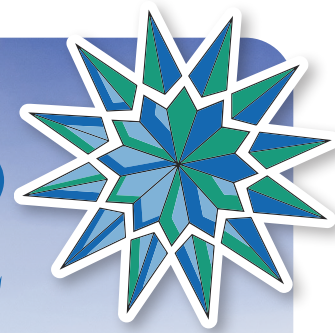


ALL SAINTS

CATHOLIC CHURCH & SCHOOL



Love God • Serve Others • Form Disciples



July 1 & July 2, 2023;
Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

*Whoever
receives you receives
me, and whoever receives
me receives the one
who sent me.*

Matthew: 10:40

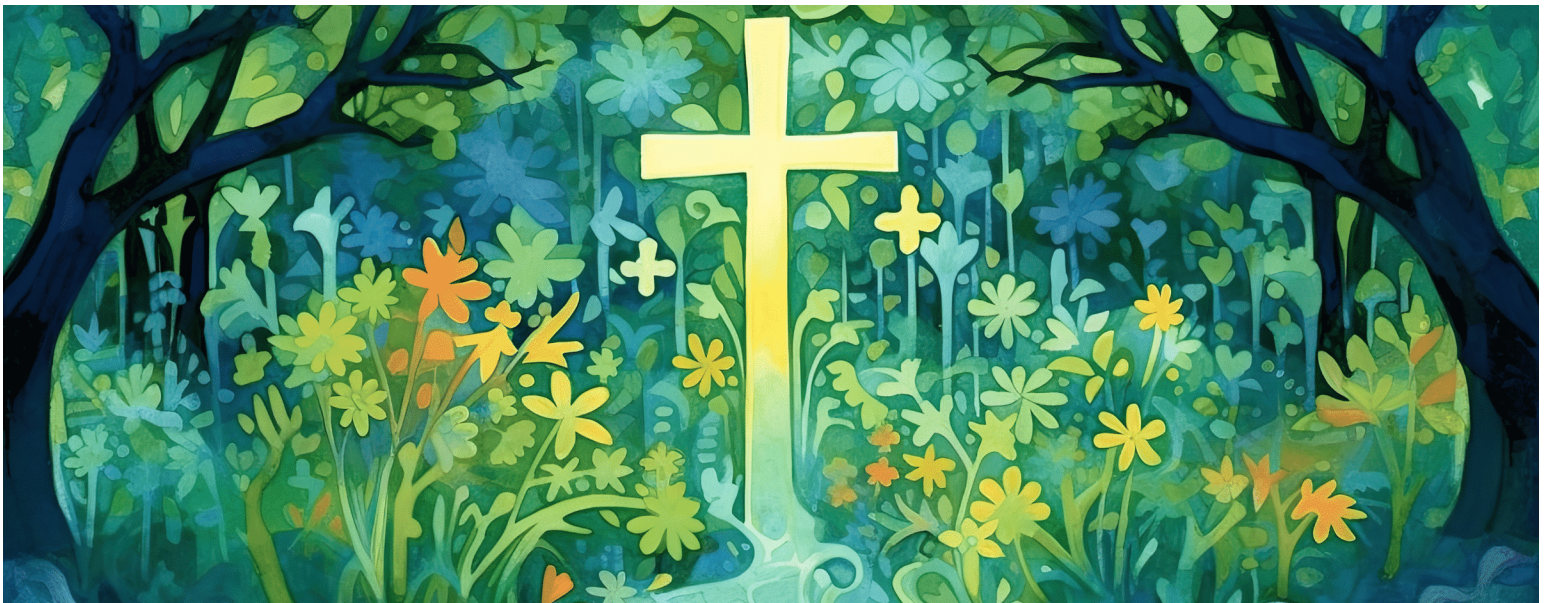
WEEKEND MASS TIMES

Saturday 4:00 pm
Sunday 9:00 am

WEEKDAY MASS TIMES

Tuesday 8:00 am
Wednesday 8:00 am
Thursday 8:00 am
Friday 8:00 am

What is *Your* Cross?



allsaintscr.com



@allsaintscatholicchurchinc9029



@AllSaintsCedarRapidsIowa



@allsaintscr

All Saints Catholic Church † 720 29th Street SE † Cedar Rapids, Iowa 52403 † (319) 363-6130

