



# Mother of Good Counsel Catholic Community

Catholic Church serving in Eastern Kentucky since 1913

July 11, 2021 | 15th Sunday in Ordinary Time

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## **Eucharistic Services:**

7:00 pm Wednesday -

Word & Communion Service

5:00 pm Saturday - Jackson, Vigil Mass

11:30 am Sunday - Mass

## **Sacrament of Reconciliation**

Sunday after Mass; other times by appointment.

**Office Hours: Wed - Friday 10 am to 5 pm**

**Ministers for next Sunday, July 18**

Sacramental Minister : Bishop John Stowe, OFM

Conv. & Rev. Livinus Uba

Lector : Luke Glaser

## **Ministers at MGC**

Lori Helfrich, Parish Life Director

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## **Mother of Good Counsel Prayer**

**by B.J. Ewing**

Holy Mary, our heavenly mother, keep us in your care.

Give us your good counsel as we strive to be disciples of your son Jesus and help us to grow in faith and in our love for God.

Bless our parish which is named in your honor.

Help us in our lives as we humbly pray and help us be attentive to the needs of our families and our

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## **Parish Mission Statement**

Inspired and sustained in our Catholic faith through life-giving worship, we Mother of Good Counsel Catholic Community, have as our mission to bring Christ and the teachings of the Catholic faith to one another and the larger community in a ways that draws us together as a supportive family, yet reaches out with a genuine concern for all people, so that we can be authentic witnesses in an area where Catholics are few in number.

Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time (B)

Am 7:12-15

Eph 1:3-14 or 1:3-10

Mk 6:7-13



A WORD FROM Pope Francis

Our lives are woven together and sustained by ordinary people—often forgotten people—who do not appear in newspaper and magazine headlines...doctors, nurses, supermarket employees, cleaners, caregivers, providers of transport, law and order forces, volunteers, priests, religious men and women and so very many others who have understood that no one reaches salvation by themselves.

DOCUMENT OF PRAYER, MARCH 17, 2009



### **New Roof**

Mother of Good Counsel is raising money for a new roof for the Education Classroom and Guest House. Currently the parish has raised \$750 toward the new roof. The parish needs to raise half the cost of the new roof which is \$10,000. We will be sending out a letter to all parishioners.

### **Community Meal**

Each month Mother of Good Counsel will be preparing a meal for those in need on the Third Friday of the month. Our next community meal will be this Friday July 16. Help is needed in making sides at the church. If you would like to help prepare this meal and deliver it please sign up to volunteer. People will gather at 3:30 pm to make food and prepare the meals for delivery.

### **Confirmation**

Bishop John Stowe will be here July 18 for Confirmation. Please be praying for those who will be receiving the sacrament of Confirmation Jaylissa Braman, Kayne Braman, Christina Elsoueidi, Adeline Turner and Karigan Turner.

### **Farmers' Market**

Perry County Farmers Market is open with its regular hours of operation :  
Thursdays from 4 pm -7 pm  
Saturdays from 7 am to 12 pm  
The market is at the Farmers' Market Pavilion located near Triangle park downtown. The Grateful Bread is part of the farmers' market on a regular basis.

There will be a special pop up market at ARH this week on Tuesday July 13 from 10 am to 2 pm in the ARH hospital parking lot.

### **Fresh Stop Share**

Is a sliding scale market and customers pre-order every two weeks. This week is Fresh Stop week. Place your order by Monday July 12 at noon for a share, pickup is this Thursday July 15. Sign up for a share by Monday at noon for pickup Thursday. Upcoming dates for Fresh Stop are July 29, and August 12. Shares are \$25 a piece, low income shares cost \$12 and food justice shares are \$40. Visit Northfork Fresh Stop Market page on Facebook or call (859).472.4148 to reserve your share.

### **International Dinner**

Mother of Good Counsel is planning to have the annual International Dinner this year with some modifications. If you would be willing to serve on a committee to organize this event please contact Lori. Currently we are looking at September 10 for a date.

### **Interested in Becoming Catholic**

Do you know someone who wants to know more about Catholicism or has questions about the Catholic Church? We will have a virtual Come & See on August 24 at 7 pm on Facebook. Our regular RCIA meetings with begin on September 14, 2021 with a hybrid gathering style.



