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ST. JOSEPH CHURCH

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JULY 18, 2021 • THE 16TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Calendar of Events

Canceled or postponed until further notice.

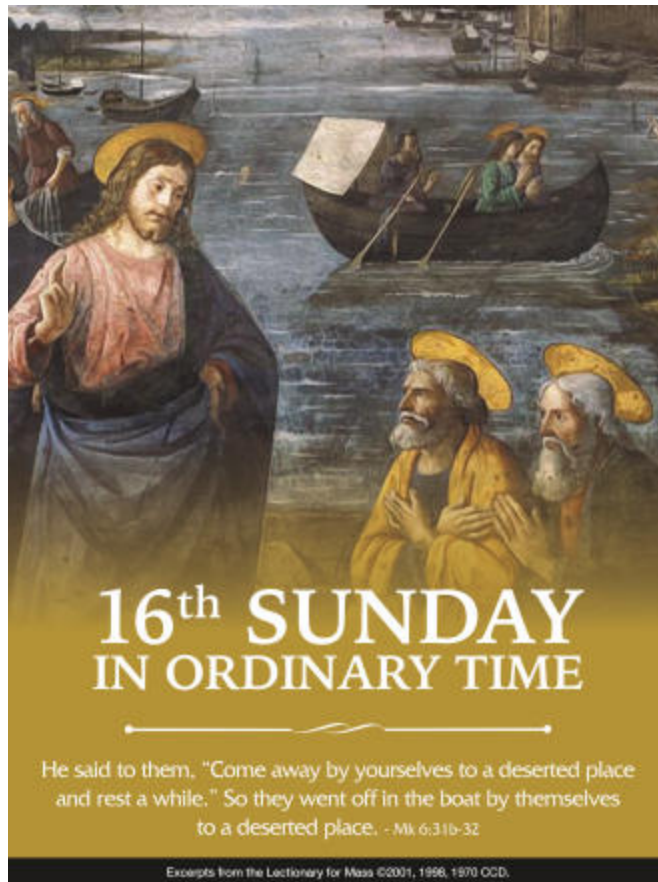


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Rev. Innocent Diala, Pastor
Deacon Wally Samick

MASS SCHEDULE

St. Joseph Church: Saturday 4:30 p.m. • Sunday 8:00 a.m. & 9:30 a.m.
Weekdays: 8:30 a.m.



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He said to them, "Come away by yourselves to a deserted place and rest a while." So they went off in the boat by themselves to a deserted place. - Mk 6:31b-32

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SICK CALLS: Anytime. Call the rectory as soon as possible.

CONFESSIONS: By appointment only.

RCIA: Please contact the rectory.

BAPTISMS: Upon request; pre-baptismal instruction is required. Please contact the rectory.

PRE-CANA: Classes can be scheduled by calling the rectory.


MARRIAGES: Arrangements should be made at least 6 months in advance at the rectory.

NEW PARISHIONERS: Please register at the rectory as soon as possible after you have moved into the Parish. Registration as a member of the parish requires the completion of an application available at the rectory.



When he disembarked and saw the vast crowd, his heart was moved with pity for them, for they were like sheep without a shepherd; and he began to teach them many things. - Mk 6:34

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The Sanctuary Candle burns this week for *All Parishioners.*

PRAYER REQUESTS

For all those serving in our **Armed Forces** here and around the world. For those who are suffering from pain and illness, especially: **Joan Cain, Leo Gassman, Frank Kusiowski Sr., Colt William Matz, Mark Smith, Mike Gernatt, Kiley Denea, Melissa Moulton Peglowski, Peter Johnson, Justin Regan, Beatrice and Donald Swanson, Sister Lucina Stang, Mary Vanderbosch, Mike Wesley, and Joe Cook.** For those who have died... **Deborah Brown, and Rev. Robert Yetter.**

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Jesus’ heart was moved to pity because the crowd was lost “like sheep without a shepherd.” Would you be the shepherd Jesus sends to lead His flock? Contact Fr. Dave Baker at 716-847-5535 to start the conversation or visit buffalovocations.org.

3500 CLUB

If you have a ticket for the Fall 2021 drawing and have not paid, please send your payment in as soon as possible.

