

Readings for the Week

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Mass Intentions

For the Week of August 17 - 23

Tuesday	8 am	Word & Communion
Wednesday	8 am	Frances Debevec †
Thursday	8 am	Word & Communion
Saturday	5 pm	Elwood Rydlund †
Sunday	9 am	Parishioners

News from Fr George

Fr George in India is slowly recovering from his heart problems. He is at home with his family. Doctors have prescribed medication and rest for 4-1/2 months more. ~Fr Xavier

****Weekend Offerings ****

Envelopes (82)	\$2,156.00
Plate	\$ 195.25
Children (2)	\$ 2.00
Building Maint.	\$ 141.00
Total	\$2,494.25
Budgeted Amount	\$2,425.00

**** Church Donations ****

Mission Trip	\$1,266.00
Candles	\$ 3.00
Country Store	\$ 106.46
Total	\$1,375.46

**** Other Donations ****

Sabbatical Fund	\$ 570.00
Total	\$ 570.00

Beyond the Boundaries

When I was a little boy a North Indian gentleman came home seeking some financial help. He looked different in dress and manners, and spoke only Hindi which we didn't understand. He handed my mom a letter in Hindi; she could not read it. She dismissed him with some small change. Obviously disappointed he walked away. Seeing me in the yard he came toward me with a smile and I became a bit nervous. However, he handed me a *Cadburys* chocolate candy from his cloth bag. Indeed, it was a surprise for me and my mom. Could a Hindi-speaking guy be so nice? We couldn't believe. For me, being kind was our monopoly.

We often create for ourselves boundaries based on language, culture, nationality and ethnicity. It's hard for many to acknowledge goodness and kindness beyond those boundaries. Jesus and his disciples felt that boundary between them and the Canaanite woman (Mtt 15:21-28). They tried to avoid her. Jesus did not respond to her cries. The disciples desired to "Send her away." She surprised them all with perseverance and depth of faith. "O woman, great is your faith" responded Jesus. The disciples learned to see the virtue of faith in a foreigner, belonging to an enemy tribe. We still struggle to see any goodness beyond the boundaries we have set for ourselves.

Fr Xavier

Food Drive

We collected 82 pounds of food for the Food Drive in July. They are in need of canned fruits, vegetables, and also noodles. Please see our website for statistical needs and the increasing average over the past years. Our next Food Drive is August 30 - 31.



Prayer Corner

We pray for a speedy end to the armed conflict between Georgia and Russia and that necessary aid may reach those affected.



This Week at Sacred Heart

Sunday, August 17

6:00 pm Mission Trip Spaghetti Dinner
6:30 pm Gamblers' Anonymous

Wednesday, August 20

8:30 - Noon Adoration

Thursday, August 21

1:00 - 3:00 pm Cards
6:00 pm Men's Club Meeting
7:00 pm Liturgy Committee Meeting

Friday, August 22

5:00 - 7:00 pm Rummage Sale

Saturday, August 23

8:00 am - 3:00 pm Rummage Sale

"He liked people; therefore people liked him"

~Mark Twain

God's Big Backyard

A very special Thank You to Mary Jo Buttgereit, Chelcie Gamache, Laura Hestbeck, Caci Cook, and Bryanna Koehne for all their help with our vacation bible school. We had 17 participants and lots of fun!

~Judy Anderson

Happy Anniversary!

Frank and Myrna Gisch (52 years)
Joseph and Lillian Wegleitner (54 years)
Robert and Katherine Kind (2 years)



Birthdays of the Week

8-17 Shawn Buboltz, Gerald Parkin **8-18** Becky Lasser **8-19** Kevin Hemmer, Maxwell Maher
8-20 Dennis Johnson, Emma Peterson, Joalea Schellbach **8-21** Daniel Gamache, Brett Koehnle, Joseph Mitchell **8-22** Samantha Herberg, Brittany Rindahl, Suzanne Schneider, Heather Steltz, Cheryl Stenmo, Jim Thorn
8-23 Steven Larson

Happy Birthday

Those Who Need Our Prayers

Donald Dahl, John Gorman, Mike Granlund, Clarence McDonald, Betty Odendahl, Cecilia Ott, Jared Petschl, Renee Schmidt, and Vivian Peltier.



Rummage Sale

Please consider volunteering your time to help us with our annual Rummage Sale during donation times and the sale itself. Sign up at the back of the church. Donations can be made at the Chisago County Fairgrounds this Monday through Thursday from Noon to 7:00 pm and Friday morning until Noon. Along with clothing, household goods, and miscellaneous items, we will gladly accept bags and hangers. The Rummage Sale will take place Friday, August 22 from 5:00 to 7:00 pm and Saturday, August 23 from 8:00 am to 3:00 pm. All proceeds benefit our Faith Formation program.

Saints of the Week

Aug 19 *John Eudes, priest; † 1680;* founded the Congregation of Jesus and Mary (Eudists) for training the clergy (today numbering about 570 religious), and the Sisters of the Good Shepherd for assisting morally endangered women, especially prostitutes; promoted cult to the Hearts of Jesus and Mary.

Aug 20 *Bernard, abbot and doctor of the Church, † 1153;* Cistercian abbot of Clairvaux; reformer and spiritual author; preached against the Albigensians; founded sixty-eight monasteries; preached the 2nd Crusade; denounced injustice and worked for peace; known as *Doctor mellifluus*; patron of Gibraltar.

Aug 21 *Pius X, pope; † 20 August 1914;* undertook liturgical and canonical reforms especially communion for children and frequent communion for adults; condemned Modernism in *Lamentabili* and *Pascendi dominici gregis*; wished "to renew all things in Christ"; patron of sick pilgrims.

Aug 23 *Rose of Lima, virgin; Isabel de Olivia, † 1617 at age 31;* Peruvian mystic; nicknamed "rosa" because of her beauty; O.P. tertiary who lived a life of penance and solitude, caring for the homeless, elderly, and sick; first declared saint of the New World (1672); patroness of the Philippines and of South America, especially Peru; also of florists and gardeners.