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SUNDAY BULLETIN FOR THE GREAT PARISH GROUPING

# Evangelion

*(Evan-JEL-yon, Greek, "the good news")*



"Pentecost," by Fray Juan Bautista Maino, 1615-20

HE is HERE! | June 5, 2022 | Pentecost Sunday

# Pentecost Sunday

## **FIRST READING—Acts of the Apostles 2:1-11**

When the time for Pentecost was fulfilled, they were all in one place together. And suddenly there came from the sky a noise like a strong driving wind, and it filled the entire house in which they were. Then there appeared to them tongues as of fire, which parted and came to rest on each one of them. And they were all filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in different tongues, as the Spirit enabled them to proclaim.

Now there were devout Jews from every nation under heaven staying in Jerusalem. At this sound, they gathered in a large crowd, but they were confused because each one heard them speaking in his own language. They were astounded, and in amazement they asked, “Are not all these people who are speaking Galileans? Then how does each of us hear them in his native language? We are Parthians, Medes, and Elamites, inhabitants of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the districts of Libya near Cyrene, as well as travelers from Rome, both Jews and converts to Judaism, Cretans and Arabs, yet we hear them speaking in our own tongues of the mighty acts of God.”

## **RESPONSORIAL PSALM—Psalms 97:1-2, 6-7, 9**

**R. Lord, send out your Spirit, and renew the face of the earth.**

Bless the LORD, O my soul! O LORD, my God, you are great indeed!

How manifold are your works, O LORD! the earth is full of your creatures;

**R. Lord, send out your Spirit, and renew the face of the earth.**

May the glory of the LORD endure forever; may the LORD be glad in his works!

Pleasing to him be my theme; I will be glad in the LORD.

**R. Lord, send out your Spirit, and renew the face of the earth.**

If you take away their breath, they perish and return to their dust. When you send forth your spirit, they are created, and you renew the face of the earth.

**R. Lord, send out your Spirit, and renew the face of the earth.**

## **SECOND READING—Romans 8:8-17**

Brothers and sisters:

Those who are in the flesh cannot please God. But you are not in the flesh; on the contrary, you are in the spirit, if only the Spirit of God dwells in you. Whoever does not have the Spirit of Christ does not belong to him. But if Christ is in you, although the body is dead because of sin, the spirit is alive because of righteousness. If the Spirit of the one who raised Jesus from the dead dwells in you, the one who raised Christ from the dead will give life to your mortal bodies also, through his Spirit that dwells in you. Consequently, brothers and sisters, we are not debtors to the flesh, to live according to the flesh. For if you live according to the flesh, you will die, but if by the Spirit you put to death the deeds of the body, you will live.

# Sunday, June 5, 2022

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## **SECOND READING—Romans 8:8-17**

For those who are led by the Spirit of God are sons of God. For you did not receive a spirit of slavery to fall back into fear, but you received a Spirit of adoption, through whom we cry, “Abba, Father!”

The Spirit himself bears witness with our spirit that we are children of God, and if children, then heirs, heirs of God and joint heirs with Christ, if only we suffer with him so that we may also be glorified with him.

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## **GOSPEL—John 14:15-16, 23b-26**

Jesus said to his disciples:

“If you love me, you will keep my commandments. And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Advocate to be with you always.

“Whoever loves me will keep my word, and my Father will love him, and we will come to him and make our dwelling with him. Those who do not love me do not keep my words; yet the word you hear is not mine but that of the Father who sent me.

“I have told you this while I am with you. The Advocate, the Holy Spirit whom the Father will send in my name, will teach you everything and remind you of all that I told you.”

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## **THE NICENE CREED**

I believe in one God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible.

I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ, the Only Begotten Son of God, born of the Father before all ages. God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father; through him all things were made. For us men and for our salvation he came down from heaven, and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin Mary, and became man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate, he suffered death and was buried, and rose again on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead and his kingdom will have no end. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is adored and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets.

I believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church. I confess one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

SAINT LUKE  
THE EVANGELIST



Parish Name Reveal...

# IT'S A SAINT!

A MESSAGE FROM FATHER JAY



On Saturday, May 28, 2022 Bishop Zubik issued a decree, effective July 1, 2022, declaring the *Extinctive Union* of the parishes of Good Samaritan, Saint John the Baptist, Saints John & Paul, and Our Lady of Peace, into the parish of **SAINT LUKE the EVANGELIST!**

What a blessing to finally know our new parish name, and to be able to move forward united under the banner of the author of the *Gospel of Luke* and *Acts of the Apostles*. The Bishop's letter reads:

"This has not been a simple task. Jesus never promised that it would be easy to carry his message of love and mercy to others. He was clear that sacrifice would be necessary. However, you are positioning your new parish for more effective ministry by tending to evangelization and mission, sharing resources, and allowing your clergy to focus on the spiritual work for which they were ordained. With your faith in Jesus and empowered by the Holy Spirit, I invite you to warmly welcome and serve each other as you become one parish family."

