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EUCCHARISTIC LITURGY

Saturday Vigil: 4:00 PM

Sunday: 10:00 AM

Tuesday: 9:00 AM

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturdays: 3:15-3:45 PM or by appointment

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From Ann McCauley

In today's Gospel reading, the disciples say to Jesus, "Teacher, do you not care that we are perishing?" Have you ever felt like this? Have you ever felt like you were sinking in a raging sea, and no matter how hard you prayed, and how intently you looked for Jesus, Jesus just didn't seem to be listening? Did you ever feel like you would hit the bottom of the sea before Jesus ever got around to doing anything about it? Have you ever asked out loud: *Why? Why me God? What did I do to deserve this? God, do you even care?* There are times in my life when I certainly have felt this way.

In this reading from Mark, there is more going on than just a stormy evening in the life of Jesus. I think this reading speaks directly to the Church, to the early church and to us: *There will be times when you feel like your boat is being swamped. And, when that happens, do not be afraid. Jesus does care. Jesus is there. Jesus will calm the storm.*

Mark is a wartime Gospel, which was written either just before, or just after, the destruction of Jerusalem. God's people had great reason to think that they were sinking. Their whole world was crashing in on them. People were dying. Everything that they had held holy was being destroyed. Jesus is speaking to the People of God, telling them: *Why are you afraid? Have you still no faith?* God never, ever, ever promises that nothing bad will ever happen. God never promises smooth sailing and blue skies every day. What God does promise is that when the world comes crashing down, God is right there with us. Jesus is there with us, in the sinking boat. This is an important part of the story: Jesus isn't elsewhere. He is **in the boat with the disciples**. Sinking. And then he calms the storm.

So, maybe the world is crashing in on you today. Maybe it was yesterday. And then again, maybe it will be tomorrow. But, whenever it does—and it's not a matter of "if", but "when"—whatever you think, and whatever your prayer, know that you haven't been abandoned. God isn't on a lunch break. God isn't out for you. God is with you. And all you need is enough faith to get you through to the moment when Jesus speaks, "Peace. Be still."

WEEKLY PRAYER



READINGS FOR THE WEEK

- SUN 6/20** Jb 38:1, 8-11/ Ps 107:23-24, 25-26, 28-29, 30-31/2 Cor 5:14-17/Mk 4:35-41
- MON 6/21** Gn 12:1-9/Ps 33:12-13, 18-19, 20 and 22/Mt 7:1-5
- TUE 6/22** Gn 13:2, 5-18/Ps 15:2-3a, 3bc-4ab, 5/Mt 7:6, 12-14
- WED 6/23** Gn 15:1-12, 17-18/Ps 105:1-2, 3-4, 6-7, 8-9/Mt 7:15-20
- THR 6/24** Is 49:1-6/Ps 139:1-3, 13-14, 14-15/Acts 13:22-26/Lk 1:57-66, 80
- FRI 6/25** Gn 17:1, 9-10, 15-22/Ps 128:1-2, 3, 4-5/Mt 8:1-4
- SAT 6/26** Gn 18:1-15/Lk 1:46-47, 48-49, 50 and 53, 54-55/Mt 8:5-17
- SUN 6/27** Wis 1:13-15; 2:23-24/Ps 30:2, 4, 5-6, 11, 12, 13/2 Cor 8:7, 9, 13-15/
Mk 5:21-43 or 5:21-24, 35b-43

FIRST READING

Thus far shall you come but no farther, and here shall your proud waves be stilled! (Job 38:11)

PSALM

Give thanks to the Lord, his love is everlasting. (Ps 107)

SECOND READING

So whoever is in Christ is a new creation: the old things have passed away; behold, new things have come. (2 Cor 5:17)

QUESTION FOR THE WEEK

When has the Lord calmed the stormy times of my life? What fear can He help me overcome?

PRAYER FOR THE WEEK

Dear God, sometimes I feel afraid, too. Help me to remember that you are stronger than any problem I have. Amen.

MISSION FOR THE WEEK

Sit down with your family, and read Mark 4:35-41 out loud. Then talk about the things you are afraid of.



GOSPEL

Then he asked them, "Why are you terrified? Do you not yet have faith?" They were filled with great awe and said to one another, "Who then is this whom even wind and sea obey?" (Mk 4:40-41)

JUNE 22

Tuesday 9:00 AM

Funeral Mass for Evelyn Bedard



JUNE 26 & 27

Saturday 4:00 PM

Ed Morgan; req., wife, Mary Alice
Patricia Holdcroft; req., sister, Mary Keane
Ann Marie Blanch; req., Bernard O'Connor
John Quaid; (Anniv Remb), req., sister, Mary Keane
Mary D'Amore; (57 Wedding Anniv Remb). Req., husband, Sal

Sunday 10:00 AM

Andrew Gigliotti; (2nd Anniv Remb), req., brother, Nick & Fran
Deceased Members Gergenti Family; req., Family
Mabel Mecier; req., Elaine Mecier
John Bremm; req., Richard & Jo-Ann Garrison & Family

PARISH GIVING ~ SHARING GIFTS WE HAVE BEEN GIVEN

Weekly Offertory for June 12/13, 2021

Weekly Budget	\$	7,450.98
Weekly Actual—Mail-Ins & Offertory	\$	7,805.00
Overage/Shortfall	(+) \$	354.02
YTD (July 2020-Present) Offertory		
YTD Budget	\$	365,098.04
YTD Actual	\$	355,469.00
YTD Overage/Shortage	(-) \$	(9,326.04)

Catholic Communications Campaign 6/6/2021 \$ 582.00

**Thank you for your generosity.
Your gifts are greatly appreciated!!**

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturdays ~ 3:15—3:45 PM

Located in the Reconciliation Room (behind the organ).
In keeping with physical distancing guidelines there is a 6-foot separation between penitent and priest.

