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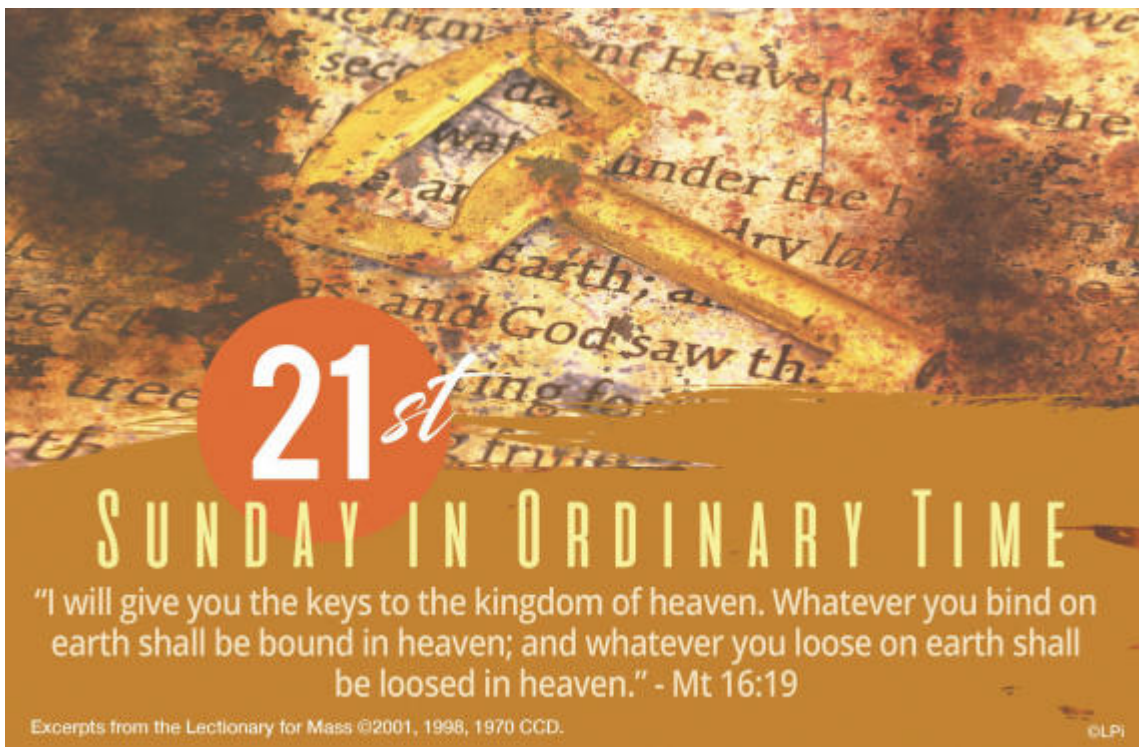
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*August 23, 2020*



**MASS SCHEDULE**

**Saturday Evening: 5:00 PM**  
**Sunday Morning: 8:00 AM & 10:30 AM**  
**Holy Days and Holidays: 8:00 AM; Vigil: 6:30 PM**

**SAT, AUG 22** **QUEENSHIP OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY**  
5:00 PM Father John Lucas † (Pat Billingsley)  
**SUN, AUG 23** **TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**  
8:00 AM Charlene Prince † (Samaritans of Conneaut Lake)  
10:30 AM Ed & Helen Pieszak 70th Wedding Anniversary

**MON, AUG 24** **SAINT BARTHOLOMEW**  
NO MASS  
**TUE, AUG 25** **SAINTS LOUIS AND JOSEPH CALASANZ**  
NO MASS  
**WED, AUG 26** **WEEKDAY**  
NO MASS  
**THU, AUG 27** **SAINT MONICA**  
NO MASS  
**FRI, AUG 28** **SAINT AUGUSTINE**  
Parishioners  
**SAT, AUG 29** **PASSION OF ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST**  
5:00 PM Joseph R. Staahl † (Bill and Paula Greco)  
**SUN, AUG 30** **TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**  
8:00 AM Joseph R. Staahl † (Cheryl & Rocco Garnet)  
10:30 AM Vivian Trautmann (Robert Trautmann and Family)

