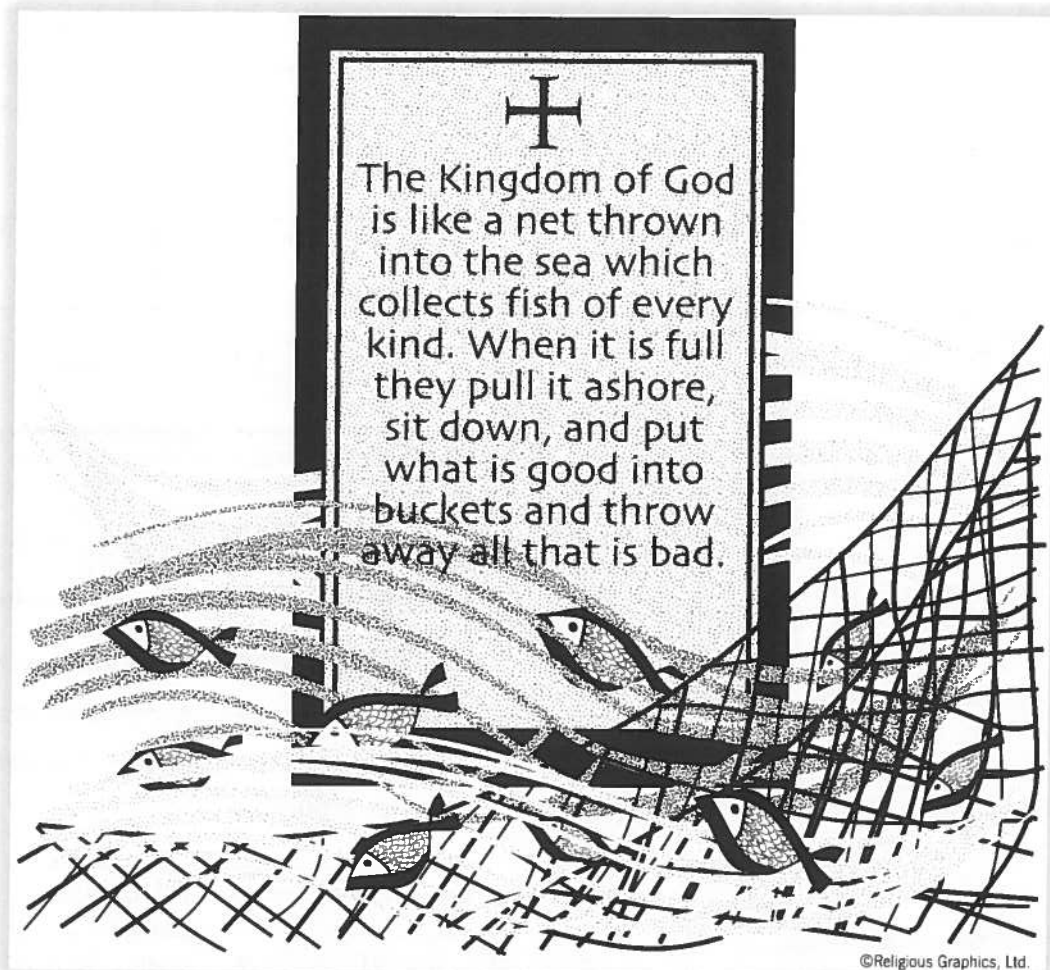


**The Roman Catholic Parishes of
St. Margaret Mary, Herscher
St. James the Apostle, Irwin
Sacred Heart, Goodrich**



Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

July 25-26, 2020

Church Mailing Address:

207 E. 5th Street

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In Remembrance of Leo Emling,

Confessions:

St. Margaret Mary Sat. 4:15 pm

Sacred Heart Sun. 7:05-7:20 am

St. James Sun 8:35-8:50 am

Quotable: "Your own soul is nourished when you are kind; it is destroyed when you are cruel."
~King Solomon

Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time August 1-2, 2020

Liturgical Schedule	St. Margaret Mary Saturday, August 1 5:00 pm	Sacred Heart Sunday, August 2 7:30 am	St. James Sunday, August 2 9:00 am	St. Margaret Mary Sunday, August 2 10:30 am
Celebrant	Fr. Ron	Fr. Ron Deacon Ron	Fr. Ron	Fr. Ron
Ushers	Dan Hoffman Todd Datweiler	Dennis Pankey James Mallaney	The committee will take care of ushering duties	Corey Eich Darren Lovell Joe Smolkovich
Lector	Dave Emling	Terri Weakley	Dave Ladehoff	Dana Masching

Mass Intentions for the Week

Monday, July 27

8:00 am +JR Matern (Marion Sanders) (SMM)

Tuesday, July 28

8:00 am No weekday Mass (SH)

Wednesday, July 29

8:00 am No weekday Mass (SJ)

Friday, July 31

8:00 am +Gary St. Pierre (Roger & Margaret Jensen) (SMM)

Saturday, August 1

5:00 pm +Amos Regnier (Pat Gray)
+Madonna Hoffman (Dan Hoffman) (SMM)

Sunday, August 2

7:30 am +Verna Emling (Terri & Jerry Weakley)
+Theodore Wheeler (Joe & Rhonda Berns) (SH)

9:00 am +JoAnn Bertand Bosman (Darlene & Gene Bertrand and Family)
+ Gerald OConnor (Sharon Ducat) (SJ)

10:30am For All the Parish Family (SMM)

Ministry schedules for August are available in the back of each church. Please pick yours up if you are involved in a ministry.

