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September 20, 2020

**25<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

**GENEROSITY**

**"When it was evening the owner of the vineyard said to his foreman, 'Summon the laborers and give them their pay, beginning with the last and ending with the first.'" - Mt 20:8**



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**MASS SCHEDULE**

Saturday Evening: 5:00 PM  
Sunday Morning: 8:00 AM & 10:30 AM

**WEEKDAY Schedule: Monday—Friday**

Monday, 12 Noon  
Tuesday, 8 a.m.  
Wednesday, 6 p.m.  
Thursday, 8 a.m.  
Friday, 12 Noon

**Remember, we can only accommodate 20 persons at Daily Mass in the Church. Side Door to the Church will be open one-half hour, prior to the mass. Masks must be worn**

<b>SAT, SEPT 19</b> 5:00 PM	<b>SAINT JANUARIUS</b> Douglas & Jonathan Julian † (Dave & Vicki White, Sr)
<b>SUN, SEPT 20</b> 8:00 AM 10:30 AM	<b>TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME</b> Caroline Slater † (Daughter) Joe & Shirley Arnett 62nd Wedding Anniversary
<b>MON, SEPT 21</b> <b>12:00 Noon</b>	<b>SAINT MATTHEW</b> Diane Suriano † (M/M Rodney Stephan)
<b>TUE, SEPT 22</b> <b>8:00 AM</b>	<b>WEEKDAY</b> Parishioners
<b>WED, SEPT 23</b> <b>6:00 PM</b>	<b>SAINT PIUS OF PIETRELCINA</b> Albert & Anna Collins † (Earl & Marlene Gross)
<b>THU, SEPT 24</b> <b>8:00 AM</b>	<b>WEEKDAY</b> Joseph R. Staahl † (300 Club)
<b>FRI, SEPT 25</b> <b>12:00 Noon</b>	<b>WEEKDAY</b> Doris Carter †
<b>SAT, SEPT 26</b> 5:00 PM	<b>SAINTS COSMOS &amp; DAMIAN</b> Rose Roehn † (Pat Gilfoyle)
<b>SUN, AUG 27</b> 8:00 AM 10:30 AM	<b>TWENTY-SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME</b> Joseph R. Staahl † (Dan & Dolly Werner) Diane Suriano † (Knights of Columbus)

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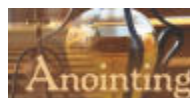
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**PARISH OFFICE HOURS**  
Monday-Thursday 9AM—3PM  
**CLOSED FRIDAY**

**BULLETIN DEADLINE**  
BY 3:00 PM, Monday

**RECONCILIATION**

By request only until further notice



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.




*Forward Together . . .  
Doing the work of Christ"*



SUN, Sept 20	Second Collection Today 9AM—12 Noon Pick up Faith Formation materials
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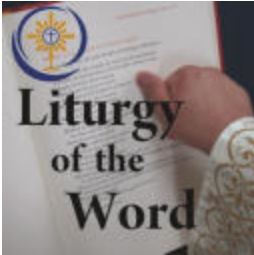
**Offertory Sept 6 = \$3,027.00  
Sept 13 = \$2,223.00**



CSA	\$505
Back Packs	\$145
Samaritans	\$160
Catholic Education	\$10

**25th Sunday in Ordinary Time/  
September 20, 2020**


**First Reading:**  
As high as the heavens are above the earth, so high are my ways above your ways and my thoughts above your thoughts. (Is 55:9)



**Psalm:**  
The Lord is near to all who call upon him. (Ps 145)


**Second Reading:**  
Brothers and sisters: Christ will be magnified in my body, whether by life or by death. (Phil 1:20c)

**Gospel:**  
‘Take what is yours and go. What if I wish to give this last one the same as you? Or am I not free to do as I wish with my own money? Are you envious because I am generous?’ Thus, the last will be first, and the first will be last.” (Mt 20:14-16a)

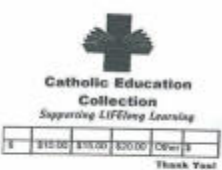


MARY DONEGAN, #111, was the lucky winner of week #5 of our “300 Club” for \$100. Congratulations, Mary!

Sunday, September 20  
**CATHOLIC EDUCATION COLLECTION**



**Half of the money collected from the Catholic Education Collection, which will be taken up Sept. 19-20, will remain in our parish.** There are two ways parishioners can contribute to this collection. They can either return their offertory envelope and gift directly to their parish, or they can choose to make their gift online at [www.ErieRCD.org/Catholic-Education-Collection.html](http://www.ErieRCD.org/Catholic-Education-Collection.html). When making an online gift, donors will be prompted to indicate their parish name. The Catholic Foundation of Northwest Pennsylvania and the Diocese of Erie’s Finance Office will track online gifts and send checks to parishes by year’s end.



