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PASTOR'S PEN

Greetings in Christ Jesus!

In today's Gospel we have an account of Jesus healing a man who is deaf and with an impediment in his speech. Here we are to understand Jesus' actions as prophetic signs, particularly in fulfillment of the prophecies of Isaiah.

Two aspects draw our attention in this story. The first is that this man's encounter with Jesus results in a new capacity for speech. By touching his ears and his mouth, Jesus has given the man a voice for the first time.

And did Jesus really expect the man not to exercise it? This leads to a second aspect which is the comment made by the Gospel writer: 'The more he ordered them not to, the more they proclaimed it.'

He knows beforehand that they are not going to keep quiet about the miracles he works. Jesus is a good pedagogue: he understands that sometimes the best way to get children to do something is to tell them not to do it.

It is important to see here that Jesus is not bringing about any change in the heart of the man he cures. He has told the people that evil emerges in the heart, and it is only through a change of heart that the people can be saved.

In fact, not one of the miracles performed by Jesus involves him directly making the state of someone's heart change. The change of heart happens before and after the miracle. No one, not even God, can make us change our heart, for this rests on our created freedom.

There is no suggestion here in this passage that the heart of the deaf man is closed, but when Jesus opens his ears and his mouth, he is giving a sign of the love of God. When our hearts are closed and our world has shrunk, Jesus enters into our lives with his love.

The Lord Jesus made the deaf hear and the dumb speak. May he touch your ears to receive his word, and your mouth to proclaim his faith, to the praise and glory of God the Father.

Fr. Maschio.

ALTAR SERVER TRAINING

Father Maschio will be conducting training for all the current and new altar servers on Saturday, September 11th at 10 am at St. Patrick's. Anyone who has received their First Communion is eligible to be an altar server.

LADIES GUILD BAZAAR

The Bazaar will be held on Thursday, September 16th from 4-6 p.m. on the lawn of St. Patrick's. All women of the parish are invited to donate baked goods, home-canned goods, and garden produce to the bazaar. Please price all items. Pricing suggestions are available on the table in the entry of the church. There is also a sign-up sheet in the entry of the church for individuals who want to help with the bazaar. Items can be dropped off in the entry of the church after 8 a.m. on Thursday, September 16th.

SUNDAY COFFEE HOUR

We are restarting our weekly Sunday coffee hour on Sunday, September 12th after Sunday mass. The Guild will purchase donuts, juice and coffee that can be used each week. We request that lunch be limited to meat/cheese, crackers and muffins/coffee cake. We would like 2 or more families to help host each weekend. Your responsibilities will be to make the coffee and juice, set-up table with paper products, provide the food and serve coffee hour and clean-up following. We would like 8-10 serving groups so each group would serve every 2-3 months. There is a sign-up sheet in the entry of the church if you are able to help with coffee hour.

ADORATION CHANGES

Beginning on September 1st, adoration will start right after morning Mass at 8:30 am and continue until noon. We will have half hour time slots available during these hours. Please consider spending some time adoring our Lord.

THANK YOU!

Thank you to everyone who made our Parish Picnic a success - the Knights of Columbus, the Ladies Guild, the cooks, those who set up and tore down, everyone who attended - all your work made for a great evening gathering!



LITURGICAL SCHEDULE

SATURDAY Holy Mass	September 4th 5:00 PM Hallock	Sophie Gubbels
SUNDAY Holy Mass	September 5th 9:00 AM Hallock	Pro Populo
Holy Mass	11:00 AM Lancaster	Helen Potrament
MONDAY Holy Mass	September 6th 8:00 AM Hallock	Paul Olsonawski
TUESDAY Holy Mass	September 7th 8:00 AM Hallock	Pierce Kvien
WEDNESDAY Holy Mass	September 8th 8:00 AM Hallock	Jody Mootz
THURSDAY Holy Mass	September 9th 8:00 AM Hallock	Andi Olsonawski
FRIDAY Holy Mass	September 10th 8:00 AM Hallock	Souls in Purgatory
Holy Mass	10:00 AM Nursing Home	Rose & Larry Younggren
SATURDAY Holy Mass	September 11th 5:00 PM Hallock	Unborn killed by abortion
SUNDAY Holy Mass	September 12th 9:00 AM Hallock	Val Brown
Holy Mass	11:00 AM Lancaster	Pro Populo

Masses can be requested from the parish at anytime, for the living or the dead, or for any good intention. A \$5 offering is customary for each request.

PRAYER LIST

Those who are Sick, Struggling, Recovering

Sophie Olsonawski
 Eleanor Kraska
 Cathy Cleem
 Iver Cleem
 Janet Olsonawski
 Dion Turgeon
 Jeanette Forfang
 Kim Short
 LeRoy Vonasek
 Renee Stewart
 Robb Brown
 Ruth Hennen
 Dorothy Barber
 Dave Fertig
 Gloria Dziengel
 Charlie Anderson
 Kayla (Sjostrand) Thompson

Deceased Loved Ones

Elmer Hungate
 Paul Olsonawski
 Bonita Hanson
 Wayne Stewart
 Luella Quiner
 Eileen Totleben
 Catherine Klegstad
 MaryAnn Schmiedeberg
 Leona Chalaturnyk
 Helen Potrament
 Irene Kiesow
 Rosemary Cooney
 Don DeLorme
 Mark Rocznik
 Betty Lockman

LITURGICAL MINISTRY LIST

Saturday Ministers:	September 11th 5:00 PM Volunteers	St. Patrick
Sunday Sacristan: Servers: Commentator: Lector: Usher: Money Counters:	September 12th 9:00 AM Jeff Reese Aidan & Avery Wiese Hank Noel Laura Reese Joel Mir & Dennis Olsonawski Hugh Hunt & Jerry Olsonawski	St. Patrick
Sunday Ministers:	September 12th 11:00 AM Volunteers	Holy Rosary

SUNDAY SCHOOL

Sunday school will begin Sunday, September 12th right after Mass. As of now, there will be NO preschool Sunday school.

7th - 12th GRADE RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

The 7th - 12th grade students will begin religious education immediately after Mass on Sundays beginning September 12th.

RCIA AFTER SATURDAY MASS BEGINNING 9-11-21

Rock Bakken will be offering RCIA classes beginning immediately after Saturday Mass on September 11th and running each Saturday after Mass through Easter. These classes will be for anyone who either wishes to become a Catholic or just learn more about the Catholic faith.

COLLECTION FOR THE CHURCH IN LATIN AMERICA

Next week we will take up the Collection for the Church in Latin America. For many in Latin America and the Caribbean, a rising secular culture, difficult rural terrain, and a shortage of ministers all present obstacles to practicing the faith. Your support for the collection provides lay leadership training, catechesis, priestly and religious formation, and other programs to share our Catholic faith with those who long to hear the Good News of Christ. To learn more about how your gifts make a difference, visit www.usccb.org/latin-america.

CURSILLO IS BACK

The women's weekend is September 23-26. The men's weekend is October 28-31. Applications can be printed at crookstoncursillo.weebly.com

ST. PATRICK'S MONTHLY CONTRIBUTION REPORT

2021 Charitable Contributions:		
	<u>AUGUST</u>	<u>JULY</u>
In-Church Contributions:	\$6,910.21	\$4,959.68
On-Line Contributions:	\$1,605.22	\$1,596.60

HOLY ROSARY MONTHLY CONTRIBUTION REPORT

	<u>AUGUST</u>	<u>JULY</u>
In-Church Contributions:	\$1,665.00	\$1,419.00

Email the parish office with those you would like listed above for prayer each month.