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Mass Times: Saturday 4 PM ✠ Sunday 8 AM, 10:30 AM ✠ Monday - Thursday 8 AM
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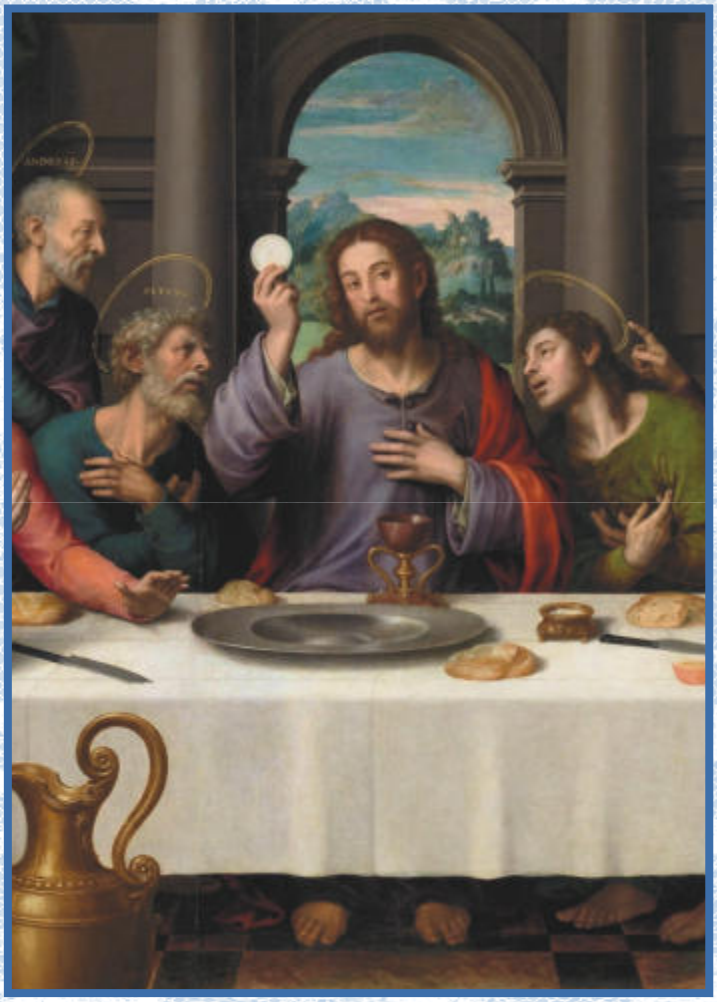
Reconciliation: Consult the weekly Mass schedule, or by appointment
Adoration Hours: Tuesday & Thursday 8:30 AM - Noon, in the Chapel
Church Visitation Hours: Available all day, every day

Some thoughts on today's scripture...

- Lord, you are starting to open to me what the Eucharist can mean: a pledge of eternal life, and nourishment for my daily journey, as well as the viaticum that will strengthen me for my last journey, to you.
- We live two lives - the flesh and the spirit, earthly and eternal. Faith in God is life-giving. It gives energy to the everyday, to the commonplace. The struggle to do good and to live a gospel-centered life is nourished by our faith. Prayer is a time to be aware of the life which is eternal. Moments of prayer bring us in touch with the eternal within us, and the eternal around us, the atmosphere of the risen Christ.
- We were created for nothing in this world. Jesus is constantly pointing us beyond this world to the Father, promising to 'raise us up on the last day', offering us eternal life. All this is our destiny. It is not some kind of 'reward' for this life, added on, but organically linked to this life and how we live now. We grow towards this new way of living through Jesus.
- We watch Jesus gradually inviting his hearers to understand what he means by saying that he is the bread of life. First, he opens them up to awareness of their need. Then he offers himself. Am I self-sufficient or do I know my need? Do I hunger for this bread?
- As blessed as the people in the desert were, even greater blessings are offered to me. I am accompanied on the pilgrimage of my life by the one who feeds me with living bread. I am not called to become familiar with Jesus and admire him. I am invited right in to the heart of God.

