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September 25, 2016

Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Weekly Reflection

From the Minnesota Catholic Conference: September 12, 2016

A recent full-page advertisement in the Star Tribune, paid for by a national group calling themselves "Catholics for Choice," woefully misrepresents the noble Catholic social justice tradition. By calling for public funding of abortion, "Catholics for Choice" disregards the need to defend vulnerable human life in all its stages—a principle at the core of authentic social justice. If there is a desire to help a woman in need who is facing an unplanned pregnancy, the solution as a society is to provide her with the resources and support she needs to care for her child—not help her dispose of it. Pope Francis has repeatedly condemned such a mentality as part of the throwaway culture that attacks the dignity of the weak and vulnerable because they seem inconvenient and make a claim upon our care and resources. Furthermore, the ad itself makes no effort to ground its claims in any authoritative source of the Catholic faith, which is rooted in the life and teachings of Jesus Christ and is proclaimed by the Church. It fails to do so because the actual teachings of the Catholic faith embrace a consistent ethic of life from conception to natural death, and categorically condemn abortion as an act of violence against the most innocent and defenseless among us.

"Since the first century, the Church has affirmed the moral evil of every procured abortion," the Catechism of the Catholic Church (CCC 2271) tells us. "This teaching has not changed and remains unchangeable." The "Catholics for Choice" ad fails to acknowledge this truth of our faith, and instead presents Catholicism as something purely subjective, which in turn can be twisted and distorted to defend any indefensible position. The ad also offers a false choice between caring for women and caring for the unborn. We must love them both. In response to this misleading ad, Minnesota Catholics are encouraged to support one of the many pregnancy resource services in our state, which do incredible work to care for both mothers and children in a manner consistent with true social justice. Here are just a few local services that you might consider supporting:

- Abria Pregnancy Resources
- TLC Options for Women
- The Philomena House
- Birthright of Minnesota
- Catholic Charities, Diocese of Winona
- Wakota Life Care Center

<https://mncatholic.org/minnesota-catholic-conference-statement-concerning-todays-catholics-choice-national-ad-campaign/>

Father Andrew Brinkman

Adoration Chapel

Thank you to all who volunteer to keep watch with our Lord.

Hours available to keep watch with the Lord:

Midnight 12:00 am Monday into Tuesday am, Tuesday

1:00 am, Saturday, 1:00 am, Saturday 2:00 am,

We need a second adorer for nearly every hour. Please call Shirley Higginbotham at 651-457-6844 or Linda Rivera at 651-457-2334 with any questions you may have.

Mass ~ *Misas*

Monday - 8:00 AM St. Matthew

Tuesday ~ Martes - 6:30 PM Our Lady of Guadalupe (*Bilingual*)

Wednesday - 8:00 AM St. Matthew

Thursday - 9:30 AM St. Michael

Friday - 8:00 AM St. Michael

Saturday - 4:00 PM St. Matthew

Sunday ~ Domingo

9:00 AM Our Lady of Guadalupe (*English*)

10:00 AM St. Michael (*English*)

11:00 AM Our Lady of Guadalupe (*Español*)

1:00 PM Our Lady of Guadalupe (*Español*)

First Friday of Each Month 6:30 PM

Primer Viernes de Cada Mes 6:30 PM

Our Lady of Guadalupe (*Bilingual*)