SANCTUARY CANDLE

The Sanctuary Candle is kept lit to remind us of the presence of Christ in the Tabernacle. If you would like to reserve the candle for a special intention or to remember a loved one, please call the rectory at 532-5100. The cost is \$10/week.

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WEEKLY COLLECTION

Sunday, July 4, 2021

Offertory Envelopes.....	\$3772.00
Loose.....	\$1596.00
Maintenance/Repair	\$483.00
Mission Co-op.....	\$5.00
Total.....	\$5856.00

Sunday, July 11, 2021

Offertory Envelopes.....	\$3902.00
Loose.....	\$658.00
Maintenance/Repair	\$135.00
Communications.....	\$40.00
Mission Co-op.....	\$50.00
Peter’s Pence.....	\$296.00
Total.....	\$5081.00

EVERYDAY STEWARDSHIP


The Steward’s Work Is Never Done

Woe to the shepherds who mislead and scatter the flock! When you hear these strong words from the Old Testament, you’re probably thinking, thank goodness I don’t have any sheep — dodged that bullet. Nobody misled here! No flock scattered on my watch! However, we are all shepherds of a kind, called to tend our own sheep: our families, our parishes, our communities.

But it’s exhausting. Don’t we all sometimes just want to take a break from being a steward? The excuses are so familiar: we’re tired, we’ve done enough, we’ve given all we can, what more does the parish (or my spouse, or my kids, or my boss, or my friends, or my community) want? We give ourselves permission to be selfish. So, what if the flock scatters just a little?

Jesus gets that. We can just imagine him weary with exhaustion, can’t we? We see him on his boat, attempting to sneak away for a quick break — maybe just a chance to eat a bite of food in peace. He is God, but he was still human, after all. Even the most dedicated shepherds need to sleep. But people couldn’t leave him alone. They were hungry for him. They needed what he could offer, and they needed it now.

As tough as it is, that’s the example we are tasked with imitating. Everyday Stewardship demands accountability. It demands our showing up even when we are tired. It demands that we look at our lives, our time, our energies, our talents, our hearts, our bank accounts and think: where do I still have more to give? — *Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS*



**KNIGHTS
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The Msgr. David Gernatt Council #15113 of the **Knights of Columbus** meet regularly on the 3rd Monday of every month at 7:00 p.m. in the church basement. Join the Knights every 3rd Monday of the month at 7:00 p.m. to pray the Rosary and attend the business meeting. The Knights of Columbus is dedicated to the principles of **Charity, Unity, Fraternity, and Patriotism**, and it is the world’s largest “Catholic Fraternal Service Organization.”

If you would like to become a member, please call Dave Wiens - 432-0970 or Frank Kusiowski - 532-5397.

WILL ALL PARISHES BE AFFECTED BY THE RENEWAL?

Every parish has gifts and talents to offer. Each parish will be participating in the Renewal and will be part of a family of parishes. Since all of us are part of the Roman Catholic Church, this is an opportunity to recognize the larger church at work. When we work together, we not only share in a common mission but we make up the larger Body of Christ.

MISSION COOPERATIVE DRIVE

Jesus our Lord and Master charged each and every one of us Christians to be evangelizers: "Go out to the whole world and make disciples of all the nations." No one is exempt from this mission. That is precisely why some are missionaries by going to the Mission lands; others have become missionaries by giving to the Mission. Thank you for your fidelity to giving to the Missions. Please save the date: On the weekend of **24th and 25th of July 2021**, there will be Mission Cooperative Collection for a foreign Mission that truly needs our help and support. The missionary priest will be coming to speak to us on that weekend; and collection will be taken at the end of the Masses. Parishes are doing the same thing for me, when I go to them to ask for help for my Nigerian people. I will be going to three parishes this year, between June and August. So please; extend the same generosity to whoever is coming. Thank you my Dear Parishioners for the anticipated support of the priest and his Mission.

Father Innocent

UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT FOR THE WESTERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK

In re The Diocese of Buffalo N.Y.

Case No. 20-10322

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE THAT, On February 28, 2020, The Diocese of Buffalo N.Y., ("Diocese") filed for protection under chapter 11 of title 11 of the United States Code (the "Bankruptcy Code").

The Bankruptcy Court has established August 14, 2021 at 11:59 p.m. (prevailing Eastern time) as the deadline to file proofs of claim against the Diocese (the "Bar Date").

