

THE PARISH OF SAINT RAPHAEL THE ARCHANGEL

JUNE 26, 2022

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REGULAR MASS SCHEDULE

SATURDAY:	4:00 p.m. at SSJ
	4:30 p.m. at SEAS
SUNDAY:	7:30 a.m. at SMOS
	8:00 a.m. at SEAS
	9:00 a.m. at SSJ
	10:00 a.m. at SMOS
	10:30 a.m. at SEAS
	11:30 a.m. at SSJ
MONDAY:	8:30 a.m. at SSJ
	12:00 p.m. at SEAS
TUESDAY:	8:30 a.m. at SMOS
	12:00 p.m. at SSJ
WEDNESDAY:	8:30 a.m. at SSJ
	12:00 p.m. at SEAS
THURSDAY:	8:30 a.m. at SSJ
	12:00 p.m. at SEAS
FRIDAY:	8:30 a.m. at SMOS
	12:00 p.m. at SSJ

Note: The schedule above does not list Holy Day or Holiday Mass Schedules.



13TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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PRAYER & WORSHIP

SACRAMENTS



BAPTISM: For arrangements call Dcn. Jim Mackin: 412-857-5356



ANOINTING OF THE SICK:

Call the parish office for arrangements if in danger of death. If hospitalized or in a skilled nursing facility, please ask the nursing staff to contact the Catholic priest on call for that facility.



MARRIAGE: Arrangements must be made with one of the priests at least six months before the proposed date of the wedding.



PENANCE:

Saturdays

- 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.
- at St. Margaret of Scotland ChurchNoon to 1:00 p.m.
- at St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Church

MASS SCHEDULE & INTENTIONS

JUNE 26		THIRTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
*4:00 p.m.	SSJ	Loretta Grecco by Fr. Grecco
*4:30 p.m.	SEAS	Jeanne, Sandy, and Mark Phillips by their church family
7:30 a.m.	SMOS	Gilda Provenzano by Terry and Matthew Klaczak
8:00 a.m.	SEAS	Patricia Pajak by husband, John
9:00 a.m.	SSJ	Ordination Class of 1993 by Fr. Grecco
10:00 a.m.	SMOS	Ruth Rasky by Donna McDonald
10:30 a.m.	SEAS	Jerome J. Gardner by Dorothy and Family
11:30 a.m.	SSJ	People of the Parish
JUNE 27		MONDAY OF THE 13TH WEEK IN ORDINARY TIME
8:30 a.m.	SSJ	Charlie Goetz by Clare Goetz and Family
12:00 p.m.	SEAS	Robert Laurenzi by wife, Mary
JUNE 28		MEMORIAL OF ST. IRENAEUS
8:30 a.m.	SMOS	Health and Wellbeing of Christine Martino by Sue Reed
12:00 p.m.	SSJ	Joseph Capurso by friends from Linzner
JUNE 29		SOLEMNITY OF SS. PETER AND PAUL
8:30 a.m.	SSJ	Patrick McCaffrey by the Monday Living Room Church Friends
12:00 p.m.	SEAS	Elizabeth Marszalek by Mary Ann Marszalek
JUNE 30		THURSDAY OF THE 13TH WEEK IN ORDINARY TIME
8:30 a.m.	SSJ	Antonietta Maiolo by Linda, Dom, and Joe
12:00 p.m.	SEAS	Robert F. Stein by sister
JULY 1		FRIDAY OF THE 13TH WEEK IN ORDINARY TIME
8:30 a.m.	SMOS	Marguerite Oliver by Audrey and Carl Henn
12:00 p.m.	SSJ	Nancy Lolli by friends
JULY 3		FOURTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
*4:00 p.m.	SSJ	Sam Licciardello by wife, JoAnn
*4:30 p.m.	SEAS	Denis M. Stein by Melissa
7:30 a.m.	SMOS	Ann Marie Gianpolo by Nancy Rahuba
8:00 a.m.	SEAS	People of the Parish
9:00 a.m.	SSJ	Penny and Norby Bombich by Children
10:00 a.m.	SMOS	Lorraine and Barbara Zajicek by the Zajicek Family
10:30 a.m.	SEAS	Elizabeth Marszalek by Carol and Steve Steenson
11:30 a.m.	SSJ	Bernadete Bobiak by Card Party Friends

*anticipated Mass on Saturday evening.