Reconciliation ~ *Confesiones*

Tuesday ~ *Martes*

6:00 PM - 6:30 PM Our Lady of Guadalupe

Friday ~ *Viernes*

7:30 AM - 7:50 AM St. Michael

Saturday ~ *Sábado*

8:00 AM - 9:00 AM St. Michael

3:00 PM - 4:00 PM St. Matthew

3:30 PM - 4:30 PM Our Lady of Guadalupe

Sunday ~ *Domingo*

9:45 AM - 10:15 AM St. Michael

Readings for the Week of September 25, 2016

Sunday: Am 6:1a, 4-7/Ps 146:7-10/1 Tm 6:11-16/Lk 16:19-31

Monday: Jb 1:6-22/Ps 17:1-3, 6-7/Lk 9:46-50

Tuesday: Jb 3:1-3, 11-17, 20-23/Ps 88:2-8/Lk 9:51-56

Wednesday: Jb 9:1-12, 14-16/Ps 88:10-15/Lk 9:57-62

Thursday: Dn 7:9-10, 13-14 or Rv 12:7-12a/Ps 138:1-5/Jn 1:47-51

Friday: Jb 38:1, 12-21; 40:3-5/Ps 139:1-3, 7-10, 13-14/Lk 10:13-16

Saturday: Jb 42:1-3, 5-6, 12-17/Ps 119:66, 71, 75, 91, 125, 130/Lk 10:17-24

Next Sunday: Hb 1:2-3; 2:2-4/Ps 95:1-2, 6-9/2 Tm 1:6-8, 13-14/Lk 17:5-10

St. Michaels News

Celebrate St. Michael's 150 Years September 25th

Come celebrate our long, proud, and rich history on the West Side and in West Saint Paul.

Mass with Archbishop Bernard Hebda at 10:30 a.m.

Reception to follow—All are invited to attend



Please pray for...

Parishioners and loved ones of parishioners; Roberta Grady, Henry Jandrich, Deborah Amacher, Claudette Borgan, Payton Faith Smith, Sue (Marthaler) Wyndt, Anthony (Tony) LaManna, Linda Barnes, Carlo James LaManna, Omar Acosta, Tim Rolando, Jack Gutzman, Dean Wurley, Mary Ann Hessler, Barb Lucker, Helen Tako, Antonio Zepeda, Mary Volp, Sheena Reed, Ronald DeTomaso, Paul Schettner, Carlo LaManna, Virginia LaManna, Stanley Antolak, Jr., John Chicki, Ruby Martinez, Bobby Hale, Gerry Gutzmann, Cole Joseph Hinz, Barbara Forbes, Dorothy Kingsbeck, Anne Daly, Dorothy Whaley, Gregory Karlen, Barbara Ann Pitka, Lydia Salas, Suzanne Schultz, Liz Sershen, Beverly DeRusha, Mark McKee. May Our Lord bless, comfort and heal them. If you would like to have a loved one added or removed please contact the parish office.

Faith Formation and Sacraments Classes

Students in grades 1-10 who attend public schools are welcome to join our Wednesday evening Faith Formation classes for the 2016-2017 school year. Come to St. Matthew Church on September 28 and October 5 at 6:30 p.m. to join class; class ends at 7:45 p.m. **Parents can register their children for the program during class if the parents have not already done so.** These classes, which teach children about the Catholic faith, are held weekly until next April. For those who would like to receive sacraments (First Communion, First Reconciliation, or Confirmation), weekly Faith Formation classes require preparation. Contact Janelle Rohr for more information, jdrohr@pro-ns.net.

Bells at St. Michael

Let the bells at St. Michael's ring for someone or something special in your life and family. Call the Parish Office to plan your special day.

Mother of Mercy Archdiocesan Candlelight Rosary Procession

Friday, October 7, 2016 6:30 p.m. Procession begins at 7:00 p.m. Most Reverend Bernard Hebda presiding. We will meet on the Capitol grounds at John Ireland & MLK Blvd. We will process to the Cathedral praying the Rosary to invoke our Blessed Mother's intercession for holiness and peace in our families and all the families of the world.

