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WHY I HAVE ALWAYS BEEN A CATHOLIC AND WILL ALWAYS REMAIN A CATHOLIC



As many of you know, I was born and raised into the Catholic family of Vincent and Grace Simmons right here in Larned in 1956. Growing up right across the street from Sacred Heart School presented privileges for me being Catholic. One privilege was my immediate access to the Church as a place to worship and honor Jesus whenever I wanted to. One other privilege by being right across the street

meant that I was always available to serve Mass whenever the Parish Priest needed someone to fill in, and I was happy to do so. I considered it a privilege to get to know the Parish Priest well enough so that he felt comfortable to call on me when he needed someone to help. My brother, Pat and I and some of our friends were often called upon to help fold church bulletins and do other little jobs to help out. Monsignor George Husmann would reward us with airplane rides in his small airplane for helping him wax his airplane. I mention all of this because this is how I grew up Catholic. Going to church with my family was never a chore, it was truly as it is for me today a privilege. By attending Sacred Heart School I was able to learn the Catholic Religion from the ground up. We started out every morning with daily Mass. I am sure that in my lifetime I have heard all of the Gospels multiple times.

On that note, here are a few of the things that I love about being Catholic:

The Seven Sacraments are truly gifts from God. My favorite has always been the Sacrament of Penance. Actually confessing your sins to another human being is a very humbling event. The feeling I get when I hear the Priest say "Your Sins are Forgiven" is like none other. I remember hearing a Priest say that without the Sacrament of Penance, he would not be Catholic. I completely agree with him saying that.

The Catholic Church has changed very little since Christ walked on this Earth. Yes, there have been minor changes to the Mass, but for the most part, the Mass has been the same for all of my 63 years here on earth. What I am saying is that I love the way the Catholic Church has not given in to the Secular World the way many other religions have. For example, the Church's view on gay marriage has not changed even though I am sure there has been a lot of pressure to do so.

I really believe that the Catholic religion is the one true religion and that it comes straight for God. Jesus called on Saint Peter as his "Rock" for the Church, which eventually Peter took and ran with the

idea as he became the church's first Pope. For that Peter and all of Jesus's Apostles suffered Religious persecution at its maximum! Now, that is commitment and makes a believer out of me.

The way I look at it, we have but one real purpose in life and that is to reach Heaven when our Earthly life is over. Following the teachings of the Catholic Religion does not guarantee that you will spend Eternity in Heaven with God, but for me it is something I am not willing to live without. Would you jump out of an airplane without a parachute? Me neither, for me the Catholic Religion represents my parachute.

Written by Kevin Simmons and is based on my life experiences.
Love the Lord God for He is the One!

Adult Religious Formation Team Commission – Kevin Simmons

JUNE AT A GLANCE

June 2 ~ Knights of Columbus Meeting, 7:00 PM

June 3 ~ First Communion Practice, 7:00 PM

June 7 ~ First Communion, 1:00 PM, (Families only)

June 15 ~ Heart to Heart Ministry Meeting, 6:30 PM

June 16 ~ Finance/Property Meeting, 12:00 Noon

June 18 ~ Pastoral Council Meeting, 6:30 PM



June 7, 2020

On Sunday, June 7th at 1:00 pm
at a special private family Mass,
11 children of the parish will be
receiving their First Communion:

Jordyn Cook, Emmett Fisher, Grace Fisher, Sarah Fisher, Gage Hammeke, Kenzi Holopirek, Briella Ramirez, Benton Simmons, Natalie Stude, Darby Sundahl, and Ryder VanSickle. Special thanks to Krysten Watkins & Kayla Hensley Catechists and Ann Ellis, Laudator. Many blessings to these children and their families on this special occasion.



Sacramental and Pastoral Care Update Regarding the Covid-19 Crisis (May 20, 2020)

All the faithful continue to be dispensed from the obligation to participate in Holy Mass, until further notice.

