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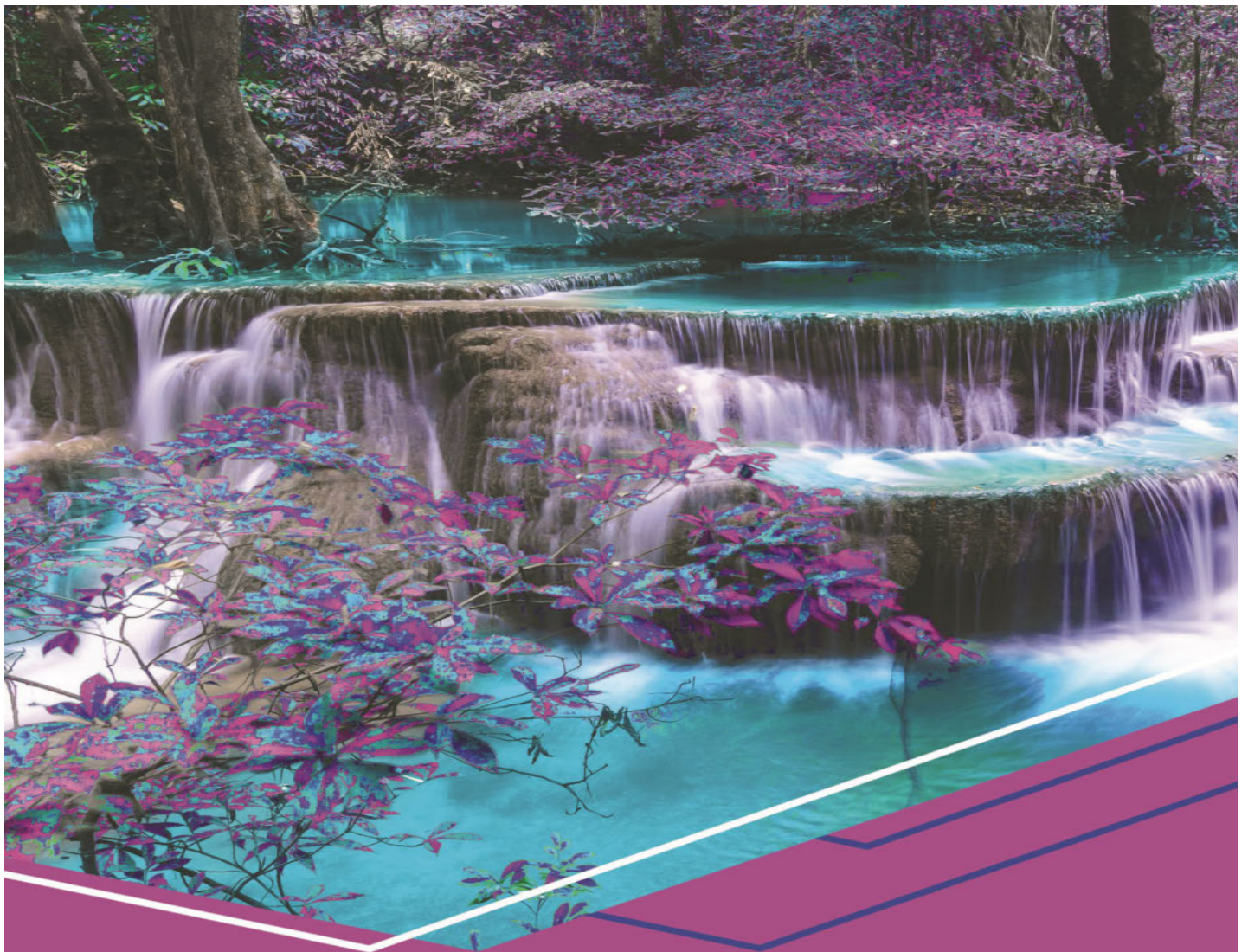
## *MISSION STATEMENT*

St. Mary Our Mother is a Catholic community committed to the spiritual growth of all people as we share our faith and serve our community.



