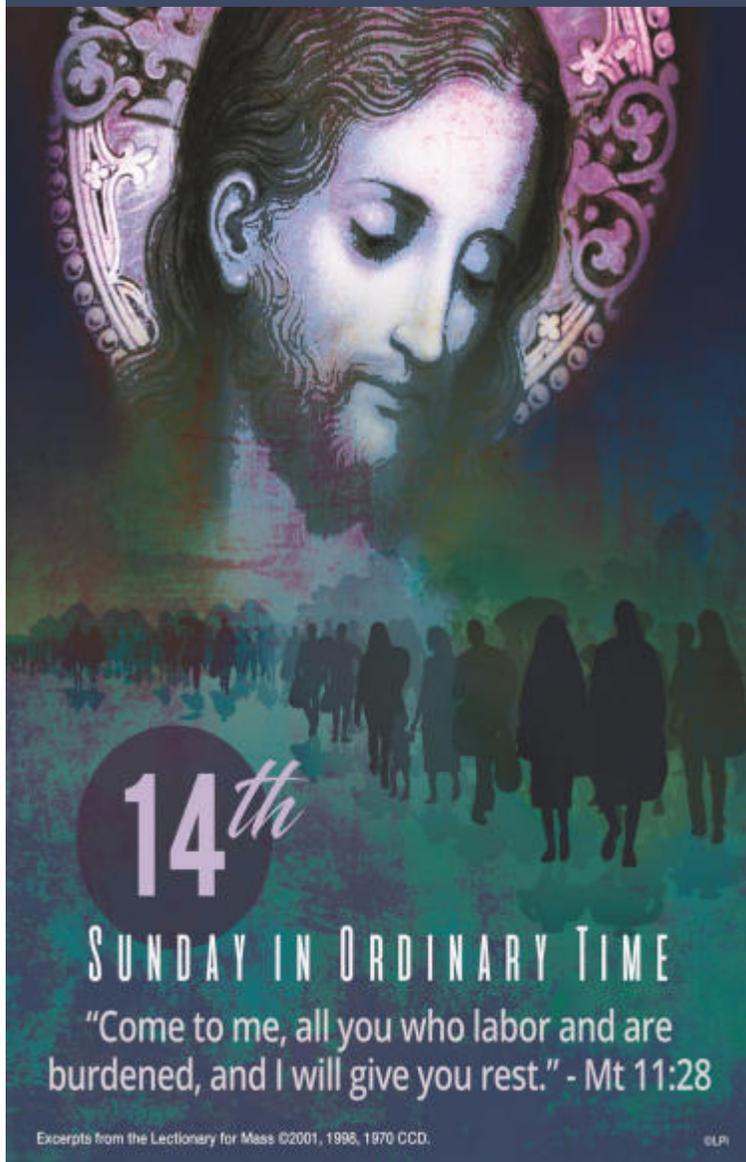


July 5, 2020

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Together we share our talents and resources to foster unity among ourselves and one another as we strive to live a life of Christian service with Christ as our example and the Holy Spirit as our guide.

Weekend Mass Times

Saturday: Ashton, 4:30 p.m.
Sunday: Sheldon, 8:30 a.m. (English) and
12:30 p.m. (Español), Sibley, 10:30 a.m.

Sacrament of Reconciliation

By appointment only

Baptism

Please contact the parish office for more information about baptismal preparation and scheduling your baptismal ceremony.

Holy Matrimony

Please contact the parish office six months prior to the anticipated wedding date.

Adoration

You will be notified when adoration resumes.

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St. Patrick, St. Mary and St. Andrew

Cluster Connection ANNOUNCEMENTS FROM AROUND THE CLUSTER

St. Patrick's School News

SCHOOL OFFICE HOURS - 10 a.m.—2 p.m.
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St. Patrick—The new Living Faith Devotions booklets (July-August-September) are available. They are in a baggie on a table outside Colleen Perry's residence at 701 26th Avenue. Please feel free to stop by and pick one (or more) up anytime. Please do not take them into church with you however. Thank you!

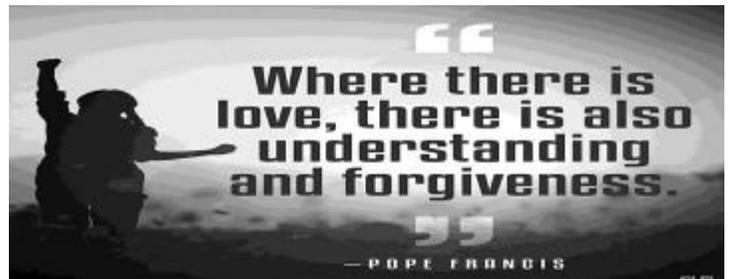
St. Andrew—The new Living Faith Devotions booklets (July-August-September) are available in the main entrance at the St. Andrew Faith Center. You stop in Monday—Thursday between 8 a.m. and 4 p.m. We ask that you do not take them to church with you. Thank you.

