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MISSION STATEMENT

We are a Spirit-filled community of welcoming believers, helping each other spiritually, financially and practically. We show compassion, gratitude and appreciation toward God and one another as we dream big, spread joy, and share our tears and laughter.

To all who are tired and need rest; to all who mourn and need comfort; to all who are friendless and need friendship; to all who are discouraged and need hope; to all who are homeless and need sheltering love; to all who sin and need a Savior; and to whomsoever will, the Parish of St. Vincent de Paul opens wide its doors in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ!

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SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Jesus summoned the Twelve and began to send them out two by two and gave them authority over unclean spirits. - Mk 6:7

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How awesome is our God, Who gives us just enough for the journey?

Mark 6:7-13

MASS INTENTIONS & PASTOR'S CORNER

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MASS SCHEDULE & INTENTIONS

SUNDAY, July 11, 2021 8:30 a.m. -	LARRY COVAR/ Don Board
11:15 a.m. -	FOR ALL PARISHIONERS
MONDAY, July 12, 2021 9:00 a.m. -	ED BIEL/ Deacon Wayne & Lyse VonDoehren
TUESDAY, July 13, 2021 9:00 a.m. -	MARTIN MULDOWNEY/ Father John
WEDNESDAY, July 14, 2021 9:00 a.m. -	JOSEPH POLITOSKI Patti Zatko
THURSDAY, July 15, 2021	NO MASS
FRIDAY, July 16, 2021 9:00 a.m. -	AMBROSIO GONZALES/ Dario & Maria Manzati
SATURDAY, July 17, 2021 4:00 p.m.	RICHARD PURCARO/ Mom, Patricia Purcaro
SUNDAY, July 11, 2021 8:30 a.m. -	THOMAS SHERIDAN/ Patricia Purcaro
11:15 a.m. -	IN MEMORY OF MY BROTHER & SISTER/ Lorrain Mancuso

Pastor's Corner: *Today's readings remind us of our Adoption as God's children and of our call to preach the Good News of Jesus by bearing witness to God's love, mercy and salvation as revealed through Jesus.*

There's a story about a troubled mother who had a daughter who was addicted to sweets. One day she approached Gandhi, explained the problem to him and asked whether he might talk to the young girl. Gandhi replied: "Bring your daughter to me in three weeks' time and I will speak to her." After three weeks, the mother brought her daughter to him. He took the young girl aside and spoke to her about the harmful effects of eating sweets excessively and urged her to abandon her bad habit. The mother thanked Gandhi for this advice and then asked him: "But why didn't you speak to her three weeks ago?" Gandhi replied: "Because three weeks ago, I was still addicted to sweets." And there's the lesson: We must do more than just point out the right road to others, we must be on that road ourselves. For this reason, the integrity of our private lives and private morals, down to the smallest detail, is the real power behind our words.

REVITALIZATION OF MINISTRIES:

A year ago we were all coming to terms with the existence of COVID-19 amid the ever-changing restrictions imposed on our work, social and religious lives. The pandemic has done a number on faithful Catholics all over the world. Some of our sisters and brothers



READINGS FOR THE WEEK

SUN 7/11	Am 7:12-15/Ps 85:9-10, 11-12, 13-14 [8]/Eph 1:3-14 or 1:3-10	MON 7/12	Ex 1:8-14, 22/Ps 124:1b-3, 4-6, 7-8 [8a]/Mt 10:34-11:1	TUES 7/13	Ex 2:1-15a/Ps 69:3, 14, 30-31, 33-34 [cf. 33]/ Mt 11:20-24	WED 7/14	Ex 3:1-6, 9-12/ Ps 103:1b-2, 3-4, 6-7 [8a]/Mt 11:25-27
THURS 7/15	Ex 3:13-20/Ps 105:1 and 5, 8-9, 24-25, 26-27 [8a]/Mt 11:28	FRI 7/16	Ex 11:10-12:14/ Ps 116:12-13, 15 and 16bc, 17-18 [13]/Mt 12:1-8	SAT 7/17	Ex 12:37-42/Ps 136:1 and 23-24, 10-12, 13-15/Mt 12:14-21	SUN 7/18	Jer 23:1-6/Ps 23:1-3, 3-4, 5, 6 [1]/Eph 2:13-18/ Mk 6:30-34