816 West Broad Street, Horseheads, New York  
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July 31, 2022



## 18<sup>th</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

“But God said to him, ‘You fool, this night your life will be demanded of you; and the things you have prepared, to whom will they belong?’ Thus will it be for all who store up treasure for themselves but are not rich in what matters to God.”

- Lk 12:20-21

**WEEKLY CALENDAR:****Saturday, July 31, 2022**

3:30 p.m.-Sacrament of Penance-Church

**FLOWERS DONATIONS:**

Our main altar arrangement for the week of July 31-August 6, 2022 has been donated in loving memory of Robert Roberti by his wife Sandy and family.



**MEMORIALS:** Our wine and hosts for the week of July 31-August 6, 2022 have been donated in memory of John and Catherine Ciprich by George Ciprich.

**IN THE PEACE OF CHRIST**

Michael Valentino  
Marjorie Bravo  
John Corsi

**SCRIPTURE READINGS AND EXCERPTS FOR JULY 31, 2022: 18th SUNDAY OF ORDINARY:**

The theme that leaps off the page from today's readings is persistence in prayer. To the modern world, that's a very strange, almost silly, concept. If God is omnipotent, why does he need to be asked to do anything?

**First Reading:** Ecc 2:22

**Excerpt:** For what profit comes to man from all the toil and anxiety of heart which he has labored under the sun?

**Psalm: 90**

**Excerpt:** If today you hear His voice, harden not your hearts.

**Second Reading:** Col 3:1-2

**Excerpt:** If you were raised with Christ, seek what is above, where Christ is seated at the right hand of God. Think of what is above, not of what is on earth.

**Gospel:** (Lk 12:20)

**Excerpt:** "God said to him, 'You fool, this night your life will be demanded of you; and the things you have prepared, to whom will they belong?'"

**A GOSPEL REFLECTION: "LIVE THE GOSPEL"**

Greed is more present and powerful in our lives than we like to admit. We like our "stuff" and are hesitant to part with it. What we convince ourselves that we really need, we really do not.

**WEEKLY READINGS FOR JULY 31-AUG 6, 2022—18th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**Sunday:** Eccl 1:2; 2:21-23/Ps 90:3-4, 5-6, 12-13, 14, 17 [1]/Col 3:1-5, 9-11/Lk 12:13-21  
**Monday:** Jer 28:1-17/Ps 119:29, 43, 79, 80, 95, 102/Mt 14:13-21  
**Tuesday:** Jer 30:1-2, 12-15, 18-22/Ps 102:16-18, 19-21, 29 and 22-23/Mt 14:22-36 or Mt 15:1-2, 10-14  
**Wednesday:** Jer 31:1-7/Jer 31:10, 11-12ab, 13/Mt 15:21-28  
**Thursday:** Jer 31:31-34/Ps 51:12-13, 14-15, 18-19/Mt 16:13-23  
**Friday:** Na 2:1, 3; 3:1-3, 6-7/Dt 32:35cd-36ab, 39abcd, 41/Mt 16:24-28  
**Saturday:** Dn 7:9-10, 13-14/Ps 97:1-2, 5-6, 9/2 Pt 1:16-19/Lk 9:28b-36  
**Next Sunday:** Wis 18:6-9/Ps 33:1, 12, 18-19, 20-22 [12b]/Heb 11:1-2, 8-19 or 11:1-2, 8-12/Lk 12:32-48 or 12:35-40

**OBSERVANCES FOR THE WEEK OF July 31, 2022.**

**Sunday:** 18<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time; St. Ignatius of Loyola, Priest  
**Monday:** St. Alphonsus Liguori, Bishop and Doctor of the Church  
**Tuesday:** St. Eusebius of Vercelli, Bishop; St. Peter Julian Eymard, Priest  
**Wednesday:**  
**Thursday:** St. John Vianney, Priest  
**Friday:** The Dedication of the Basilica of St. Mary Major  
**Saturday:** The Transfiguration of the Lord  
**Next Sunday:** 19<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time; St. Sixtus II, Pope, and Companions, Martyrs; St. Cajetan, Priest

**A Gospel reflection continued:**

If everything we own is taken away from us tomorrow, life will continue. We will find happiness again. How many relationships are ruined because of inheritance issues? Our possessions cannot come with us when we die. Why do we foolishly think that we cannot live without them here? Wealth and happiness do not have physical origins. True wealth and happiness are gifts of God's kingdom and matters of heart and soul. We are much more than what we possess, and greed is more real and operative than we think. Let us begin our journey to detachment with an honest admission. We often place more importance on things than on people and God. Ask God to accept our conflicted hearts and give us the courage to do things differently.