www.sacredspace.ie/scripture/john-644-51



Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

August 8, 2021

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THE HOLY MASS
- This Week's Intentions -

SATURDAY, August 7, 2021 First Saturday
8:00 AM ✞ The souls in Purgatory req. by Mary Yando
Vigil: Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time
3:00 PM Reconciliation
4:00 PM ✞ Edward Nadle, Sr. req. by Louise Christ

SUNDAY, August 8, 2021 Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time
8:00 AM ✞ Colton Banks req. by the people of the parish
10:30 AM ✞ Jerry Champion req. by Christine Hurst

MONDAY, August 9, 2021
8:00 AM ✞ Lorette Beaulieu req. by the family

TUESDAY, August 10, 2021
8:00 AM ✞ Fr. Vernon Decoteau

WEDNESDAY, August 11, 2021
8:00 AM ✞ Fr. Adrian Benoit

THURSDAY, August 12, 2021
8:00 AM Intentions for the Holdsworth family

FRIDAY, August 13, 2021
8:00 AM No Mass

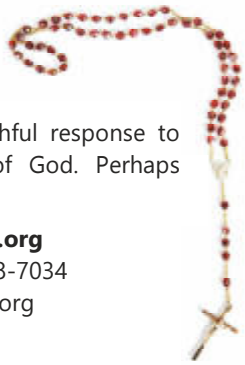
SATURDAY, August 14, 2021 Vigil: The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary
3:00 PM Reconciliation
4:00 PM ✞ Jack Doyle req. by Pat Ross

SUNDAY, August 15, 2021 The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary
8:00 AM ✞ John Holdsworth, 2nd ann., req. by Justine G. Holdworth
10:30 AM ✞ Theofila Nowak req. by Wesley & Ann Nowak

The Rosary is prayed at 7:30 AM before the 8 AM Daily Mass.

The Divine Mercy Chaplet
is prayed daily after morning Mass.
Please join us!
Our prayer intention is for Priests to be Holy.

PRAY FOR VOCATIONS
- Answer His Call -



"Do not grieve the Holy Spirit." Your faithful response to your vocation gives joy to the heart of God. Perhaps priesthood or consecrated life awaits you.

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☎ Fr. Jon Reardon at 413-248-7034
✉ vocations@diospringfield.org
Or, speak with Fr. David Darcy

PRAY FOR OUR SEMINARIAN

John Williams

We ask a special blessing on this young man preparing for priesthood in seminary - for the grace to follow you more perfectly.

From the Pastor....

Dear Parishioners -

With these long days of summer, I hope that you are taking the opportunity to rest, travel and enjoy time with friends and family away from the demands of everyday life, for Jesus said to his disciples: "Come away by yourselves to a deserted place and rest a while." *(Mk 6:31)*

As I write this, I am looking forward to my own vacation. I will be away from August 9 to August 28. While I plan to be back for the weekend Masses on August 28/29 and September 4/5, I will be away again for a conference the following week and then the week after that I will be on retreat.

I ask that you keep me in your prayers, as I will keep you in mine.

Fr. David

PARISH NEWS AND NOTES

Good News! - Procession of the Gifts to Resume

Beginning the weekend of August 7 & 8, the offertory gifts will once again be brought forward from the back of the church and presented to Father David at the bottom of the Sanctuary steps.

If you have scheduled a Mass Intention for one of the weekend Masses and would like to bring the gifts forward, please see an usher before Mass begins to let them know.

A Gentle Reminder

Several members of our parish community have serious breathing issues, such as asthma, which can be triggered by environmental conditions and fragrances, such as perfumes. This becomes especially challenging to manage when we gather together indoors.

We would like all of our members to feel comfortable and be able to worship with us in person. If you wear a fragrance, please wear it sparingly at church or reserve it for other times.

Thank you for your help and consideration.

Take & Eat News

The St. Francis Take & Eat Ministry now has it's own Facebook Page.

