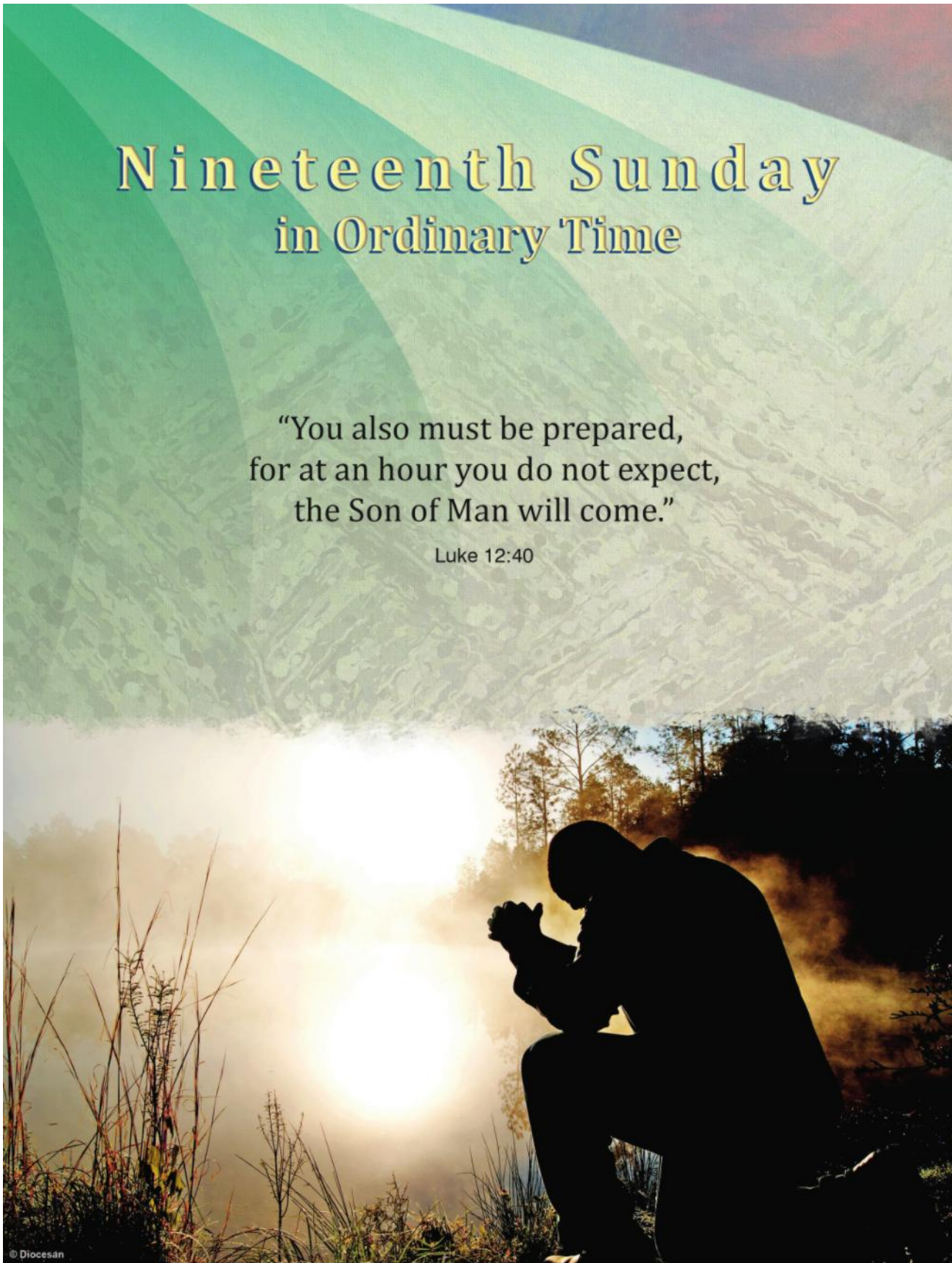


Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

"You also must be prepared,
for at an hour you do not expect,
the Son of Man will come."

