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**July 11, 2021**  
**Fifteenth Sunday In Ordinary Time**

Praised be Jesus Christ!

I had the chance to introduce myself in my homily last weekend, but I wanted to repeat some of the same biographical details in this bulletin for those who may have been away on the holiday weekend.

I grew up in Livonia, NY and attended public school all the way through high school. I'm the oldest of four siblings—my sister is married and lives in northern Virginia, my brother is married and lives in Pittsburgh, PA, and I have a 19 year old sister who still lives at home in Livonia with my parents.

During my high school years, I had no serious inclination toward the priesthood, but I was certainly engaged in the life of my local parish and had a solid religious formation given to me by my parents. Looking back, an important turning point in my life was my friendship with several classmates who attended Evangelical churches and had serious, Biblical objections to the Catholic faith. This forced me to study these objections—and the Catholic response—from a Scriptural and historical perspective which gave me a deeper intellectual grounding for my Catholic faith during those critical adolescent years.

When it came time for college, I decided to attend Franciscan University of Steubenville in eastern Ohio, where I doubled-majored in math and economics. It was there at Franciscan University that I encountered a robust, joyful, and vibrant Catholic campus life. Daily Mass and regular confession were normal. Students openly shared and lived their faith. I felt a “positive peer pressure” to grow in virtue and saw my studies within the framework of the larger Catholic intellectual tradition.

By the time I reached my junior year of college, I started noticing a new attraction to the priestly vocation that was not present at all in the previous years. The thought of saying Mass, hearing confessions, preaching the faith, and all the other day to day responsibilities of the priest now fascinated me, and the realization of this started to gnaw at me. What was particularly troubling was that I was in a serious relationship with a girl I had assumed that I would marry as soon as we finished college. Now, I no longer had the confidence that this corresponded to God's design for my life, and hers.



Finally I decided, after much interior struggle, that I needed to break up the relationship for the purpose of beginning seminary formation and “testing” the call in a formal way. I applied to the Diocese of Rochester immediately after graduation and spent the academic year of 2008-2009 living in the Diocesan House of Discernment called Becket Hall, then located in the former rectory of Most Precious Blood Church.

After that year, Bishop Clark sent me to continue my seminary formation at the North American College in Rome, Italy. There I was immersed in the beauty and history of the “Eternal City” and experienced first-hand the universality of the Catholic faith—people from “every tribe and tongue and people and nation” (Rev. 5:9) all united in the same spiritual bonds of faith, sacraments, and governance.

I was ordained a deacon in St. Peter's Basilica in October of 2013 and a then a priest of Jesus Christ here at Sacred Heart Cathedral in 2014 by Bishop Matano. After returning to Rome for one more year of graduate theological studies, I was assigned in 2015 as Parochial Vicar to Blessed Trinity and St. Patrick parishes in Tioga county, NY, and then spent the last four years as Pastor of St. Peter's Parish in Shortsville, Clifton Springs, and Phelps.

These past several weeks have been difficult for me (as I know they have been for many of you). I loved my previous parish and worked so hard to build up that community—especially during this past year with all of its unique challenges. But I told them during my final weeks that I'm excited and jealous (in a good sense!) to see the ways that my successor will continue the good work of that parish and contribute to it with his own particular gifts and pastoral priorities.

I hope that I can do the same here. I gladly inherit the excellent work already done here at the Cathedral and look forward to contributing to it, as the Lord allows me to do. Please be patient with me during these weeks of transition, and of course keep me and all of our parishioners in your daily prayers. I want nothing more than that Jesus Christ be more fully praised, adored, and loved in our hearts, our families, and throughout our entire parish. May this be our primary focus during these next weeks of transition.

In the hearts of Jesus and Mary,

Fr. Peter Van Lieshout

**Welcome Fr. Peter**

All are invited after all the masses this weekend of July 10 & 11 to greet Fr. Peter. Please plan to stop under the Ridgeway Avenue canopy this weekend to introduce yourself and share refreshments.

Trying to express our appreciation and gratitude to Rose Davis and Ginny Miller for all their years of service to the Cathedral Community is an impossible task. This bulletin note is completely inadequate.