St. Francis Weekend Meals Ministry For Homebound Seniors of Belchertown

@StFrancisWeekendMealsMinistry

Please like and share the page to help them get the word out about this wonderful ministry. To find out how you can get involved:

☎ Jaime Forsythe: 896-0774 or ✉ jaimeforsythe32@gmail.com
☎ Ann Marie Beaupre: 687-7296 or ✉ beaupre6852@charter.net

THIS WEEK'S GOSPEL

Everyone who listens to my Father and learns from Him
comes to Me.
Not that anyone has seen the Father
except the one who is from God; He has seen the Father.
Amen, amen, I say to you,
whoever believes has eternal life.
I am the bread of life.
Your ancestors ate the manna in the desert, but they died;
this is the bread that comes down from heaven
so that one may eat it and not die.
I am the living bread that came down from heaven;
whoever eats this bread will live forever;
and the bread that I will give is My flesh for the life of the world."
Jn 6:41-51

Scripture Readings for August 14-15, 2021

Rv 11:19a; 12:1-6a, 10ab/1 Cor 15:20-27/Lk 1:39-56

BAPTIZED
- Called by Name -

Through the Sacrament of Baptism, we welcome into our parish family:

Josephine Opoku-Ahenea

May her parents and godparents, by word and example,
bring her up to know, love and serve God in this life,
that she may be happy with Him forever in the life to come.

Week at a Glance

Monday, August 9
Tuesday, August 10
6:30 PM - Women of Grace - Tovet Room
7:00 PM - K of C Meeting
Wednesday, August 11
11:00 AM - Prayer Shawl Ministry - Tovet Room
7:30 PM - Men of St. Joseph - Office Conference Room
Thursday, August 12
6:00 PM - Order of Franciscans Seculars - Tovet Room
6:30 PM - Take & Eat Volunteer Mtg./Social - Pine Room
Friday, August 13
Saturday, August 14
3:00 PM - Reconciliation
Sunday, August 15

Take & Eat - Appreciation Ice Cream Social

Thursday, August 12
6:30 PM in the Pine Room

All of our volunteers, anyone interested in this ministry, or those wanting more information about what we do are welcome!

In addition to saying thank you with a cold treat, we'd like your ideas on improving this ministry and attracting more clients and volunteers.

Seeing through the Lens of Faith

GOSPEL MEDITATION

The lens through which we view life makes a difference. It also determines who we choose to learn from and what we allow to shape our thoughts and feelings. For many, life is simply what it appears to be, a given that either through evolution or some other means just came to be. There is no apparent rhyme or reason to things and things can be dissected and understood only in terms of what they empirically present. To the person using this lens, a tree is a tree and a flower is a flower. Their composition and existence can be understood only to the extent that current human knowledge allows. Through this lens, what gives life purpose and meaning? This lens has an essentially unknown beginning and definite end. Once those are accepted, the middle becomes some kind of pursuit of happiness, with values and principles being things that are self-created and found acceptable.

But there is a Divine lens that also exists and deserves mention. It is found when one stumbles upon faith and begins to see things differently. This lens is of God and reveals a Divine Energy and Life that flows through and in all things. Faith then shows us that all that lives come from this one Source of Love. This is the only true lens that can give human beings the purpose and meaning they desperately need. From this perspective, all of life is much more than what is immediately apparent! It now tells and reveals a story about God generous, creative, and unconditional love! The unfolding of the human story is the unfolding of God's story. What meaning our lives have when they are viewed as a part of God's love affair with humanity! We are indeed special.

The lens of our faith asks us to learn from Jesus Christ. Jesus, as the real Bread of Life, shows us our eternal destiny and completes and frames our lives. It is only in allowing ourselves to be taught by Jesus, that faith, hope, and love take on much greater importance. All the relationships in our lives are now structured and ordered using God's primary commandment of love. Jesus, then, is not just some man who lived at some point in history. Jesus is the incarnate Son of God who shows us the way, the truth, and the life. Using this lens changes things up a great deal. Looking at the creation that surrounds you and the special unique people you love, what is God trying to teach you about His love for you and the eternal life He wants you to have?