**300 Club NEWS**



Because we were unable to have the Annual 300 Club Banquet this year, additional drawings have been added and checks were mailed to the winners on September 10th.

Contact Roberta Bullock,  
814-382-8059  
to purchase your winning number



The following numbers are still available for purchase @ \$100 each  
003, 034, 053, 074, 076, 095, 096, 106, 109, 123, 125, 166, 191, 201, 210, 225, 233, 234, 238, 245, 257, 272, 285

**Thank you for your continued support.**

**PLEASE REMEMBER YOU ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR FINDING YOUR OWN REPLACEMENT**

SEPTEMBER		ALTAR SERVERS	LECTORS	EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS	USHERS	GREETERS
SAT	5:00 PM		C.Waldron J Waldron		Dr. Bazylak J Haylett	
SUN	8:00 AM		S Treacy D Vernesoni		R Bullock H. Lewis	
SUN	10:30 AM		P Simonetta K Slywczak		T Bost V Leap	
OFFERING COUNTERS		Sept 6 P Hilton R Bullock	Sept 13 M Staahl J Smock	Sept 20 K Ittel J Elwell	Sept 27 J Smock J Elwell	

**Birthday Blessings**

Sept 20: Elizabeth Gero, Thomas Kratzenberg, Geoffrey Vorisek  
 Sept 21: Kevin Haylett  
 Sept 22: Rebecca Novosel, Marlane Smith  
 Sept 23: Sophia Kline, Debra Malliard  
 Sept 24: Patricia Baer, William Darke, Elisha White  
 Sept 25: Edward Erford

**Anniversary Blessings**

Sept 20: Joe & Shirley Arnett (62)  
 Daniel & Linda Bazylak (45)  
 Sept 25: Joseph & Shelia Ledford (27)  
 Robert & Tara Helch (21)  
 Mark & Nancy Elder (33)  
 Howard & Rosanne Heil (21)



For more information, or an appointment contact  
**Amanda Sovisky**  
 olqaeducation@zoominternet.net ; 814-382-7252




We are asking that families pick up their child(rens) materials from the Religious Education foyer on September 20th from 9:00am- Noon.


If you are unable to pick up the materials on either of these days, please email us at [olqaeducation@zoominternet.net](mailto:olqaeducation@zoominternet.net) so that we can make arrangements for you.

Please know that while we will not be able to meet with your child each week, we are still available and willing to help you in any way that we can. While this is certainly not the way that we had hoped to start the year, we are hoping that it will be the most effective way to keep everyone safe and ensure that your child is still receiving the proper education in their faith.

Yours in Christ,  
 Amanda and Tom Sovisky, Co- Administrators of Religious Formation  
 Father David Carter, Pastor Our Lady Queen of the Americas

 **Readings for the Week** <<http://www.usccb.org/bible/books-of-the-bible>>

**THANK YOU:** This bulletin is furnished to the Parish without Charge. The advertisements that appear completely defray all publishing costs to OLQA. Please patronize these sponsors as a thank you for their kind generosity

**September 20, 2020, 25th Sunday in Ordinary Time** 


If I work for five hours, I expect to get paid for five hours. If I work for two, I expect to get paid for two. What if we worked for a company that paid everyone the same amount regardless of how long they worked? How would we feel going home with the same pay for working eight hours as my co-worker did for working only two hours? Secular wisdom would have a huge problem with this and a visit to the Labor Board would quickly pursue. But this is God's wisdom and God's ways.

We sometimes think that if we pray more, better, or more fervently and go over and above with the practice of our faith, God will somehow reward us and present us with some kind of merit badge. We are so wrong. Spiritual practices have only one true purpose: to deepen our love for God. In deepening our love for God, we also increase our ability to see God's presence around us, living life more purposefully and contemplatively. What if God chooses to treat someone who has come on the scene of faith later in life the same as someone who has devoted their whole lives to it? Does it really matter? If we have the merit badge notion of faith, we can find ourselves feeling a little arrogant and even jealous of folks who have not followed the same path that we have. We can even see ourselves as the privileged few who have a corner on the faith and fully possess it.

That thinking doesn't square with God. God is all about mercy in abundance and is ready to take anyone to himself regardless of when they come. He is only happy that they have come home and delights in their return. After all, if you really and truly love someone, does it matter what they will give you in return or what you receive as a benefit? If relationships were assessed based upon productivity, they would lack authentic love. We invest too much self interest in our prayer and neglect to see it as an opportunity to pursue our Lover and deepen the intimate bond we have with God.

When we breathe our last, all that is of consequence is union with God. If my love for God is real, I am going to want to live the Gospel, abide by the commandments, practice my faith, forgive and love my neighbor, and care for the environment, regardless of how much time it takes or benefits me. We want God to think and behave as we do, and in doing so, we set ourselves up for disappointment. God has a totally different agenda and that's okay.

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*Please drop Membership Form into the offertory basket or mail to Rectory.*