Luke 12:40



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Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday 7:00 am

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Wednesday 12 noon - 1:00 pm

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Phone: 815-844-FOOD(3663)

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STEWARDSHIP

Collection last Sunday: \$10,897.40

School Collection: This weekend.

St. Mary's Food Pantry Collection: Next weekend.

THANK YOU to those who regularly support our parish.



Mass Intentions

Saturday, August 6 (Transfiguration of the Lord)

8:00 a.m. Prodigals of St. Mary's Parish

4:00 p.m. Diane Flaherty

Sunday, August 7 (Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time)

7:00 a.m. Henry Hogan

9:30 a.m. Parish

Monday, August 8 (St. Dominic)

7:00 a.m. Lori Bristow

Tuesday, August 9 (St. Teresa Benedicta of the Cross)

7:00 a.m. Michael Duncan

Wednesday, August 10 (St. Lawrence)

7:00 a.m. 1st ann Chuck Wright

Thursday, August 11 (St. Clare)

7:00 a.m. Celeste Margherio

Friday, August 12 (St. Jane Frances de Chantal)

7:00 a.m. Lori Duffy

Saturday, August 13 (Sts. Pontian, Pope & Hippolytus)

4:00 p.m. 2nd ann Elzie Fry

Sunday, August 14 (Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time)

7:00 a.m. Pat Lyons

9:30 a.m. Parish

Servers for Saturday, August 13

4:00 p.m. Nicholas & Carter Doughan

Servers for Sunday, August 14

7:00 a.m. Volunteers

9:30 a.m. Finan & Rosie Krenz

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION is open each weekday, Monday -Friday from 8am until 8pm. Adoration is in the Chapel except for Thursdays when it is held in the church. If you would like to spend an hour with Jesus or share an hour with someone on those days, please contact Darlene DeMattia at 815-674-2375 or the Parish Office at 815-844-7683.

BAPTISM PREP CLASS: If you are looking to get your first child baptized, or are expecting your first child and would like to be prepared for the sacrament of Baptism when they arrive, please call the parish office at 815-844-7683 to set up a date and time for Baptism prep class.

CONGRATULATIONS to the parent and family of **Vincent Clyde Rexroat**, son of Whitney Compton, who was recently baptized as a member of our faith.

PLEASE PRAY FOR parishioner Joseph Masching, R.I.P. Our sympathy to his family and friends.

THANK YOU: I would like to thank the people of St. Mary's for the kindness and generosity you all extended to me during my time with you this summer. Parish assignments are an important part of seminary formation, and I certainly had a very positive and grace-filled experience in Pontiac. Please keep me in your prayers, and know of my prayers for you. God love you! Ryan Mann, Mundelein Seminary, 1000 E. Maple Ave., Mundelein, IL 60060

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PONTIAC, ILLINOIS

CHRIST CHILD SOCIETY QUARTERLY MASS, LUNCH & MEETING: Would you like to know more about what we do? Parishioners are welcome to join us on **Wednesday, August 17** for our chapter's quarterly gathering. Mass is at 11:00am with Fr. Verrier followed by lunch in the parish hall. Short meeting to follow lunch. **YOU MUST ORDER AHEAD** but can pay when you arrive. Choice of 1) chicken salad OR 2) ham and cheese—both on a croissant, with fresh fruit, dessert and drink for \$10. Please place orders by Friday, August 12. Contact Judy Weber at 815-848-3364. We hope you can join us. Please RSVP TO JUDY WEBER for lunch and or meeting by August 12. Thank you.

BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT GROUP: St. Mary's will offer a vicariate-wide Bereavement Support Group beginning **Monday, September 12 from 6:30-8pm** and ending on November 2 with the All Souls' Mass which will be held to remember the loved ones of the support group members as well as relatives and friends of St. Mary's Parish who have passed away in the last year. The group will meet in the Parish Center (old rectory) and follow a series of readings and discussions. Deadline to register is August 29. All are welcome, no matter who you have lost or how long it has been since your loss. To register or for more information, please call St. Mary's Parish office at 815-844-7683, Margo Law at 815-579-5102, or Katie Wille at 815-842-1233.