McCallum Museum Hours: Sundays, Tuesdays and Thursdays by appointment only from 2:00 - 4:00pm. Call McCallum Museum at 712-754-9278 and leave a message. You can stay connected to McCallum Museum by following us on Facebook Link:<https://www.facebook.com/mccallummuseum>

St. Andrew is hosting a Rosary, the Prayer to St. Michael and the Litany of the Sacred Heart of Jesus (found on-line) for the intention of the overturning of Roe Versus Wade and the end of abortion and infanticide on Wednesdays.
Join us from home, praying the Rosary.



"St. Andrew Catholic Daughters will lead a PATRIOTIC ROSARY for the consecration of our nation on Saturday, July 4, 2020 at 9:00 A.M. at the Osceola County Freedom Rock in Ashton. Please bring a lawn chair & umbrella (for rain or sun). We will practice social distancing so try to maintain distance from others. There is sufficient space to spread out. We will have a sound system, so hopefully, everyone will be able to hear. Please wear a mask if you are comfortable doing that, but, it is not mandatory. Our country is in need of prayer. Everyone is welcome to attend!"



LIVE THE LITURGY

INSPIRATION FOR THE WEEK

The flesh is our old self of yesterday and the one we left behind in baptism. It is the self of doubts and fears, sin and error, reluctance, untamed passion, and errors in judgment. It is also the self of missed opportunities and roads untraveled. Although we were baptized many years ago, every day is another day to live, not according to the flesh of yesterday with its regrets and misgivings, but rather to live the life of spirit of today and tomorrow. The burdens of our personal baggage and of life itself can weigh us down. The love of Jesus Christ and the life of the spirit can pick us up, refresh us and provide us with the hope for new opportunities and discoveries. Because we have been baptized in Christ, we need not be anxious about what we did or did not do yesterday or anxious about what will come tomorrow. We need only to seek out the love that is before us, and in us and learn.



WHY DO WE DO THAT? Catholic Life Explained:

Question:

Why do priests kiss the altar at the start of Mass?

Answer:

Our churches and chapels are filled with symbols. We might think of the more common symbols (like the crucifix, statues, stained-glass windows, vestment color and altar cloths) as well as major symbols (such as the paschal candle and the baptismal font). But there are some things that we can take for granted in our sacred spaces, because unfortunately, they seem to just be part of the building, including three of the main symbols of our liturgy: the ambo (lectern), the chair for the priest celebrant, and the altar.

These three objects are placed in a specially designated area called the sanctuary. They are the places where the Word of God is proclaimed, where the priest prays and presides at the celebration, and where the bread and wine are offered by the priest during the Eucharistic Prayer. Although each of these objects is sacred because of the role they play in our worship, the altar holds a special place. In a document containing the rules and instructions for the Mass — the “General Instruction of the Roman Missal” — we read: “The altar on which the Sacrifice of the Cross is made present under sacramental signs is also the table of the Lord to which the People of God is called together to participate in the Mass, as well as the center of the thanksgiving that is accomplished throughout the Eucharist” (no. 296).

One of the ways that we recognize the importance of the altar is when the priest and deacon kiss the altar at the beginning of Mass. Kissing is an ancient act of devotion. Remember, we also kiss the cross on Good Friday, and the deacon or priest kisses the “Book of the Gospels” after the Gospel is proclaimed. This act of devotion reminds us that the altar is a symbol of Jesus, the “living stone” (see 1 Peter 2:4), the foundation stone of our faith. It is a symbol gesture, but it is a powerful reminder of the One on whom our faith is built and in whose name we gather as the “household of faith” (see Galatians 6:10).

To learn more, see the “Catechism of the Catholic Church” (no. 1382-1383).

REFLECT

FIRST READING

The prophet Zechariah envisioned a future king for the people of Israel who would rule the nations with justice and humility. How do you see these virtues as a strength in leadership?

SECOND READING

Paul speaks of the promise of the resurrection from the dead for believers who reject the flesh and live according to the Spirit. What spiritual exercises do you practice that help reject the flesh?

GOSPEL READING

Jesus praises his Father for the irony of the wise and learned who are unable to see what is revealed to the childlike. What does this tell us about the kingdom of heaven?





Jesus knows that you can get tired. Doing your best in school is hard work. You also may feel tired, sad, or left out on the playground. Whenever you start to feel tired, remember that Jesus is with you. Learn from Jesus. Follow his example. Be honest. Be Kind. Help others do the right thing. Jesus will help you.

PRAYER

Jesus, I thank you for helping me when I am tired. Amen.

MISSION FOR THE WEEK

Send a card or letter to someone you know that is alone or lonely.

