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AUGUST 7, 2022

NINETEENTH SUNDAY IN

ORDINARY TIME

MASS SCHEDULE

Monday: 8:30 AM
Tuesday: 6:30 PM
Wednesday: 8:30 AM
Thursday: 8:30 AM
Friday: 8:30 AM
Saturday Vigil: 4:30 PM
Sunday: 8:00 AM, 10:00 AM*

*Children's Liturgy of the Word is offered
from September - May at this Mass.

BEREAVEMENT
CARE AND CONCERN
Call Karen Edwards at 827-2658.

PARISH MEMBERSHIP
New parishioners are always welcome!
Census forms are available at the
Parish Office. Please contact our
Administrative Assistant (ext. 2) in
the event of an address or phone
number change.

PRAYER CHAIN
To add a prayer concern to our list,
contact Helen Quimby at 814-827-1437
or Darlene Aul at 814-827-7343.

PARISH STAFF

Pastor.....Reverend Christopher M. Barnes
Deacon Assistant.....Deacon Kevin Harmon
Administrative Assistant.....Brenda Lytle
Religious Education Coordinator.....Kathleen Puleo
Music Ministers.....Anthony 'T.J.' Parks, Margaret Bernecky
Maintenance.....Greg Tress
St. Catharine's Cemetery.....Bob Beauchat

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

By appointment only.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturday from 3:30 PM - 4:00 PM or by arrangement.

SACRAMENT OF ANOINTING

Please let us know when a family member or friend is ill, either
at home, in the hospital, or at the nursing home.

SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE

Arrangements should be made six months prior to the ceremony.

RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION FOR ADULTS (R.C.I.A.)

If you are interested in R.C.I.A, please contact our pastor.

FAITH FORMATION

Religious instruction classes for youth take place at the Faith
Formation Center on Wednesday evenings from 6:30 PM to
7:45 PM. Contact the Rel. Ed. Coordinator (ext. 4) to register.

BULLETIN DEADLINE

Submissions for the bulletin must be dropped off at the Parish
Office or sent via e-mail no later than 9:00 AM on Tuesday.

MORE ON WALKING MEDITATION

There is a Zen tradition called “walking meditation” which invites us to do exactly what we do all the time: walk! But now we are invited to walk with awareness, slowly, mindfully. Not walking in order to hurry from here to there, but walking for its own sake and to be purely in the present moment, enjoying each step we take. If we transform our daily walks into a meditation, our feet will take each step with awareness. Our breathing and our stepping will be in harmony and our mind will be free to find peace and joy. And to cause peace and joy to flow through us to others. As far back as 1930, Romano Guardini, the great Catholic liturgist, also spoke of the sacramentality of walking: “Walking is the expression of essentially human nobility. The upright carriage of the who masters one’s self, who bears one’s self along calmly and quietly—that is a human privilege.” Walking upright means being a human.

But we are even more than just human. Scripture says that we are the “offspring of God, reborn of God to a new life.” Imagine! We should walk as though we remembered that Christ lives in us. His body dwells in our flesh; his blood circulates in our veins. For “they that eat my flesh and drink my blood, abide in me and I in them.” Guardini goes on to say “The knowledge of this mystery could find its expression in walking rightly, joyfully, with graceful and firm movement. It could be a profound fulfillment of the command: ‘Walk before me and be perfect.’”

We can transform our “daily constitutional” into walking meditation. Breathing and stepping in rhythm. Watching the firm, joyful steps we take. Walking in the faith that Christ is formed in us; that all that we do has become part of Christ’s life in us.

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ST. LAWRENCE

Question: On August 10 we celebrate the feast of St. Lawrence. Can you tell us a bit about him?

Answer: Little is known about Lawrence other than he was a deacon during the reign of Emperor Valerian from 253–259. In 258, Valerian began a persecution of the Roman Church. Lawrence was in charge of the purse for the Church of Rome. Roman officials demanded that the riches of the church be handed over to them. Lawrence asked for a few days to gather them.

Lawrence took the money he had charge over and distributed it to the poor of Rome. Then he gathered all the homeless and poor together. When the officials came again demanding the riches of the church, Lawrence pointed to the destitute and homeless, saying that these were the true riches of the church. For this he was imprisoned and tortured, and put to death by burning on a gridiron. It is said that as he was dying, he told his executioners to turn him over because he was done on one side and needed to be fully cooked for the Lord.