Holy Masses may resume Wednesday, May 27, 2020, subject to the following guidelines:

1. Seating capacity in churches will be greatly reduced due to the strict six-foot distance between worshipers (members of households may sit together). *The faithful are strongly encouraged to participate only in Holy Masses of their own parish.*
2. Each family is strongly urged to bring hand sanitizer and use it before entering the church.
3. Each person is strongly urged to bring and humbly wear a face mask (or other facial covering like a bandana or scarf) during Holy Mass, except for the moment of receiving Holy Communion.
4. Physical touching another (handshakes, etc.) is strongly discouraged.
5. Holy water fonts are to continue to be empty. Cry rooms must be closed. All hymnals, missalettes, etc., must be removed and stored.
6. Doors are to be propped open to prevent touching the surfaces.
7. Collection baskets are not to be passed, but rather a basket will be provided at the entrance. The offertory procession is suspended. The Sign of Peace continues to be suspended.
8. Communion processions are to maintain the six-foot distance.
9. Holy Communion on the tongue in a parish Holy Mass is suspended during this crisis.
10. Thorough cleaning and disinfecting of pews, door handles, restrooms, etc. must be done after each liturgy or prayer service

1. Those who are symptomatic, who have been exposed to another person with the virus within 14 days, who are at risk due to age or underlying health issues, who are ill, or who care for the ill *are strongly urged to stay at home.*
2. Those who do not participate in Holy Mass are encouraged to view or listen to livestreamed, recorded, televised, or radio Masses.
3. Adoration chapels are to remain closed at this time.
4. Routine meetings for adults like Pastoral Council, Finance Council, Knights of Columbus, and Altar Society may resume, with participants following the six-foot distance, using masks, sanitizing, and not serving food/drink.

CHURCH MINISTRIES

At this time ministries for the weekend Masses will not be scheduled. If you are in attendance, please take the time to sign up to minister for Lector, Communion Minister and Usher. Servers, Hospitality, Offertory and Sacristans are not needed at this time. Thank you!

PSR NEWS



As the school year comes to a close, we find ourselves in an unusual situation with a lot of unfinished business and sadly no summer activities to keep our students busy during the upcoming months. Yet we also find a gift that each of our families have been given that I pray we take advantage of in our own way. That gift is

time. Our schedules have been emptied or opened to all the things that we have said we wish we had time to do. Family game nights, walks in the evening, that much needed day vacation trip, or even the extended trip to a national park or a small less traveled location can now become part of our reality. It is a time to reconnect and become a closer family unit. We have the opportunity to embrace this short time and create a stronger family unit or simply a stronger "you" or we can simply let it fade away unused, bitter about our losses or unchanged by the time we have been given to renew and refresh our lives. The choice is ours. What will you do with this gift that God the Father has given us?

We were blessed by the news last week that we can now hold our First Communion and our Graduates' Masses. What a relief for so many and also an opportunity for our students, their parents and families to reunite and celebrate all of their hard work. On June 7th at 1 pm in the afternoon we will have a special Mass just for the First Communicants and their guests. Although they definitely would love to celebrate this time with all of their church family at this time it would be best if we limit attendance. Thanks for understanding!!

On July 11th at our 10:30 am Mass it will be the 2020 Graduates time to be recognized and prayed for as they end their high school careers and move onto their next stage in life. It will be an excellent time to wish them well as they have long awaited their time in the spotlight.

Sadly, our Confirmation class still sits in limbo, as no decision can be made at the moment as to when they will receive their sacrament. All that hard work and they are now encouraged to put their gifts of the Holy Spirit in to action as they patiently wait for their opportunity to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation. What gifts would be useful during this time of unknown? What Fruits of the Spirit might they gain through using their gifts throughout this experience? What a beautiful lesson for Confirmandi!!

It is our hopes that there may be a church camp on the parish level in late July or August, but like so many things that decision will be made at a later date as we look at what the future brings. Prayers for a wonderful activity, family filled summer for all.