We take great comfort in the fact that their service to us is inscribed upon our hearts and in our memories. We ourselves have been changed by their ministry among us.

And when this chapter of the history of our community is written, it will be their legacy that shines through.

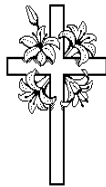
As Rose recently stated, "This is AN ending , not THE ending."

Thank you Rose and Ginny for all you have done for us! Our love will follow you both...

**PRAY FOR OUR DECEASED**

In your charity, please pray for Fr. Ed Salmon and all of our deceased.

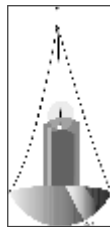
*Eternal rest grant unto them O Lord, and let your perpetual light shine upon them.*



**This Week's Sanctuary Candle**

*In Memory Of—Bob & Mary Stevenson  
Requested by—Bonnie Doyle*

*In Memory Of—William Brown  
Requested by—Michele & Jim Kelly*



**Scripture Study for Next Sunday**

Next Sunday, July 18, 2021, is the 16<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time. The readings will be:

Jeremiah 23:1-6; Ephesians 2:13-18; and Mark 6:30-34.

In our second reading next week, St. Paul reminds the Ephesians that through the blood of Christ those "who once were far off have been brought near." That is the story of salvation in a nutshell. Human beings had turned away from their relationship with God, but God, loving them deeply, sought to restore that relationship. Through his suffering, death and resurrection, Jesus, the perfect shepherd for the wayward human sheep, achieved reconciliation. He made new life with God possible for us.

Both next Sunday's first reading and Gospel passage use sheep and shepherd images to illustrate Jesus' mission as well as our role in that mission. In the Gospel passage we hear that after returning from some restful time with the apostles, Jesus' "heart was moved with pity" for the crowds that awaited him. He considered them "like sheep without a shepherd; and he began to teach them many things." Jesus understood that human beings are hungry to experience God's loving care for them and anxious for teaching, for wise guidance in God's ways.

The Old Testament reading from Jeremiah describes a situation in which God's people have not benefited from loving concern or wise instruction. Speaking for God, the prophet says to their leaders "You have scattered my sheep and driven them away. You have not cared for them... I myself will gather the remnant of my flock ... I will appoint shepherds for them who will shepherd them so that they need no longer fear and tremble; and none shall be missing."

These readings point to the important mission that each one of us is privileged to share with Christ, that of spreading the Good News of salvation through word and action, that of leading others to God. Jesus provides a model for our ministry. It is to be rooted in prayerful, quiet time "away" with the Lord, a heart that is moved by others, sensitivity to the needs of *all* God's children, and timely loving response to those needs.

*Rose Davis*

**BANNS OF MARRIAGE**

*Michael Micca & Kaely Borrino  
Thierry Muhanuka & Solange Muhawenayo*

*Please keep their future happiness in your prayers.*





Most Rev. Salvatore R. Matano, Bishop of Rochester  
 Most Rev. Matthew H. Clark, Bishop Emeritus of Rochester  
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**Saturday, July 10, 2021**

*Gn 49:29-32, 50:15-26a; Mt 10:24-33*

4:00 pm The Gattas Family—Gene & Sue Cherkis  
 Robert & Alice McGinty—Family

**Sunday, July 11, 2021—Fifteenth Sunday In Ordinary Time**

*Am 7:12-15, Eph 1:3-14 or 1:3-10; Mk 6:7-13*

7:00 am For the people of the Cathedral Community  
 9:15 am John R. Evans—Family  
 Joe Muller Sr.—Jackie & Bob Shrader  
 11:15 am Joanne Mathis—Family