As we move closer to July 1, there will be much more information and many opportunities to learn about our new parish community and our patron saint. For now, see below a brief explanation of our parish logo and the meanings behind it.

### Saint Luke the Evangelist, pray for us!



**The Ox**

Priesthood  
Sacrifice  
Strength



**The Wings**

Evangelization  
Heaven-sent  
Swiftness



**The Circle**

Eucharist  
Holy  
Unity



**The Shield**

Faith  
Armor of God  
Protection

The four Gospel authors are traditionally represented by a different winged figure each: Matthew by a man, Mark by a lion, John by an eagle, and Luke by an ox. In addition to its inherent strength, nobility, and heart, THE OX was the apex sacrifice offered to God in the Old Testament. Luke's Gospel begins with the duties of Zechariah in the temple... representing Christ's sacrifice as well as his priesthood. The ox signifies that Christians should be prepared to sacrifice themselves in following Jesus. The ox is WINGED because Christ commanded us to spread the Good News of the Gospel to the ends of the earth. Since Luke's strength, courage, and power come from Jesus, He is here in the CIRCLE that represents the Eucharist, as well as Luke's saintly halo. Finally, the SHIELD of Faith represents the Armor of God, our protection.



FOR MORE INFO ABOUT SAINT LUKE, WATCH DR. JOHN BERGSMA ON EXPLORING CATHOLICISM!

# LIFE IN THE SPIRIT

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**O**n this Pentecost Sunday, the Spirit is contrasting life lived in the Spirit with life lived in the flesh. To be fair, living in the Spirit cannot mean giving up your bodily life just like living according to the flesh cannot mean giving up your spirit. Rather, this dynamic speaks to where our priorities are and what results from those priorities.

Life in the Spirit is a life that embraces God's Spirit living within. The Spirit dwells in you, and Christ dwells in you, by virtue of the sacraments. This indwelling of divinity is what led St. Catherine of Siena to claim that you can draw closer to the Lord through introspection. For a believer, God is not something out there to be found. Rather, he is someone to be discovered living within me. Recognizing this should change the way I live because whatever I do, God does with me, and wherever I go, God goes with me. It should also change my prayer because I am not trying to get God's attention or trick him into hearing me. Rather, prayer becomes the realization that the Lord lives within and is always paying attention to me even when I forget about him.

Life in the Spirit is a life that is not enslaved to bodily passions and desires. If the Spirit of the one who raised Jesus from the dead lives in you, then your body already contains resurrection power! You have the seed of the resurrection within you already.

We are not debtors to the flesh. We do not owe our allegiance or indulgence to any of our bodily desires and urges. Instead, we owe our allegiance to the Lord and Giver of Life who lives within us and will also give life to our mortal bodies after they have died.

Life in the Spirit is a life lived as children of God. Notice that the Spirit does not simply call us metaphorical children of an impersonal god. We can call God "Abba, Father," an intimate term of endearment. The eternal Creator of all that exists is my Daddy. God the Father is my Father. God the Son is my brother, which is a simpler way of saying we are "joint heirs with Christ." When my earthly dad eventually dies, I will be a joint heir of his estate along with my older sister and my younger brother. "Joint heirs" is a legal term for siblings. Jesus Christ is legally my brother. God the Holy Spirit is the one who leads us, bears witness to our divine adoption, and in fact brings about that adoption. He is the "Spirit of adoption" that makes it official, and living by the Spirit means embracing that reality.

This week, the Spirit is inspiring us—filling us with spirit—with some bold truths. He lives inside of us. He can transform our hearts as well as our physical bodies. He makes us actual, legal children of God. Is it any wonder the Apostles were so excited to share this good news? The wonder instead is why we often do not share it ourselves.



# LECTIO BREAKFAST CLUB

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**H**ow many times have you heard something like this: *If you want to hear God's voice, you have to find silence in your life.*

I've heard that phrase in homilies since I was a grade school student, but it was never really explained. Only recently in adulthood have I found a practical way to sit in silent prayer. What works best for me is a type of prayer called *Lectio Divina*.

The process is simple: Open your Bible to a small section of text—four or five sentences or so. Read the scripture two times to see what word or phrase stands out to you.

