



Notes from Fr. Craig on the Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time-July 10, 2016

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

I hope everyone's summer is off to a great start and that you are enjoying the warm summer weather as well as relaxing and enjoying quality time with your families and friends. I enjoyed being around town over the Fourth of July weekend and although many of our parishioners were away, we did have quite a few out of town visitors who were very complimentary of our parish community.

I would like to welcome back once again, Fr. John Sullivan, to our parish as our guest priest while I am away on vacation from Friday, July 8th through Tuesday, July 12th. Fr. John is a very good friend of mine and was my pastor when I came into the church back in 2001 at Our Lady of Good Counsel, Plymouth, MI. Fr. John celebrates a big milestone anniversary this year. Please congratulate **Fr. John on his 50th Anniversary of his Ordination to the Sacred Priesthood of Jesus Christ.** We are looking forward to having Fr. John lead us in a parish mission with St. John, beginning on Friday evening October 14th, and continuing on Saturday, October 15th. More details on this will be out in early September.

I will be on rotation with Fr. Joe the weekend of July 16-17. Fr. Joe will celebrate the 5:30 p.m. Vigil Mass and the 9 a.m. Sunday Mass. I will be back to St. Mary to celebrate the 11 a.m. Mass. Each month I will be rotating twice with Fr. Joe so my presence will be at St. John as their pastor too. I will be celebrating daily Mass each week on Thursday at 9 a.m. at St. John. I will then keep regular office hours on Thursday until mid-day. Fr. Joe will come to St. Mary to celebrate our 8:30 a.m. Mass each Thursday morning.

My vacation continues from Friday July 22nd, through Tuesday July 26th. Fr. Mike Hack, a Canon Lawyer and friend, will be covering for me in my absence. Please give Fr. Mike a warm welcome back. We are blessed to have such great priests willing to help out and enable me to get some much needed time off.

Cross Catholic International will be represented by one of their traveling priests the last weekend of July. I will be away for this weekend as well. Please support their missionary cause.

May you have a blessed summer and enjoy every day of it as it goes by so quickly. Please keep your faith, daily prayer, and Sunday Mass obligation all part of your summer plans whether in town or on vacation.

*For His love,
Fr. Craig*