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SACRAMENTS

Baptism | Contact Father David
Reconciliation | Offered Saturday from 3-3:45pm and Wednesday at 4:30-5:00 pm when Mass is celebrated.

Matrimony | Please contact the priest at least six months prior to setting a wedding date.



"You will be called prophet of the Most High, for you will go before the Lord to prepare His way"

FAREWELL FOR FATHER ALEXANDER

Next Sunday (July 1), we will have a Farewell Brunch for Father Alexander in the Parish Center AFTER the 10:00am Mass. Join our parish family as we wish Father Alexander all the best in his new assignment!

LAST SUNDAY MORNING MASS

Please be reminded that NEXT Sunday, July 1, will be the last time the 8:00 am Sunday morning Mass will be celebrated in the parish. Beginning Sunday, July 8, the only Mass will be offered at 10:00 am.

NO MASS

Please note that there will NOT be morning Mass this Monday (June 25).

MASS SCHEDULE & INTENTIONS

Week of June 24, 2018

MONDAY, June 25—NO MASS

TUESDAY, June 26—NO MASS

WEDNESDAY, June 27

5:15 pm + Bernard & Esther Hann
Confessions 4:30-5:00 pm

THURSDAY, June 28— NO MASS

FRIDAY, June 29

8:15 am + Eunice Yousif Aboona

SATURDAY, June 30

Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

4:00 pm Mass For St. Francis Xavier &
St. Henry Parish Families

Confessions 3:00-3:45 pm

SUNDAY, July 1

8:00 am Spanish Mass + Mary Schuchart

10:00 am Mass + Mary Hale

STEWARDSHIP CORNER

“To all those other among you who are God-fearing, to us this word of salvation has been sent.” May we share the gift we have been given.

STEWARDSHIP OF YOUR TREASURE

Sunday, June 17

Collection Report

Envelopes	\$3,795.00
Plate	179.00
Automatic Deductions (env.)	352.00
Poor Box	15.00
Capital Improvement	50.00
Bulletin Advertising	64.00

MONTHLY OPERATING ACCOUNT

Projected expenses FY 2018-19	\$32,675.00
Received June 17, 2018	4,455.00
Received for June, 2018	20,308.15

IN APRECIATION FOR THE WEEK

On behalf of our parish, we extend our thanks and gratitude to all those who give of their time to help as **Collection Counters**. This is an important yet sometimes forgotten ministry in the parish. We appreciate the dedication and professionalism of those who give of their time to help with the accounting of your generous donations to the parish. May God bless each of you!

JULY/AUGUST WORD AMONG US & LIVING FAITH BOOKLETS

The July/August edition of "The Word Among Us" and Living Faith Booklets are available on the table in the vestibule of the church. Take a copy home with you to use for your spiritual reading and growth!

DAY OF ADORATION

Please note that our monthly Day of Eucharistic Adoration will be held on Friday, July 6.

MISSION APPEAL

Please note that a second collection will be taken up AFTER Holy Communion at the Masses this weekend to support the work and ministry of the Franciscan Missionary Union. If you make a donation by check, please make the check payable to the PARISH and all donations will be forwarded to the Franciscans. Thanks!

RCIA

If you know of anyone who is interested in learning more about the Catholic Faith or possibly joining the Church, please have them contact Toni Grojean. At this point, the person should begin attending Sunday Mass on a regular basis. RCIA classes will begin later this Fall. If you have any questions or need further information, please contact Toni Grojean at (573) 258-1172.

RECTORY

Please note that since I will be taking care of both parishes and schools on my own and there will not be a full-time resident priest living in the rectory, we will table the issue of renovating the rectory or constructing a new one until next year. We can re-visit this topic at that time. Meanwhile, we will do what is necessary to maintain the existing rectory. Thanks for your continued prayers and support! Father David

PETER'S PENCE COLLECTION

Since we are having our Mission Appeal this weekend, please note that the annual collection for Peter's Pence will be NEXT weekend (June 30/July 1). We will NOT be having a second special collection for this effort. If you would like to make a donation for this important work and ministry sponsored by our Holy Father, please enclose it in the provided envelope included with your regular contribution envelopes and place it in the collection basket at Mass. Thanks!

DIOCESAN DEVELOPMENT FUND (DDF)

Our DDF parish goal this year is \$49,500. At this point, \$31,645 has been pledged. This is 64% of our goal. Please consider making a pledge to help support this important work of the Church in Southern Missouri. Thanks for your generosity!

ALTAR FURNISHINGS

We are in the process of ordering some beautiful new altar/sanctuary furnishings which will blend in better with the style and architecture of our parish church. Preliminary plans for this project were made a few years ago and are now becoming a reality. The final designs/plans were chosen and approved by the Parish Renovation Committee and have been approved by the Bishop.

ORAN PICNIC ON JULY 4TH

The Oran Knights of Columbus will be hosting their Annual July 4th Picnic on Wednesday, July 4. There will be games, music, wagon rides, horseshoes, corn hole and an antique tractor display. Bingo with cash prizes will be held in the KC Hall at 7:00 pm and fireworks at 10:00 pm. An "all you can eat" buffet dinner will be served from 11:00 am to 6:00 pm in the air-conditioned KC Hall. For more information, see the flyer posted on the bulletin board in the church vestibule.

ANNUAL WEDDING ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

Preparations are underway for the annual Diocesan Wedding Anniversary Celebration. This event includes a special Mass with Bishop Edward M. Rice followed by a reception. All married couples are invited to attend with their family and friends. Please make plans to attend on Sunday, September 30, at 2:30 pm at St. Mary's Cathedral in Cape Girardeau. In order for us to properly prepare, please RSVP by Friday, July 20. The registration form can be found on the Family Life page of the diocesan website at dioscg.org or you may pick up a copy in the parish office.

THOUGHT OF THE WEEK

You know well enough that Our Lord does not look so much at the greatness of our actions, nor even at their difficulty, but at the love with which we do them."

—St. Therese of Lisieux

LIFT US UP IN PRAYER

Please remember all those in our parish who are ill, homebound and in nursing homes:

Judy Marshall, Joseph Ross, Alma York, Carol Gleason, Buck Brase, Jerome & Suzanne Rennie, Emme Lankheit, Stuart Cawthorn, Mark Blanton, Joan Moss, Jon Burden, Andrew & Mickie Ormsby, Donald Cento, Karen Matthews, Jack Jackovic, Jim Hux, Pat Fetsch, Anton Miederhoff, Bill Sharp, and Bob Donze. We also pray for those serving in the Armed Forces, for the protection of the unborn, for religious vocations, and for our religious freedoms.