Once you pick a word or phrase that stands out to you, take a few minutes to ponder what that word or phrase means to you. Exhaust your mind of any thought that might be associated with what stands out to you.

Then, clear your mind with some deep breathing. Ask the Holy Spirit to enter your mind and heart. Listen for any thoughts that come to mind which sound peaceful, encouraging, or challenging. If a thought comes to mind that is not from you, that *might be God*.

We will be practicing Lectio Divina after **Thursday daily 9AM Masses this summer in the pavilion at Saints John & Paul**. Join us to learn how to hear God's voice in silence this summer. Breakfast will provided! 

# THE SOURCE AND SUMMIT

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## WE ARE AT WAR

Understand that there is a war and you are in it. Many are fighting disparately every day in some horrible battles. Some are winning but too many are coming out on the wrong end. You may not be called to join the Marines and go fight in Afghanistan or Ukraine. You're being called to enlist in a much greater force... A heavenly army.

*"For our struggle is not with flesh and blood but with the principalities, with the powers, with the world rulers of this present darkness, with the evil spirits in the heavens."  
(Ephesians 6:12)*

This battle is being fought everywhere in our lives. Everywhere we turn around the evil one, the world, and our own concupiscence are on the attack. Just look around you in the world, in your country, your community, and yes, even in your family. You and I are under constant assault.

We must wake up if we are going to win... or we can go back to sleep, and try to deal with it tomorrow.

## NO, WAKE UP TODAY! HE IS RISEN! HE IS TRULY RISEN!

We cannot fight in these battles on our own. Our adversaries are far superior in so very many ways. Your commander in spiritual warfare is Jesus Christ, who leads two armies: the army of holy angels in heaven and the army of prayer warriors on Earth. Jesus has chosen you but you must choose Him in return. One way of doing this is in Eucharistic Adoration, becoming a soldier in the "Army of Adorers." Take a scheduled hour of Adoration, a Holy Hour each week.

Are you being called to join in this heavenly Army of Adorers? Return the call. It will change your life... and your eternity! May God Bless You Abundantly!



“The Holy Hour is not a devotion; it is a sharing in the work of redemption. In the garden... Our Lord asked, ‘Could you not watch one hour with me?’ He asked for an hour of reparation to combat the hour of evil.”

—Venerable Fulton J. Sheen

# STAGES OF THE MERGER PROCESS



## EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2022: NEW MASS SCHEDULE

As part of the third stage of the merger process, a parish-wide survey was undertaken to help determine the new Mass schedule. Based on input from our parishioners, staff & clergy, and Pastoral & Finance Councils, the following Mass schedule has been approved by the diocese, **and will become effective July 1, 2022:**

### WEEKENDS

#### Saturday

**4:00 PM** at Good Samaritan

**5:00 PM** at Saints John & Paul

#### Sunday

**7:30 AM** at Saints John & Paul

**8:00 AM** at Good Samaritan

**9:00 AM** at Saints John & Paul

**10:30 AM** at Good Samaritan

**11:00 AM** at Saints John & Paul

**4:00 PM** Spanish Mass at Good Samaritan

### WEEKDAYS

#### Monday/Wednesday/Friday

**8:00 AM** at Good Samaritan

**9:00 AM** at Saints John & Paul Grotto

#### Tuesday

**7:00 AM** at Saints John & Paul Grotto

**9:00 AM** at Saints John & Paul Grotto

**6:30 PM** at Good Samaritan

#### Thursday

**7:00 AM** at Saints John & Paul Grotto

**8:00 AM** at Good Samaritan

**9:00 AM** at Saints John & Paul Grotto

**This Mass schedule becomes effective July 1, 2022.**

If you have any questions or comments, please email [questions@greatgrouping.org](mailto:questions@greatgrouping.org)

**VISIT [greatgrouping.org/merger](https://greatgrouping.org/merger) FOR MORE INFO**



# MISSIONARY COOPERATION SUNDAY JUNE 4-5

This weekend is Missionary Cooperation Sunday. Today you will hear a homily letter written by a missionary from *Sisters of Mary Immaculate* for their mission in India. There will be a second collection to benefit work in developing nurses in their *Basic Nursing Training* program. This money will also help the Sisters engaged in the ministry of fighting against the modern slavery of human trafficking. They are constantly on the move, visiting villages, schools, and parishes; organizing awareness programs; and finding ways to keep the women and girls safe.

Donations may also be mailed to our parish office throughout the week.

Realizing that it has been a difficult few years for all of us, we can only imagine how difficult it has been for people who live in countries with no or very few safety nets. Please be as generous as possible through prayer and financial support in helping to offer the safety net that the Sisters of Mary Immaculate is providing for the people of India.



