

## Shepherd's Thoughts (June 9, 2024)

*God is good, all the time! All the time, God is good!*

Our first reading today from the Book of Genesis conveys to us the fall of Adam and Eve and on how sin entered the world. As the Catechism of the Catholic Church teaches us, "by his sin, Adam, as the first man, lost the original holiness and justice he had received from God, not only for himself but for all human beings" (CCC #416). The effects of the first sin of our first parents did not only end up to their lifetime but they remain from generation to generations. "Adam and Eve transmitted to their descendants human nature wounded by their own first sin and hence deprived of original holiness and justice; this deprivation is called "original sin"(CCC #417). It is for this reason why even a newly borne child has to be baptized to wash away the inherited original sin.

As a result of original sin, human nature is weakened in its powers, subject to ignorance, suffering and the domination of death, and inclined to sin which we called "concupiscence" (CCC #418). Because of sin we become so vulnerable and ignorant of so many things, suffering already becomes part of our nature, death apparently occurs to all as natural evil, but originally, "God did not make death and He does not delight in the death of the living... It was through the devil's envy that death entered in world" (Wis. 1:13; 2:24) and lastly, we easily get attached to worldly pleasures. By this, it would mean that because of Adam and Eve's unfaithfulness, God banished them for the Garden of Eden and punished them with his words, "I will put enmity between your offspring and her offspring (Gen 3:9-15) .<sup>[SEP]</sup>

Still, after all that happened, God sent His only begotten Son to save and made us whole again, redeemed by His blood, cleansed by the water in baptism, forgiven through the sacrament of reconciliation, renewed by the Holy Spirit and continuously nourished with Eucharist because of His great love and mercy. As the responsorial Psalm is telling us, "With the Lord there is mercy, and fullness of redemption" (Ps 130:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 7-8) .<sup>[SEP]</sup> We must be grateful to God therefore, because He did everything for us no matter how frailty our life is, there will always be another chance to live by in the next life. "As the second reading tells us "For we know that if our earthly dwelling, a tent, should be destroyed, we have a building from God, a dwelling not made with hands, eternal in heaven" (2 Cor 4:13-5:1) .<sup>[SEP]</sup>

Yes, our life here on earth can be destroyed by sin. Our original state of holiness and justice were destroyed by the first own sin of our first parents, Adam and Eve. But through the grace and mercy of God everything was restored in Christ.

Jesus once said in the Gospel, Amen, I say to you, all sins and all blasphemies that people utter will be forgiven them. But whoever blasphemes against the Holy Spirit will never have forgiveness but is guilty of an everlasting sin." (Mk 3:20-35). We all know that God is a loving and forgiving God. He always forgives a repentant sinner. But if we deny His saving power neither, will He forgive us. Forgiveness happens only when there is full acceptance of God's mercy and not the negation of his saving power and ultimately, we are always able to do the will of our heavenly Father.

Fr. Antonio Rex M. Palaya

## June 9, 2024

### *10<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Ordinary Time*

#### Mass Intentions

† Deceased

**Saturday, 4:00 PM Rosiere, June 8th, Mass**

† Jack & Darlene Naze, † Elmer & Dorothy Jeanquart

**Saturday, 5:30 PM, Brussels, June 8th, Mass**

**Sunday, 8:30 AM, Brussels, June 9th, Mass**

**Sunday, 10:15 AM, Lincoln, June 9th, Mass**

† Mel & Mary Jane Porath, † Karen Pinchart

**Tuesday, 8:00AM, Brussels, June 11th, Mass**

**Wednesday, 8:00AM, Brussels, June 12th, Mass**

**Thursday, 8:00AM, Lincoln, June 13th, Mass**

† Willard & Iona Massey

**Friday, 8:00 AM, Rosiere, June 14th, Mass**

† John (Jack) Naze

**Saturday, 4:00 PM Rosiere, June 15th, Mass**

† Andrew Engebose

**Saturday, 5:30 PM, Brussels, June 15th, Mass**

**Sunday, 8:30 AM, Brussels, June 16th, Mass**

**Sunday, 10:15 AM, Lincoln, June 16th, Mass**

† Clarence Rass, † Jim Jadin

**Tuesday, 8:00 AM, Brussels, June 18th, Mass**

**Wednesday 8:00AM, Brussels, June 19th, Mass**

**Thursday, 8:00 AM Lincoln June 20<sup>th</sup> NOMASS**

**Friday, 8:00 AM, Rosiere, June 21st, Mass**

† For the People



#### Sanctuary Light

**June 9-15:** In mem. Goldie & Grace Thiry

**June 16-22:** In mem. Alvin Jorgensen

#### Sacrificial Offerings

May 23-28, 2024: \$881.00



#### St. Peter & St. Hubert Scrip

May 27- Jun 2 Sales: \$1475.00

Gross profit: \$83.18

FYTD profit: \$5591.30

*For scrip information, call Sue Havel at 920-493-2789 or email at [Havel27sm@gmail.com](mailto:Havel27sm@gmail.com).*

#### Father Rex Shepherd Hours in Rosiere:

On Thursdays & Fridays from 9:30am-noon except the fourth Thursday & Friday of each month.