Lawrence continues to be a model for us today. The church needs continual reminders that its riches are the people. The primary purpose and mission of the church is to be continually sensitive to the needs of all God’s people, most especially the least of our brothers and sisters.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF AUGUST 7, 2022

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

Monday: Ez 1:2-5, 24-28c/Ps 148:1-2, 11-12, 13, 14/Mt 17:22-27

Tuesday: Ez 2:8—3:4/Ps 119:14, 24, 72, 103, 111, 131/Mt 18:1-5, 10, 12-14

Wednesday: 2 Cor 9:6-10/Ps 112:1-2, 5-6, 7-8, 9/Jn 12:24-26

Thursday: Ez 12:1-12/Ps 78:56-57, 58-59, 61-62/Mt 18:21—19:1

Friday: Ez 16:1-15, 60, 63 or 16:59-63/Is 12:2-3, 4bcd, 5-6/Mt 19:3-12

Saturday: Ez 18:1-10, 13b, 30-32/Ps 51:12-13, 14-15, 18-19/Mt 19:13-15

Next Sunday: Jer 38:4-6, 8-10/Ps 40:2, 3, 4, 18 [14b]/Heb 12:1-4/Lk 12:49-53

GOSPEL MEDITATION**August 7, 2022**

St. Thomas Aquinas reminds us that, “Three things are necessary for the salvation of man: to know what he ought to believe, to know what he ought to desire, and to know what he ought to do.” Everyone is called to work toward their salvation, which is ultimately union with God. Those who take this call seriously must embark upon a journey inward to the deepest recesses of their soul. In the adventure and wonder of that journey, we work out the details of our union with our Beloved. We cling to what we need to believe, remain firm in what we truly desire, and are guided by what we know we have to do. Once we know that our goal is to be one with our Creator, life becomes an exciting expedition to pursue that end. We make necessary preparations, follow the map, and remain on course.

Whenever we really want something, we put our entire selves into achieving it. Being fully invested in our labor, we willingly work extra hours, devote an abundance of energy and effort, and remain vigilant for beneficial opportunities that may come our way. We certainly do not passively sit by doing nothing! Such an attitude leads to laziness and the accomplishment of little. Worse yet, some look to others to do the work for them, hoping to reap the benefits of another’s efforts. Conscientiousness and diligence are the only means to success.

For the one who eagerly awaits the day when they can be fully with God, life becomes a joyous adventure indeed! Alert, ready, focused, convicted, and willing to be a servant they constantly watch and prepare themselves for meeting the Lord. Loving the journey and being in love with their Creator, their lives become joyful witnesses of love and service. They are secure in their hope, confident in their faith, and perfect in their love. Never looking for recognition or gratitude, they stand as gentle inspirations of what the Holy Spirit can do in the hearts of those who believe. Because we do not know what tomorrow will bring, we stand ready to be used as God wills and run eagerly toward Him when He comes. How much do we desire to experience the joy of salvation?

STUDY THE SUNDAY SCRIPTURE READINGS with Sr. Tina and Sr. Marian at the K of C (downstairs), 111 Petroleum St., Oil City, PA 10:00AM - 11:30AM Fridays, Aug. 19, Sept 2, Sept. 16 and Sept 30. All are welcome!

WEEKLY LITURGY SCHEDULE**Mon. Aug. 8 St. Dominic, Priest**

8:30 AM Martha & William Lynch

Tues. Aug. 9 Weekday

6:30 PM Charles Perkins-Anniversary (Dolores Logan)

Wed. Aug. 10 St. Lawrence, Deacon and Martyr

8:30 AM Jane Parres (Loretto Parres)

Thurs. Aug. 11 St. Clare, Virgin

8:30 AM Frances Schoppert

Fri. Aug. 12 Weekday

8:30 AM Bill Edwards (Loretto Parres)

Sat. Aug. 13 Weekday

4:30 PM Rose & Jim Host (Ron & Brenda Lytle)

Sun. Aug. 14 Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 AM Parishioners of St. Titus Church

10:00 AM Benjamin Wanker (Pat Crawford)

PRAYER LIST

For our Families and Friends: Pauline Millberger, Carreena Ewing, Teddy Muir, Nita Ashley, Brittany Johnson, Janet Anderson, Callie, Connie Phillips, Brother Timothy Waid, Pop DeMello, Paul Pennell, Rachel Knupp, Jean Spence, Gina Green, Todd Campbell, Ruth Goodwill, Clint, Clifford J. Kirvan, Jessica & Family, Rita Homer, Ricky Reed, Katelyn Dougherty, Ed Schneider, Colleen Hofmeister, Lori Crawford, Mary Haas, Donna Noel, Mary Anne Kopper, Frank & Cindy Ruppert, Maxine Gollehon, Tom Boyle, Ted Kubiak, Clifford Johnson, Bill See, Mary Perkins, Drake Fellows, Frank Tomaino, Charlotte Randall, Kyle Lukowich, Sherry Lynn Beach, Zach Thompson, Teresa F., Anna Bauer, Alex Kunz, Mike Wakefield, Jim Kocan, Linda Marsh, Sharon Wirkowski, Brud & Nancy Giffin, Lilly Bailey, Pat Maginnis, Loretto Parres, Bill & Robin Amore, Beth Davidson, Valerie Boyle, Bill Hensler, Bill Stumpf, Barb Gratkowski, Patrick J. Hynes, Jr., Nancy Prenatt, Patrick Cartney, II, Mandy Hanely, Marian Adelman, Sara Master, Harriett Morris, Pat Schneider, Lucille Brown, Mary Hall, Kate Donovan, Randy Bernecky, Bill Fitzgerald, Kathy Watson, Sandy Hepler, Carolyn Bienio, Marie Nikonchik, Sandy Madden

