ephesians 1:3-14 [3-10]).

**Gospel** — Jesus summoned the Twelve and began to send them out two by two (Mark 6:7-13).

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