New at Saint Michael's Follow us on Facebook at

<https://.facebook.com/aintMichaelWestStPaul/>

Mass Intentions

Sunday, September 25

10:30 AM Our Parish

Thursday, September 29

9:30 AM Rudy Saucedo, Jr. †

Friday, September 30

8:00 AM Deacon John Murphy
Deaconate Anniversary

Sunday, October 2

10:30 AM Our Parish
David Schoener †

Calendar Of Events

Saturday, September 24

2:00 PM Cook-Pheil Wedding

Sunday, September 25

10:00 AM Divine Mercy Chaplet before Mass
10:30 AM 150th Anniversary Mass & Reception

Monday, September 26

6:30 PM Fatima Prayer Cell

Tuesday, September 27

9:00 AM Alumni Meeting Parish Office

Wednesday, September 28

6:00 PM Choir Practice Church

Thursday, September 29

9:30 AM COS School Mass
6:30 PM Deaconate Anniversary Mass

Friday, September 30

Saturday, October 1

Sunday, October 2

10:00 AM Divine Mercy Chaplet before Mass
Boy Scout Wreath Orders/Popcorn Sales Before/After Mass

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Weekly Contributions Report

September 11, 2016

Plate	\$ 284	Envelopes	\$1,244
Stole	\$ 0	Electronic	\$0
Pastor's Project	\$	Energy	\$
Vigil Lights	\$ 0	Maintenance	\$30
Memorial	\$	School	\$0
Stipends	\$105	Total	\$1,663

St. Matthews News

Church Bells

The St. Matthew's church bells will ring on the following days in honor of: September 24 Ed Millerbernd
September 28 **32nd Deaconate Anniversary**
Deacon John Murphy

OKTOBERFEST 1st

The final Festival Meeting will be on Monday, September 26th at 6:45 p.m. in the Social Hall. We will discuss last minute preparations for the Festival with committee chairpersons and volunteers. Please come to volunteer your time and talent. Keep those donations coming!!! We have received some lovely Silent Auction Baskets, thank you!! **Bring your donations to Mass or you can drop them off at the Parish Office during regular business hours.**

Last chance to sign up for **St. Matts' Hoop's Tournament.** You must sign up before **September 30th** by contacting Jose at 612.478.0828 or jdavillage@yahoo.com. The sooner you sign up the better slots fill quickly.

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St. Michael's Adoration Chapel

Thank you to all who volunteer to keep watch with our Lord. If however you need to miss your Holy Hour and you know this in advance please do one of the following:

- First and most importantly try to find a substitute for yourself;** such as a family member or friend, or another Adorer.
- If you can not find a substitute and as soon as you know you will need a substitute list your hour in the sub-book located in the Chapel entry. *Consider taking another hour to cover someone else's hour later.*
- If you have less than 24 hours notice to find a substitute, try to contact the Adorer before to see if that person can stay for an extra hour or the Adorer following you, to see if that person can come in for an extra hour.
- Please don't rely first and solely on the Chapel Coordinator to find your replacement.

We need a second adorer for nearly every hour. If you have any questions regarding sign up hours please call Shirley Higginbotham at 651-457-6844 or Linda Rivera at 651-457-2334.

Mass Intentions

Saturday, September 24

4:00 PM Our Parish
David Andrews†
Ed Millerbernd†

Monday, September 26

8:00 AM Gregory Thompson†

Wednesday, September 28

8:00 AM Art Geis†

Saturday, October 1

4:00 PM Our Parish
Frank Dordan†
Mary Ann Faricy†

Calendar Of Events

Saturday, September 24

Sunday, September 25

Monday, September 26

5:00-6:00 PM Loaves & Fishes

6:45 PM Festival Planning Meeting Social Hall

Tuesday, September 27

9:00 AM Alumni Meeting Parish Office

5:00-6:00 PM Loaves & Fishes

Wednesday, September 28

5:00-6:00 PM Loaves & Fishes

6:30 PM Faith Formation Classes

Thursday, September 29

9:30 AM COS School Mass

5:00-6:00 PM Loaves & Fishes

Friday, September 30

5:00-6:00 PM Loaves & Fishes

Saturday, October 1

11:00 AM to 9:00 PM Oktoberfest

Sunday, October 2

Community of Saints School

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Weekly Contributions Report

September 10, 2016

Plate	\$ 324	Envelopes	\$3,694
Vigil Lights	\$16	Assumption	\$10
Rental	\$0	Hall Rental	\$0
Electronic	\$1,111	School	\$49
Bells	\$27	Stole	\$50
		Total	\$5,231


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