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**RECONCILIATION**

By request only until further notice (814-382-7252)



Please phone the Church Office if you have family members in the hospital, or who are seriously ill, or elderly, and are confined to their homes. It is important that all of our sick be anointed by a priest, on a regular basis. I am always available to anoint our sick

**SACRAMENTS OF MARRIAGE & BAPTISM**

Call Parish Office for information.

**PARISH MEMBERSHIP**


Call the Parish office for information (form on back of bulletin)

**ADULT CHRISTIAN FORMATION**

Individuals interested in learning about the Catholic Church and/or becoming Catholic, please contact the Parish office. Inquiries welcomed at any time.

**SISTER PARISH**

St. Anthony of Padua, Tekit, Yucatan, Mexico; St. Isidore, Ochil; Our Lady of the Assumption, Mama; St. John the Baptist, Sabacche



Please remember those who are sick and suffering, especially those who are in the hospital. We pray that they may be restored to health through the grace of God. We also pray for our elderly parishioners who are homebound and in nursing care facilities. May our prayers give them courage and strength.

Call 814-382-8765 with your prayer requests.



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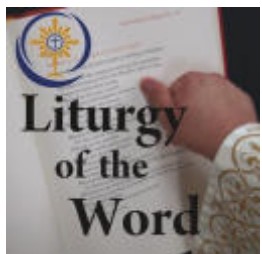
SAT, Aug 22	5PM Public Mass in <b>HALL ONLY</b> — 60 people limit
SUN, Aug 23	8:00 AM Public Mass in <b>HALL ONLY</b> — 60 people limit 10:30 AM Public Mass in <b>HALL ONLY</b> — 60 people limit
<b>F Y I</b>	At this time there will not be any scheduled events (meetings, etc) taking place at OLQA until further notice.



**Offertory, Aug 16 = \$2,238.00**

CSA	\$870
Back Packs	\$95
Samaritans	\$188
Latin America	\$315
Assumption	\$299
Cemetery	\$20

Sunday Readings 21st Sunday in Ordinary Time/August 23, 2020




**First Reading:**  
“I will place the key of the House of David on Eliakim’s shoulder; when he opens, no one shall shut when he shuts, no one shall open.” (Is 22:22)

**Psalms:**  
Lord, your love is eternal; do not forsake the work of your hands. (Ps 138)


**Second Reading:**  
Oh, the depth of the riches and wisdom and knowledge of God! How inscrutable are his judgments and how unsearchable his ways! (Rom 11:33)

**Gospel:**  
“And so I say to you, you are Peter, and upon this rock I will build my church, and the gates of the netherworld shall not prevail against it.” (Mt 16:18)



Not available at time of printing

The **2021 book for scheduling masses** is now available for you to request a mass for loved ones or a special occasion.



In order to allow everyone to schedule a weekend mass, only 3 weekend masses are allowed per family. Thank you for your cooperation and consideration.

**PLEASE NOTE** that during this unusual time, even though there are no public weekday masses being celebrated, Father David is saying daily mass for those intentions that have been scheduled.

**WHAT DO I BELIEVE ABOUT MY LIFE?**

**Nothing really matters, Random**  
What’s my road manual?

- What I do with my body doesn’t really matter. It’s incidental
- Love is whatever makes me feel good, and satisfies my needs.
- Suffering is meaningless

**Everything matters, Intentional**  
What’s my road manual?

- What I do with my body matters, because I’m not something to be used—but someone to be loved.
- Love is a choice, not just a feeling. It’s choosing the good of the other.
- Jesus enters into my suffering with me and for me, and can transform it if I let him.

