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Our Mass Schedule for This Week

Monday (6-13)......NO MASS

Tuesday (6-14).....6:30PM Mass at Spring Valley

+Richard Kannel (Bob and Una Jenny)

Wednesday (6-15)......7:30PM Mass at Elmwood

+Bill and Jack Murray (Pat Webb)

Thursday (6-16)......8:00AM Mass at Spring Valley

+Gen Miller (Tom and Kathy Birkel)

Friday (6-17).....1:30PM Mass at Elmwood Nursing Home

+Elwin Brunner (Geraldine Brunner)

Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Saturday (6-18)......8:00PM Vigil Mass at Elmwood Missa Pro Populo

Sunday (6-19)......8:30AM Mass at Boyceville +Brian Rogers (Joe and Karen Adams) 10:30AM Mass at Spring Valley

+Lorne Hanson (Hanson Family)

BRIEFLY NOTED

Congratulations to *Daniel and Abbigail (Lucking) Dicks* who were joined in the *Sacrament of Matrimony at Spring Valley*. "Strengthen, we pray, in the grace of Marriage Daniel and Abby, whom you have brought happily to their wedding day, that under your protection they may always be faithful in their lives to the covenant they have sealed in your presence" (*Roman Missal*, 1027)."

<u>Pastor Installation Mass:</u> On Tuesday, June 28 at the 6:30PM Mass in Spring Valley, the Dean of our Durand Deanery, the Very Reverend Father Kevin Louis, will install Fr. Prince Raja as pastor of our triparishes. All are invited to come and welcome Fr. Prince as our pastor and to stay after the mass for a reception at the Br. Michael Center!

<u>Salad Bar Luncheon:</u> Thursday, June 23 from 10:30-1PM at the Br. Michael Center in Spring Valley. All proceeds to go towards sending our youth to the Stuebenville North conference in St. Paul.

Spring Valley Home Made Pies for Sale: Father's Day Sunday, June 19 after 10:30am Mass at the Br. Michael Catholic Center. Proceeds will go towards the Spring Valley CCD Center flooring project. Free will offering, suggested minimum of \$6/pie.

Elmwood Father's Day Pie Sale: Altar & Rosary will be hosting their annual Father's Day pie sale on Saturday, June 18 after 8:00pm Mass. There will also have a card shower for Father Prince who will officially be our Pastor after June 30. Please join us after mass for pie & ice cream, congratulate Father Prince, and purchase a whole pie for your own Father's Day celebration. All are welcome!

CONFESSIONS

Tuesday 5:45-6:15 PM
Spring Valley
7:00-7:45 PM

Elmwood Sunday 7:45-8:15 AM

Boyceville

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

Monday 6:00 AM to 6:00 PM

Boyceville

Thurs. 8 AM to Friday 8AM

Spring Valley

Interparish Finance Council:

Meets Tuesday, June 21 at 7PM at the Br. Michael Catholic Center in Spring Valley. Council members if you are unable to attend, please notify the Central Office.

Brick Oven Pizza--Round Hill, Durand/Camp Angelus

Thursdays 5:00-8:00PM June 9-August 25 More info: roundhillinc.com.

<u>Fall Festival:</u> Sunday, August 21 at St. Joe's Arkansaw with **10:00am Mass** followed by a BBQ Chicken Dinner from 11-1pm. Kids games, cake walk and basket raffle! All invited!

Garage Sale: St. Bridget Parish will host their annual Garage Sale in the St. Bridget School Gym at 135 E Division St., River Falls, WI, on Thursday, June 16, 8AM-8pm., Friday, June 17, 8AM-6:00PM and Saturday, June 18, 8AM-12PM. On Saturday, clothing is \$3/bag and all else is half off!

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BULLETIN DEADLINE

Items must be received at the Central Office **Tuesday 3PM**.

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Eleventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

Forgiveness is divine and it makes us truly the children of God. God is the Good Shepherd who goes in search of his lost sheep and when he finds the one that is lost carries it back to the original shelter. This message is given to us in all the three readings of today. The Gospel of today contains striking story of a woman, probably a known sinner and presented only by the Evangelist Luke, who comes in search of Jesus to wash his feet and anoint them with precious oil.

