

12th Sunday in Ordinary Time
June 20, 2021

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Sunday, June 20
Jb 38:1, 8-11
2 Cor 5:14-17
Mk 4:35-41

Monday, June 21
Gn 12:1-9
Mt 7:1-5

Tuesday, June 22
Gn 13:2, 5-18
Mt 7:6, 12-14

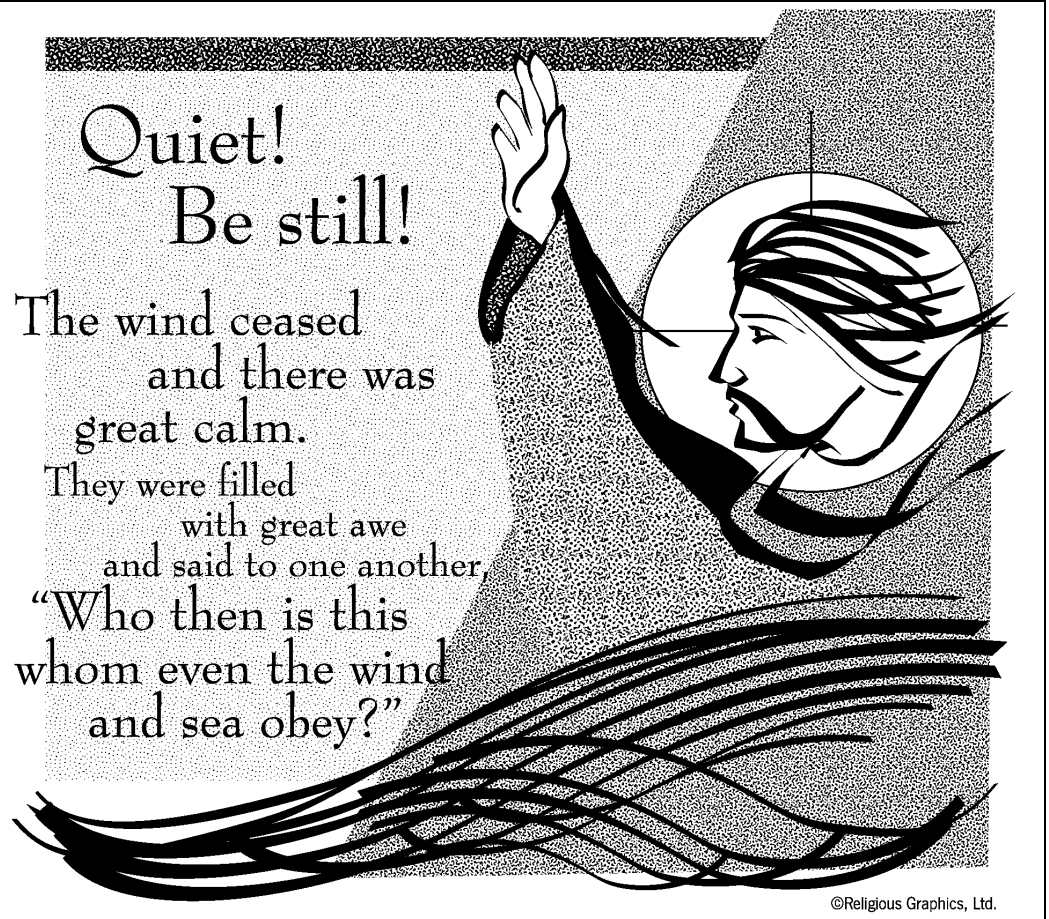
Wednesday, June 23
Gn 15:1-12, 17-18
Mt 7:15-20

Thursday, June 24
Is 49:1-6
Acts 13:22-26
Lk 1:57-66, 80

Friday, June 25
Gn 17:1, 9-10, 15-22
Mt 8:1-4

Saturday, June 26
Gn 18:1-15
Mt 8:5-17

13th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Sunday, June 27
Wis 1:13-15, 2:23-24
2 Cor 8:7, 9, 13-15
Mk 5:21-43 or 5:21-24, 35b-43



SAINT ROSE OF LIMA

SAINT ANTHONY OF PADUA

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION

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This Week's Mass Intentions

No Mass Monday-Friday

Saturday, June 26

4:30 p.m. Wilson *Vince & Bunnie Sillman+*

Sunday, June 27

8:30 a.m. Lewiston *Parishioners of the Cluster+*

WELCOME TO OUR TRI-PARISH COMMUNITY!

New Parishioners are invited to contact the Tri-Parish Office at 507-523-2428 or strose@hbcj.com. Office hours are Tuesday through Friday 9:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.

BAPTISM: Baptisms are regularly celebrated during Saturday and Sunday Masses. Parents are asked to meet with Fr. Thompson before the baptism of their first child. Please call the St. Rose Rectory to set the date of the baptism.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION: Confessions are offered every Saturday at St. Rose from 11:00 a.m. to noon, or anytime by appointment with Fr. Thompson.