*From an interview with Dr. Edward Sri (IMPRINT; a publication of the Sisters of Life/Summer 2020)*

(to be continued)

PLEASE REMEMBER YOU ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR FINDING YOUR OWN REPLACEMENT						
AUGUST		ALTAR SERVERS	LECTORS	EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS	USHERS	GREETERS
SAT	5:00 PM	See below	D Haylett M B Jacots	See below	B Greco P Greco	
SUN	8:00 AM	See below	P Hilton M Hornfeck	See below	G English J Treacy	
SUN	10:30 AM	See below	G Ellis B Zello	See below	D Perfett S Uzelac	
OFFERING COUNTERS		Aug 2 L Helch J Smock	Aug 9 K Ittel J Elwell	Aug 16 M Staahl J Elwell	Aug 23 P Hilton R Bullock	Aug 30 L Helch J Smock

Birthday Blessings

Aug 23: Michael Kiser, Lewis Walker  
 Aug 27: Christopher Gorman, Thomas Kratzenberg, Renee Peterson  
 Aug 28: Michael Kline, Frank Pelly, Jr., Joseph Sullivan, Hannah Wetzel  
 Aug 29: Erin Gorman, Breann Helch

Anniversary Blessings

Aug 24: Robert & Betty Harrison (63)  
 Aug 25: Joseph & Beverly Zello (16)  
 Aug 27: Robert & Sandra Bazylak (49)

*If you find an error in any of these listings, please call the office to update your records. Thank you*

**Please note the change to the ministry schedule...**  
 The Bishop has indicated that we are **not** to have extraordinary ministers distribute communion nor servers on the altar until further notice.

For more information, or an appointment contact  
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If anyone is interested in purchasing a Knights of Columbus Football Sweepstakes ticket at just \$10, please call Rocco at 814-382-6875

The Knights wish all the best to those starting, or returning to school this week. We offer a special prayer to College bound Brother Knights Domenic Ellis, Drew Jacobs, Matt Uzelac, Nick Temel and Zach Davis.

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GOSPEL MEDITATION August 23, 2020  
 21st Sunday in Ordinary Time


The only way to know God is to love God. Our minds will never fully grasp the mystery of God, but our hearts and souls can learn to love the mystery. Years ago, when life had a more innocent quality to it, we believed what we were told or witnessed, unless there was direct evidence otherwise. This was especially true if the information came from someone in authority. In a sense, we were a bit more gullible on one hand but also more trusting on the other. The latter is an admirable quality that sadly can be eroded when we realize we have been duped. With education and technological advances, we find ourselves more skeptical and less likely to too quickly accept and believe what we see and hear.

For all of the good that social media can do, it can also easily distort reality and truth. Photoshop and a myriad other technological truths can add to, fabricate, and make even the non-existent seem real. It is amazing. How far do we allow this obviously justifiable skepticism to take us? Questioning and doubting are healthy elements of any good relationship as long as we don't allow them to turn us away from a deeper experience of love and encounter. If we cannot get our minds around something or empirically justify or prove it, we tend to declare it a hoax, untrue, or unauthentic and walk away. The very same trust that can quickly be eroded is exactly what is essential for all of our relationships, especially our relationship with God. With all things and people that make a profound claim on us, we have to trust in the absence of knowledge. Full self-investment involves plunging completely into the unknown!

Simon Peter said to Jesus, "You are the Christ, the Son of the Living God." Peter came to this knowledge, which is not "head knowledge" because of the relationship he shared with Jesus and what God was able to reveal in and through that relationship. Peter simply "knew" because of love that this is who Jesus really is. The silent exchange of love between friends, and not an intellectual exercise of the mind, brought Peter to this place. When we stop and think about it, there are many things in life that we simply know but do not completely understand. When someone sacrifices their own well-being for another, it may not make intellectual sense when examined. But it makes a world of sense when it is carried out. The vastness of reality and an encounter with incomprehensible mystery all lead us to profound silence where we simply know something to be true. Have you trusted enough to allow your relationship with God to bring you to this place or are you still too skeptical?

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