**PASTOR'S PERSPECTIVE:**

It hardly seems possible that Monday is the first day of August! Here are a few "summer suggestions" for these days of August.

1. *Invite a single friend over for a meal.*
2. *Turn off the television, telephone, and computer, and spend an hour devoted to someone you love.*
3. *Attend an extra Mass on a weekday each week during the summer.*
4. *Abstain from something you like—meat, a latte, a cold drink—on Fridays and donate the money to a charity.*
5. *Take your rosary with you for your early morning walk.*
6. *Think of a charity which is amply blessed at Christmas, and remember it with a gift mid-year.*
7. *Each day, say a prayer for one of the world's*
8. *trouble spots.*
8. *Surprise an old friend with a telephone call.*
9. *Purchase flowers for someone without a "reason".*
10. *Take your family to a farmer's market, if in season.*
11. *Stop for a moment during your busy day and enjoy an ice cream cone or another favorite treat.*
12. *If you hear a great homily, tell the homilist.*
13. *Splurge on some fresh produce and buy enough to share with someone in need.*
14. *On occasion, try turning your prayer before meals into a spontaneous prayer of thanks, using your own words.*
15. *See if you can go one day without complaining.*
16. *Send an unexpected thank you note for a favor.*
17. *If you see a neighbor in the yard, stop for a brief chat.*
18. *When standing in the checkout line, let someone with fewer items go before you.*

Have a great week and enjoy these days of August. Please continue to take care of yourself and each other  
Fr. L

**MASSES FOR THE WEEK****Monday, August 1-Weekday**

6:45 AM Deceased members of the Mills family—their family

**Tuesday, August 2-Weekday**

6:45 AM Faithful Departed

**Wednesday, August 3-Weekday**

6:45 AM George Gresock— 6:45 Mass friends

**Thursday, August 4-Weekday**

6:45 AM Phillip Amisano— his family

**Friday, August 5-Weekday**

6:45 AM Special Intention of Pauline Macapinlac—her family

**Saturday, August 6- Weekday**

5:00 PM John and Catherine Ciprich—their family

**Sunday, August 7-18th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

8:30 AM Ann Ponzi— Phil and family

10:30 AM Catherine Mandell—her family

**ON THE LIGHTER SIDE: Funny Church bloopers**

The sermon this morning: 'Jesus Walks on the Water.' The sermon tonight: 'Searching for Jesus.'

For those of you who have children and don't know it, we have a nursery downstairs.

Please place your donation in the envelope along with the deceased person you want remembered.

An elderly woman was mailing an old family Bible to her brother in another part of the country. When she put the heavy package on the counter, the postal clerk asked, "Is there anything breakable in here?" "Just the Ten Commandments," the lady replied.

**Matter of Perspective**

Three priests sat discussing the best positions for prayer while a telephone repairman worked nearby.

"Kneeling is definitely best," claimed one.

"No," another contended. "I get the best results standing with my hands outstretched to Heaven."

"You're both wrong," the third insisted. "The most effective prayer position is lying prostrate, face down on the floor."

The repairman could contain himself no longer. "Hey, fellas," he interrupted, "the best prayin' I ever did was hangin' upside down from a telephone pole."



