

15TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

*Some seed
fell on rich soil and
produced fruit*

MATTHEW 13:8



Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Masses for the Week

Sunday, July 12

7:30am Pro Populo (people of St. Patrick's)
10:00am Dave & Joan Wilhelm

Monday, July 13 NO MASS

Tuesday, July 14

7:00pm Norman Burkett

Wednesday, July 15

8:00am Eugene Bubb family

Thursday, July 16

8:00am Special intention: Fr. John

Friday, July 17

8:00am Joan Greene

Saturday, July 18

5:00pm Owen Roberts

Sunday, July 19

7:30am Pro Populo (people of St. Patrick's)
10:00am Angela Urbina & Grieving Family

Liturgical Ministries

July 18 & 19

Lectors

5:00pm Rosemary Travis
7:30am Ann Lushis
10:00am Raylene Rospond

Eucharistic Ministries

5:00pm P. Bottone, S. Fawbush, M. Korte, R. Rospond
7:30am K. Schaefer, T. Schortgen, Z. Schortgen, D. Strack
10:00am A. Deckena, T. Frazier, S. Harber, K. Miller

Gifts

5:00pm Brandi Duncan family
7:30am Mark Butts family
10:00am Lee Mangis family

Ushers

5:00pm C. Keefer, E. Keefer, B. Lane, T. Lane
7:30am A. Hinen, P. Hinen, Z. Hinen, M. Magers
10:00am C. Brown, J. Deckena, C. Deckena, Volunteer

Servers

5:00pm Volunteers
7:30am Caleb G, Jonah G, Zane H, Marshall H
10:00am Harrison F, Isaac F, Owen K, Julian T

Church Cleaning

July 18 Holli Strack family

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Fr. Bobby's Column

Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

What an incredible celebration last weekend was! It was great to welcome Bishop Rhoades back to our parish, and it is a delight for me to "officially" be your pastor now! Thank you so much for the birthday wishes and your generosity and kindness toward me. I know I have sounded like a broken record on these bulletin columns for the past few weeks, but it truly is great to be here with all of you. I have really appreciated the ways in which you have welcomed me and made me feel like a part of the family here at St. Patrick. My family was commenting on how great everyone and everything was here for the Mass and celebration. I'm looking forward to serving all of you here, and to see what the Lord has planned for us in the future.

Our gospel for this weekend is likely very familiar to us. Very often when we hear this passage, we stop and try to figure out which type of soil we are. Maybe we're the rich soil, bearing abundant fruit in our lives. Or maybe the concerns of the world are choking God's work in us. Or maybe we feel attacked by Satan. While this can be one way of interpreting this gospel, I don't think it's the primary one. What's more important for us to realize here is that this parable is all about the sower. He is the one who is at work, casting seeds wherever He goes. He is constantly sowing the seed of His Word into our hearts, whether we're ready or not. Yes, we do have work to do, to clear away the rocks and brambles of our hearts, that the seeds might truly bear fruit in our lives, but it is primarily God's work. Let us turn to Him with confidence and ask that our hearts be turned to the rich soil that bear fruit according to God's will.

July 12, 2026

Collection for Venezuela Earthquake will be this weekend July 11 & 12 at all the masses. The funds will be sent to CRS which is working with Caritas Venezuela and the local Church to assist with the needs. The funds will be used for critical relief efforts, namely shelter, food, and other humanitarian aid. Thank you for your generous response to this need.

Pro-Life: “A Nation that kills its own children is a Nation without hope.” – *Pope John Paul II*

Young Adult Bible Study (18–35-year-olds) will be held on **Monday, July 13 from 6-8 pm** in the conference room.

Bible Study Tuesday Evenings (6-12th graders) on Tuesdays **July 14 – August 11 from 6-8 pm**. Grow in knowledge of Scripture!