Please Pray for the Following People

(Why people want prayers isn't important, *the prayers are!*)



Vera Mehring, Brette Dostal, Pat Malloy, Scott Bembenek, Kevin Conway, Tina Schmitz, Christina Rinderknecht, Randy Krejci, Kerry Lynn, Christina Lynn, Tammy Fox Hingtgen, Joyce Jeanblanc, Bette & Patrick Logan, Jim Thompson, Deb Gallagher, Mindi Van Gilder, Imelda Tatara, Jenny Owens, Alan Murray, Elsa Mudong, Gregory Anexstad, Joe Zachar, Larry Richards, Nyle Pratt, Donna Feld, Teddy Sabet, Jerry Noel, Mary Gallagher, Boheman/Bowers Family, Jones Hingtgen, Cal Speltz, John and Cindy Beasley, Jim and Joanne Trcka, and Mike Wirfel.

Parishioners & Family Members on Active Duty:

Andy Murtha, Stephen Ocenosak, Zachary Gilbert, Ryer Barnes

To add a name call Dan Alpers, at 363-6130, ext. 100. Names will be listed for 4 weeks and may be renewed. †, Recently deceased will be listed for two weeks.



Stewardship Corner



Both the first reading and the Gospel today speak of hospitality and welcome. Our ministers of hospitality are a most visible example of using one's time and talents to welcome the people of God. But the Gospel assures us that all who give even just "a cup of cold water" to one of His lowliest ones will be rewarded.

REMINDER!



The parish office will be CLOSED this Monday, July 3rd and Tuesday, July 4th in honor of Independence Day.

But remember, there WILL be Mass at 8 am on Tuesday.

Peaches for Me... Peaches for YOU!



Court Cedar Rapids #1768 is made up of women from all the Catholic parishes in the metro Cedar Rapids area. The Catholic Daughters are again conducting the fresh Colorado peaches fundraiser during June and July. Previous proceeds have benefited Metro Catholic Outreach, the Catholic Worker House, and St. Vincent de Paul. 18-22 pound boxes are \$35 and 9-12 pound boxes are \$22. Order forms can be found at: www.crcatholicdaughters.org or at www.facebook.com/CDAcourt1768/. Orders will be delivered in August to St. Wenceslaus Church at 1224 5th Street SE. Orders must be placed no later than Wednesday, July 26.

You Are Cordially Invited...



Welcome to the Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time. The message from today's Gospel reading is a challenging one. It talks about the cost of discipleship. To make His point, Jesus emphasized what it would take in His words, "...and whoever does not take up his cross and follow after me is not worthy of me." Okay, so in today's world, we might have to bear some hardships and unpleasantness in life - we can do that, right? But those are not the watered-down images that Jesus wanted his apostles (and us) to understand about the journey we are called to when we truly know and accept our baptismal call to be a disciple here on earth. Curtis Mitch and Edward Sri direct our imaginations toward the greater reality of the time of Jesus as they explain in *The Gospel of Matthew*, "The idea of taking up a cross is often used by Christians today as a metaphor to describe bearing with life's regular burdens: a long wait in traffic, a difficult boss, a cold. However, for the first-century Jews, the image of taking up a cross evoked horror and shame. Crucifixion was the cruelest form of execution used by the Roman government. It was intended not only to punish rebels by inflicting as much physical pain as possible but also to maximize humiliation, sending a signal to other potential rebels not to revolt against Rome. The criminal's public shaming began when he took up his crossbeam and carried it through the city streets amid the mockery of the crowds. Therefore when Jesus says the true disciple must 'take up his cross' he is not merely calling for acceptance of life's little inconveniences and hardships. He is calling his disciples to be willing to give up everything, even their lives, if necessary, to follow him," (Insert long pause) Well. Wow. That puts a whole new light on discipleship. And Jesus talks about this more than once. If we take the time to read the Gospel accounts and connect the dots, Jesus actually talks quite a bit about the cost of following Him. Recall that last week, we reflected on his words, "Can you drink the cup?" Do we truly understand that discipleship is more than just mouthing the words?