Sheila (in the center in white dress) with friends Regina and Sonali. Students in Basic Nurses Training (BNT), at Sachidanand Hospital, Captainganj run by the Sisters of Mary Immaculate.





# PARISH CELEBRATIONS

**Good Samaritan**  
**SATURDAY, JUNE 18 at 4PM**

**Saints John & Paul**  
**SUNDAY, JUNE 19 at 11AM**

Scan to Courtesy RSVP:



**Our Lady of Peace**  
**SATURDAY, JUNE 25 at 4PM**

**Saint John the Baptist**  
**SUNDAY, JUNE 26 at 10AM**

Courtesy RSVP by contacting the Parish Office at (724) 266-6565



*The Great Grouping*

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# **PARISH FESTIVAL** 2022

★ *at Good Samaritan in Ambridge* ★

## **THE INCREDIBLE SILENT AUCTION!**

Each year during the Parish Festival,  
we have a Silent Auction in Jericho Hall cafeteria,  
and we need donations to auction off!

We are asking that the value of donated auction items be at least \$25.  
We will also accept items for the **LARGE SILENT AUCTION**  
(value of those prizes are \$50 and up).

If you have any **NEW** gifts lying around the house you will never use  
(THEY MUST BE NEW AND NOT USED—NOTHING EVEN SLIGHTLY USED CAN BE ACCEPTED),  
they can be dropped off at the Parish Center or call Theresa at (724) 561-9235.

### **SOME IDEAS MIGHT INCLUDE:**

Restaurant Gift Cards • Auto Care Products • Theatre Tickets  
Tool Sets or Power Tools • Movie Rental Gift Cards • Coffee Baskets  
Getaway Hotel Packages • Cooking Utensils • Sporting Event Tickets  
Sports Jerseys • We could also use Electronics (Radio or TV)  
Any sort of theme basket would be appreciated!

**THURSDAY–SUNDAY★LABOR DAY WEEKEND**  
**SEPTEMBER 1–4★THURS–FRI 6–10PM★SAT–SUN 2–10PM**

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*Are you struggling with the merger  
of our four parishes?*

*Are you feeling a sense of grief due to the loss  
of your primary worship site?*

*Does it weigh on your heart  
and affect your faith?*

# A PATH TOWARD HEALING

Come join us to process the grief and pain in a safe place,  
supporting one another in seeking hope and healing.

## Questions?

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**MONDAYS • JUNE 6, 13, & 20**  
**7PM at GOOD SAMARITAN**  
in Jericho Hall

**TUESDAYS • JUNE 14, 21, & 28**  
**7PM at SAINTS JOHN & PAUL**  
Location to be determined

## WHAT IS IT?

A chance for people experiencing grief and sorrow  
due to the merger to:

- Come together in a safe and welcoming community
- Share how this has touched their lives and shaken their faith
- Accompany others who are grieving through deep listening
- Bring all this to prayer to hear from our Lord and find meaning

## WHO IS IT FOR?

Anyone who is experiencing grief and  
sorrow due to the parish merger.

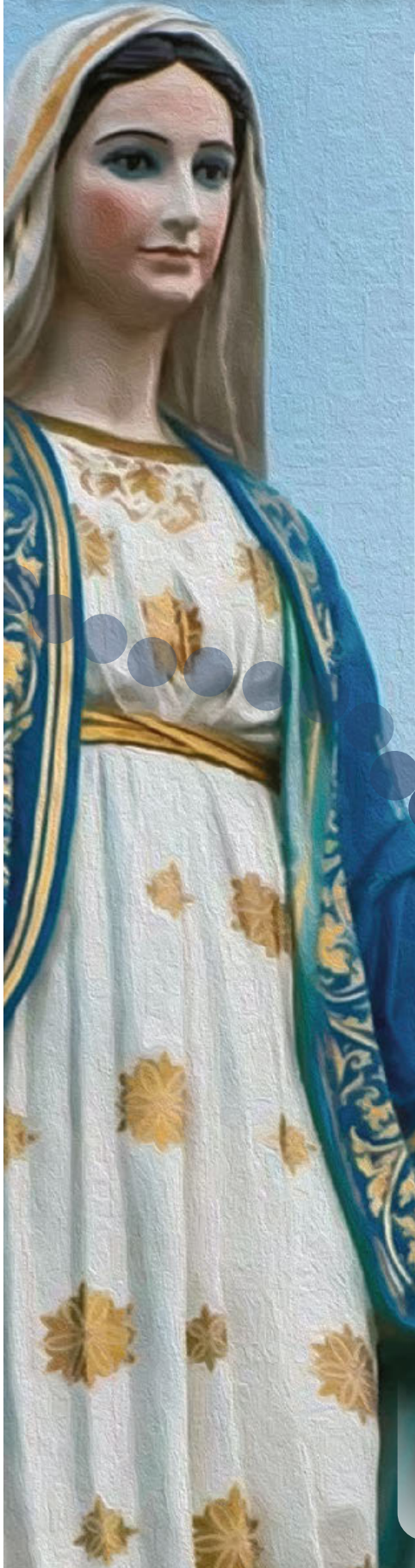
## WHAT TO EXPECT...