Pope Leo’s New Encyclical: Magnifica Humanitas has been released, reflecting on the growing role of artificial intelligence and technology in our world. To read the encyclical and explore additional resources, visit: uscgb.org/magnifica-humanitas

Our Lady Fatima Statue

St. Patrick’s Church has a beautiful statue of Our Lady of Fatima for you to take home and pray devotions to with your family. The statue and sign up sheets are located in the back of church by the St. Anne and the child Mary statue.

Theology on Tap Young Adults are invited to the summer Theology on Tap Series titled *Built for Communion: The Catholic Social Life*. The weekly series runs every Tuesday from **July 14th – July 28th at Charlie’s Place** (4201 N Wells St) Doors, food, and bar service open at 6:30 pm and weekly talk begins at 7pm. Learn more at diocesefwsb.org/tot-fw. Deepen your faith this summer, and invite a friend.

Rummage Sale on **Thursday, July 16 from 6-8pm, Friday, July 17 from 9am to 6pm** (\$5 bag sale from Noon to 6pm) **Saturday, July 18 from 9am to Noon** (\$3 bag sale all day) at **St. Louis Besancon** (15529 Lincoln Hwy E, New Haven).

Mary’s Glen Annual FamFest, a family-friendly festival supporting Fort Wayne’s Vita Dei Houses on **Saturday, July 18 from 6-8 pm** at Mary’s Glen (2514 Reynolds Street, FW). Rain Date: Sunday, July 19 – Adults (18+): \$20, Children: Free. Live music, face and rock painting, balloon animals, cookie decorating, scavenger hunt, live-auction, and more! Save \$2 per ticket by making an advance reservation at 260.341.7117.

WORLD YOUTH DAY REGISTRATION EXTENDED!

There is still time to join the Diocese of Fort Wayne-South Bend pilgrimage to World Youth Day 2027 in Seoul, South Korea! Registration has been extended through **August 15, 2026**. Young adults are invited to experience this joyful gathering of the young Church with Pope Leo XIV and Catholics from around the world. Learn more and register at diocesefwsb.org/wyd.

Knights of Columbus Meeting will be held on **Thursday, July 16 at 7pm** in the parish hall. **Rosary at 6:30 pm** in the church.

2026 Notre Dame Season Ticket Raffle Tickets will be sold after all the masses next weekend **July 18 & 19**. Tickets are \$30 each. 1st prize 2 Season tickets and parking pass or \$1200, 2nd place wins \$150, 3rd place wins \$50. Drawing takes place after 10:30 am Mass on August 2 at St. Paul of the Cross, Columbia City. Last year a parishioner from St. Patrick’s was the big winner! Purchase tickets by phone at 260.244.5723!

Our condolences to the family and friends of Leonard “Mac” McKinney whose funeral mass was on July 7, 2026 at St. Patrick’s. Please pray for the repose of his soul.

Founding Mass of the Eucharistic Missionaries of Nazareth on Sunday, July 19 at 10am at St. Henry Catholic Church (FW), Bishop Kevin Rhoades will celebrate Mass as we give thanks to God for the establishment of the first community of Eucharistic Missionaries of Nazareth in the United States. A fiesta will follow Mass, all are welcome!

Healing Service on Monday, July 20 at 7pm at St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Church. “His heart was moved with pity for them, and He cured their sick.” Mt. 14:14

Sidewalk Advocacy Training (3106 Lake Ave) on **Wednesday, July 22, 9am – 12pm**. Learn how to peacefully, prayerfully, and lovingly approach people outside our local abortion referral facility and redirect them to life-affirming alternatives in our community.

Bishop Luers Show Choir Camp **July 21-24 from 9:00-11:30 am** in the cafeteria. All students ages Pre-K through 8th grade are welcome. Friday performance at 11am, picnic lunch following. \$50 cost. Learn more and register at www.bishopluers.org.

Ladies! Join us in July for Kingdom Builders! Join us in July to find rest in the altitude of His love. **Meet at St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Main Church on Thursday, July 23 from 7-8:30 pm.**

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