Dietrich Bonhoeffer, a Protestant theologian who was executed by the Nazis, had this to say about discipleship and God's grace in his book *The Cost of Discipleship*: "Cheap grace is the deadly enemy of our Church. We are fighting today for costly grace. Cheap grace means grace sold on the market like cheapjacks' wares. The sacraments, the forgiveness of sin, and the consolations of religion are thrown away at cut prices...Grace without price, grace without cost. The essence of grace, we suppose, is that the account has been paid in advance; and because it has been paid, everything can be had for nothing." He continues, "Grace is costly because it calls us to follow, and it is grace because it calls us to follow Jesus Christ. It is costly because it costs a [person] their life, and it is grace because it gives a [person] the only true life."

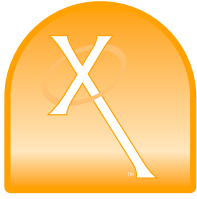
Do we truly understand that we own nothing and that everything we have is due to God's grace? Grace is not a carrot and stick either. We don't earn grace, it was already won for us when God sacrificed His Son, Jesus Christ, for us. Costly grace. God awaits our response everyday. We need willing disciples at home, at work, in our community and in our world to share Jesus' love and God's message of salvation. There may be times that we will be ridiculed for our Christian actions and our words. Are we willing to follow-through anyway? There may be times when our own family members no longer wish to associate with us due to our Christian actions and words. Are we willing to follow-through anyway? And like many martyrs and saints throughout the world, we may be put to death for our Christian actions and words. Are we willing to follow-through anyway?

Costly grace. As with most things in life, starting small can be the best springboard into a new way of life. At All Saints there are many areas that would benefit from the grace of volunteers. We all have gifts and talents - how can we use them to invite more people in to hear the Word of God? Smiling faces at the door to welcome all, someone to pull weeds so the property looks attractive, people willing to share their story to give others the courage to take the next step in their faith life, someone to give that struggling parent a comforting word after Mass rather than a judgmental look, people willing to help with the liturgical ministries, etc. Our individual gifts and talents shine best and are actually multiplied when we use them as a community of believers. Bread, broken and shared!

And so, I invite you to Mass (and then the next and the next...) If you know someone who has been absent or who is seeking God to come into their life, invite them to join you! Love God-Serve Others-Form Disciples.

Praying and hoping with you always.
Tracy Huk
Business Manager

News from All Saints School



A message from Fr. Jack:

We are excited to announce *Ms. Kelly Starr* has been selected as the next Principal of All Saints Catholic Elementary School for the upcoming 2023-2024 school year, beginning July 1, 2023. Kelly is a graduate of the University of Iowa, Buena Vista University, and Drake University. Most recently, Ms. Starr was the PreK-12 Director of Teaching and Learning at Regina Education Center in Iowa City and had previously served as the PreK-6 Assistant Principal, also at Regina. She is an active member of St. Mary's Parish in Iowa City.

Our All Saints School Board believes that Ms. Starr has the leadership, knowledge, and passion of Catholicism and Catholic education that will greatly benefit the students of All Saints Catholic Elementary School. We look forward to the future of our school under the leadership of Ms. Starr.

A message from Ms. Starr:

My name is Kelly Starr and I am blessed to serve as the new principal at All Saints. For the last six years I have served as Elementary Assistant Principal and Prek-12 Director of Teaching and Learning at Regina Catholic Education Center in Iowa City. During my time at Regina, I guided our work of always doing what's best for students while facilitating the learning and systematic structure of tiered levels of support (MTSS), integration of technology to enhance student learning, and curricular focused professional development to align priority standards.

I look forward to meeting the entire All Saints community and continuing to guide and support our students academically, morally, spiritually, socially, mentally and physically by meeting the unique needs of each student. It is my belief that through personal connection and love of our students we can establish a faith filled learning environment where students will flourish and develop while beginning to understand their purpose through God's will in their lives.

A message from Mrs. Holverson:

Dear all:

I'm happy to introduce you to 2 new teachers for the 2023-2024 school year for All Saints School.

Our new 3rd grade teacher is *Heather Young*.

Heather has B.A. in Elementary Education with endorsements in Science and Social Studies. She has experience in both private and public-school settings as a school facilitator and teacher. Most recently she taught in the Iowa City Community School District and the Cedar Rapids Community School District. Heather enjoys working with children in all grade levels and cannot wait to start teaching 3rd grade at All Saints.

