Please continue to pray for the sick of our Parish. To add someone to the prayer list, call Fr. Jim or email Bonnie Toth at: bonnie3871@gmail.com.

Jodi Aerts Dvlan Anderson Robert Berry Patricia Bonnewitz Millie Budnev Michael Burke Sandra Burke Julie Byron Toni Capute Deacon John Carev **Riordan Cavoris** Jim Croushorn Justin Curtis **Tony Donehoo** Carol Donato Islea Duncan Alan Ekberg John Evans Jack Fisher Linda Gardner Elizabeth Gillam Lorraine Brennen Gilliam

Lvnn Goss Kathleen Hamilton Jeanne Harper Jeannine Iannaco Pablo Ignacio Patrick Ignacio Meia Irvin Leslie Jarrett Paul Lent Carolvn Martin Jamie Martin Kimberly Martin Greg Moore Kathleen Moore **Beverly Moyer** Chris Moyer Rav Mover Don Notestein Patsv Notestein Angel Ortiz George Perry Wendy Pessaro

June Birthdays

Stephanie Hamilton (June 2) Travis Williams (June 2) Kathern Hampton (June 6) Phil Hampton (June 16) John Evans (June 19) Joyce Hing (June 19) Beau Ellrich (June 21) Patsy Notestein (June 30)

June Anniversaries

Garv Peters

Laurie Peters Frank Powell

Nelson Sanchez

John Seaguist

Jane Sliwinski

Joseph Souza

Margaret Smith

Charles Watson

Laura Williams

Louise Williams

Michael Williams

Betty Jo Wolfram

Travis Williams

Danielle Weedon

Ray Servis

Chere Tew

Jim Tew

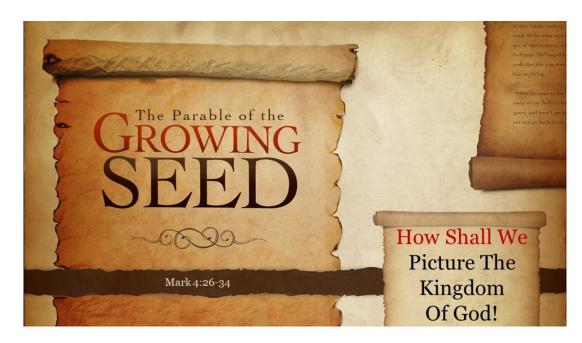
Fred Toth

Amy Tracy

Princess Sanchez

Don & Patsy Notestein (June 12) Bob & Sandra Burke (June 13) Chuck & Pat Hirtz (June 13) Les & Maria Leslie (June 24) Keith & Kathleen Hamilton (June 28) Chene & Emily Heady (June 30)

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Holy Eucharist Sunday 8:30 AM; Tuesday 10:00 AM and 7:00 PM Thursday 12:15 PM

Bulletin news and requests for mass cards: contact Bonnie Toth at bonnie3871@gmail.com The readings today celebrate the wonders and beauty of the season and of creation. The Prophet Ezekiel takes the time to write for us the converge of his experience of the beautiful trees, mountains and animals that dwell with us.

Jesus compares the reign of God to a tiny mustard seed which grows to be the largest of plants. He describes vegetables and fruit that grow.

Yes, growth begets growth. As pastor I stand back in delight to watch how you grow spiritually and mature pastorally. We do not have growth in numbers and registrations, but we have growth in profound ways. We have lay people who can preach and spread the Good News and they do their homework. As a prophetic witness, you show you have fellowship with those of different races and creeds. You recreate and cook for Holiday Lake, Hill Cats and Breakfast Sunday.

But let us not forget that this is summer time and God created this season. It is a time of rest from the awesome ministry you performed during the past year and to regroup for the wonderful work you will do next year. It is time to nap, sleep, swim and cook out. It is time for you, like Ezekiel, to appreciate the whitetail deer, the dolphins, fish and the black bear (from a distance).

It is time to visit loved ones, good friend and catch up. I will be doing just that. In two weeks, I will take my Dad to his favorite sea coast resort on the border of Rhode Island and Connecticut. Once again we will look for Taylor Swift at Watch Hill and have some laughs. There will be tears and reminiscing at my sister, Mary's funeral. Seeing many Irish cousins and my Pilipino sister-in-law will be comforting.

In the meantime, let us have some fun in the Lord these short but wonderful months. Remember - God created summer time!

Vacation Bible School has been rescheduled. The final dates are: July 23-26. Registration forms are available in the commons. Alice Doeppe or Helen Dennany will be leading/teaching this year. We are SO excited that children from St. Victoria will be joining us. What a great way to end the summer and thank God for all of his blessings. All are welcome!

Grief Workshop The next Grief & Loss Workshop hosted by the Justice & Peace Team is scheduled for Saturday, July 13, 10 am - 12:30 pm. This workshop is ecumenical and open to all. Please reach out to Eileen Brennen (abbasgirl24522@yahoo.com) if you would like to attend or know someone interested. Light refreshments will be provided.

Gracious God.

What a gift to celebrate the father figures in our lives. Today **Father's** there are so many of us who are celebrating this day not only in honor of the fathers who are related to us by blood, but also those who have chosen us, and become our family. We thank You for the special gift that they are to us, and how they enrich our lives.

Thank You for the many ways in which our father figures have shown us love and support. We thank You for those who have been mentors, teachers, and role models in our lives. And for the joy that they have brought into our lives.

We ask that You bless them tenfold today. May they know that their presence is appreciated and that their place in our lives is irreplaceable. May they be filled with encouragement, and may they live in the midst of Your goodness.

In Jesus' name, amen.

Happy

Day!