If you have a claim against the Diocese, including, without limitation, a claim related to sexual abuse committed by any person connected with the Diocese, you must file a claim on or before the Bar Date.

Please visit <https://case.stretto.com/diocesefofbuffalo> or call (855)292-7696 for more information on how to file your proof of claim.

IF YOU DO NOT TIMELY FILE A PROOF OF CLAIM, YOU MAY FORFEIT YOUR RIGHT TO VOTE ON ANY PLAN OF REORGANIZATION AND TO SHARE IN ANY DISTRIBUTIONS TO CREDITORS IN CONNECTION WITH THE DIOCESE'S CHAPTER 11 CASE.

GOSPEL MEDITATIONS



16th Sunday in Ordinary Time

There's an ordinary pine grove located on a tree farm not too far from town where life's stresses and demands seem to melt away. It is here that all that seemed so important out there no longer is and one can get lost in the rows of trees and majestic beauty. God is here and all is good. We need to connect with the Divine Source of all that is in order to understand what it is we are doing and why we are doing it. Otherwise, things stop making sense and bitterness can overcome one's spirit. It's okay to play once in a while and to discover that place of profound life and peace. People always have needs and there is constantly something to do. And while all of that is necessary and we are needed, there is also that inner solitude within that needs to be celebrated and released.

We all need a pine grove. It's that little place we can go and leave all that consumes us behind. It's a place where technology can be set aside and wonder, and awe given some time. We don't have to text, calculate, or orchestrate anything in the pine grove. It is a somewhat deserted place where all of that can be set aside and we can just be. The anger, frustration, exhaustion, discouragement, helplessness, and occasional apathy, all can fall to the ground like all of those pine needles that once held their place on the branch of a Frasier Fir. The needles can let go. We can let go. We are beings connected with Being and we all need to remember what really matters, who really matters and what life is truly all about. We need to find that place where we can rest and let go of all of the barnacles we accumulate. Rest, breathe, seek, and love.

The world will need us again when we leave the pine grove. It will all be waiting for us, beckoning for our attention. But we will have prayed and will have marveled at the silence and the beauty of goodness. We can go back, ready, and eager to listen, to help, to heal, to cry, to embrace, and attend to all that is asked of us. But, having let go of the distractions in that deserted place we will have a renewed sense of purpose. We will know better Who it is we serve and what we are meant to do. It will all be clearer now that we have been Divinely touched and refreshed. ©LPi

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT ON FIRST FRIDAYS



Adoration of our Lord will begin again at St. Joseph Church on **August 6, 2021 from 9 am to 12 noon**. It is a privilege to spend time with our Lord in the presence of the Eucharist. Please come and spend an hour or just few minutes with Jesus. This time can unleash God's grace in our lives and bring us closer to Him.



Mass Intentions for the Week

Saturday, July 17

4:30 p.m. Tom Peglowski † by Pat Rebmann and Family

Sunday, July 18—Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 a.m. Joe Filipiak † by Bill and Karen

9:30 a.m. John and Lillian Sharkey † by Estate

11:15 a.m. St. Mary's—Cattaraugus

Monday, July 19

8:30 a.m. All Souls †

Tuesday, July 20

8:30 a.m. For the Special Intentions of Anthony Revello by the Purdy Family

Wednesday, July 21

8:30 a.m. Deacon Fred Johnson † by Family

Thursday, July 22—Saint Mary Magdalene

8:30 a.m. For the Parishioners

Friday, July 23

8:30 a.m. Deceased Members of the Holocinski Family † by Dorothy Holocinski

Saturday, July 24

4:30 p.m. William Hojnacki † by the Purdy Family

Sunday, July 25—Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 a.m. John and Lillian Sharkey † by Estate

9:30 a.m. Tom Peglowski † by Darryl and Darlene Mammoser

11:15 a.m. St. Mary's—Cattaraugus

Please remember that all Masses are subject to change.

MINISTRY SCHEDULE

July 24/25

4:30 PM

Altar Server: Braylynn Orth

Lector: Donna Tharnish

8:00 AM

Altar Server: Any Available Server

Lector: Kevin Regan

9:30 AM

Altar Server: Hayley Stang

Lector: Wendy Samick

Please call a substitute if you are unable to serve

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- New Registration
- Change of Address
- Want Envelopes
- Other _____

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