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SEPTEMBER 12TH, 2021

Liturgy Schedule

At St. Elizabeth

Liturgy Schedule

At St. Joseph

Saturday, Sept. 11th

3:30-4:15 pm Confessions
5:00 pm +Msgr. Richard Stack

Sunday, Sept.. 12th

8:45 am Recitation of the Rosary
9:30 am For the People

Monday, Sept. 13th

7:00 am Adoration
8:00 am For the salvation of those who die by
suicide in the month of Sept.

Tuesday, Sept. 14th

7:00 am Adoration
8:00 am +Paul Hergenrother
By his Family

Thursday, Sept. 16th

7:00 pm Intention of the Donor

Friday, Sept. 17th

11:00 am Adoration
12:10 pm Intention of the Donor

Saturday, Sept. 18th

3:30-4:15 pm Confessions
5:00 pm For the People

Sunday, Sept. 19th

8:45 am Recitation of the Rosary
9:30 am The William Good Family
By Shirley Good

Sunday, Sept. 12th

8:00 am Living & Deceased Members of the
Sokoloski Family
By Mary Ann Schafer

Sunday, Sept. 19th

8:00 am Holly Hamilton
By the St. Joseph Rosary Society

Lector Schedule

Sept. 12th: Tony

Sept. 26th: Dave

Sept. 19th: Mary

Oct. 3rd: Pat

PLEASE REMEMBER IN PRAYER:

A Special Intention, Special Intention, Rita Bidwell, Shelly Maybury, Jack & Janine Sokoloski, Dylan Lunder, Special Intention, Patti Price, CaitylInn Bankovich, Elijah Waite, Penny Duncan, Malvina Weakland, Special Intention, Anonymous, Holly Hamilton, Jeff Buzard, Tammy Peterson
Help us keep the Prayer List current. If the person no longer needs to be on our list, please let the office know.

St. Joseph's Candles for the Month of September



Infant of Prague

In Loving Memory of
Isadore & Mary Ann Quagliani
By Sharon & Scott Morgan



Sanctuary Light

In Loving Memory of
Carl J. Kaye
By Carole Cook

Ministry Schedule

<u>Date</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Lector</u>	<u>Altar Serv- er</u>
Sat. Sept. 11th	5:00 pm	Paul Costa	Ava & Vin
Sun. Sept. 12th	9:30 am	Tom Kreiner	Sabrina T.
Sat. Sept. 18th	5:00 pm	Ray Learn	Isabella L.
Sun. Sept. 19th	9:30 am	Mary Palmer	John A.



SPIRITUAL COMMUNION PRAYER

My Jesus, I believe that you are present in the Most Holy Sacrament. I love you above all things, and I desire to receive you into my soul. Since I cannot receive you at this moment sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace you as if you were already there and unite myself wholly to you. Never permit me to be separated from you. Amen.

The Holy Father's Prayer Intention **SEPTEMBER**

An Environmentally sustainable lifestyle

We pray that we all make courageous choices for a simple and environmentally sustainable lifestyle, rejoicing in our young people who are resolutely committed to this.



September

Birthdays & Anniversaries

Preston Alfieri

Richard Bickford

Chloe Costa

Tabatha Dart

Kevin Housler

Stacey Lunn

Doug Marrero

Judith McKean

Mike Morris

Marcie Murphy

Kathy Norris

Tina Rumcik

Michael & Terri Dodge

Mike & Geri Steele Mulvihill

Kevin & Lois Housler

Gerald & Marsha McKeirnan

John & Louise Pavlock

Michael & Kathleen Petruzzi

Jerry & Teresa Swartz

Sunday, Sep 12, 2021

TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

From generation to generation

Loving grandparenting is a special gift to those children who receive it. Some of us were raised by generous elders. Others recognize our grandparents as the folks who cherished us just for showing up—something our parents couldn't always manage to do! Nine-year-old Russell Capper first wrote President Nixon in 1969 with the idea of honoring grandparents with their own day. It would take another decade and another president, Jimmy Carter, to make Grandparents Day official on the Sunday after Labor Day. Reach across the generations today and close the gap of understanding by listening to each other's stories, dreams, and hopes.

TODAY'S READINGS: Isaiah 50:5-9a; James 2:14-18; Mark 8:27-35 (131). "See, the Lord GOD is my help; who will prove me wrong?"