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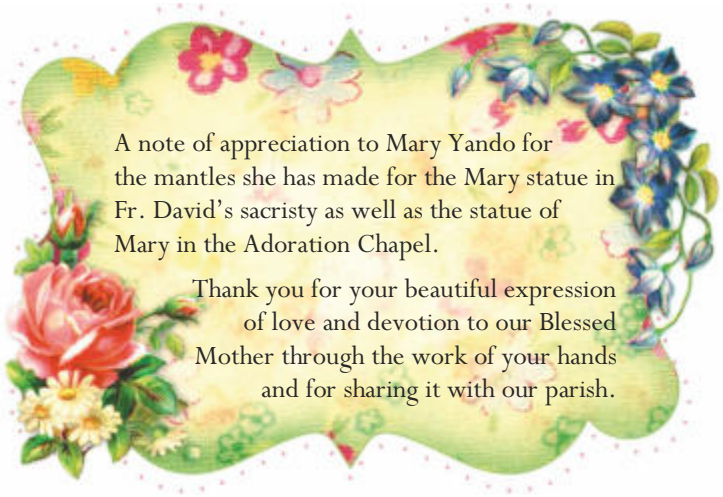

WEEKLY STEWARDSHIP

Weekend Collection for July 31-August 1 was	$6,652.00
Weekly Average since July 1, 2021 is	6,796.77
Mortgage & Expansion Collection for August 1 was	1,886.00
Monthly Mortgage Payment is	6,000.00

FROM THE FINANCE COMMITTEE

The Lord himself will give his benefits;
our land shall yield its increase. (Ps 85:13)

Fr. Darcy and the Finance Committee thank you for sharing the benefits God has bestowed upon you with your parish family.

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Questions? - ☎ The Parish Business Office 323-6272 x1

BRICK CORNER

$10 EACH

The following people "purchased a brick" to support the building of our new parish complex:

Sandra & John Murray One Brick In Memory Of Rosanna Murray

Thank you for your support and please remind your friends that they, also, can "purchase a brick."

FAITH & FELLOWSHIP

For Teens: Be Not Afraid - Follow Me!

Our next gathering will be Sunday, August 22 following the 10:30 Mass in the Tovet Room.

Join Gerri Amprimo and Patrick Hegarty *(Fr. David will be away)* for a fun, faith-filled time. All teens in the parish welcome.

For food planning - please confirm if you plan to attend:
☎ Gerri Amprimo: 413-345-0439

Note: We are also planning a trip to the Divine Mercy Shrine in Stockbridge. Watch here for more details.

Women of Grace

August 10 & 24 - Our topic will be the Holy Spirit.

Beginning September 14 - Our new program will be based on the book "Secrets from Heaven - Hidden Treasures of the Parables and Conversations of Jesus" by Fr. Sebastian Walshe, O.Praem. This book is available on Amazon for $14.99.

Women of all ages are welcome to join us.

Meetings are held on the 2nd & 4th Tuesdays, 6:30-8:30 PM, in the Tovet Room of the Church.
☎ Rita Lee: 774-200-6464 or Kathy Kervick: 323-8592

Order of Franciscan Seculars

The return of his clothes and his testimony that his only father is God represents a total renunciation of all worldly things and ties. This mirrored Christ crucified who had had everything taken away from Him as he hung on the cross.

We meet in the Tovet Room on the 2nd Thursday of every month at 6 PM.
☎ Amy Moran, OFS: 323-0016 or Kathy Ricardi, OFS: 323-9023

Men of St. Joseph

Weekly meetings consist of prayer, reading about the ultimate example of holy manliness in our Lord Jesus in the Gospel, and a discussion of the practical application of that example in today's world. This weekly prescription helps give men the tools, confidence, and support of other men, to become the spiritual leaders we are all called to be.

We meet every Wednesday from 7:30 to 8:30 PM in the Office conference room.
✉ John Rakouskas at john5star@hotmail.com or Steve Corbin at gmsteve512@gmail.com

Knights of Columbus

St. Francis of Assisi Council 10698's information is available at: facebook.com/belchertownkofc stfrancisbelchertown.com/knights-of-columbus.