PRAYER & WORSHIP



-FROM THE PASTOR-

"A lovely and touching saying of [St. John Vianney], quoted in the *Catechism of the Catholic Church...*: 'the priesthood is the love of the heart of Jesus' (<u>1589</u>). How can we fail to be moved when we recall that the gift of our priestly ministry flows directly from this heart? How can we forget that we

priests were consecrated to serve, humbly yet authoritatively, the common priesthood of the faithful? Ours is a mission which is indispensable for the Church and for the world, a mission which calls for complete fidelity to Christ and constant union with him." (Pope Benedict XVI)

Thanks to Fr. Alek, the Knights of Columbus, the Contemporary Choir, the Carnegie Historical Society, the Christian Mothers (especially those who volunteered to miss the procession to prepare the social), and all who were involved in planning and making possible the beautiful Corpus Christi Procession last Sunday.

I am truly grateful to Maureen Davis, now deceased, and her executors for the recently received and very generous bequest to the parish and the Food Pantry. I encourage all parishioners to consider a remembrance in their final estate planning to include the parish. I am happy to speak with anyone who would have questions about that possibility.

Join us for Eucharistic Adoration on Friday, July 1 at Ss. Simon and Jude Church, beginning at 9:00 a.m. with benediction prior to the Noon Mass.



There will not be a Nocturnal Adoration in July.



ANNIVERSARY BLESSINGS THIS WEEKEND

This weekend marks the last weekend of the month. Couples who received the Sacrament of Matrimony in the month of June are invited to remain after Mass this weekend to receive a blessing. The blessings will take place after every Mass; no appointments or reservations are required.

Please pray for the souls of the faithful departed.

Richard Dudash Thomas Barry Please pray those who have asked for our prayers:

Anthony Anderson Kathy Aspinall Clara Bielecki Brian Bishop Kelly Bittner Jim Boerio Anita Bridge Gina Burton Donald Campbell Dorothy Campbell Elisa Carsia Helen Cassidy Kenneth Chase John Chraska Gina Dangelico Katie Denke Antoinette DePofi Vince Dlugos Patty Drury Kathi Dvorak Jo-Ann Eller Lena Enrietti Patti Eurich Carol Fahnestock Stephaine Fahnestock Helen Fallon Vicky Feeney Lois Ferrie Ron Ferrie Rosemary Ferruzza Suzanne T. Finnegan Gabriel Fontana Deborah Ford Michelle Frego May Frye William Gabella Dan Gardner Mike Gieselman Brandon Gross Mark Hagelauer Margaret Harkins Wayne Hayes Michael Heastings Eileen Henefeld Mary V. Hester Patti Howcroft Brent Jones Noreen Joslyn Bob Karausky Joanne Keating Gregory M. Klemmer Don Krally Gloria Krally Lori Krally Ann Kramer Darlene Kura Helen Kurek Jackie Kushner

Mark Laird John Linn Eugene Loniero Mary Ann Macino Arch MacLennan Penny Mahoney Lucille Marabito Laura Martin Sam Martin Carl Masciola Gina Massengill Kathy McGann Paul McIsaac Virginia Miller John Mostowy Joyce Mostowy Robin Munko Pat Murdzak Theresa Nelson Judi Novak Theodore Novak Mario Oliverio Linda Perris Charles Perry Diane Perry Elizabeth Pfender Nancy Pistella Carol Poecking Robert Prevost Diane Pritchard Michele Rea Bucky Recaldini Dave Redman Joann Redondo Paxton Renk Florinda Rosemever Helen Salamon Andrew Patrick Schade John Schenk Ann Scheuble Mary Socci Genevieve Sonson Teresa Stacy Jaime St. Ledger Judye Suhy Bob Super Ed Sutilla Rose Talmonti Jerry Tokar Rosemarie Toth Allen Turske Stephanie Vail Penny Verow Mary Kay Walsh James Walther Maya Young John Zaiicek Kathy Zajicek

and all who are sick and in need of our prayers.