Monday, Sep 13, 2021

MEMORIAL OF JOHN CHRYSOSTOM, BISHOP, DOCTOR OF THE CHURCH

Preach often—use words when necessary

Glossophobia—fear of public speaking—is one of the most common forms of anxiety, affecting a sizeable portion of the population. Saint John Chrysostom was not a sufferer. His name means "golden-mouthed"—and was he ever. Renowned as a preacher, his sermons could last up to two hours. (Think about that the next time your pastor runs a bit long!) Few of us are that eloquent as speakers, but all of us are called to be witnesses to our faith in words and deeds. There's no need to impress—let your actions speak for you. Never fear living your discipleship humbly and sharing what's in your heart. The truth always speaks volumes.

TODAY'S READINGS: 1 Timothy 2:1-8; Luke 7:1-10 (443). "Say the word and let my servant be healed."

Tuesday, Sep 14, 2021

FEAST OF THE EXALTATION OF THE HOLY CROSS

Lift high the cross

After ending Christian persecutions in 313, Constantine sent his mother, Helena, to the Holy Land where her team is said to have unearthed Christ's tomb. Here, the Church of the Holy Sepulchre was built. Excavations also reportedly unearthed the three crosses of Mount Calvary, the wood of the "True Cross" being the instrument of Jesus' Crucifixion and associated with miraculous healings. Whether it's the crucifix, the Jerusalem cross, Maltese cross, Celtic cross—or countless others—no other symbol represents Christian faith better. And so we pray: "We adore you, O Christ, and we praise you, because by your holy cross you have redeemed the world."

TODAY'S READINGS: Numbers 21:4b-9; Philippians 2:6-11; John 3:13-17 (638). "He humbled himself, becoming obedient to death, even death on a cross."

Wednesday, Sep 15, 2021

MEMORIAL OF OUR LADY OF SORROWS

She's with him

Being a strong companion or having great compassion is essential for discipleship. Mary had both. Notice the "com-" prefix of those qualities, which means "with." Under the title Our Lady of Sorrows, Mary is the first witness of the church and stood with Jesus through his pain and glory—his life, death, and Resurrection.

The church uses "sorrows" here not so that we would be sad and weighed down but to lift up what it means to really be "with" another person and to share deeply their joy and sorrow. Mary continues to stand alongside us. How do you experience Mary's companionship and compassion in your own life?

TODAY'S READINGS: 1 Timothy 3:14-16 (445); John 19:25-27 or Luke 2:33-35 (639). "Woman, behold, your son."

Thursday, Sep 16, 2021

MEMORIAL OF CORNELIUS, POPE, AND CYPRIAN, BISHOP, MARTYRS

The cost of discipleship can be high

Saints Cornelius and Cyprian were friends during the 200s, a period when Christians were persecuted by the Roman Empire. Today a number of countries continue to oppress, harass, and even kill Christians. There is pressure today, as there was in the era of the early martyrs, to deny the faith in order to survive. With Cornelius and Cyprian in mind, stand in solidarity with courageous Christians everywhere. Learn what their needs are and how the worldwide church can help.

TODAY'S READINGS: 1 Timothy 4:12-16; Luke 7:36-50 (446). "[Jesus] said to the woman, 'Your faith has saved you; go in peace.'"

Friday, Sep 17, 2021

MEMORIALS OF ROBERT BELLARMINE, BISHOP, DOCTOR OF THE CHURCH AND HILDEGARD OF BINGEN, VIRGIN, DOCTOR OF THE CHURCH

Listen to your doctors

Jesus' ministry was simple: He went from town to town telling people that they were loved. The mantle, picked up by the doctors of the church, including those we honor today, was to interpret Jesus' message for subsequent generations. Saint Robert Bellarmine's Catechism clarified the Catholic understanding of faith and reason, and Saint Hildegard of Bingen's songs, such as "O virtus sapientie," helped unlock the mysteries of Divine Love and the Trinity. The Good News is meant for you. Find a way to hear it.

TODAY'S READINGS: 1 Timothy 6:2c-12; Luke 8:1-3 (447).

"Jesus journeyed from one town and village to another, preaching and proclaiming the good news of the Kingdom of God."