- An opportunity to share with others your struggles and to hear from others in a setting that makes the sharing safe
- An experience of feeling heard and accepted
- A chance to pray with others using psalms and other Scripture passages
- A positive shift in your experience through sharing and prayer

PLEASE REGISTER AT

[greatgrouping.org/path-toward-healing](https://greatgrouping.org/path-toward-healing)

# A HAIL MARY FOR THE MERGER



The merger is upon us.

I don't know about you, but I do not like transitions. Moving has to be one of the most stressful and challenging transitions. I am low in adaptability and everything out of order just really stresses me out. I can't even imagine "moving" and consolidating churches.

This burden on our staff and clergy team must seem giant. I wonder how they are handling it? What can we do to help? How can we start to heal the wounds of the loss of parishes? Through prayer! I have been praying a decade of the Rosary for the Great Grouping for almost a year now. But I wanted to invite you to join me! I have been amazed at how this daily decade has united me to the Great Grouping and its great leaders and those who truly serve us on a daily basis.

This decade for the parish always falls on the third decade so the intentions have been amazingly aligned with what is coming up. For example, on the Glorious Mysteries, the decade is the *Descent of the Holy Spirit*, so I ask the Lord for the Holy Spirit to descend upon the Great Grouping. Each Hail Mary has an intention:

**Bead One: Father Jay**

**Bead Two: Father Jack**

**Bead Three: Father Joe**

**Bead Four: Father Mike**

**Bead Five: Franklin Park Staff**

**Bead Six: Beaver Valley Staff**

**Bead Seven: Great Grouping Ministries**

**Bead Eight: Our Deacons**

**Bead Nine: Councils and Committees**

**Bead Ten: THE MERGER!**

Even if you can't do a decade, perhaps just a Hail Mary for the Merger! I can just imagine the graces if we all united in prayer for this intention. Thanks for your consideration!

—A Parishioner

**THURSDAY  
JUNE 9  
at 2PM**

**FATHER  
LEVI HARTLE &  
JOE JACOBS**  
*Co-leaders  
of Praise Nation*



*exploring*  
**CATHOLICISM**

Christ-centered Conversations with Padre Jay

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**You Tube**

[youtube.com/c/SaintsJohnPaul](https://youtube.com/c/SaintsJohnPaul)



**FRANKLIN PARK**

**Monday, June 6**

9:45 AM Mary, Help of Christians (6, Virtual)  
7:00 PM Welcome Retreat Formation (Conf.)

**Tuesday, June 7**

12:00 PM Good Samaritan Meal Prep (CDC)  
7:00 PM Spousal Loss Support Group (8&9)

**Wednesday, June 8**

10:00 AM HOPE Prayer Walk (Pavilion)  
7:00 PM XLT (UCDC)  
7:00 PM Six Steps to Sanity (8&9)  
7:00 PM Divine Mercy Cenacle (Conf.)

**Thursday, June 9**

2:00 PM Exploring Catholicism (Virtual)  
3:00 PM Divine Mercy Prayer (Grotto)  
6:00 PM Confession (Church)  
7:00 PM Adult Choir (Church)  
7:00 PM Senior Connection

**Friday, June 10**

9:00 AM Meal Making Prep (UCDC)

**Saturday, June 11**

7:00 AM Catholic Men's Fellowship (MPR)  
10:00 AM Dementia Support Group (MPR)  
4:00 PM Confessions (Church)

**Sunday, June 12**

10:00 AM Lectio Divino (MPR)  
1:00 PM Flame of Love (Grotto)

**BEAVER VALLEY**

**Monday, June 6**

A Path Towards Healing (GS)

**Tuesday, June 7**

10:00 AM Outreach Samaritan Kitchen (GS)  
5:30 PM Confessions (GS)  
5:30 PM St. Vincent DePaul Meeting (GS)  
6:30 PM St. Anthony Mass & Novena (GS)

