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MASS SCHEDULE AND INTENTIONS				July 26, 2026	Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time
Saturday	July	25	5:30 p.m.	St. John, Clyde	+Amanda Girard by Mary Girard
Sunday	July	26	8:30 a.m.	St. Mary, Clifton	All Parishioners
			10:30 a.m.	St. John, Clyde	+LaRoy & Gevine Hoesli by Mary Gilstrap
Tuesday	July	28	8:00 a.m.	St. John, Clyde	+Ina Garrison by Mary Girard
Wednesday	July	29	5:30 p.m.	St. John, Clyde	No Mass
Thursday	July	30	8:00 a.m.	St. Mary, Clifton	+Teresa Marie Leiszler by Ruth Klumpe
Friday	July	31	7:00 a.m.	St. John, Clyde	+Laura & Lyle Kempf by Mary Jo Curran
Saturday	August	1	12:00 p.m.	St. John, Clyde	Reparation to the Immaculate Heart of Mary
			5:30 p.m.	St. John, Clyde	+Kenneth Marcotte by Michael & Susan Vint
Sunday	August	2	8:30 a.m.	St. Mary, Clifton	+Jerry Sorell by Mike & Linda Kantack
			10:30 a.m.	St. John, Clyde	All Parishioners

St. Mary Liturgical Assignments:

Date	Rosary	Greeters	Cross Bearer	Reader	EMHC	Servers	Gifts Bearers	Collection	Money Counters
July 26	Mike Kantack	Matt Schwab Family	Diane Steinbrock	Kristen Oestrich	Deanne Jackson Steve Bechard April Fahey	Annika Wernecke Grady Wurtz	Jerry & Sue Long	Travis Wurtz Matt Schwab	Matt Schwab Travis Wurtz
August 2	Francis Cox	Wade Knoettgen family	Zachary Leiszler	Jim Leiszler	Susan Bechard Sue Long Steve Bechard	Marci Taddiken Warric Gelino	Dianne & Hank Steinbrock	Shawn Taddiken Wade Knoettgen	Lindsey Leiszler Nicolette Taddiken

St. John Liturgical Assignments:

Date	Rosary	Greeters	Cross Bearer	Reader	EMHC	Servers	Gift Bearers	Money Counters
July 25	Karen Leiszler	Scott & Dawn Seifert	Weston Girard	Karen Leiszler	Norm Francis Cindy Francis	Cooper Girard	Ron Girard Family	
July 26	Choir	Guy & Julie Steier	Jody Sipe	Gary Sipe	Audra Walter Curtis Walter	Ryan LeClair	Stan Bergstrom Family	Kenton & Linda Brown
August 1	Eric Stenberg	Kenton & Linda Brown	Scott Seifert	Steve Rogers	Kristi Koch Noel Garrison	Cohen Girard Remy Girard	Brady Birdsall Family	
August 2	Choir	Stan & Beth Bergstrom	Greg Askren	Jackie Koch	Jennifer Koch Mary Lynn Delude	Zach Bulleigh	Curtis Walter Family	Jeff & Jennifer Koch

Finance totals: St. John July 19th - Plate: \$160.00, Envelopes: \$3,800.00

St. Mary July 19th - Plate: \$82.00, Envelopes: \$1,235.00

Homebound Ministry: Fr. Andrew Rockers

Eucharistic Exposition/Adoration at St. Mary: Tuesday, July 28 at 4:00-6:00 p.m.

Eucharistic Exposition/Adoration at St. John: Wednesday, July 29 at 7:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m.

Outreach Ministers for August: Circle Two- Loretta Koch, Pat Pearson & Nicole Drake

Sacrament of Reconciliation: St. John- 4:15-5:15 p.m. Saturday and 30 mins before daily Mass.

St. Mary -7:45-8:15 a.m. Sunday and 30 mins before daily Mass.

Pastor Notes

Formed.org: Sign up for free access to Formed, an online Catholic educational platform. Formed has 100s of educational videos on the Catholic faith. I will be promoting and using many of the video series on this platform in the future. I strongly encourage everyone to sign up!

Go to <https://formed.org/parishes>. Click on Find your parish subscription. Create an account with your name and email address. Search for our parishes using 66938 (St. John's and St. Mary's are under a shared account). Now you should have access! Contact the parish office for assistance.

Eucharistic Conference: The Diocese is once again putting on a Eucharistic Conference in Hays on July 31 - August 1 with keynote speaker, Fr. Mathias Thelen. Information and registration can be found at <https://salinadiocese.org/office/eucharistic-conference-2/>. I hope many parishioners will be able to attend, if not for both days, at least for Saturday!

Eucharistic Adoration: As I mentioned in my homily a few weekends ago, Bishop Vincke will be inviting the youth of our diocese to commit to one hour a week of Eucharistic Adoration. I think this invitation can and should be extended to all the Catholics of our diocese. So I am inviting and encouraging each member of our parishes to commit to spending one hour a week with Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament. I promise it will bless you, your family, and our parish! If you are ready to make this commitment, please let me know.

Pilgrimage to the Holy Land: I am tentatively planning to lead a pilgrimage to the Holy Land October 18-29, 2027. It is a life-changing experience. The Holy Land is rightly referred to as the "5th Gospel." It opens up the Scriptures like nothing else can.

This will be my 4th pilgrimage there, so I'm fairly familiar with the sites and the reality on the ground. It is generally much safer than most people assume. We don't go anywhere near the areas of conflict. However, if there is still serious conflict in the Middle East we will likely not go and a refund will be available.

Let me know if you're interested or have any questions!
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Parish News

St. John Liturgical Assignments: Please let us know by Wednesday, July 22nd, the dates you will be gone in August. Please call 785-446-3474 or email: stmclifton@gmail.com.

Baby Bottle Project: Thank you to all St. Mary's Parishioners for participating in our annual Baby Bottle project. We will be sending a \$350.00 check to Heart Choices out of Beloit, KS. Thank you all for your generous donation.

Treasures of the Kingdom: Scott Hahn Reflects on the Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Readings

1 Kings 3:5, 7-12

Psalms 119:57, 72, 76-77, 127-130

Romans 8:28-30

Matthew 13:44-52

What is your new life in Christ worth to you?

Do you love His words more than gold and silver, as we sing in today's Psalm? Would you, like the characters in the Gospel today, sell all that you have in order to possess the kingdom He promises to us? If God were to grant any wish, would you follow Solomon's example in today's First Reading—asking not for a long life or riches but for wisdom to know God's ways and to desire His will?

The background for today's Gospel, as it has been for the past several weeks, is the rejection of Jesus' preaching by Israel. The kingdom of heaven has come into their midst; yet, many cannot see that Jesus is the fulfillment of God's promises, a gift of divine compassion given so that they—and we—might live.

We, too, must ever discover the kingdom anew. We are called to find it as a treasure, a pearl of great price. By comparison with the kingdom, we must count all else as rubbish (see Philippians 3:8). And we must be willing to give up all that we have—all our priorities and plans—in order to gain it.

Jesus' Gospel discloses what Paul in today's Epistle calls the purpose of God's plan (see Ephesians 1:4): for Jesus be the firstborn of many brothers.

His words give understanding to the simple, the childlike. As Solomon does today, we must humble ourselves before God, giving ourselves to His service. Let our prayer be for an understanding heart, one that desires only to do His will.

We are called to love God, to delight in His law, and to forsake every false way. And we are to conform ourselves daily ever more closely to the image of His Son.

If we do this, we can approach His altar as a pleasing sacrifice, confident that all things work for the good—that we whom He has justified will also be glorified.