Pastor's Corner (continued) & Everyday Stewardship

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15th Sunday in Ordinary Time

experienced a renewed love of Christ, and a yearning for the Sacraments – especially the Eucharist. Others became alarmingly complacent and all too comfortable with the restricted ability to practice our faith. So the question that faces us is how to inject joy into the hearts and minds of our parishioners when inviting them back into the pews. I think the return to our pews as an opportunity to wash the stink of the pandemic away; an opportunity to stoke the flames of our faith to ensure it continues to burn brightly for others to see; Each member of our parish shares in the task of bringing back the “fold” – why? Because of our Baptismal commitment – to “Go – Teach – Share and Encourage”.

To help us facilitate this process, we can only do it if we are in union with the Lord Jesus. Hence, I have rescheduled the Holy Hour for Ministries to be held on Wednesday, July 21, 7:00 PM to 8:30 P.M. This would include all of the following Ministries: Eucharistic Ministers; Lectors; Catechists; R.C.I.A; Parish Council Members; Choir; Cantors; Musicians; Youth Group; Cursillo, Communication Committee, Greeters, Liturgy of the Word for Children, Musicians; Ushers; Adopt-A-Highway; Bereavement Support; Offering Counters, Reaching Out, Faith Outreach; Hospitality; Knights of Columbus; Parish Activities, Prayer Shawls for Homebound; Stickers & Crafters; Welcome Committee; Building & Grounds; Finance Council' Faith Formation; Parish Sharing Fund; Loaves & Fishes. If I have forgotten or neglected to mention any ministry you are involved in, please forgive me and please consider yourself invited!

Father John

EVERYDAY STEWARDSHIP - RECOGNIZE GOD IN YOUR ORDINARY MOMENTS

What We Carry from Town to Town

In my experience, there are two kinds of people: the folks who kick off their shoes the second they walk through the door, and the ones who don't.

People can feel strongly about this on both sides. The main thrust of the Shoes-Off Brigade seems to be this: we track a lot of weird stuff on the soles of our feet. Little reminders of all the places we've been – whether it's a private home or a public bathroom – cling to our shoes long after we leave.

This same theory applies to our spiritual lives. As human beings and as disciples, we visit a lot of figurative towns and pick up a lot of figurative dust. Sinfulness. Shame. Defeat. Anger. Fear. Doubt. No matter how hard we try to keep free of it, these things have a way of attaching themselves to us, sometimes without us even noticing. We need to take a good look at what unhelpful and unconstructive baggage from our past we're tracking into our present and future encounters.

What is the “town” God is asking you to visit today in His name? Is it a tough conversation with a friend, a brief witness to a stranger in the checkout line, a call to be present to someone in your family? Before you go, remember, shake off the dust. Don't let a past disappointment constrain you. Don't allow yesterday's failures or burdens to keep you from the joy of today's witness, whatever form it might take.

— Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS

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PRAYER AND WORSHIP

Mass Schedule -

Saturday: 4:00pm

Sunday: 8:30am & 11:15am

**Daily Mass: Mon, Tues, Wed & Fri
9:00am in Chapel**

Parish Office Hours:

Parish office hours will be changing once again for summer months as well as new directive from Diocese. New hours will be out soon. Thank you.

Sacramental Information:

Reconciliation

Mondays—7:00 p.m. Held in Chapel each week with parishioners to wait outside Parish Office door until it is your turn.

Sacrament of Baptism

Parents/legal guardians are to call Parish Office to schedule preparation. Baptism preparatory classes are held in the Resource Center the second Thursday of each month. Baptisms will be private ceremonies and need to be scheduled.

Sacrament of Marriage

If you are thinking about marriage in the next 6 months, it is time to contact the Parish Office. After speaking with the Office, you need to register for a Diocesan Pre-Cana session. Visit the diocesan website to find more details: <https://www.dioceseofscranton.org/parish-life/community/marriage/marriage-preparation>

Anointing of the Sick

As an aid to comfort and strengthen the sick, the sacrament is administered to those advanced in years, those preparing for surgery, and those in danger of death. Contact the Parish Office to make arrangements.