**Wednesday, June 8**

6:30 PM Choir Rehearsal (GS)

**Thursday, June 9**

2:00 PM Exploring Catholicism (Virtual)  
6:00 PM Grief Ministry (GS)  
6:30 PM The Chosen Season 1 (GS)  
6:30 PM The Way (GS)

**Friday, June 10**

Pierogi (GS)  
7:00 PM Marian Prayer Group (GS)

**Saturday, June 11**

Pierogi (GS)  
3:00 PM Confessions (OLOP)  
3:00 PM Confessions (GS)

**Sunday, June 12**

Pierogi (GS)  
9:00 AM Confessions (SJB)

# ANNOUNCEMENTS FROM

## PARISH CELEBRATIONS

Save the date(s) for our Parish Celebrations including Mass and a reception to celebrate the rich history of each parish in our grouping. Saturday, June 18 at Good Samaritan 4:00 PM; Sunday, June 19 at Saints John & Paul 11:00 AM; Saturday, June 25 at Our Lady of Peace 4:00 PM; Sunday, June 26 at St. John the Baptist 10:00 AM.

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## PARISH CELEBRATION RSVP

Those attending the St. John the Baptist or the Saints John & Paul Parish Celebrations should RSVP. St. John the Baptist: Please respond via the form available at St. John's or call the parish office (724) 266-6565. Saints John & Paul: Please RSVP online or call the parish office at (724) 935-2104.

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## SAINT ANTHONY NOVENA

Join us at **Good Samaritan each Tuesday through June 14** for our annual Saint Anthony Mass & Novena at 6:30 PM. On **June 7, Fr. David (DJ) Egan** will be celebrating the Mass and leading us in the Novena.

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## UPCOMING ROSARY RALLIES

Join us **June 18** for a Rosary Rally for the Sacred Heart of Jesus. Anyone interested, please contact Sheila at (724) 683-7447 or [sshilling72@yahoo.com](mailto:sshilling72@yahoo.com). All rallies will be held at NOON, at the pavilion on Park Road, Ambridge (across from the Center for Hope.)

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## PRAY FOR OUR MISSIONARIES

June 12-18 a group of parishioners from our grouping will be headed to Louisa, KY for our Appalachian Mission Trip. Please pray for a safe and productive Mission trip for all who are serving those in need.

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## STRUGGLING WITH THE MERGER?

Join us for A Path Towards Healing, led by Mimika Garesché. Sessions will be **Mondays, June 6, 13, & 20—7:00 PM at Good Samaritan** and **Tuesdays, June 14, 21, & 28—7:00 PM at Saints John & Paul**. Register online at [greatgrouping.org/path-toward-healing](http://greatgrouping.org/path-toward-healing) or by calling the parish offices.

## LIFETEEN SUMMER SCHEDULE

**Bonfires:** June 21, June 28, July 12, July 19, July 26 & August 9.  
**Breakfast Club Bible Study:** June 23, June 30, July 7, July 14, July 21, & July 28.  
Text "SSJPLifeteen" to 84576 to stay updated on our events!

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## MISSIO (YOUNG ADULT MINISTRY)

Join Missio Young Adult Ministry! We are a group of comprised of young adults ages 21-39 from all over the Pittsburgh area who share a love for Christ. For more information and to join our communication pages, follow us on our social media @MadeForMissio and sign up for messages through Flocknote. Text "Missio" to 84576 to join.

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## SENIOR CONNECTION WORKDAYS

Senior Connection helps seniors and others with home maintenance when they can no longer do it themselves or when they cannot afford to hire a contractor or handyman to perform the work. No special skills are required but are always appreciated. Our next workday will be on **Saturday, June 25**. We begin with 7:30 AM Mass in Saints John & Paul Grotto Chapel and we will work until around 4:00 PM. Volunteers must be at least 13 and those under the age of 18 must be accompanied by an adult. Sign up at [greatgrouping.org/senior-connection](http://greatgrouping.org/senior-connection).

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## GRIEF MINISTRY

You have suffered one of the greatest losses anyone has to experience, the loss of a loved one. Your life has been turned upside down and it feels as if part of you is missing. Each person approaches grief in their own way and each one's path is different. We are here for you, sessions for those who have lost a loved one are held to support each other in our grief and walk alongside each other during life's most difficult experiences. Grief Ministry meets every **Thursday evening beginning with fellowship at 6:00 PM at Good Samaritan** in Jericho Hall Conference Room. For more information or to register please contact Deacon Tony at (724) 385-8628 or [agjordano@diopitt.org](mailto:agjordano@diopitt.org).