**Monday, July 12, 2021**

*Ex 1:8-14, 22; Mt 10:34—11:1*

12:10 pm Morey Culhane— Wife, Mickey

**Tuesday, July 13, 2021**

*Ex 2:1-15a; Mt 11:20-24*

12:10 pm For those who are homebound

**Wednesday, July 14, 2021—Saint Kateri Tekakwitha, Virgin**

*Ex 3:1-6, 9-12; Mt 11:25-27*

12:10 pm For World Leaders

**Thursday, July 15, 2021—Saint Bonaventure, Bishop and Doctor of the Church**

*Ex 3:13-20; Mt 11:28-30*

12:10 pm For the safety of travelers

**Friday, July 16 2021**

*Ex 11:10—12:14; Mt 12:1-8*

12:10 pm Beverly Russo-Mattle—Daughter

**Saturday, July 17, 2021**

*Ex 12:37-42; Mt 12:14-21*

4:00 pm Kristiana Marie Kampf—Parents  
 Intentions of Tom Stauber—Robert Lighthouse

**Sunday, July 18, 2021—Sixteenth Sunday In Ordinary Time**

*Jer 23:1-6, Eph 2:13-18; Mk 6:30-34*

7:00 am For the people of the Cathedral Community  
 9:15 am Flora Miele—Steven & Bud  
 Joseph Muller Sr.—Dcn Lynn & Peggy Kershner  
 Edward C. Krause Sr.—Duge Family  
 Bill Zimmerman—Family  
 William Brown—Kathy Parr  
 11:15 am Michael Russo—Daughter

**MASS AND PENANCE TIMES**

**Celebration of the Eucharist**

Saturday 4:00 pm  
 Sunday 7:00 am, 9:15 am & 11:15 am

**Daily Mass**

Monday—Friday 12:10 pm

**Celebration of Penance**

Friday 4:45 — 5:15 pm  
 Saturday 2:30 — 3:30 pm



**Daryll Anthony Jackson III**

*We welcome our newly baptized into  
 our parish community!*

**Aid to Church in Central & Eastern Europe  
July 10 & 11, 2021**

Many countries transitioning from the former communist regimes in Eastern Europe continue to be stricken by poverty. In Albania, a country that experienced a particularly harsh form of communism, many young women facing extreme poverty succumb to misleading promises of marriage or work opportunities, drop out of school, and travel abroad. Separated from their families, they often find themselves in the difficult circumstances of domestic violence or even forced prostitution. The Catholic Church of Albania, which is being restored after the fall of communism, is at the forefront of helping young women overcome these risks through tuition support, the arts, faith activities, and culinary workshops that prepare them for work that allows them to support themselves and to contribute to their family budgets.

With support from the Collection for the Church in Central and Eastern Europe, the Laura Vicuña Center and the Rogationist Fathers' high school has provided education, skills training, and brighter futures to 13 young women from the town of Tale. When you participate in the collection, you help to make education and life opportunities a reality for at-risk youth, such as the young women in Tale, and you provide a witness of the faith to a recovering region. More information about the collection and the projects it supports can be found at [www.usccb.org/ccee](http://www.usccb.org/ccee).



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*PRAY FOR OUR SICK*



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Consider requesting a Mass for a deceased loved one. The offering is \$10. Weekend and weekday masses are available for 2021. Please call or stop by the office to request a mass intention.

**Cathedral Office Hours**

**Monday—Thursday 9:00 am — 3:00 pm**  
**Friday 9:00 am — Noon**

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to a  
**Mass of Recognition**  
 of the  
**Sacrament of Matrimony.**

*Please join*  
**The Most Reverend Salvatore R. Matano, Bishop of Rochester**  
 and couples celebrating anniversaries of Matrimony

*on*  
**Sunday, August 29, 2021 at Two o'clock in the Afternoon**

*at*  
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All married couples and their guests are welcome to attend and renew their vows with Bishop Matano. Those celebrating milestone jubilees will be given special recognition.

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 or emailing [donald.smith@dor.org](mailto:donald.smith@dor.org) or [katey.bourne@dor.org](mailto:katey.bourne@dor.org)

*Please note, we will be following all safety protocols associated with COVID-19  
 and details will be emailed to registrants prior to the celebration.*

Additionally, the September issue of the *Catholic Courier* will feature a Wedding Jubilee section.  
 If you would like your name and anniversary (25, 50, and above) to be included,  
 please send an email, or a letter with the following information:

**Names, Church, Town where you were married,  
 wedding date/year, and a wedding photo (optional).**

**Email:** [weddings@CatholicCourier.com](mailto:weddings@CatholicCourier.com)

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