PARISH LIFE



At St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Church in memory of Sarah and Regis Herman by Family

At St. Margaret of Scotland Church in memory of **Connie and Frank Kocay** by Cheryl

At Ss. Simon and Jude Church in memory of **Sam Licciardello** by wife, JoAnn

STEWARDSHIP

<u>Offertory</u> 6/15/2022 Through 6/21/2022 \$23,328

2022 Parish Share

\$259,095
\$25,910
\$8,372
\$335,480
\$76,385

This weekend's 2nd Collection is the annual Peter's Pence collection.

If you would like to contribute to the parish, consider using our online giving tool. You can set up recurrent



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Note: Churches are listed alphabetically in this bulletin and online.

Unless otherwise noted, the bulletin deadline is Monday at Noon. Email: mksmith@straphaelcgs.org

UPCOMING EVENTS

- O First Friday Eucharistic Adoration is this Friday, July 1. See previous page.
- O The *Rosary Against Violence* is recited every Wednesday after the Noon Mass at St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Church. All are welcome to pray with us.
- O The Parish Office is closed on Monday, July 4. Please submit bulletin articles by Noon on Friday, July 1.
- O Learn about the Parish Flea Market at the festival. See page 14.
- Spread the word about our Parish Festival: July 14, 15, and 16. Sign up to volunteer! We need YOU! Call Peg: 412-818-6623 or Kathy 412-260-8835. Our Food Price List and Advertising Poster are in the final prep stages and will be ready next week. Sorry for the delay! See pages 14 and 15 for festival info.
- O The deadline for the Chinese Auction and T-shirt donations is July 1. See the information on page 15.
- There is a Medjugorje Prayer Group that meets every 2nd and 4th Wednesday of the month at Ss. Simon and Jude Church at 12:40 p.m. All are welcome to participate.

LADIES OF CHARITY



On Tuesday, June 14, the Ladies of Charity from our parish attended the Noon Mass, where Father Alek installed the new officers for the 2022-2023 year.

President - Leslie Charitan Vice-President - Dee Fitzsimmons Secretary - Barbara Donehue Treasurer - Sallee Emond

Thank you to everyone who made this a special day. Thank you to the St. Raphael the Archangel parishioners for supporting the Ladies of Charity in their ministries to help the elderly, sick, and marginalized people in the surrounding communities. May the Ladies of Charity continue to follow the example of Jesus who taught, "to serve rather than be served".

CORPUS CHRISTI PROCESSION





Many thanks to all who participated in the Corpus Christi procession last Sunday. It was an absolutely beautiful event! Be sure to read Fr. Grecco's column (previous page) for more notes of gratitude.

We praise and thank God for the perfect weather and our safety, as we celebrated and gave public witness of our faith and devotion toward the Sacrament of the Eucharist. See more pictures on page 13.





THE ORDER OF MASS

ENTRANCE HYMN | YOU WALK ALONG OUR SHORELINE

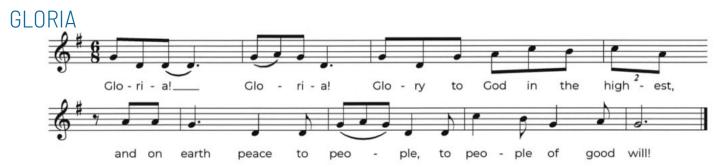


PENITENTIAL RITE / KYRIE

I confess to almighty God and to you, my brothers and sisters, that I have greatly sinned, in my thoughts and in my words, in what I have done and what I have failed to do, *(all strike their breast as they say:)*

through my fault, through my fault, through my most grievous fault; therefore I ask blessed Mary ever-Virgin, all the angels and saints, and you, my brothers and sisters, to pray for me to the Lord our God.