MARRIAGE: Instruction must begin at least six months in advance. Please contact Fr. Thompson to begin the preparation process. An Engaged Encounter or similar course is also required.

RCIA: Those wanting to learn more about our faith or are interested in becoming full members in the Catholic Church please contact the Office.

Prayer Chain - Call Rosie Moger 523-3357 with prayer requests or to join the prayer chain.

Bulletin announcements: Please submit items to the office by 11:00 a.m. Wednesday for publication in the following Sunday bulletin.

Emergency Contact

During the Summer, please contact Fr. Chinnappa in Rollingstone for any emergency needs. He can be reached at 507-689-2351.

St. Rose of Lima

Sacrificial Giving – June 13, 2021,

Collection Total..... \$

Liturgical Ministry – June 27, 2021

Extraordinary Ministers: Jerry, Suzanne

Reader: Matt Daley

Ushers: Mark Ernster, Ed Peterson

Servers: Leah Kurth, Marabelle Kurth, Shawn Kurth

St. Anthony of Padua

Sacrificial Giving – June 13, 2021

Collection Total \$ 839.00

Immaculate Conception

Sacrificial Giving – June 12, 2021

Collection Total \$

Changing Protocols

In the coming weeks, our protocols will be changing. Please continue to be patient and vigilant as we work through this pandemic. Here are some key changes to expect, though others will be announced as they happen.

- **Effective Immediately:** Masks are recommended, not required.
- **June 5:** Social distancing requirements are eased, though some pews will still be spaced out for those who wish to have a little more room.
- **July 1:** We will no longer need a preparedness plan, and cautionary actions will be minimal.

New Giving Options Now Available!

We now have two new options for sacrificial giving to your church of choice. We hope these will be easy and convenient ways to offer your support at all three parishes. You can also choose whether you want to make a one-time gift or choose the recurring option.

1. **Online Giving:** go to the following site: giving.parishsoft.com/app/giving/strose. There you will be asked to choose which parish and what fund you would like to give to.
2. **Text:** Simply text the word “give” to **507-578-5629**. You will get a link sent back to you to make your donation. It's that simple!

Of Interest to All

Parish Cluster Secretary position opening

***The Parish Secretary serves as a staff resource in support of the pastor, fulfilling parish administrative needs in communication, operations and scheduling (including volunteers). The Parish Secretary directs these efforts with technical and administrative expertise within the framework of shared ministry in Christian and Catholic values.

***The Parish Secretary serves in a key parish operations position. The Parish Secretary, together with the Pastor, forms the core management team that ensures that the pastoral and administrative needs of the parish are sustained. When necessary, the Parish Secretary will also assist with administrative needs of the affiliated cemeteries.

***The parish secretary is to strengthen and support the mission of the Catholic Church in central Winona Deanery by ensuring that the parishes function in a smooth and effective way for the building up the Kingdom of God.

Please contact Fr. Chinnappa if interested.

Donut Sunday is back!

St. Rose will host a donut **Sunday** on **June 20** after Mass. Come for Mass, stay for some Father's Day sweets and (gasp!!!) socializing. This is also an opportunity to welcome our newest members from St. Anthony, who celebrate their final Mass today.

SAVE THE DATE

Summer Vacation Bible School will be held August 9th – 13th from 1:00 – 5:00 pm daily.

This will be open for students in Pre-K – 6th grade in the fall. We are currently looking for older students and adult volunteers. If you are interested in helping in any way, please contact Ashley Gossen (507-604-0016) or Kelly Kalmes (262-338-8044). Registration information will be available in late June.

Father Marreddy's Brother Ravi passed away in a hospital in India. If you would like to send condolences or for those of you who are able to help Ravi's family, please consider a donation for his medical expenses. Please send them to:

Father Marreddy Pothireddy
213 W. Franklin St.
Spring Valley, MN 55975

CONFIDENT PREGNANCIES AND STABLE BEGINNINGS

Whether a pregnant woman is excited to bring her new baby home or is choosing the loving option of adoption, Catholic Charities supports confident pregnancies and stable beginnings. Our social workers travel to new and expectant parents all across the Diocese to bring help and hope through financial assistance, pregnancy counseling, parenting education, baby items, and helping women throughout the entire process of placing a child for adoption. We are honored to work with those who are pregnant or have a child under 12 months old. We work with teens and adults, women who are single or married, those who are financially secure or living in poverty. Reach our social workers at 800-222-5859.

Karna Gloe__Support Service Specialist__Catholic Charities Rochester__(507)287-2047 ext. 21__FAX: 507-289-3860__kgloe@ccsommn.org__

Entertaining Angels" ~ Catholic Hospitality Training

Our diocesan Church will gather on **JUNE 23RD & 24TH (9AM-12PM EACH DAY)** for an **online workshop**. The training will be led by Sheri Wohlfert of the St. Paul Evangelization Institute. We are encouraging parish leaders to participate together (e.g., in a church hall or conference room), for planning and practice, if possible. We will also create breakout rooms via zoom for those participating individually. For more information and to register, please visit the diocesan event page. The registration deadline is this Friday, June 18th. For questions, please contact, Susan Windley-Daoust (swindley@dowr.org) or me (tgraff@dowr.org), at the diocese.