A Look Ahead

Mon., July 27—Knights of Columbus 7 pm at SJ

Thank you to Boo Wagner and Brock Teders who have so generously donated their mowing services to St. Margaret Mary's Church grounds and rectory.

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Week of July 18-19 - Collections

St. Margaret Mary—\$1,740

St. James—\$1,074

Sacred Heart—\$1,077

Thank you for your generosity

ALL PARISHES-

- ◆ How timely is this week's Stewardship Moment? The parish office has been contacted about the wearing of masks at mass. Please continue to wear your mask during mass as the diocese has stated.
- ◆ Knights of Columbus will be meeting at St. James at 7 pm on Monday, July 27.
- ◆ If there is anyone interested in joining the church, Deacon Ron will be setting up RCIA classes in the near future. If interested or if you know of someone who might be interested, please call the church office—815-426-2550
- ◆ Our religious education programs will be returning to in person instruction in the Fall as well. If you have a new student or a child going into kindergarten, please contact the office through email or by phone and we will pass along your contact information to your church's Director of Religious Education. Watch for future communications.



Parish News:

St. Margaret Mary-

- * Don't forget that if you have prayer needs or request, our prayer line is there for you. Please contact Janice at 815-426-2574 or at djstreefarms@aol.com
- * First Communion is scheduled for Saturday, September 12 at 10 am.

Sacred Heart-

St. James -

- * First Communion at St. James will be Saturday, September 26 at 10 am.



Please pray for the repose of the soul of
+Geraldine McGregor

Mother of Dean (Debbie)McGregor

May her soul and the souls of all the faithful departed rest
in eternal peace. Amen

Our sincere sympathy to her family and friends.

A Stewardship Moment— Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time Weekend of July 25/26, 2020

A profound stewardship prayer is offered by the young King Solomon in today's first reading. He asks the Lord to give him an understanding heart, compassion towards God's people and the insight to distinguish right from wrong. An understanding heart, or wisdom, is a gift from God. It is a gift that enables us to make good decisions and prudent choices. Cultivating and sharing this gift is essential, especially when poor decisions and lack of compassion have consequences that affect the lives of others. During these disquieting times, are we asking God for an understanding heart? Are we exercising good stewardship over the gift of wisdom? Are we sharing our compassionate hearts with others?

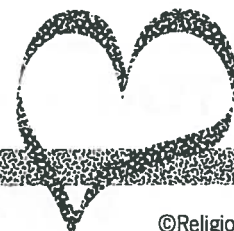


Please pray for the repose of the soul of
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May his soul and the souls of all the faithful
departed rest in eternal peace. Amen

Our deepest sympathy to his family and friends.

Create for me, O Lord, a clean heart



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As we are slowly entering back into a routine at our parishes, please remember:

- **Masks are required**
- social distancing must be observed
- No missals or hymnals in the pews
- every other pew is available for seating
- ushers will spray hand sanitizer on your hands as you enter church
- no holy water in the fonts
- ushers will escort worshippers in and out of church
- no presentation of the gifts
- if you are not feeling well, please stay home
- Sacred Heart and St. James parishioners may be entering and leaving at different doors

All parishioners are reminded by the Bishop that:

- the dispensation from the Sunday obligation remains in force indefinitely
- if you are fearful or have reluctance to return to Sunday observance at this time, you should not do so
- those most susceptible to contracting COVID-19 by virtue of age, medical condition or other vulnerability should not attend the in-person Mass



JOLIET, IL-- Pope Francis announced that he has named Bishop Ronald A. Hicks, Vicar General of the Archdiocese of Chicago, as the sixth Bishop of the Catholic Diocese of Joliet, IL. Pope Francis had previously accepted the resignation of Bishop Emeritus R. Daniel Conlon and had named Bishop Richard E. Pates as Apostolic Administrator of the diocese until a new bishop could be appointed.

Bishop Hicks, 52, will be installed at the Cathedral of St. Raymond Nonnatus in Joliet, Ill. on September 29, 2020.

"The Diocese of Joliet is most grateful to Pope Francis for the appointment of Bishop Ronald Hicks as its sixth bishop," said Bishop Pates. "The bishop owns a reputation for pastoral leadership and is totally committed to the ongoing renewal of the Catholic Church. He is a worthy successor to Bishop Conlon and his predecessors."

From the Pastor's



July 25-25, 2020 17th Sunday in Ordinary Time



Saint of the week: **St. Martha (July 29)** was the sister of Saint Lazarus and Saint Mary of Bethany. She was a friend of Jesus, and hostess to him in her house. She may have been part of an early mission to France.

Obscure saint of the week: **Saint Neot (July 31)** was related to King Alfred the Great. He was a monk of the Glastonbury Abbey. Saint Neot was a priest and sacristan. He became a hermit

in Cornwall, England. Reports describe him from being 4 foot tall down to a mere 15 inches. He spent much of his day up to his neck in a well during his devotions. Neot had a strange way



with animals and birds, and worked miracles with them.



Congratulations to James Beedle, son of Jamie and Aaron Beedle, who made his first communion at Sacred Heart on July 19,

HAVE YOU TALKED to

GOD TODAY ?