



...people will come from east and west and north and south, and will take their places at the feast in the kingdom of God...

Luke 13:29

# Twenty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time



August 21, 2016

Dear Parish Family,

## Parts of the Mass: I Part I – The Introductory Rites – The Entrance

According to the General Instruction of the Roman Missal (GIRM), the beginning section of the Mass is set out in such a way “that the faithful, who come together as one, establish communion and dispose themselves properly to listen to the Word of God and to celebrate the Eucharist worthily.”

In sporting terms, The Introductory Rites help us “to get in the zone!”, to get ourselves focused for the great mysteries in which we participate. What we are about to do is serious business, in fact it’s the *most* serious business we can have in this life. That’s why often you’ll hear the word “solemn” in connection with the Liturgy. At this point of the Mass we must make every effort to avoid the inevitable distractions that assail us. We have to avoid things like idle gossip, checking out what our neighbor has worn to church, making a fuss over some misheard or misunderstood statement, organizing the coming week’s shopping list, or even going over our work or family schedule in our head. Now is the time to ask ourselves: “Are we ready for this?” “What is my relationship like with God right now?” “What should I be bringing to God right now?” “What are my personal intentions here?” and so on. Sometimes that special focus we need at Mass is quite hard to achieve. There are many pressures and pulls from the world, the flesh and the devil, that try to draw us away from the central task at hand: *the worship of almighty God in the Sacrifice of the Mass*. The Introductory Rites, therefore, act as a sort of doorway for us into the heavenly things we need to concentrate on. They give us a structure of prayer that helps us to establish communion and achieve the right disposition. We have to remember that the Church is a loving Mother, who provides what is going to be best for us.

And so we begin with “The Entrance”. This seemingly obvious action kicks the whole Mass off by having the priest and other sacred ministers process to the altar. Often bells are rung now, indicating that we should stand – and this standing is in itself an act of attention, eagerness, and readiness. This time is a time of communion, as all our hopes are drawn together as one, represented in that mini-pilgrimage to the altar. An analogy, might be a big sporting event, a football game, say, when the home team runs onto the field to the roar of the crowd waving banners and flags, and wearing their team’s colors, while cheerleaders chant and a marching band plays the team songs.

This Entrance Procession reminds us that we are journeying towards a heavenly home; that we will one day be drawn through the waters of death, from this our exile here, in this valley of tears, to come before the throne of God. God’s throne is this altar, right here in front of us, where Heaven and Earth are about to meet. This path to the altar also recalls the *Via Crucis*, the Way of the Cross, to Calvary. We even have a processional cross carried in by a server, making this connection directly apparent. In the priest celebrant, Christ, the Word made flesh, at once part of and yet condemned by the world, really now journeys to his Cross, to the Altar of Sacrifice. The Entrance into Jerusalem on Palm Sunday, must proceed through Good Friday to arrive at the bursting forth from the tomb at Easter. The saints and angels are watching, really present now around us, praying for us and witnessing with us the Offering of Christ’s Body and Blood.

“Therefore let us also, having such a cloud of witnesses over us, put away every encumbrance and the sin entangling us, and run with patience to the fight set before us; looking towards the author and finisher of faith, Jesus, who for the joy set before him, endured a cross, despising shame, and sits at the right hand of the throne of God.” (Hebrews 12:1-2)

Next week: *the Entrance Antiphon*.

-- Nigel McBain, Director of Music and Adult Faith Formation

## PARISH COLLECTION



Envelopes: \$ 9,889.00 (290 parishioners)  
Loose: \$ 1,153.00  
Children: \$ 76.30

Total collected last week: \$11,118.30 Thank You!  
*An average of \$14,000 in weekly contributions is needed to offset the cost of living increase for parish expenses, etc. Thank you!*

### CATHOLIC FAMILY SHARING APPEAL: (CFSA)

Our 2016 Goal: \$ 110,400  
Pledged thus far: \$ 72,410 (66%)  
Collected thus far: \$ 70,101 (64%)  
Parishioner response: 410 (38%)

**AUTOMATIC WITHDRAWALS FOR CONTRIBUTIONS (ACH):** If you would like to have your church contributions automatically deducted from your bank account each month, call the parish office at 996-3639. Forms can also be found on our website, [www.holyfamilymitchell.com](http://www.holyfamilymitchell.com) (under FORMS) that you can fill out and return to the parish office.

**PARISH MEMBERSHIP:** We welcome those who are new to our parish and ask them to call the parish office for registration information, or if you are moving, please also notify the parish office at 996-3639.



## EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

Every Tuesday from 8:30 AM to 8:00 PM

CONFESSIONS 5:30 PM

## PARISH NEWS



*Holy Family extends our deepest sympathy to Delbert and Georgianne Weber on the death of their son Jerry of Alexandria. May our Lord bless and comfort you and your family during this time of sadness.*

**Parish Trivia Night:** We are looking for volunteers for the Parish Trivia Night, on Saturday, October 08. The Trivia Night theme will be Halloween. If you'd like to help out, please contact the Parish Office, or email [holyfamily@mitchelltelecom.net](mailto:holyfamily@mitchelltelecom.net), to signal your interest.



**Altar Server Training - New Altar Servers**  
Training will take place for those wishing to become Altar Servers at Holy Family. For new Altar Servers, the minimum age qualification is 8 years, but there is no maximum age limit. New Altar Server Training will be from 9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. on Saturday, September 17, 2016.