# AROUND THE GROUPING

## GOLF OUTING

The 19th annual Saints John & Paul Golf Outing will be held on **Friday, September 9 at Cranberry Highlands**. Register online at [greatgrouping.org/golf-outing](http://greatgrouping.org/golf-outing).

## YOUNGLIFE GOLF OUTING

Ambridge YoungLife is hosting a four person scramble Golf Outing Fundraiser on **Saturday, September 24** at Blackhawk Golf Course. If you would like to sponsor or register visit the Ambridge YoungLife Facebook page or contact Mike at (443) 205-0383.

## PIEROGI MAKING AT JERICHO HALL

We are in need of volunteers to help make 1,200 dozen pierogi for our upcoming parish festival. **Thursday, June 9 at 4PM** we will be peeling and prepping potatoes; **Friday, June 10 at 8AM** we will be preparing the potato filling; **Saturday, June 11 at 8AM** we will be pinching and cooking. If you can help in any way please contact Bobby Aloe at [baloe@greatgrouping.org](mailto:baloe@greatgrouping.org) or (724) 266-6565 x215.

## STAY CONNECTED

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## PRAYER WALK SMALL GROUP

Prayer Walk is a part of a ministry called H.O.P.E. (Hearts Opened through Prayer and Exercise). The purpose is to open our hearts to God to strengthen our spirituality and our bodies, while enjoying His gifts of nature and the outdoors. The Prayer Walk will be held in the pavilion at Saints John & Paul every **Wednesday from 10:00-11:00 AM, June 1 through August 31**. There is no registration. Questions? Contact Michelle Murray at [sabowles@comcast.net](mailto:sabowles@comcast.net).

## FLAG RETIREMENT

The Knights of Columbus are collecting unserviceable and discarded flags from now through July 4 weekend. Place them in the drop box (for Flags only) at Saints John & Paul in the Upper CDC. Please dispose of your flag staff or pole separately. The Flag Retirement ceremony will take place **6:00 PM, Wednesday, July 27** in front of the Wexford Volunteer Fire Company, (228 North Chapel Drive).

## NEW SAINTS

Pope Francis recently canonized 10 new saints! Charles de Foucauld, Titus Brandsma, Devasahayam Pillai, Marie Rivier, Maria Francesca of Jesus, Maria Domenica Mantovani, Maria of Jesus Santocanale, César de Bus, & Luigi Maria Palazzolo. More information on these holy men & women can be found at [catholicnewsagency.com](http://catholicnewsagency.com)

## FATHER'S DAY CANDLES

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# MASS INTENTIONS & READINGS

† Memorial Mass ‡ Mass for Spiritual & Physical Wellness

## MONDAY, JUNE 6 (Gn 3:9-15, 20/Jn 19:25-34)

8:00 AM Good Samaritan • † Deceased of Strugalski Family (Teresa Surgeon)

9:00 AM Saints John & Paul • † Helen Sabovik (Keith & Rosemary Boyce)

## TUESDAY, JUNE 7 (1 Kgs 17:7-16/Mt 5:13-16)

7:00 AM Saints John & Paul • † Rev. Jerome Dixon (Clergy Team)

9:00 AM Saints John & Paul • † Richard Fisher (Family)

6:30 PM Good Samaritan • † Richard Michalik (Deborah Michalik & Family)

## WEDNESDAY, JUNE 8 (1 Kgs 18:20-39/Mt 5:17-19)

8:00 AM St. John the Baptist • † Barbara Kokan Kincaid (Jackie & Rich)

9:00 AM Saints John & Paul • † Marguerite Walker (Susan Bunce)

## THURSDAY, JUNE 9 (1 Kgs 18:41-46/Mt 5:20-26)

7:00 AM Saints John & Paul • † Joseph Feltz (Clergy Team)

8:00 AM Our Lady of Peace • † Robert Stumpf (Ron, Rachel & Michael Heater)

9:00 AM Saints John & Paul • † Mary Colecchia (Praskach Family)

## FRIDAY, JUNE 10 (1 Kgs 19:9a, 11-16/Mt 5:27-32)

8:00 AM St. John the Baptist • † Deceased of Guyer & DeNoble Family (Ed, Gerri & Family)

9:00 AM Saints John & Paul • † Rob Fleckenstein (Clergy Team)

## SATURDAY, JUNE 11 (Acts 11:21b-26; 12:1-3/Mt 5:33-37)

4:00 PM Our Lady of Peace • † Mike Adams & Mick Adams (Jamie, Talia & Helena Philippou)