## A Prayer Puzzle

Unscramble each of the following words related to prayer, using the clues given for each word. Answers will be in next week's bulletin

.A way of praying in which we use our thoughts, imagination, and emotions to get in touch with God. (BILNESGS)

A prayer in which we acknowledge God's greatness and tell him how much we appreciate all that He does for us. (MITTIODAEN)

A type of prayer in which we thank God. (SIRPEA)

A type of prayer in which we ask God for good things. (TINTOEPI)

A prayer that uses words to speak to God. (LOVCA)

Wordless prayer in which we listen for God's presence in our lives . (NANTOLPOTCEMI)

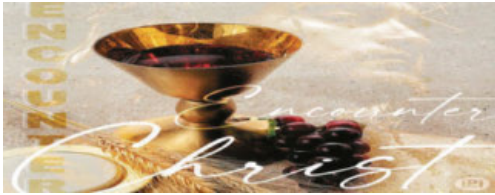
The Church's official, public, communal prayer. (LYGRUTI)

The Church's official prayer for certain times of the day. (RUYTGIL FO HTE RUSHO)

A type of prayer in which we pray on behalf of someone else. (COTSNSEENIR)

Forms of piety such as Eucharistic Adoration and the Stations of the Cross. (SIOTEDVON)

Prayers such as the Hail Mary or the Lord's Prayer that are standard prayer of our faith. (NIOTAIDRTLA)



### The Real Presence of Christ in the Eucharist:

#### You are what you eat:

Most of us remember from our child hood using this phrase in fun. However, this expression describes well our experience of Holy Communion. When we consume earthly food, it is absorbed into our system, digested, converted into energy or waste; our food becomes part of us. Yet when we receive Holy Communion, we become united with Jesus Christ so much that we truly become what we receive. Jesus became human so that we might become divine, and in the Eucharist, we truly gain a share in God's own life.

#### A Real Symbol:

We believe that the Holy Eucharist is both real AND a symbol. Of course we believe that Jesus Christ-God's own Son,-is *really and truly* present in the consecrated bread and wine. But this is also a *symbol*, pointing beyond our earthly experience towards a union with Christ that is impossible to explain this side of heaven. All sacraments are outward signs of an invisible grace, the working of God in our lives. This real symbol is an effective sign. This holy meal is truly a Communion with God.

### A PRAYER FOR UKRAINE

Our world is wrought with war and violence,

As brother turns on brother,

And the innocent awake to gunfire and bombs.

May Your compassion and healing

Move hearts and bring a new day to Ukraine.

Fortify your children to resist aggression

And instead become instruments of peace.

We ask this in the name of the One

Who is the Prince of Peace, Jesus Christ.

AMEN

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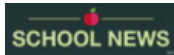
IN OUR PARISH:

CARING PROJECT

Our parish of St. Mary Our Mother continues to provide food for our needy neighbors. One thing that we don't often think about is the continuing need for diapers As a parish, we are asking you to help. Might you be able to bring diapers —any size, but especially size 4/5, and any adult size diapers to the Church vestibule and place them in the food cart. All donations are very much appreciated.

Caring for God's Creation

The average U.S. worker uses about 500 throw-away cups per year. Please take a reusable cup and try to avoid foam cups. Coffee shops are often willing to fill your reusable cup rather than using a throw-away cup. "Many things have to change course, but it is we human beings above all who need to change."



ST. MARY OUR MOTHER PARISH SCHOOL:

Registrations for St. Mary Our Mother School are being accepted for 2022-23 school year. Openings will be filled on a first-come, first-serve basis. Parents or guardians who are new to St. Mary Our Mother School will need: to provide a birth certificate, baptismal certificate, immunization records for the student and a completed parish commitment form verifying parish membership.

IN OUR REGION:



HORSEHEADS FOOD PANTRY:

Non-perishable food and grocery items are being collected for the Horseheads Food Pantry this month. The Horseheads Food Pantry is in need of all food items. For your convenience, please place all donations in the cart located across from the bulletin board.

If it is inconvenient to make a food donation, you may make a monetary donation. Please make checks payable to the Horseheads Food Pantry and place in the collection. Thank you for your generosity!



The American Red Cross is urging donors who are healthy and feeling well to make an appointment to give blood to maintain the blood supply for patients who rely on lifesaving transfusions. Blood donors are needed now to ensure hospitals have the blood needed to save lives.

"The heart of generosity is humility. Focus on your need to give, not their need to receive." Matthew Kelly

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