Our new PE teacher is *Jeff Wrede* (sounds like reed)

Jeff is a life-long educator, administrator, and coach. He has been in the education field for 34 years in positions located in San Antonio, Monmouth, Winfield Mt. Union, Fairfield, and West Branch, and is excited to continue at All Saints this coming year. He is looking forward to using his energy and motivation to share that passion with students. In addition to his love for education, he also enjoys spending time with his 4 kids and 8 grandkids. Jeff's passion has led him to strive to stay fit and healthy with a few exciting but scary adventures with skydiving, bungee jumping, paragliding, parasailing, cliff diving and white-water rafting. He is looking forward to working with and meeting future students and colleagues.

Mass Intentions

Tues. July 4	8:00 am
For the People	
Wed. July 5	8:00 am
For the People	
Thurs. July 6	8:00 am
†	William Vogl
Fri. July 7	8:00 am
†	Theresa Ocenosak
Sat. July 8	4:00 pm
Schermann/Barry Families	
Sun. July 9	9:00 am
For the People	

Scripture Readings

Week of July 2, 2023

Sunday:

2 Kgs 4: 8-11. 14-16a/ Ps 89: 2-3. 16-17. 18-19 (2a)/ Rom 6: 3-4. 8-11/ Mt 10: 37-42

Monday:

Eph 2: 19-22/ Ps 117: 1bc. 2/ Jn 20: 24-29

Tuesday:

Gn 19: 15-29/ Ps 26: 2-3. 9-10. 11-12/ Mt 8: 23-27

Wednesday:

Gn 21: 5. 8-20a/ Ps 34: 7-8. 10-11. 12-13/ Mt 8: 28-34

Thursday:

Gn 22: 1b-19/ Ps 115: 1-2. 3-4. 5-6. 8-9/ Mt 9: 1-8

Friday:

Gn 23: 1-4. 19; 24: 1-8. 62-67/ Mt 9: 9-13

Saturday:

Gn 27: 1-5. 15-29/ Ps 135: 1b-2. 3-4. 5-6/ Mt 9: 14-17

Sunday:

Zec 9: 9-10/ Ps 145: 1-2. 8-9. 10-11. 13-14/ Rom 8: 9. 11-13/ Mt 11: 25-30

Get the "Scoop" on Parish Life with Root Beer Floats!

Join us for a summer treat!



Come enjoy a root beer float after 4:00 and 9:00 Mass on July 15-16 and July 29-30.

All Saints Nights at Green Square Meals



All Saints helps prepare and serve dinner at Green Square Meals soup kitchen, 2-3 times a month. Sign up to help at the link below or contact Melissa Peckosh (847-975-1785 or missypeckosh@yahoo.com).

ALL SAINTS NIGHTS: 2nd & 5th Tuesday, 3rd Monday

All volunteers in sixth grade and up are welcome. Sign up at: <https://signup.com/go/vJYiFPm>

Service to Others Metro Catholic Outreach



Last week a volunteer and few of her friends gifted us with a variety of personal care items. When we thanked our volunteer, she shared it was through their Medicare over the counter debit cards. They were able to purchase toothbrushes, toothpaste, ibuprofen, acetaminophen, allergy meds, etc. All are items we love to have and rarely see.

It seems some Medicare plans offer a set amount of funds that can be used towards a large variety of OTC items.

If you have any of these funds and do not need them for yourself, we would appreciate any items you could order for our clients.



DEAR YOUNG PEOPLE...

We've Been Up to... GOOD!

This week Ablaze Youth Ministry helped Matthew 25 transform and beautify Cedar Rapids Neighborhoods. They also helped us begin to update the lower level youth space!