K of C Council #9832 will be starting Food For Families on July 18th - pick up only. Hot dogs & burgers with salads.



FAITH FORMATION: We will be having in person classes starting in September on Sunday mornings from 9:45a.m. - 11:00a.m. Registration is open and can be done via website or by calling PARISH OFFICE. All classes will be meeting on Sundays in Sept.



STITCHERS & CRAFTERS SUMMER CRAFT & BAKE SALE - PARISH HALL - Sat. July 10 from noon - 6p.m. and Sunday, July 11, 9a.m. - 1p.m. Handmade crafts, homemade baked goods, basket raffles, 50/50



Online Liturgy of the Word for Children - has concluded for the year and will resume again in the fall. Thank you to those who facilitated this Ministry weekly.



The Blooming Grove Food Pantry's "foods of the month" for July include: Juice, cereal, toilet paper and tuna. Please consider including these items with your food donations. Thank you!



VIRTUAL COFFEE HOUR - Reconnect with Fellow Parishioners - St. Vincent's is offering a weekly virtual coffee hour on Saturdays at 10:30 a.m. Learn more on our web site: Www.stvdepaulchurch.org



LOAVES and FISHES GIFT CARDS - will be available to purchase after masses again but only cash and checks will be accepted. Updated list is on our website of cards available.



July 11, 2021

Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Am 7:12-15 | Eph 1:3-14 or 1:3-10 | Mk 6:7-13

Written by
THE
FAITHFUL
DISCIPLE

GROW AS A DISCIPLE | PRAY, STUDY, ENGAGE, SERVE

I don't know about you, but even for the quickest of errands I don't like to leave my house without my smartphone. Nor would I go on a road trip without my trusty mini-Diet Coke and a snack or two. So I'm struck by what Jesus tells the Apostles when he sends them on their mission to share the Good News: "He instructed them to take nothing for the journey but a walking stick – no food, no sack, no money in their belts." While it may be hard for us to imagine striking out with only the sandals on our feet, to me this reading is more about what the Apostles *did* have than what they went without: They had a companion (Jesus sent them two by two) and the spiritual blessings Saint Paul refers to, including a relationship with Jesus and absolute trust in him. Today's readings remind us to set aside distractions and spend time deepening our relationship with Jesus through prayer, reading the Scriptures, and participating in the sacramental life of the Church. In doing so, we, too, can join in the mission of the early disciples by giving our lives to Jesus and sharing his message with others.

GO EVANGELIZE

PRAYER, INVITATION, WITNESS, ACCOMPANIMENT

I find the phrase "the new evangelization" somewhat ironic. After all, evangelization is not new, it goes back to the earliest days of the Church, which wouldn't exist had it not been for the disciples. The "new" part reminds us that we today also share in this mission. The U.S. Catholic bishops describe it succinctly: "The New Evangelization calls each of us to deepen our faith, believe in the Gospel message and go forth to proclaim the Gospel." This call is both simple, and challenging, but we don't have to be perfect. After all, just as God called Amos, a humble shepherd, and Jesus called the Twelve, a motley group of fishermen, he calls us. Like them, our first "task" isn't a task at all – it is placing God and our relationship with Jesus at the center of our lives. Only then can we effectively share the Gospel with others, inviting our brothers and sisters to a life in Christ – to become part of God's adopted family.

WITNESS At the end of Sunday Mass, we often hear the words:

"Go in peace, glorifying the Lord by your life." As we are sent forth, let us ask God to show us how we can share the Gospel with others during the week ahead. Then pay attention to where the Spirit leads us in answering our prayer.

BIRTHDAYS

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

to our parishioners born 7/11 - 7/17

If you see these people, wish them a very Happy Birthday!