SANCTUARY LAMP ~ IS LIT THIS WEEK FOR Bill Hall, req., friend, Janice Ronner

The Sanctuary Lamp in the Chapel is a beautiful way to remember a loved one. Please contact the office if you would like to make arrangements to have a sanctuary lamp lit for one week.



The Rosary will be celebrated on Wednesday, June 30 at 6:30 PM in the Chapel. Group Rosary prayer is the best way to pray the Rosary. In Sacred Scripture, Our Lord says: *"For where there are two or three gathered together in my name, there am I in the midst of them"* ~ **Matthew 18:20**

ARE YOU GOING AWAY THIS SUMMER?

Vacation or other commitments...your consistent giving is vital to Christ Our Light, please consider setting up an automatic giving schedule.

To Get Started - Visit our website at: christourlightchurch.org/E-Giving OR call the office at 518-459-6635 today for assistance.



STIPEND FOR MASS INTENTIONS

The Diocese of Albany has recommended that the offering for Mass Intentions be increased from \$10 to \$15. This increase went into effect on May 23. The Sanctuary Lamp and Shrine of Remembrance will remain the same. You may call the office at 518-459-6635, or stop by in person to schedule a Mass Intention, Sanctuary Lamp or Shrine of Remembrance M-F, 8:30AM to 4PM.

Prayer to St. Joseph on Father's Day

St. Joseph, guardian of Jesus and chaste husband of Mary, you passed your life in loving fulfillment of duty.

You supported the holy family of Nazareth with the work of your hands.

Kindly protect all the fathers who trustingly come to you.

You know their aspirations, their hardships, their hopes.

They look to you because they know you will understand and protect them.

You too knew trial, labor and weariness.

But amid the worries of material life your soul was full of deep peace and sang out in true joy through intimacy with God's Son entrusted to you and with Mary, his tender Mother.

Assure those you protect that they do not labor alone.

Teach them to find Jesus near them and to watch over him faithfully as you have done.

-St. John XXIII



SUMMER ACTIVITIES

Faith Formation- Kids

Sunday, July 11 at 11:10 AM

KIDS' STATIONS OF THE CROSS ~ Join us to discuss and draw the Stations of the Cross. No Cost. Pre-register on ChristOurLightchurch.org.

All Ages

Monday, July 19 - Submissions Due

VIRTUAL ART SHOW ~ Submit your most Christ filled piece of artwork either digitally to Kari.kurtz@rcda.org or drop it off to the Church office. We will display on our social media. Copies (or originals if the artist wishes) will be given to some of our homebound parishioners.

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

Wednesdays 9:30 AM – 8:30 PM ~ In Our Chapel (Beginning June 30)

“Our Holy Hours of Eucharistic Adoration make us more sensitive to the needs of our fellow man.” (St. John Paul II)

Adoration will begin again starting June 30, so long as all hours have been filled with Adorers. We, as Catholics, believe Jesus Christ to be present in body, blood, soul, and divinity, under the appearance of the consecrated host, so it is necessary that the Eucharist not be left exposed without Adorers in attendance. For this reason we **presently have a need for Adorers at all slots but especially at the 11:30 AM, 12:30 PM, 1:30 PM, 2:30 PM, 3:30 PM, 4:30 PM, 6:30 PM, & 7:30 PM slots on Wednesdays.**

Jesus waits for us to bring Him our love, our prayers, our hopes and fears. He longs to shower us with His love and grace beyond our imagining. He humbled Himself so many years ago so that He could be present to us today in this special way. Here He waits for us. In this chapel, He waits for you!

If you would like to sign up for an hour to become a committed adorer, please email Kay Connolly at dechantal19@aol.com or phone Ed Prince at 518-441-2857 or the parish office at 518-459-6635

2020-21 DIOCESAN APPEAL ~ CLOSING SOON!

Don't Forget...you have until June 30, 2021 to pay off your 2020-2021 Diocesan Appeal pledge. Final pledge balance notices have been sent out. Any remaining pledge balances can be mailed back in the notice you receive, or can be paid by credit card, or E-Checks on the Diocesan Appeal website at donate.thediocesanappeal.org

If you have not already responded with a gift and want to join in support, make a gift online at donate.thediocesanappeal.org Working together we can make great things happen - we thank you for your continued support!



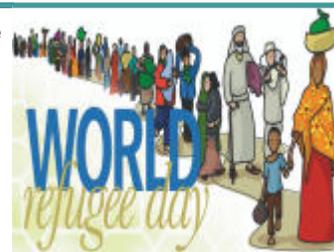
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For every \$2.50 reusable Fight Hunger Bag sold at the Wolf Road Hannaford during the month of June 2021, the COL Food Pantry will receive a \$1 donation.

World Refugee Day, June 20 ~ On this day, we remember the plight of millions of people across the globe displaced from their homes by war, famine, corruption, and other violence. These people are part of our human family, and their needs are Christ's needs. In Matthew 25, we see God's heavenly expectations for disciples. We are to meet Jesus in the least among us - the hungry, the thirsting, those without adequate shelter or clothing, the ill, and even the incarcerated. This shouldn't be too much of an imaginative stretch. After all, Christ himself knew what it was to be a refugee. St. Joseph took the Holy Family to Egypt, fleeing from the wrath of Herod. Jesus spent his first few years of life as a stranger in a strange land. Mary knew what it was like to navigate an unfamiliar marketplace and to be surrounded by a foreign tongue. Joseph had a practical trade but had to start from nothing all the same. Let's pray for all refugees today and to see in them our own story of faith.



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