Ministry Schedule

July 1, 4:00 PM Saturday

Sacristan

Mary Pat Wilkinson

Extraordinary Ministers

Joan Fishburn

Sara Lang

Sharon Warden

Altar Servers

Caleb Lang

Alexandra Lang

Dylan Lang

Lectors

Gavin Miller

Kathy Ulrich

Hospitality Ministers

Daniel Greene

Dick Kettelkamp

Jan Merfeld

Peg Schmitz

Debbie Suby

Mike Votroubek

July 2, 9:00 AM Sunday

Sacristan

Cate Biro

Extraordinary Ministers

Sherry Casey

Stephanie Guzman

Ann Hunter

Altar Servers

Maeve Ainsworth

Roman Kilburg

Maili McMahon

Lectors

JoAnn Hand

Larry Hunter

Hospitality Ministers

Jason Ainsworth

Kim Ainsworth

Maureen Dale Ernst

John Ernst

Chris Shimon

Diane Weimer

Ministry Schedule

July 8, 4:00 PM Saturday

Sacristan

Mary Pat Wilkinson

Extraordinary Ministers

Joan Murrin

Peg Schmitz

Jim Thebeau

Altar Servers

Kennedy Blue

Emma Colby

Ben Semelroth

Lectors

Terry Murrin

Teel Thebeau

Hospitality Ministers

Elie AbouRaad

Sue Bright

Jen Colby

Chris Colby

Ryan Donnelly

Mike Votroubek

July 9, 9:00 AM Sunday

Sacristan

Cate Biro

Extraordinary Ministers

Tom Amosson

John Michael

Bea Rethwisch

Altar Servers

Adalyn LaMere

Ellorie Shane

Eli Shane

Lectors

Matt Brandes

Mick Erdman

Hospitality Ministers

Maureen Dale Ernst

John Ernst

Nicole Johnson

Tony Satariano

Chris Shimon

Diane Weimer

Family Ministry

July 2, 2023 • 13th Sunday in Ordinary Time • Matthew 10:37-42

Take Up Your Cross

Jesus continues to prepare the apostles to go out into the world. He tells them that his message of peace may sometimes provoke people. He tells them again that they will have to face suffering.

We try to shelter our children from harm. But eventually there comes a day when we realize we can no longer protect them from an imperfect world. They have to deal with illness, a pet dying, or friends talking about them behind their backs. Crosses are a part of the human condition. Jesus asks us to accept our crosses and instead of feeling sorry for ourselves to pick them up and somehow be graced through them.

Jesus was fully human, as human as we are, and he accepted his humanity. I think that is what Jesus asks of us, to simply accept the fact that we are human with all the limitations and restrictions that being human brings with it. We fall down and we get hurt. Friends and family disappoint us and sometimes even abandon us. Life is difficult, and no one can escape its crosses. Not even Jesus.

We can work hard to change the things we do not like, but inevitably we cannot control our lives. When we accept this fact in our heart of hearts, we can surrender control and begin to experience the peace of Christ's divinity. We can walk through the bitter haze of any physical or emotional pain because we share in Christ's strength and courage. We have his divine light to shine in all the dark corners.

Teach your children how to accept their disappointments and crosses by carrying your own crosses with grace. Help them to figure out what pain can be legitimately avoided and what pain just has to be suffered through. Allow them to face the consequences of their actions. And when they are old enough, pray with them the Serenity Prayer, "God, grant me the serenity to accept the things I cannot change; courage to change the things I can; and the wisdom to know the difference. Amen."

FAMILY RESPONSE

Talk about how everyone has crosses in life, some are big and some are small. Ask everyone to share a cross they carried last week. End with the Serenity Prayer.

PERSONAL RESPONSE

What are some of the crosses in your life right now? Which ones can you let go or find a way around? Which ones do you need to just pick up and carry? What do you want to remember from last week? What are you looking forward to next week? What are your concerns?

Bringing Home the Gospel: Parent Reflections on the Sunday Gospels • Copyright © 2022 Judith Dunlap. Published by the Pastoral Center, PastoralCenter.com. All rights reserved. Scripture passages have been taken from the New Revised Standard Version Bible, copyright ©1989 by the Division of Christian Education of the National Council of the Churches of Christ in the U.S.A., and used by permission. All rights reserved.

