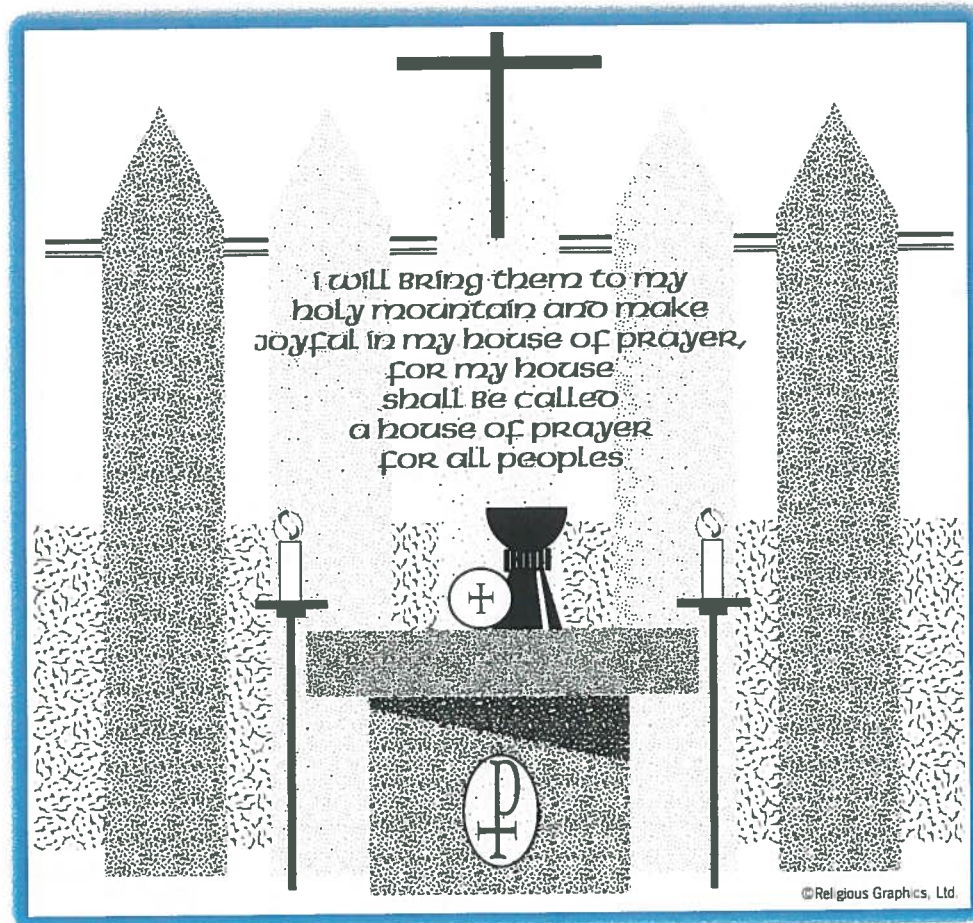


**The Roman Catholic Parishes of
St. Margaret Mary, Herscher
St. James the Apostle, Irwin
Sacred Heart, Goodrich**



Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

August 15-16, 2020

Church Mailing Address:

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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: "Hold your eyes on God and leave the doing to Him. That is all the thing you have to worry about."
 ~ St. Jeanne de Chantal

21st Sunday in Ordinary Time August 22-23, 2020

Liturgical Schedule	St. Margaret Mary Saturday, August 22 5:00 pm	Sacred Heart Sunday, August 23 7:30 am	St. James Sunday, August 23 9:00 am	St. Margaret Mary Sunday, August 23 10:30 am
Celebrant	Fr. Ron	Fr. Ron Deacon Ron	Fr. Ron	Fr. Ron
Ushers	Dave Emling Gery Wright	Dale Pfeiffer Dennis Pankey	The committee will take care of ushering duties Greeter—Jerry Ogrentz Rosary—Karen Miller	Galen Fritz Corey Eich Marco Smolkovich
Lector	Jackie Eberle	Terri Weakley	Mary Peerbolte	Julie Splear

Mass Intentions for the Week

Monday, August 17

8:00 am +Theresa & Oliver Fritz, their family & friends (SMM)

Tuesday, August 18

8:00 am + Mary Ann O'Connor (John & Sandy Kiefer) (SH)

Wednesday, August 19

8:00 am +Joan Smith (The Family) (SJ)

Friday, August 21

8:00 am +Sterling Bouchard (Mr. & Mrs. Rich Kutemeier) (SMM)

Saturday, August 22

5:00 pm For All the Parish Family (SMM)

Sunday, August 23

7:30 am +Ted Wheeler (SH CCW)

+Carson Cross (Kathy Call) (SH)

9:00 am +Thomas L. O'Connor (Rita Thiesen)

+ Marge Thiesen (Bruce & Cathy Jensen) (SJ)

10:30am +Igor Dubravec (The Family)

+Mary, Larry, and Gilbert Wheeler (Erik & Corinn Wheeler) (SMM)

A Look Ahead

August 29—30 - Special Collection for Fr. Allam's work in India

Saturday, Sept. 12—First Communion at SMM 10 am

Sunday, Sept. 13—Collection for the Holy Land

Saturday, Sept. 26—First Communion at SJ 10 am

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Week of August 8-9- Collections

St. Margaret Mary—\$
St. James—\$
Sacred Heart—\$

Due to the power outage, the money was not counted this week. Amounts will be in next week's bulletin.