The KofC meet on the 2nd and 4th Tuesday of the month.
✉ kofcbelchertown@gmail.com or ☎ PGK Tom Grady: 323-4036

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Adoration - Make a Holy Hour

The Power of Faith, Excerpt: Divine Intimacy

Presence of God – *"I do believe, Lord; help my unbelief; increase my faith."* *(Mk 9:23, cf Lk 17:5)*

Jesus has said: "All things are possible to him that believeth" *(Mk 9:22).* It would seem that before an act of living faith, blind, unconditional faith, God does not know how to resist and considers Himself almost obliged to grant our requests. The Gospel tells us this on every page: before Jesus performed a miracle, He always asked for an act of faith. "Do you believe that I can do this unto you?" *(Mt 9:28)*, and when faith was sincere, the miracle took place immediately. "Be of good heart, daughter," He said to the woman who was troubled with an issue of blood, "thy faith hath made thee whole" *(Mt 9:22).*

"May You be blessed, O my God! I acknowledge Your great power. If You are mighty, as indeed You are, what is impossible to You who can do all things?" - *Teresa of Jesus, Interior Castle*

spiritualdirection.com/2019/07/15/the-power-of-faith

Become a regular adorer and see the fruits it bears.
☎ Anne Werbicki at 301-3409, Rita Lee at 774-200-6464,
or Celeste DaCosta at 323-7896.
In the Adoration Chapel - Tuesday & Thursday 8:30 AM-Noon
Call the Adoration Line for updates to hours or closings.
☎ Adoration Line at 323-6272 x6

CATHOLIC RESOURCES - Know the Faith

Suggested Offering from FORMED.org - Parish Funded

A Time to Revive - *(42 minute documentary)* Our world is deeply troubled: wars, terrorism, political and social unrest, family breakdown, mass migrations, moral confusion, and chaos. In the Church: faith has diminished, doctrines are denied, moral teachings ignored, scandals in the clergy cause real dismay and doubt.

Featuring commentary and insights by Cardinal Raymond Burke and Bishop Mark Davies, and appealing to proven methods from the Church's history, this film sets forth a powerful blueprint for revival in the Catholic Church, and thus a renewal in families, communities, and the world. It focuses on five key areas to drive this renewal: Catechesis, Liturgy, the Gospel of Life, Sanctity, and Mission. Also includes commentary from church leaders Fr. Marcus Holden, Fr. Andrew Pinsent, Joanna Bogle, and Jacob Phillips, and inspiring young adults speaking about their Catholic faith and trust in Christ.

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Please pray for all of the intentions listed on our prayer line, for the sick and dying, the imprisoned and all those in need of spiritual, emotional, physical and/or financial support and healing. Especially please pray:

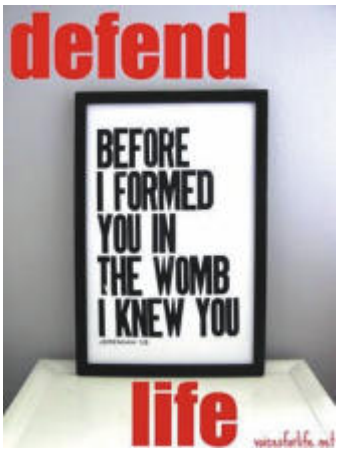
- For strength and healing for Sephanie who has stage IV breast cancer.
- In thanksgiving for the birth of beautiful, healthy Finn.
- For proper diagnosis, treatment & healing for Patty C.
- For all those in the parish who are sick.
- For those who have contracted the delta variant, for complete healing.
- In prayerful thanksgiving for the joy and love this parish has given a women.
- For those battling cancer, for strength and comfort and for their families.
- For the sick, elderly and homebound of our parish and for those who care for them.
- For an increase in devotion to the True Presence and for people to come forward to commit to a regular holy hour in adoration.
- In thanksgiving for good, holy priests.
- For our priests who are weary and may be struggling to live out their vocation, for God's abundant grace.
- For an increase in vocations.
- For respect for all life and lives.
- For the health and safety of our country.
- In thanksgiving for all God's graces and answers to the requests of the prayer line.