Ablaze Youth Ministry Summer Sessions

ABLAZE YOUTH MINISTRY

Summer Sessions

FOR MIDDLE AND
HIGH SCHOOL
STUDENTS

MAY 17

CAPTURE THE FLAG
7:00 - 8:30 | ALL SAINTS

JUNE 8

LOST ISLAND WATER PARK
\$45 | MEET AT ST. E'S
CONTACT ISABELLE FOR MORE DETAILS

JUNE 14

YARD GAMES
7:00 - 8:30 | ALL SAINTS

JULY 19

MOVIE NIGHT
7:00 - 8:30 | ALL SAINTS

AUGUST 16

KICKBALL & CRAFTS
7:00 - 8:30 | ALL SAINTS

AUGUST 30

PRAISE & WORSHIP ADORATION
7:00 - 8:30 | ALL SAINTS

youthministry@allsaintscr.com

Parish Office (319) 363-6130, Mon.-Fri., 8:30 am - 4:30 pm

Pastor	Rev. John R. Flaherty	fatherjack@allsaintscr.com	Ext. 116
Deacon	Mike Klappholz	deaconmike@allsaintscr.com	Ext. 107
Deacon	Ed Martin	deaconed@allsaintscr.com	Ext. 105
Business Manager	Tracy A. Huk	businessmgr@allsaintscr.com	Ext. 111
Bookkeeper	Jeremy Lutz	bookkeeper@allsaintscr.com	Ext. 108
Medical Emergencies & Funerals	Rev. John R. Flaherty	fatherjack@allsaintscr.com	Ext. 116
Dir. of Music Ministries	Matthew Burrier	music@allsaintscr.com	Ext. 106
Dir. of Adult Formation	Bob Lillibridge	adultformation@allsaintscr.com	Ext. 109
Dir. of Children's Formation	Stacy Cataldo	catechesis@allsaintscr.com	Ext. 114
Youth Minister	Isabelle Werner	youthministry@allsaintscr.com	Ext. 115
Office Manager	Dan Alpers	officemgr@allsaintscr.com	Ext. 100
IT Director	Ethan Weiland	it@allsaintscr.com	Ext. 104
Scrip Coordinator	Lori Jiacinto	scrip@allsaintscr.com	(319) 363-4110

Parish School (319) 363-4110

School Principal	Kelly Starr	kstarr@allsaints-crschool.org	Ext. 234
School Office Manager	Elaine Collins	ecollins@allsaints-crschool.org	Ext. 233
Early Childhood Director	Emily Ritchart	directorcel@allsaints-crschool.org	Ext. 275
Regis Middle School Principal	Josh Gredys	jgredys@regisroyals.org	(319) 363-1968
Xavier High School Principal	Lynn Holverson	lholverson@xaviersaints.org	(319) 294-6635



Sacrament Information

Sacrament of Reconciliation: Saturdays at 3 p.m.

Sacrament of Baptism: Baptism preparation class is required for parents. Contact Deacon Ed Martin (DeaconEd@allsaintscr.com or 319-364-7524) to schedule a class and date for the baptism (some date restrictions may apply).

Sacrament of Matrimony: Couples are to make arrangements at least six months before the intended date of the wedding in order to fulfill the necessary requirements. Please contact Deacon Mike Klappholz (DeaconMike@allsaintscr.com) to begin the process.

Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults (RCIA): Classes are scheduled for Sunday mornings beginning in the Fall. Contact Bob Lillibridge, Director of Formation, for more information (adultformation@allsaintscr.com).

Confirmation: High school sophomores through seniors meet one Sunday per month from 10:00 AM to 11:30 AM, September through February to prepare. Contact Isabelle Werner for more information (youthministry@allsaintscr.com).

First Reconciliation & Eucharist: Second graders combine home study and retreats to prepare for these sacraments. Contact Stacy Cataldo, Director of Catechesis, for more information (catechesis@allsaintscr.com).

Anointing of the Sick: Please contact the office at 319-363-6130, ext. 100 to schedule anointings.

Miscellaneous Information

Newcomer Registration: Call the Parish Office at 363-6130, ext. 100, or register on line at <http://www.allsaintscr.com>.

Bulletin Deadline: Items must be submitted electronically to the parish office by Noon on the preceding Monday to: bulletin@allsaintscr.com.

Opportunities for Prayer

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament: Wednesdays, 8:30 AM to 9:30 AM in the Church.

All Saints Prayer Group: Tuesdays at 3:00 PM in the church lower level.

Prayer Tree: Available to anyone who would like us to pray for their intentions. Please call Ramona Welsh at 319-366-1770.

Women's Prayer Group: Tuesday mornings after 8:00 AM Mass.

M.O.M.S Rosary: 7:30 PM 1st Monday of the month, Queen of All Saints Chapel.

Prolife Rosary: Fridays after 8:00 am Mass, in the Sanctuary.

Parish Website: You may both submit and view prayer intentions any time at: <https://allsaintscr.churchcenter.com/people/forms/413117>.