ALL PARISHES-

- ◆ Thank you to all for following the mask guidelines. Please continue to adhere to the directive from the Diocese that masks are to be worn into church and during mass. Remember if you are not able to wear a mask for medical reasons, dispensation from attending in person is still in effect. Your choices affect others.
- ◆ Anyone interested in joining the church, please call the church office—815-426-2550. Deacon Ron will be setting up RCIA classes in the near future.
- ◆ Our religious education programs will be returning to in person instruction in the Fall. 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

A Stewardship Moment— 20th Sunday in Ordinary Times
Weekend of August 15-16

In today's first reading, the Lord speaks through the prophet Isaiah during a time of political upheaval and moral decline. The prophet had warned of God's judgement against people for the feelings of self-importance they found in their possessions, and condemned them for various forms of economic injustice such as exploiting the poor and the immigrants. Good stewards know that Isaiah's message is as compelling today as it was in the time of the kingdom of Juda: Do the right thing. Offer justice and compassion toward others. Be honest in all your dealings. And remember to observe the day of the Lord.

LOVE

is the command of the Lord

Parish News:

St. Margaret Mary-

- * Thank you to all who helped clean up after the storm on Monday.
- * Unfortunately, SMM's 150th Anniversary Celebration has been postponed. We will keep you informed as to rescheduling details as they become available.

Sacred Heart-

St. James -

- * Don't forget to pick up your prizes today from our Belated Spring Forward drawing!
- * We are excited to announce our window project is starting up again. We will be restoring the last 3 windows in the church.. There is still time for members of the parish to be a part of this program. Any amount is welcome, you don't have to sponsor an entire window. If you choose to sponsor a window and have your name on a plaque next to the window you help restore, you can contact Dallas Ferris or SueAnn O'Connor. We thank all those that have donated to this project. It is restoring and saving the history of our parish. Feel free to contact either of us if you have questions

Prayer for a New School Year

God of wisdom and might, we praise you for the
wonder of our being,
for mind, body, and spirit.

Be with our children as they begin a new school
year full of change and uncertainties.

Bless them, their families,
their teachers and staff
as they all maneuver this school year.

Give them the strength and grace
as their bodies grow;

Wisdom and knowledge to their minds as they
search for understanding;

Time to just be children without the worries of
the world, and

Peace and zeal to their hearts.

We ask this through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen

Saint of the week: St. Bernard (August 20th) was born to the French nobility. He was the brother of Saint Humbeline. At age 22, fearing the ways of the world, he, four of his brothers, and 25 friends joined the abbey of Citeaux; his father and another brother joined soon after. Bernard founded and led the monastery of Clairvaux which soon had over 700 monks and eventually 160 daughter houses. He revised and reformed the Cistercians. Bernard was an advisor to, and admonisher of, King Louis the Fat and King Louis the Young. He attended the Second Lateran Council and fought Albigensianism. St. Bernard helped end the schism of anti-Pope Anacletus II. He preached in France, Italy, and Germany and helped organize the Second Crusade. He was a friend and biographer of Saint Malachy O'More, a spiritual advisor to Pope Eugene III, who had originally been one of his monks. He also was the first Cistercian monk placed on the calendar of saints and was proclaimed a Doctor of the Church by Pope Pius VIII.

Every morning Bernard would ask himself, "Why have I come here?", and then remind himself of his main duty – to lead a holy life.

Obscure saint of the week: Ronald of Orkney (August 20) was the son of Lendmann Kol Kalisson and Gunhild Erlendsdotter, and described as "elegant and accomplished". He was appointed Earl of the Orkney and Shetland Islands by King Sigurd I of Norway in 1129. He made a vow to build a church in his lands; the result was the Saint Magnus Cathedral in Kirkwall, Scotland. He was murdered by a group of warriors rebelling against him, his rule and his religion, and is considered a martyr in Kirkwall.



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I'm not alone in making bulletin mistakes! These are actual announcements made in church bulletins. Enjoy and smile!

- At the evening service tonight the sermon topic will be "What is Hell?" - come early and listen to our choir practice.
- Ladies, don't forget the rummage sale. It's a chance to get rid of those things not worth keeping around the house. Don't forget your husbands.
- Weight Watchers will meet at 7 pm at the church. Please use the large double door at the side entrance.

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