Mass Intentions

Weekly Readings

- Sunday:** Zec 9:9-10/Ps 145:1-2, 8-9, 10-11, 13-14 [cf. 1]/Rom 8:9, 11-13/Mt 11:25-3
- Monday:** Hos 2:16, 17b-18, 21-22/Ps 145:2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9 [8a]/Mt 9:18-26
- Tuesday:** Hos 8:4-7, 11-13/Ps 115:3-4, 5-6, 7ab-8, 9-10 [9a]/Mt 9:32-38
- Wednesday:** Hos 10:1-3, 7-8, 12/Ps 105:2-3, 4-5, 6-7 [4b]/Mt 10:1-7
- Thursday:** Hos 11:1-4, 8e-9/Ps 80:2ac and 3b, 15-16 [4b]/Mt 10:7-15
- Friday:** Hos 14:2-10/Ps 51:3-4, 8-9, 12-13, 14 and 17 [17b]/Mt 10:16-23
- Saturday:** Is 6:1-8/Ps 93:1ab, 1cd-2, 5 [1a]/Mt 10:24-33
- Sunday:** Is 55:10-11/Ps 65:10, 11, 12-13, 14 [Lk 8:8]/Rom 8:18-23/Mt 13:1-23 or 13:1-9

Saturday, July 4

4:30 p.m. Ashton Betsy Einch

Sunday, July 5

8:30 a.m. Sheldon "Ome" Klein
10:30 a.m. Sibley Ray Nasers
12:30 p.m. Sheldon (Español)For the Parishes of the Cluster

Monday, July 6—No Mass

Tuesday, July 7

Sibley Emma DeSmet Lucas

Wednesday, July 8

Ashton Norma Niichel

Thursday, July 9

Sibley Mary Jean Krogman

Friday, July 10

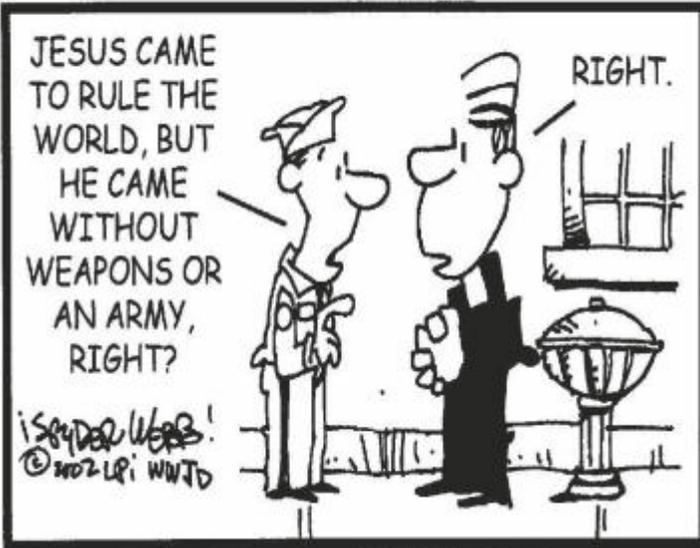
Sheldon Pat & Angie McGillick

Saturday, July 11

4:30 p.m. Ashton Gerald & Rosella Croatt

Sunday, July 12

8:30 a.m. Sheldon Christine Sauer
10:30 a.m. Sibley Joanne Bender
12:30 p.m. Sheldon (Español)For the Parishes of the Cluster



LITURGICAL LIFE RESPONDING TO THE CALL

Everyday Stewardship Faith Like A Child

If you Google Search recommendations on how to raise generous children, almost every list of ideas begins with — or at least contains — the directive for adults to be good models of generosity themselves. Our children learn from our actions much more than from our words. Of course, when I think back over the years while my children were growing up, I think I may have learned as much from them as they learned from me. There is a time between early childhood and middle school where a child seems to be freer to give and share than at any other time in life. It is around the age of First Communion when the cries of “mine” turn to laughter and smiles, and the urge to be a part of something bigger than oneself leads to sharing. Before you know it, the child hits the pre-teen years, and once again, he or she becomes the center of the universe.

I believe that the previous paragraph is all true, however, the stages described seem to repeat themselves throughout adulthood. Don't you agree? Sometimes we fall into seeing ourselves as the center of the universe, or we become consumed by our state in life or with what we have acquired. Also, we at times are generous and loving people. It is sin that draws us back into ourselves and away from any meaningful life of stewardship and generosity. In order to be freed for love, we need role models to help us see what really matters. We need to reflect on the example of many of our brothers and sisters in Christ. And, yes, we need to look to children who may be at the point in their lives where sharing is fun, and love is something in abundance.

— Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS

Weekly Giving

St. Patrick June 28
Will be updated in the
July 12th Bulletin

Adult	\$
TOTAL	\$

Year to Date Income:

2020	\$125,560.64
2019	\$141,363.53
2018	\$125,643.29

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