CHRIST CHILD SOCIETY SEWING CIRCLE will meet **Thursday, August 11 from 9am to 12:30pm** in the parish hall.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS will meet **Thursday, August 11 at 6:30pm** in the Our Lady of the Rosary Room of the parish hall.

LEGION OF MARY: Want to tell the world about Jesus through Evangelization? Legion of Mary meetings have resumed. Please join us **every Thursday at 7:00pm** in the parish center. Please use the back door.

ST. MARY'S YOUTH GROUP: All high school students are invited to join us this summer, every Monday evening from 7-9pm. Youth group meets in the upstairs of the Parish Center (former rectory). *Note change of day and time for the summer months.*

CCD/FAITH FORMATION REGISTRATION: If you have children in Grades K-8 who attend public school, then you will want to sign-up for Religious Faith Formation (CCD) classes. Classes will be held on Sundays between the Masses beginning September 11. New registrations welcome! Please call Karen at 815-822-2382 to set up a meeting

CCD/FAITH FORMATION VOLUNTEERS NEEDED: Do you love our Church? Are you ready to hand on our Catholic Faith to children? Then contact Karen at 815-822-3282. We need to fill a teacher position and aide position, and you can always join the sub list.

BABY BOTTLES FOR HOPE PREGNANCY CENTER: We are still 18 bottles short. Whether they are filled or not, please bring the bottle to church or the parish office as soon as possible so we can return them to the Hope Pregnancy Center.

**AUGUST NEWSLETTER DEADLINE
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TEACHER NEEDED: St. Mary's School has an immediate teacher opening for **Junior High ELA (Language Arts and Literacy)**: Must have a valid Illinois teaching certificate, Middle school/Junior High Endorsement in ELA preferred.

We are seeking a Jr. High ELA Teacher who knows and loves Jesus. We seek someone with a desire to make disciples of their students and grow in discipleship with other staff. Candidates must portray abilities of healthy teamwork among colleagues along with a desire to share their knowledge and love of Jesus with students and staff.

Please send 3 letters of recommendation and a copy of your transcripts, along with your resume and cover letter to Mrs. Karen Jones, St. Mary's School, 414 N. Main St. Pontiac, IL 61764 or you may email these items to: jones.karen@stmaryspontiac.org

SCRIP: We have to say a huge **THANK YOU** to everyone who has supported our SCRIP fundraising program over the last 12 years. Since its inception, the program has raised \$124,681 and counting for our school. Unfortunately, the time has come to transition the program to **ELECTRONIC** orders **ONLY** through the app **RaiseRight** or at raiseright.com. If you do not have an online account through our SCRIP program and would like to set one up, please contact Taryn Tissiery at tissiery.taryn@stmaryspontiac.org. If you already use the App to order E-cards, please continue ordering as usual. Thank you again for your continued support!

PRAY FOR OUR CHURCH & SCHOOL FAMILIES THIS YEAR

For 2022, we ask everyone to pray for specific church and school families each weekday. A list will be published here in the bulletin and in the newsletter you receive in the mail. Please remember these families in your prayers each day for them to grow in their faith this year.

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| Mon Aug 8 | Ann Finnegan Family, Bill Flott Family |
| Tues Aug 9 | Charles & Barbara Fogarty Family, Dan Fogarty Family |
| Wed Aug 10 | Tim & Linda Fornero Family, Gary Fogarty Family |
| Thurs Aug 11 | Linda Folks Family, Jason Fox Family |
| Fri Aug 12 | Patricia Fogarty Family, Brad & Ashley Follmer Family |
| Mon Aug 15 | Mary Fox Family, Connie Fogarty Family |
| Tues Aug 16 | Mike & Mary Follmer Family, Bob & Nancy Fox Family |
| Wed Aug 17 | Tim & Patsy Fogarty Family, Charlotte Ford Family |
| Thurs Aug 18 | Cathy Fraher Family, Shannon Folk Family |
| Fri Aug 19 | Jim Fornero Family, Dan & Barbara Fraher Family |