The first reading leads us to understand the weakness of men and the abounding generosity of God who goes out of the way to forgive a sinner. David's repentance leads him to forgiveness. St Paul in the second reading tells us that our sins have been taken away and we are justified in our faith. We enter into the divine realm by this experience of faith, forgiveness and healing

One thing very striking in the Gospel of today is that Jesus neither judged, nor rebuked the woman as the Pharisee expected. Instead, he welcomed her. This approach goes against the ways of the world. It seems like an unusual practice to judge and condemn the actions of others. We are asked to model love instead of judging, to welcome instead of rejecting.

How often do you forgive and forget? There are three kinds of forgiveness and all interrelated. 1. Forgiveness of God – that assures us of our worth and strengthens us. 2. Forgiveness of others – the forgiveness that we extend to others and receive from them, intimates and enemies. 3. Self-forgiveness – that which enables us to release our own guilt and lack of perfection.

Let us listen to the Lord's words, "If you forgive men/women their sins, your heavenly Father will also forgive you yours. But if you do not forgive men/women their sins, neither will your Father forgive your sins" (Matthew 6:14-15).

To sum up, I found this program for achieving a truly forgiving heart:

Sunday: Forgive yourself. Monday: Forgive your family.

Tuesday: Forgive your friends and associates.

Wednesday: Forgive across economic lines within your own nation.

Thursday: Forgive across cultural lines within your own nation.

Friday: Forgive across political lines within your own nation.

Saturday: Forgive other nations. Rev. Prince Raja

| Stewardship for June 4-5, 2016 | | | | |
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| "How shall I make a return to the Lord for all He has -done for me?" (Psalm 116:12) | | | | |
| | Adult Envelopes | Offertory | DAA | |
| Spring Valley | \$1471 | \$122 | \$2110 | |
| Elmwood | \$1140 | \$109.16 | | |
| Boyceville | \$1043 | \$87.01 | | |

BRIEFLY NOTED

Pastoral Council Elections:

In our parishes, the terms of some members of the Pastoral Council are expiring. *Please give prayerful consideration to the nomination of their replacements*. To nominate a parishioner (including yourself) simply submit the name (or names) of the nominee(s) in writing by placing it in the offertory collection basket, mailing it to the Central Office, or emailing it to the Central Office(admin@svecatholic.org). *Nominations close after Masses on Sunday*, *July 3*. *Elections will be held at all Masses the weekend of July 9-10*.

Spring Valley's DAA:

Thank you to the family who added a generous donation to their original Diocesan Annual Appeal pledge! After the recently sent pledges are recorded at the Diocese, our parish will have exceeded the target amount. Any money over the DAA target returns to the parish as a rebate and can be used for parish projects.

Holy Hours for Religious Freedom:

Bishop Callahan will celebrate a Holy Hour for Religious Freedom on Tuesday, June 21 at 6:30pm at Blessed Sacrament Church, LaCrosse. Throughout the diocese, deaneries are invited to celebrate a Holy Hour (led by a deacon or priest) simultaneous with that of the Bishop, or at another time during the Fortnight (June 21-July 4). Visit <u>diolc.org/freedom</u> to find a Holy Hour near you.

La Crosse Pilgrimage Thanks:

I want express appreciation to Fr. Prince, Becky Schmitt, Karen Adams and Pat Frey (St. John's Glenwood City) for their loving support and help for this pilgrimage. I was so impressed by our three parishes that they stood behind the importance of spiritual growth and backed that with their generous financial donations that gave so many the ability to afford to come. Money was donated by St. Luke's, Sacred Heart Spring Valley and the Tri-Parish Knights of Columbus.

I want to also publicly thank Father John Long of St. John's Glenwood Cluster as he also greatly promoted this trip and donated the colored printing of our prayer booklet we made. Lastly, I want to thank Barb and Rich Laluya, Marge Sykora, Ariel Hughes, Jordan & Paul Zimmerman, Ashley Doornink, Pat Frey, Trudy Clancy and the Nilssen's for their help in preparation of the lunches, baking cookies, donation of chips, providing coolers and wheelchairs. I was impressed by how everyone pulled together in such a loving way to make this a wonderful trip. Lastly, I thank each of you who heard God's call and came to be refilled at Our Lady's Shrine.

May God greatly bless you all!
-With love, Rita Zimmerman