An Invitation to Love

*Eucharistic Adoration is on the First Wednesday of each month at St Rose of Lima Church. Save the Date: July 7th from 8:30 a.m. to 8:30 p.m.

*You are invited to grow in faith and love of our Lord with us, by coming to Eucharistic Adoration. Whether you regularly adore, or have never experienced the quiet and peace of praying before our Lord in the Blessed Sacrament, all are invited to participate.

*We need Adorers and Substitutes, especially at 10:30, 12:30, 1:30, 3:30, 4:30, and 6:30. Scheduled Adorers choose a specific Holy Hour during the day. Substitutes fill in as needed. Please fill out the sheet in the St. Rose Narthex, or contact Kelly Kalmes at 262-338-8044 or kellykalmes18@gmail.com. "The spiritual lives of our families are strengthened through our Holy Hour" — Saint John Paul II

From the Pastor

OUR HEART IS STRONGER THAN OUR WOUNDS by Ron Rolheiser

Ten years before his death in 1996, Henri Nouwen was beset by a depression that nearly broke him. While in treatment, he wrote a very powerful book, *The Inner Voice of Love*, in which he humbly and candidly shared his struggles and the efforts it took to overcome them. At times, he felt completely overwhelmed by his wounds and obsessions and was on the edge of drowning, of collapse, when the only thing he could do was cry. Eventually though he found again his inner strength and emerged resilient, ready to re-enter his life with renewed energy. Remarkably on what he learned from this inner collapse and his eventual return to health, he writes that, in the end, our hearts are stronger than our wounds.

That's a powerful affirmation of a hard-earned truth; but is it always true? Are our hearts always stronger than our wounds? Do we always have the resources deep down to overcome our wounds?

Sometimes yes, as in the case of Nouwen; but sometimes no, as we see in the broken lives of so many. Sometimes, it seems wounds overpower the heart. Perhaps one poignant example can serve to illustrate this. There is a sad, tragic, haunting line in the well-known song, *I Dreamed a Dream*, from the popular musical, *Les Miserables*. The story told in *Les Miserables*, as we know, is based on Victor Hugo's classic book by that title which tells a series of stories about how poverty and oppression can break the hearts, backs, and lives of the poor. One of Hugo's characters, Fantine, is a single mother, abandoned by the man she loves and nursing a broken heart. She is also struggling to provide her daughter with the basic needs of life, struggling with a job and working conditions that are ruining her health, and struggling with sexual harassment from her boss that culminates in her unfair dismissal from her job. At a certain point, it's too much, her health breaks, she collapses, and in her dying farewell sings out a lament that suggests that our hearts aren't always stronger than our wounds; but sometimes there are storms we cannot weather. Sometimes the heart cannot weather the storm and collapses under the weight of its wounds.

Who's right – Nouwen or Fantine? I suspect they both are, depending on one's circumstance, inner health, and emotional resources. An old adage says, whatever doesn't kill you, makes you stronger! True enough, providing it doesn't kill you. Sadly, sometimes it does. Sometimes what weighs us down does kill us. I suspect that everyone reading this has had a first-hand experience of someone you knew and loved breaking down and dying, either by suicide or some other collapse of this sort, due to a broken life, a broken heart, a broken psyche, a wound that overpowered his or her heart.

Thus, when we look at the truth of Nouwen's affirmation that our hearts are stronger than our wounds and the (seeming) antithetical truth that sometimes our wounds can kill the heart, we need to add a further truth which embraces both sides of this: God's grace, forgiveness, and love are stronger than our wounds, our collapses, our failures, and seeming despairs.

Sometimes in our struggles we can access the inner strength buried below our wounds which will enable us to rise above them and walk again in health, strength, and enthusiasm. However, sometimes our wounds so paralyze the heart that we can no longer access the strength that lies deep within us. In this life, that kind of brokenness can look and feel like a terminal collapse, a sadness for which there is no healing, a despair, a wasted life. However, whenever a collusion of bitter circumstance and mental fragility break someone, when a person's heart is no longer stronger than his or her wounds, we can take refuge in a deeper truth and consolation, namely, the strength that lies within God's heart: God's grace, understanding, and love are stronger than our wounds, our collapses, our failures, and seeming despairs.

What sets Christian faith apart from most other religions (as well as from all prosperity gospels) is that Christianity is a religion of grace and not primarily of self-effort (important though that is). As Christians, we don't have to save ourselves, don't have to get our lives right all on our own. Indeed, nobody ever does. As St. Paul says so clearly in his farewell message in Romans 1-8, none of us ever get our lives right on the basis of our own strength. That's also true in terms of overcoming our wounds. All of us are weak and break down sometimes. However, and this is the point, when the storms of life overpower us, when we reach down for strength to withstand the storm only to find out that the storm is stronger than we are, we need then to reach still deeper and there we will find that God's heart is stronger than our brokenness.