To have the prayer line members pray for you or a love one:
☎ Office: 323-6272 x1 or ✉ francisatbtown@gmail.com;
or, visit www.stfrancisbelchertown.com,
click *Liturgy and Prayer*, then *Prayer.*

PRO-LIFE - Because Life is Sacred

Pro-Life News - Fr. Dan Pacholec has been appointed as our Diocesan Pro-Life Director and he would like to begin the process of identifying and meeting with members of each parish with interest in this issue. There is much new and critical information on this subject.

If you are interested in participating, ☎ Rita Lee: 774-200-6464



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STEWARDSHIP REFLECTION

What's Your Hearth Cake? - "Get up and eat, or the journey will be too much for you." I've been to a lot of meetings in my years of work in the Church, and you can take my word for it: the ones with snacks just seem to go better.

I don't know what it is exactly. Maybe it's just that people are in a more agreeable mood if you show up with donuts. Or maybe it's about the very real sense of community and camaraderie that is created at a table where people are engaging in that most human of tasks — eating — beside one another. I think a big part of it comes down to the simple fact that we're all just nicer people when we're fed.

This rings true spiritually, too. We simply must remain fed if we, in turn, are to feed others. Think of a time when you have neglected your relationship with God — when you haven't fed yourself with whatever it is that you need to remain committed to the journey of a Christian life. Is it Mass attendance? Is it prayer or Scripture reading? Is it time with your small group, or conversation with a trusted friend who knows your soul? What sustains your ability to be a good disciple, a good steward? What inspires you to give more freely, to love more abundantly?

Whatever it is, that's your hearth cake. That's your jug of water. Don't neglect it. The Angel of the Lord is nudging you in your sleep: "Get up and eat, or the journey will be too much for you."

- Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS ©LPi

What inspires you to give more freely, to love more abundantly?

SERVICE & OUTREACH

Opportunities to serve as the heart and hands of Christ

The Food Pantry is in need of:

condiments and canned fruit.

Thank you for your generous response to serving those in need.

☎ Food Pantry: 323-6272 x8

Please leave donations between the doors of the church.

Take & Eat is run by volunteers and is funded entirely through donations. Monetary donations can be made by check, made out to: St. Francis of Assisi Church with "Take & Eat" in the memo.

If you'd like to volunteer for our program or know of someone who would benefit from receiving these meals, contact:

☎ Jaime Forsythe: 896-0774 or ✉ jaimeforsythe32@gmail.com
☎ Ann Marie Beaupre: 687-7296 or ✉ beaupre6852@charter.net

The Prayer Shawl Ministry will be meeting in the Tovet Room on the 3rd Tuesday of the month at 11 AM. If you are interested in learning to knit or crochet for this ministry, join us.

Do you know someone who would appreciate a reminder that they are not alone and who would like to be held up in prayer during a difficult time?

☎ Bonnie Miller: 253-2293 or Diane Plante: 237-3001

The Mats for the Homeless Ministry

Beginning in July, we will meet in the Pine Room on the 4th Monday of the month from 5:30-7 PM.

☎ Becky Walton: 345-1757

Please save your plastic bags for donation to this ministry.

LITURGICAL MINISTRIES

Called to Serve

We are in need of Lectors, Altar Servers and Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion to serve during the Holy Mass.

As baptized Catholics, we are called to serve. What better place is there to serve than in the celebration of our Lord's Mass.

Now that the Bishop's dispensation from the obligation to attend weekend Masses and many of the covid restrictions have been lifted, we are eager to return to the full celebration of the Holy Mass utilizing all of our trained Lectors, Altar Servers and Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion.

If you have served in any of these roles in the past, we invite you to come back to assist Fr. David with the sacred liturgy.