Gabriella Daws, Fred Seidler, Richard Skorski, Frank Casey, Steven Duke, Jr., Barbara Simmons, Sadie Fuchs, Gavin Tsaptsinos, Charles Croston, Nancy Geraci, Gerald Najarian, Charlotte Tsaptsinos, Sean Deignan, Annmarie Franco, Annabelle Kornmeyer, Edward Norey, Gary Sullivan, Gregory Tants, Joyce Carty, Ashley LaCorte

STITCHERS & CRAFTERS SUMMER CRAFT & BAKE SALE

PARISH HALL

Saturday, July 10, 2021

12 Noon to 6 p.m.

Sunday, July 11, 2021

9 a.m. - 1 p.m.

Homemade cakes & cookies;
Handmade crafts; Basket Raffles;
50/50

Proceeds benefit the Sharing Fund Aiding
our Community

Father John will be hosting a bus trip to see **DAVID** at the Sight & Sound Theater in JUNE, 2022. We are currently taking names for this exciting trip planned for next summer. The seats are fantastic and the shows are always spectacular! Call parish office to be put on the list! 570-686-4545 .



World Day for Grandparents & the Elderly

The Holy Father has announced the first WORLD DAY for GRANDPARENTS and the Elderly will be celebrated on July 25.

Pope Francis has chosen the theme, "I am with you always" (cf. Mt 28:20) for this inaugural celebration. The Holy Father's written message for this day can be found at:

<https://www.vatican.va/content/francesco/en/messages/nonni/documents/20210531-messaggio-nnonni-anziani.html>

The Diocese of Scranton will broadcast this celebratory Mass at 10:00a.m. on Sunday, July 25 on CTV

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John Yourishen Memorial Tournament

GOLF CLASSIC

Monday, July 12, 2021

10a.m. Registration - 11a.m. Lunch

Noon - Shotgun Start

Visit: [Dioceseofscranton.org/vocations-golf](https://www.dioceseofscranton.org/vocations-golf)

Call: 570-207-2250

CHILDREN'S CORNER - July 11

Lighter Side

Marriage and Coffee

Shortly after tying the knot, a young married couple started arguing over who should make the coffee. Being a good Christian woman, the wife went to the scriptures for her answer. She said that the Bible specifically stated that men should be the ones to make the coffee.

Puzzled, the husband asked her where in the Bible it said that. Very confidently, the wife opened up her Bible and said, "It's right here — HE-BREWS."

No Pushing

A little girl, dressed in her Sunday best, was running as fast as she could, trying not to be late for Bible class. As she ran, she prayed, "Dear Lord, please don't let me be late! Dear Lord, please don't let me be late!" As she was running and praying, she tripped on a curb and fell, getting her clothes dirty and tearing her dress. She got up, brushed herself off, and started running again. As she ran, she once again began to pray, "Dear Lord, please don't let me be late ... But please don't shove me either!" ©LPi



Notice Regarding Reporting Sexual Abuse of a Minor

It is the policy of the Diocese of Scranton to report any allegation of sexual abuse of a minor to law enforcement. If you are a victim of sexual abuse committed by a priest, deacon, religious or lay employee or volunteer of the Diocese of Scranton, you are encouraged to immediately report the matter to law enforcement. If any priest, deacon, religious, lay employee or volunteer of the Diocese of Scranton has cause or reason to suspect that a minor has been subjected to any form of abuse, including Commonwealth of Pennsylvania's Child Protective Services Laws, reports of suspected child abuse should also be made immediately by phone to the 24-Hour Child Abuse Hotline (Childline) at 1-800-932-0313 or electronically at www.compass.state.pa.us/cwis

It is also the policy of the Diocese to adhere to all civil and state regulations. To this end, the Diocese is equally committed to adhering to the norms of the Code of Canon Law and to upholding the tenet of the USCCB Charter for the Protection of Children and Young People, which includes supporting victims of sexual abuse in their pursuit of emotional and spiritual well-being. As such, information regarding an allegation of sexual abuse of a minor should also be reported to the Victim Assistance Coordinator MaryBeth Pacuska at (570) 862-7551 or the Diocesan officials, including the Vicar General, Monsignor Thomas M. Muldowney, V.G., at (570) 207-2269.



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