**MAY GOD BLESS ALL
OUR FAMILIES EVERY DAY!**



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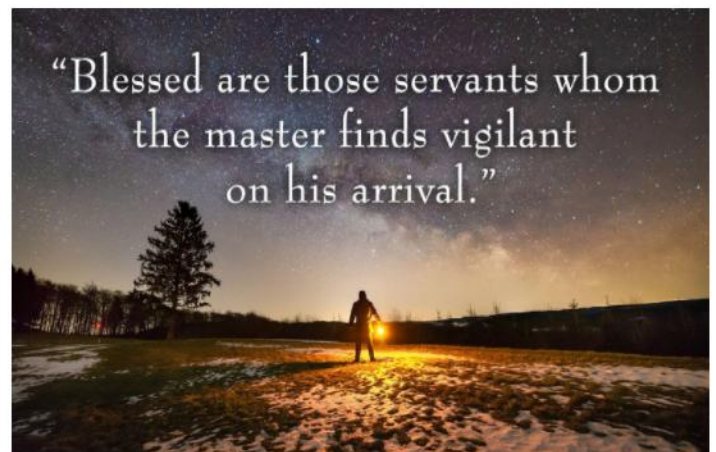
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Please prayerfully consider giving online. If you have any questions, contact the parish office at 815-844-7683. Online Giving is provided by Our Sunday Visitor, a Catholic not-for-profit organization serving parishes for more than 100 years.

RACHEL'S VINEYARD RETREAT: September 23-25. Has the abortion experience left you feeling empty and alone? Rachel's Vineyard Retreat is available in our diocese for any man or woman who has struggled with the emotional and spiritual pain of abortion. This healing weekend is for singles or married couples, mothers, fathers, grandparents, siblings or anyone suffering the effects of an abortion loss. If you are searching for peace and inner healing from an abortion experience, this retreat is for you. Register now by calling 309-264-1489 or e-mailing rvrpeoria@gmail.com. All communications are strictly confidential. For more information please visit www.cdop.org/offices/respect-life/rl-programs-resources/rachels-vineyard/ or the national Rachel's Vineyard website at www.rachelsvineyard.org





RCIA

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Have you been thinking about joining the church?

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Do you desire to grow closer to God with the support of a faith community?

The next session of RCIA will begin this September.

To join or ask questions, please contact the Parish Center (815-844-7683),

Kate Harrold (815-848-1705, kate.russow@gmail.com),

or Tyler Shrewsbury (815-674-5569, tshrewsbury94@gmail.com).

RCIA will meet Wednesday evenings from 6:15 - 8:00 pm

in the Parish Hall on the following dates:

September 7, 21

October 5, 19

November 2, 16, 30

December 14

January 11, 25

February 8, 22

March 1, 15, 29

April 12, 26



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READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF AUGUST 7, 2022

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| Sunday | Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time Wis 18:6-9; Ps 33:1, 12, 18-19, 20-22; Heb 11:1-2, 8-19 or Heb 11:1-2, 8-12; Lk 12:32-48 or Lk 12:35-40 |
| Monday | St. Dominic Ez 1:2-5, 24-28c; Ps 148:1-2, 11-12, 13, 14; Mt 17:22-27 |
| Tuesday | St. Teresa Benedicta of the Cross Ez 2:8-3:4; Ps 119:14, 24, 72, 103, 111, 131; Mt 18:1-5, 10, 12-14 |
| Wednesday | St. Lawrence 2 Cor 9:6-10; Ps 112:1-2, 5-6, 7-8, 9; Jn 12:24-26 |
| Thursday | St. Clare Ez 12:1-12; Ps 78:56-57, 58-59, 61-62; Mt 18:21-19:1 |
| Friday | St. Jane Frances de Chantal Ez 16:1-15, 60, 63; Is 12:2-3, 4bcd, 5-6; Mt 19:3-12 |
| Saturday | St. Pontian, Pope, and St. Hippolytus Ez 18:1-10, 13b, 30-32; Ps 51:12-13, 14-15, 18-19; Mt 19:13-15 |
| Sunday | Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time Jer 38:4-6, 8-10; Ps 40:2, 3, 4, 18; Heb 12:1-4; Lk 12:49-53 |

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PRAYER INTENTIONS OF THE HOLY FATHER FOR AUGUST

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