If anyone new is interested in serving in these roles, we would love to have you join our liturgical ministries. Training sessions will be held for each of the various roles.

To volunteer or for more information, please contact:
Therese Rakouskas at ✉ rak.fam@hotmail.com
or ☎ 413-427-6740

St. Francis of Assisi Parish Picnic

Sunday, September 12
Noon to 6 PM on the church grounds
(Grilling until 3 PM)

Barbecued chicken, chicken tenders for the kids, soft drinks, water and chips will be provided.

Games for the kids!

Sign-up sheets for attendance and volunteers will be in the gathering space throughout August.

Family and friends are most welcome!

Rain or Shine - Under the Big Tent

Note: All covid-19 safety protocols will be implemented by a certified Serv Safe proctor.

Bloomin' 4 Good Bouquets

For the month of August 2021, St. Francis of Assisi Parish Food Pantry has been selected to receive a $1 donation for every $10.99 Bloomin' 4 Good Bouquet with the red circle sticker sold at the store located at 40 George Hannum Street, Belchertown.

CATHOLIC COMMUNITY NEWS

Belchertown Community Band Concerts

Join us on the town common for the 35th Season of Concerts on the Common by the Belchertown Community Band. Concerts will be held on Sunday, August 8 at 4 PM (Rain date is Sunday, August 15). Our St. Francis Knights of Columbus will be selling food. Concerts are free and open to the public, so bring your lawn chair or blanket and enjoy the music.

Mass with Bishop Byrne in Forest Park

Bishop William D. Byrne will celebrate Mass at the Forest Park amphitheater, adjacent to the Barney Carriage House, on Sunday, September 5 at 10 A.M. The Mass, which will be broadcast live on "Chalice of Salvation," on WWLP-22 News, will recognize and lift up in prayer healthcare workers, first responders, employees of grocery stores, gas stations, and other businesses considered essential during the state of emergency in 2020. Massachusetts Gov. Charlie Baker issued the emergency order in response to the coronavirus pandemic sweeping the nation.

Bishop Byrne will also recognize the teachers and staff of Catholic schools in the Springfield Diocese, who welcomed students back for in-person learning in the fall of 2020, when most communities were still remote or hybrid.

Join us for a Jericho Walk

the night before the Faith on Fire Catholic Charismatic Rally.

On Thursday, September 9, at 6 PM there will be a Jericho Walk for the protection of the Holy Grounds of Sacred Heart Parish, 1061 Springfield Street, Feeding Hills. This walk has occurred the night before every Faith on Fire Rally since it began in 2013. The walk includes praying, singing, meditation and the sprinkling of Blessed Salt and Holy Water. There will be a short teaching by Jeanne Raczkowski of the meaning of a Jericho walk and what it's purpose is, just before the walk begins.

☎ Deb Briancesco: 786-8200 x3
Sacred Heart Parish's Pastoral Minister/Faith on Fire Coordinator

Save the Date
Faith on Fire Catholic Charismatic Rally

One Night Only (rain or shine)
Friday, September 10 at 6 PM

The annual Faith on Fire Catholic Charismatic Rally will be held on the grounds of Sacred Heart Parish, 1065 Springfield Street, Feeding Hills. The evening will consist of Praise and Worship music with three Music Ministries (*Jack Yourous* of Our Lady of the Lake Parish in Southwick, *Psalm 33* with Tom Fucci from Our Lady of the Blessed Sacrament Parish in Westfield, and the *St. Cecilia's Youth Band* with Carolee McGrath from St. Cecilia's Parish in Wilbraham), Eucharistic Procession led by Bishop Byrne, Reconciliation, and the opportunity for extra prayer under the prayer tent and Prayers for Healing with the laying of the hands. The main speakers will be Bishop Byrne, Fr. Valentine and Sr. Deirdre Byrne, POSC. The Faith on Fire Committee, St. Martha's Guild and the Knights of Columbus will provide food for purchase beginning at 5:30 PM. Please bring a lawn chair or blankets for comfortable seating.

For more information:
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