**Parish Office:** will be closed on Tuesday, June 11 after 10:30 am.

## Liturgical Ministers:

### June 8th, 4:00 pm Rosiere

Lector: Chriss Daubner

Communion Distributors: Chriss Daubner, Volunteer

Servers: Dylan & Gretchen Barta

### June 9th, 10:15 am Lincoln

Lector: Sue Havel

Comm Distributors: Jerry & Tammy Barta

Servers: Clayton, Chase & Landon Barta

### June 15th, 4:00 pm Rosiere

Lector: Char Everard

Communion Distributors: Wendy Vlies, Volunteer

Servers: Dylan & Gretchen Barta

### June 16th, 10:15 am Lincoln

Lector: Mary Fameree

Comm Distributors: Sandy Maccoux, Jason Jandrin

Servers: Lainey Barta & Natalie Brunette

## Parish News

**Bishops Appeal 2024:** Our goal is \$41,682 and we are at **64%** of our goal due to the generosity of our 109 members who have already donated. Please return your pledge form from Bishop Ricken as soon as you can. Thank you!

**Thank You:** The beautiful lighted outdoor Rosary on the west side of the Lincoln church entrance has been donated in memory of Donald & Eunice Spitzer by the family.

**Fiscal Year End:** A gentle reminder that our fiscal year ends June 30. Please consider getting your financial support in now.

**Kermis/Church Picnic Kickoff Meeting:** We will once again be holding our annual Kermis/Church Picnic organizational meeting on Tuesday, July 2<sup>nd</sup> at 6:00pm in the Lincoln church basement. All event chairs are encouraged to attend this planning meeting along with any parish member who would like to get involved. We are in need of some new parish volunteers to help run and organize the event. Any questions please contact Todd Thyse or Randy Everard.

**It's That Time of Year:** The Time and Talent donation forms are out! Please consider donating by filling out the form and returning it to Julie Pinchart or Julie Engebose, their contact information is on the donation form. Consider asking any business that you do business with if they would like to donate as well. We will have a separate section in the book if we have enough business donations. We also have a youth section, so consider donating on behalf of the young people in your family. Please be sure to return the form by **Sunday, June 16**. Thank you for your generosity!

**Scrip:** A reminder for those that are thinking of donating gift cards for the Kermis Time & Talent Raffle to check out all the gift cards available through scrip!

**Interested in Sharing your Talents:** We currently have an opening for a pianist/organist at our Lincoln site. This is a paid position. We also welcome any interested singers at our Lincoln & Rosiere sites! Please consider sharing your musical talents. Please call the parish office with any questions at 920-837-2852.

## Area News

**Casco Fire Dept Cookout:** at Bank of Luxemburg, 100 Old Orchard Ave., Casco on Friday, June 7, 2024, from 10 am – 5 pm. Serving Brats, Burgers, Trippe, (Pulled Pork–walk up only), Chips, Cookies & Beverages. All proceeds to benefit Casco Fire Dept. Supplemented by Thrivent Financial. Order forms available. Call Bank of Luxemburg: 920-845-2345. Come join the fun!

**Holy Trinity, Casco:** 88<sup>th</sup> Annual Holy Trinity Church Picnic on Sunday, June 23<sup>rd</sup> 10am – 6pm. Mass at 9 am. Greatest Hits Polka Band, Modern Day Drifters, Silent Auction 10am-3pm, Raffle Drawing 5pm, chicken booyah, hamburgers, Belgian trippe, hot dogs, beverages, ice cream, sweet shop, kids' games, bouncy house, petting zoo, quilt raffle.

**Belgian Heritage Center:** Waffle Breakfast on Sunday, June 30 from 9am – noon. Waffles, Belgian trippe, eggs, and a beverage. Adults \$12, Children ages 4-12 \$7, ages 3 & under are free. Proceeds help support the BHC's mission to preserve and promote Belgian heritage.

## Parish Contacts

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### **Gospel Readings for Week of June 9, 2024**

Monday, June 10: Matthew 5: 1-12

Tuesday, June 11: Matthew 5: 13-16 (St. Barnabas, Apostle)

Wednesday, June 12: Matthew 5: 17-19

Thursday, June 13: Matthew 5: 20-26 (St. Anthony of Padua, Priest & Doctor)

Friday, June 14: Matthew 5: 27-32

Saturday, June 15: Matthew 5: 33-37