Saturday, Sep 18, 2021

Take the lesson to heart

On the eve of Catechetical Sunday, it's good to reflect on our task of teaching the next generation matters of the Spirit. One comment heard too often when bad things happen is that "God must have a reason for doing this." Or, "It must be God's will." Looking at the biblical testimony, however, leads to the realization that most of the bad things that happen are not God's will at all but the work of sinful people. God says, "Feed the hungry" and children starve. God says, "Do not kill" and people murder. Let's teach our kids what's on God, and what's on us.

TODAY'S READINGS: 1 Timothy 6:13-16; Luke 8:4-15 (448).

"[T]he Devil comes and takes away the word from their hearts."

Offertory Report Sept. 5th

No report due to bulletin deadline

**A Family Perspective**

If commitment is the choice we make to give up other choices, then it is about “losing ourselves”. If we try to be independent from others by “saving ourselves”, we end up lonely and alone. Happiness is found in commitments. The gospel is true: We save our life by losing it!

The Helping Hands Gala benefit affiliates and agencies of Catholic Charities in the 13-county diocese, as well as all parishes and people of the diocese. This year’s event will be hosted in-person for a smaller number of people but will be livestreamed and is launching of our most exciting silent auction yet! Now everyone can bid on items prior to our Gala, and from home if you cannot attend. Mobile and online bidding is fun, active and completely secure! You can view and bid on our unique silent auction items by using your smartphone or tablet. All are invited to bid, whether at the event or from afar! Auction is open from October 1st - October 9th. To bid from home, make sure to register at <https://hhgala21.givesmart.com>.

Marriage Moment

Are you in a “mixed marriage”? Often this term has been used for Catholic/Non-Catholic marriages but it could mean mixed races, mixed classes, mixed ethnicities, or even mixed technology (PC vs MAC). How has your life been enriched by the difference your spouse brings?

Parenting Pointers

Twenty years ago, on [Sept. 11, 2001](#), terrorists attacked NYC and Washington DC. How old were you? If your children are old enough, share your experience of how you felt. Are there things that frighten them today? Remember that brave people in one of the 4 planes sacrificed their own lives to save unknown future victims.

Monday 6th:Quilt Guild
9am-3pm**Tuesday 7th:**Quilt Guild
7pm-9pm

Next weekend is the 2021 Catholic Education Collection. Please give generously. Without you, our faith formation and religious education programs would not be as successful as they are. Because of you, our many children and their families, both young and old, are led to greater faith. THANK YOU for your support.

Child Protection and Creating Safe Environments- Diocesan Child Protection Policies:

The Diocese of Erie, along with all other dioceses in the United States, has policies and procedures in place to address the national problem of child abuse and to aid in maintaining safe environments. The three main components of the Policy for the Protection of Children are: screening of all employees and volunteers who work with minors, training of all youth, parents, employees and volunteers, and reporting all suspected child abuse. The diocese is committed to promptly reporting any suspected child abuse directly to ChildLine or law enforcement. The diocese requires on-going screening and training of all personnel, paid or unpaid, who have regular contact with our children and youth under the age of 18. The diocese also requires yearly safe environment training of our children, youth and parents regarding touching-safety and safe environments. Visit <https://www.eriercd.org/childprotection/> to read the policy and learn what the diocese requires for all personnel who work with children and youth in parishes/schools/agencies.

As part of the *Re-memorizing Our Sunday Story* initiative, Bishop Lawrence Persico has released “a pastoral letter in pandemic.” Anchored in the story of the disciples on the road to Emmaus, one section of the letter looks at the challenges we’ve been facing during this time of pandemic. The bishop’s words invite us to consider how Christ has remained with us, even if, like the disciples who unknowingly met Christ, we didn’t always recognize him. Find the letter, as well as questions for reflection and discussion, at www.eriercd.org/SundayStory.html.

Sacramental Information

Baptism: parents & Godparents are asked to participate in a Preparation Program prior to scheduling a Baptism.

Matrimony: An appointment with the parish priest needs to be made at least six months prior to the wedding date. Before the wedding can be scheduled, Pre-Cana, Engagement encounter or NOVA is required.

Sick Calls, Anointing, Communion: Please call the parish office or use the form on the back of the bulletin. Moving? Please let us know.

RCIA (rite of Christian Initiation for Adults): Any individual seeking information on becoming Catholic or learning more about the Catholic Faith should call the parish office.

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