**Altar Server Training - Refresher for Current Servers**  
There will be a Refresher Training Course for all those who are currently Altar Servers at Holy Family. It is important that you make every effort to attend this training, as there are new procedures to be learned. Altar Server Refresher Training will be from 9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. on Saturday, Sept. 24, 2016.

*❖ Juice and donuts will be provided in the Church basement at the end of each training session.*

Collect a Registration Form for these Training Sessions at the Parish Office or contact [holyfamily@mitchelltelecom.net](mailto:holyfamily@mitchelltelecom.net) for an online copy.

## FAITH FORMATION NEWS



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### **Gr. K-12 Faith Formation Volunteers Needed:**

*What a tremendous opportunity to put your faith into action! We are in need of volunteer adult catechists in both Gr. K-6 and Gr. 7-12 Faith Formation. Please prayerfully consider if God is calling you to help as a catechist or aide and contact us if you would like to help. It is a great witness to our young people to see the faith lived and know there are fellow parishioners who want to share this faith with the younger generations. "God loves a cheerful giver." 2 Corinthians 9*

## MUSIC NEWS



**Nigel McBain**  
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### **Forthcoming Choir Practices**

Choir practice will begin for the Full Choir, and Men's Choir on the following dates:

Full Choir: 6:00 p.m. Wednesday, August 24

Men's Choir: 6:00 p.m. Thursday, August 25

We'd love to see you there. For further information, please contact Nigel in the Music Office or by email at [musicholyfamily@gmail.com](mailto:musicholyfamily@gmail.com).

## MITCHELL FOUNDATION FOR CATHOLIC EDUCATION NEWS



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I would like to thank all those who continue to make gifts in honor or memory of your friends and loved ones. We truly rely on your goodness to keep our mission going. It is humbling to carry on the legacy of those who have gone before us in continuing to spread God's love in our little part of His world. Have you considered adding the MFCE to your will or as a beneficiary to an IRA? These types of planned giving are what will sustain us in future years. Stop or call to visit about these and other options. J - M - J

### **R.C.I.A. 2016-2017**

The 2016-17 RCIA course will begin on Sep 21 at 7:30 p.m. in the Music Office at Holy Family. Sessions will take place weekly at this time. If you are interested in becoming a Catholic, or if you know someone who is, please contact Nigel McBain at [musicholyfamily@gmail.com](mailto:musicholyfamily@gmail.com)

**ATTENTION PARISHIONERS: Please pick up your bowls and pans left from funerals etc. in the church basement as soon as possible. Anything left after August 31<sup>st</sup> will be donated to charity. Thank you! - HF Altar Society**

## WEEKLY MASS INTENTIONS

08/23	8:00am	d. Joe Schoenfelder
08/24	8:00am	d. Steven Mohr
08/25	8:00am	d. Virgil & Viola Thelen
08/26	8:00am	Anniv. of d. of Rob Marchand
08/27	5:00pm	d. Patrick Webster
08/28	8:30am	d. MaryAnn Schoenfelder
	10:00am	d. Members of the Huber & Kippes families
	11:30am	For Holy Family Parish

## MINISTRY SCHEDULES

### **Lectors and Eucharistic Ministers**

08/27	5:00pm	L-S Kirby; EM-Deacon Graves, J Schreiner, B&J Auch, S Moege
08/28	8:30am	L-C Harrell; EM-J Schlimgen, M&M Ommen, D Harrell, D Kirkus
	10:00am	L-N Sparks; EM-T&J Schumacher, W&M Puetz, A Sparks
	11:30am	L-C Grode-Hanks; EM-T&M Day, P&J Paulson, S Peschong

### **Mass Servers**

08/27	5:00pm	A Fergen, K Gullings, A Vermeulen
08/28	8:30am	K Nash, <b>2 Volunteers</b>
	10:00am	N McCormick, B&B Sparks
	11:30am	A Moller, A&C Weier

### **Ministers of Hospitality**

08/27	5:00pm	D Callies, J&J Fritzemeier, M&P Pecenka, (M Bittner - Sub needed)
08/28	8:30am	B&D Everson, R&D Kelly, S Kirkus, P Zweifel
	10:00am	J&C Beatch, J&J Heemstra, T&D Sabers
	11:30am	G&C Docter, H&L Andersen, D&S Heesch

## WEEKLY BULLETIN BOARD



08/23	<b>Eucharistic Adoration</b> - 8:30am to 8:00pm
	<b>Properties Committee Mtg</b> - 12 noon - Nazareth Rm
	<b>Confessions</b> - 5:30pm
08/24	<b>School Begins</b>
08/27	<b>Confessions</b> - 3:30pm

## OFFERINGS FROM CATHOLIC FAMILY SERVICES

**LIVING WITH CHRONIC ILLNESS:** Catholic Family Services invites you to join this educational supportive group that meets the first Tuesday of each month from 1-3 PM for those living with chronic illness and their caregivers at St. Lambert Parish, 1000 S Bahnson Ave., Sioux Falls. Next meeting will be **September 6<sup>th</sup>**. For details please call Margie at Catholic Family Services, 605-988-3775.

**GRIEVING THE LOSS OF A LOVED ONE:** Weekend Non-Denominational Retreat for adults who have lost a loved one and are trying to understand and reconcile their grief. **Friday, September 9<sup>th</sup>** from 7:00 PM through noon Sunday at Broom Tree Retreat Center, Irene, SD. Directed by Dr. Marcie Moran - 605-988-3775, 800-700-7867 or email [cfs@sfcatholic.org](mailto:cfs@sfcatholic.org) for more information or to register. Registrations limited.



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