Stacy Sanger, LeAnne Hammeke and the PSR Commission

JUNE BIRTHDAYS

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|------------------------------|-----------------------|
| (01) Adaeze Nwachukwu-Udaku | (16) Sofia Gonzalez |
| Chris Ryan | Mike Lemuz |
| (04) Jessi Johnson | Nora Sanders |
| (05) Rick Carlson | (17) Levi Couchman |
| (06) Madelyn Hammeke | Robert Hammeke |
| Pat Quimby | (18) Pat Birzer |
| Phil Martin | Jacques Molleker |
| Vera Schmidt | (20) Ron Quimby |
| (07) Terry Stanton | Addison Townsend |
| (08) Stacie Kozlowski | Kadence VanSickle |
| London Whittington | (23) Shane Foster |
| (09) Evelyn Youngers | Danette Unruh |
| (11) Georgia Bauer | Dylan Weiszbrod |
| Joe Garcia | (24) Khyla Burroughs |
| Margaret Garcia | Ron Robinson |
| Clayton Hammeke | Tim Schaller |
| (12) Mallorie Ceniceris | (25) Eli Kelty |
| (13) Lynn Ryan | Carolyn Zook |
| (14) Onyinye Nwachukwu-Udaku | (27) Brock Skelton |
| (15) Mike Burdett | (28) Joe Wren |
| Kaitlyn Finger | (29) Emerson Sullivan |
| Sam Sullivan | (33) Drew Bowman |
| | TaWanna Callahan |
| | Lilana Houser |



JUNE ANNIVERSARIES

- (01) Elmer and Faye Hogan
Phillip and Susan Perez
- (02) Joe and Ashley Garcia
Tracy and Jenny Rector
- (04) Mike and Jana Schartz
Stephen and Kay Schartz
- (09) Tony and Linda Lemuz
(10) Mike and Kayla Hensley
(12) Cory and Kate Reece
(13) Bob and Sue Haymaker
(16) Jeremy and Liz McDonald
(18) Matthew and Megan Fitzsimmons
Richard and Barbara VonFeldt
- (19) Sam and Crystal Hill
(21) Matt and Elizabeth Fisher
(24) Matt and Kathy Stucker
John and Jacque Wasinger
- (25) Karl and Cathy Grover
(28) Dennis and Joan Wilson
(29) Rick and Colleen Carlson



CONGRATULATIONS!

Elmer & Faye Hogan ~ Married 67 years
Bob & Sue Haymaker ~ Married 61 years
Tony & Linda Lemuz ~ Married 58 years
Dennis & Joan Wilson ~ Married 51 years



DIED IN CHRIST

Corrine Brack ~ May 9, 2020
John Harmon ~ May 16, 2020
Mark Schartz ~ May 20, 2020



BAPTIZED IN CHRIST

Hadley Rae, the daughter of
Shane & Jessie Weiszbrod
on May 9, 2020

Remember with Prayer

Grace Perez	Betty Tauscher
Fheno Perez	Sharon Larsen
Don Jensen	Leon Sanders
Eleanor Sanders	Mickey Perez
Ann Haremza	Clayton Kelty
Frank Garcia	Sue Haymaker
Jayden Waller	Trenton Welsch
Fr. Warren Stecklein	Kevin Simmons
Fr. Charles Mazouch	Ryan Shelton



All of our men and women serving in the
United States Military

NET INCOME/EXPENSES BEGINNING JULY 1, 2019

	APRIL	YTD
INCOME:		
Collections	13,845.00	157,543.12
Special Donations	60.00	4,230.00
Endowment	3,500.00	7,000.00
Interest	6.78	3,946.40
Farm		8,705.30
PSR	630.00	21,988.50
Fundraisers		2,294.59
Miscellaneous	<u>1,076.00</u>	<u>15,132.31</u>
TOTAL	\$19,117.78	\$220,840.22
EXPENSES:		
Stewardship	1,345.79	17,389.53
Salaries	11,329.40	121,451.47
Insurance	1,699.00	17,790.00
Utilities	1,411.39	19,322.87
Maintenance	1,083.07	9,898.83
Improvement		1,685.00
Office	1,297.12	12,051.68
PSR	1,360.66	19,402.92
Farm		3,586.55
Miscellaneous	<u>726.66</u>	<u>13,313.62</u>
TOTAL	\$20,253.09	\$235,892.47
		YTD: (\$15,052.25)





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