4:00 PM Good Samaritan • † Fortunato & Teresa Rigano (Sons, Tony & Dominic)

5:00 PM Saints John & Paul • † Tameron Barish (Joe & Noreen Fischer Family)

## SUNDAY, JUNE 12 (Prv 8:22-31/Rom 5:1-5/Jn 16:12-15)

7:30 AM Saints John & Paul • † Joseph Giuffre (Clare Giuffre)

9:00 AM Our Lady of Peace • †‡ Special Intention (Kay Matzie)

9:00 AM Saints John & Paul • † Stefani Martin (Debbie Abel)

10:00 AM St. John the Baptist • † Alex & Patrick Gaudino (Mark Gaudino)

11:00 AM Good Samaritan • † Dawn Finnegan (Dan Finnegan)

11:00 AM Saints John & Paul • † Al Comini (Comini Family)

4:00 PM Good Samaritan Spanish Mass • † Imelda Jimenez (Furgencio Orosco)

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## OUR FAITHFUL DEPARTED

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**Adeline Rose West**  
Daughter of Nathaniel & Brandy (Snyder) West

## THIS WEEK WE REMEMBER

**ALTAR FLOWERS**  
(GS) In Honor of St. Anthony (June 7)  
by Costanza Aloe, Nina DeLuca, Theresa Sacco, Anna  
Marie Testa, Josephine Mazzotta

**SANCTUARY CANDLE**  
(OLOP) In Memory of James C. Remas  
by Donna Adams & Family

(GS) In Memory of David Pinkosky  
by Wife, Carol

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(GS) In Honor of the 25<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary of  
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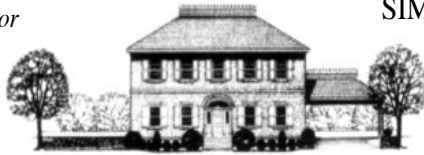
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Ann Saxon; Mark Snyder; Christine Stephenson;  
Bob Tomaszewski; Tony; Joseph Winkler; Tony  
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Names of the sick will be included for a four-week period—  
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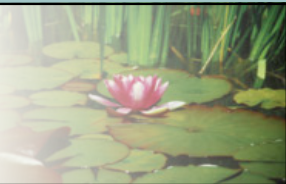
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**7:00 AM Saints John & Paul**  
**9:00 AM Saints John & Paul**  
**5:30 PM CONFESSION at Good Samaritan**  
**6:30 PM Good Samaritan**



**8:00 AM Saint John the Baptist**  
**9:00 AM Saints John & Paul**



**7:00 AM Saints John & Paul**  
**8:00 AM Our Lady of Peace**  
**9:00 AM Saints John & Paul**  
**6:00 PM CONFESSION at Saints John & Paul**



**8:00 AM St. John the Baptist**  
**9:00 AM Saints John & Paul**  
**1st Friday 7:00 PM Saints John & Paul**



**3:00 PM CONFESSION at Our Lady of Peace**  
**3:00 PM CONFESSION at Good Samaritan**  
**4:00 PM Vigil Mass at Our Lady of Peace**  
**4:00 PM Vigil Mass at Good Samaritan**  
**4:00 PM CONFESSION at Saints John & Paul**  
**5:00 PM Vigil Mass at Saints John & Paul**



**7:30 AM Saints John & Paul**  
**9:00 AM Our Lady of Peace**  
**9:00 AM Saints John & Paul**  
**9:00 AM CONFESSION at St. John the Baptist**  
**10:00 AM St. John the Baptist**  
**11:00 AM Saints John & Paul**  
**11:00 AM Good Samaritan**  
**11:00 AM Our Lady of Peace (Maronite)**  
**4:00 PM Good Samaritan (Spanish)**

*For Holy Day & Holiday times, please see WEEK AHEAD (page 15)*

## HELP LINES

**24 Hour Child Abuse Hotline**  
**1-800-932-0313**

**Crisis Pregnancy Option Line**  
**1-800-395-4357**

**Post-Abortion Healing/  
Project Rachel**  
**(412) 456-3167**

**Pittsburgh Diocese  
Victim Assistance**  
**1-888-808-1235**

**Crisis Management Services**  
**1-888-796-8226**

## EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

As Catholics, we believe that Christ becomes truly present within the Blessed Sacrament. As promised by Him, His Presence is abiding, not something that vanishes at the conclusion of Mass. During Eucharistic Adoration, we can sit silently in His Presence and open ourselves to His Graces. Adoration available at Our Lady of Peace, Monday-Thursday 8AM-8PM and perpetually at Saints John & Paul, Sunday-Friday.