### *Happenings this Week*

**Tuesday :**

10 am - 2 pm

Pop Up Farmers Market at ARH

**Wednesday**

4 :00 pm First Reconciliation & First Communion Class

6:40 pm Rosary & Communion Service

**Friday**

3:30 : Make a Community Meal at MGC

**Sunday**

11:30 am Confirmation Mass with Bishop John Stowe

### *Our Weekly Offering*

for 07/04/21

Loose: \$ 130

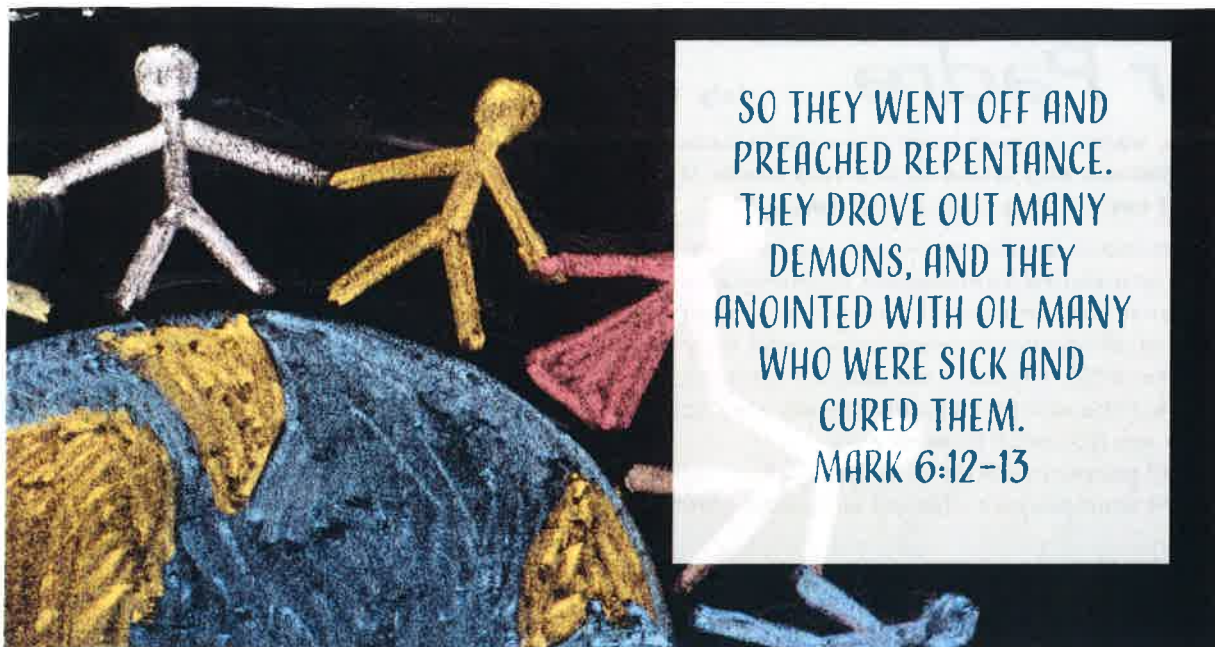
Envelopes : \$1240

Monthly : \$120

Roof: \$250

Online : \$765

**Total Weekly Offering: \$ 2505**



SO THEY WENT OFF AND  
PREACHED REPENTANCE.  
THEY DROVE OUT MANY  
DEMONS, AND THEY  
ANOINTED WITH OIL MANY  
WHO WERE SICK AND  
CURED THEM.  
MARK 6:12-13

## You Can Do It

Today's readings are about unpretentious people who accomplished remarkable deeds. Amos, a shepherd from the southern kingdom of Judah who also cultivated sycamore figs, challenged the people at a northern shrine in Israel. He did not come from an illustrious family, nor was he particularly important. Yet he is the one called by God to summon the northern Israelites to repentance.

The disciples of Jesus pursued family businesses like fishing or were employed by the Romans like Matthew. They didn't come from socially prominent families, nor were they known as community leaders. But look at what they did: they cast out demons and cured the sick. Where did these people get their training? More importantly, where did they obtain their power? We find the answer to such questions in the second reading: "In him we were also chosen" (Ephesians 1:11).