Please call the Parish Office to add or remove anyone from the prayer list.

For our Servicemen and Servicewomen: Brock Benedict, James Moyer, Derek Baldwin, Andrew Baldwin, Casey Bargar, Destiny Nicol, Christopher Macko, Robert Macko, Mathew Longiotti, Luke English, Cory Bemis, Kayla Barrett, Dr. Joseph Shevchik, Travis Pearsall, Caden Mallory, Anna Bauer, Alex Kunz, Andy Ferguson, Michael Avallone, Matthew English, Kasey Sines, Tobin Schafer

Lord, hold our troops in Your loving hands. Protect them as they protect us. Bless them and their families for the selfless acts they perform for us in our time of need. Amen

PRAY FOR PRIESTS: Rev. Casimir Wozniak, Rev. Thomas Fialkowski, Rev. Guillermo Diaz, Rev. John Walsh, Rev. John Beal, Rev. Thomas Brown, Most Rev. Lawrence T. Persico

MAY SHE REST IN PEACE—The sympathy of the parish is extended to the Family of **Rose Huffman**, mother of Kim Oviatt. May her soul and all the souls of the faithful departed through the mercy of God rest in peace, and may He bless those who mourn her.

Ministry Schedule (August 13 & 14)

4:30 PM

Lector: William Adelman
Sacristan: Sarah Oviatt

8:00 AM

Lector: Carolyn Bienio
Sacristan: Karen Metzgar

10:00 AM

Lector: Bill Stumpf
Sacristan: Steve & Mary JamesOFFERTORY REPORT 7/23 & 7/24

Envelopes	\$ 2738.00
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Candles	\$ 67.00
National Needs	\$ 131.00
Peter's Pence	\$ 100.00
Vacation Make-up	\$ 120.00
Religious Education	\$ 20.00
Total	\$ 3415.00

A FAMILY PERSPECTIVE—In today's gospel a servant WAITED for the master to return. Waiting is a normal part of family life. We wait for a child's birth, then for small legs to catch up. Later we wait for teenagers to return home safely. Finally we wait alone anticipating a call or visit from an adult child. Waiting is sacred time, for even in the waiting we are connected.

PARENTING POINTERS—It's been a hot summer for most of us. Heat, politics, war, family squabbles, etc. can take a toll on our emotional and physical health. Why not take a break, aka a "home vacation." Take an evening, or maybe just an hour, to do something frivolous as a family this weekend.

MARRIAGE MOMENT—August 6 & 9 mark the bombing of Hiroshima and Nagasaki. These days Ukraine continues to be bombed. Some bombs blast property and health. But in marriage, sometimes the "bombs" can be emotional. Are there any crude comments you'd like to stop?

CONGRATULATIONS AND BEST WISHES to **Marissa Hanely** and **William Gale** who were married last Saturday, July 30th at St. Titus Church. We wish you a long and blessed life together!


Are you aware of trafficking in your state? Do you know your state laws that protect victims? Invite a member of your state legislature to talk about laws or a state patrolman to share his/her experiences with trafficking. **U.S. Catholic Sisters Against Human Trafficking** is a 501 c (3) organization, 2039 N Geyer Road, St. Louis, MO 63131 (sistersagainsttrafficking.org)

FLIGHT 93 MEMORIAL & QUECREEK MINE DAY TRIP—Join Tidioute Family and Friends for a Day Trip to the Flight 93 Memorial and Quecreek Mine on Saturday, **October 15, 2022** by RS Tours & Travel. Departure time is 5:30AM from St. John's Church, 25 1st St., Tidioute, PA. Return time approximately 10:00PM. Please contact Linda Scott at 814-730-2555 or email scottie23@verizon.net. **Check the poster on the Bulletin Board in the Gathering space for more details.**

Win a Corvette Stingray Coupe 1LT in the Annual Charity car raffle sponsored by St. Jude the Apostle Parish in Erie. Only 3,000 tickets will be sold. The raffle benefits the parish food pantry, Catholic Education, and the St. Jude Cares initiative. For details and to purchase tickets and/or download a ticket order form, go to www.winavette.com.


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