The Ephesians letter assures us that God "had blessed us in Christ with every spiritual blessing in the heavens" (1:3). We don't have to worry about performing miracles; all we have to do is open ourselves to the graciousness of God. God will do the rest. Through us, God will cast out the demons of prejudice and bias that plague our world, of selfishness and spitefulness so prominent in our political rivalries, of greed and dishonesty in many of our social interactions. Through us, God will heal our country, our world, and our Church of hatred, violence, and oppression. With Amos and the Twelve we too hear: "You can do it."

Sr. Dianne Bergant, CSA

## For Reflection

In what ways do you make the world better?

Do you realize that you have the power of God to transform the world?



Readings for the Week

### Monday

JULY 12

Weekday

Ex 1:8-14, 22

Mt 10:34-11:1

### Tuesday

JULY 13

Weekday

Ex 2:1-15a

Mt 11:20-24

### Wednesday

JULY 14

St. Kateri

Tekakwitha, Virgin

Ex 3:1-6, 9-12

Mt 11:25-27

### Thursday

JULY 15

St. Bonaventure,  
Bishop and Doctor  
of the Church

Ex 3:13-20

Mt 11:28-30

### Friday

JULY 16

Weekday

Ex 11:10-12:14

Mt 12:1-8

### Saturday

JULY 17

Weekday

Ex 12:37-42

Mt 12:14-21

### Sunday

JULY 18

Sixteenth Sunday  
in Ordinary Time

Jer 23:1-6

Eph 2:13-18

Mk 6:30-34



# Dear Padre

July 11, 2021

**At my church, some people take the votive candles out of the holders and place them next to the statues and icons. Does this make God or the saint pay more attention to the petition? And isn't doing that a fire hazard?**

Vigil lights, commonly known as votive candles, are usually lit when a person seeks some favor from the Lord or a saint's intercession. Lighting a candle is a way of extending one's prayer and showing solidarity with the person on whose behalf the prayer is offered.

In the lighting of candles we remember and truly live the words of our Lord, "I am the light of the world" (John 8:12). We burn candles to symbolize the rising of our prayers to heaven day and night. Prayers for the saints' intercession are also common because of their friendship with God in heaven. Saints are powerful intercessors.

God hears all prayers uttered in sincerity. Burning a candle as we pray doesn't make that prayer more important than prayers offered without a candle; neither does moving the candle to the front of the line.

If your church has made sure that the placing of the votive candles complies with local fire regulations, you have no worries about setting a fire with vigil lights.

*Fr. Paul Borowski, CSsR*

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## Prayer to Saint Kateri

Saint Kateri, you are revered as the mystic of the American wilderness.

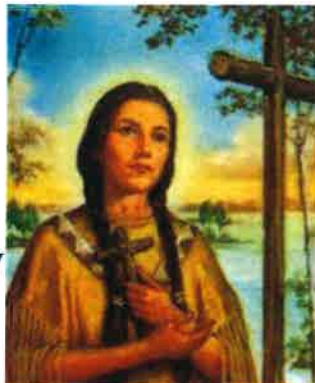
Though orphaned at the age of four, and left with a scarred face and damaged eyesight from illness, you were esteemed among the Mohawk tribe.

When you asked to be baptized a Christian you subjected yourself to abuse by your people and were forced to run away.

You endured many trials but still flowered in prayer and holiness, dedicating yourself totally to Christ.

I ask you to be my spiritual guide along my journey through life.

Through your intercession, I pray that I may always be loyal to my faith in all things. Amen.



**Saint Kateri Feast Day is July 14**



## Birthdays This Week:

7/15 : Clay Messer, Kaitlin Prater

## Prayer List

Joey Napier, Ray & Wanda Lindon, John Meehan, Roy Varghese, Brian Campbell, Matt Tuttle, Willie Gomez, Joe Fehribach, Louise Ayres, Marjorie Hommertzhaim, Charles McDaniel, Jon Latunik, Nancy Nuttter, Deb Night, Harvey Richardson, Delois McIntosh, Karen Davis, Zachary Hollan, Bob Rogers, Deedee Wells, Sherrian Noble, Stephanie Welch, David Napier, Martha Huggins, Willie Wagers, Christina Askew, Charles Brotherton, Willow Brockman, Tina Dawhare Fields, Valarie Maggard Dye and Renee Messer.

If you know of someone who needs a pastoral visit or is in the hospital and would appreciate a visit contact the parish and let Lori know about the request.

## Prayer Family Confirmation Students

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