We praise you, we bless you, we adore you, we glorify you, we give you thanks [thanks] for your great glory, Lord God, heavenly King, O God, almighty Father. Lord Jesus Christ, only begotten Son, Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us; you take away the sins of the world, receive our prayer; you are seated at the right hand of the Father, have mercy on us [have mercy on us]. For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father [of God the Father]. *after final refrain, add:* Amen. [Amen.]

FIRST READING | 1 KINGS 19:16, 19-21

The LORD said to Elijah:

"You shall anoint Elisha, son of Shaphat of Abelmeholah, as prophet to succeed you."

Elijah set out and came upon Elisha, son of Shaphat, as he was plowing with twelve yoke of oxen; he was following the twelfth.

Elijah went over to him and threw his cloak over him. Elisha left the oxen, ran after Elijah, and said,

"Please, let me kiss my father and mother goodbye,

RESPONSORIAL PSALM 16: 1-2, 5, 7-11

and I will follow you." Elijah answered, "Go back! Have I done anything to you?" Elisha left him, and taking the yoke of oxen, slaughtered them; he used the plowing equipment for fuel to boil their flesh, and gave it to his people to eat. Then Elisha left and followed Elijah as his attendant.

> The word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.



Keep me, O God, for in you I take refuge; I say to the LORD, "My Lord are you. O LORD, my allotted portion and my cup, you it is who hold fast my lot."

I bless the LORD who counsels me; even in the night my heart exhorts me. I set the LORD ever before me; with him at my right hand I shall not be disturbed.

Text: Psalm 16: Lectionary for Mass, 1997 ICEL

Therefore my heart is glad and my soul rejoices, my body, too, abides in confidence because you will not abandon my soul to the netherworld, nor will you suffer your faithful one to undergo corruption.

You will show me the path to life, fullness of joys in your presence, the delights at your right hand forever.

7 ICEL © 2019 The Collegeville Psalter, Liturgical Press Tune: Fr. Anthony Ruff, O.S.B. St. Meinrad

SECOND READING | GALATIANS 5:1, 13-18

Brothers and sisters:

For freedom Christ set us free; so stand firm and do not submit again to the yoke of slavery.

For you were called for freedom, brothers and sisters. But do not use this freedom as an opportunity for the flesh; rather, serve one another through love. For the whole law is fulfilled in one statement, namely, You shall love your neighbor as yourself. But if you go on biting and devouring one another, beware that you are not consumed by one another.

I say, then: live by the Spirit and you will certainly not gratify the desire of the flesh. For the flesh has desires against the Spirit, and the Spirit against the flesh; these are opposed to each other, so that you may not do what you want. But if you are guided by the Spirit, you are not under the law.

> The word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION | 1 SAMUEL 3:9; JOHN 6:68C



Speak, Lord, your servant is listening; you have the words of everlasting life.

GOSPEL | LUKE 9:51-62

When the days for Jesus' being taken up were fulfilled, he resolutely determined to journey to Jerusalem, and he sent messengers ahead of him. On the way they entered a Samaritan village to prepare for his reception there, but they would not welcome him because the destination of his journey was Jerusalem. When the disciples James and John saw this they asked, "Lord, do you want us to call down fire from heaven to consume them?" Jesus turned and rebuked them, and they journeyed to another village.

As they were proceeding on their journey someone said to him, "I will follow you wherever you go." Jesus answered him, "Foxes have dens and birds of the sky

PROFESSION OF FAITH

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,

(bow at the following bolder words)

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.

have nests, but the Son of Man has nowhere to rest his head."

And to another he said, "Follow me." But he replied, "Lord, let me go first and bury my father." But he answered him, "Let the dead bury their dead. But you, go and proclaim the kingdom of God." And another said, "I will follow you, Lord, but first let me say farewell to my family at home." To him Jesus said, "No one who sets a hand to the plow and looks to what was left behind is fit for the kingdom of God."

The Gospel of the Lord. Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

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

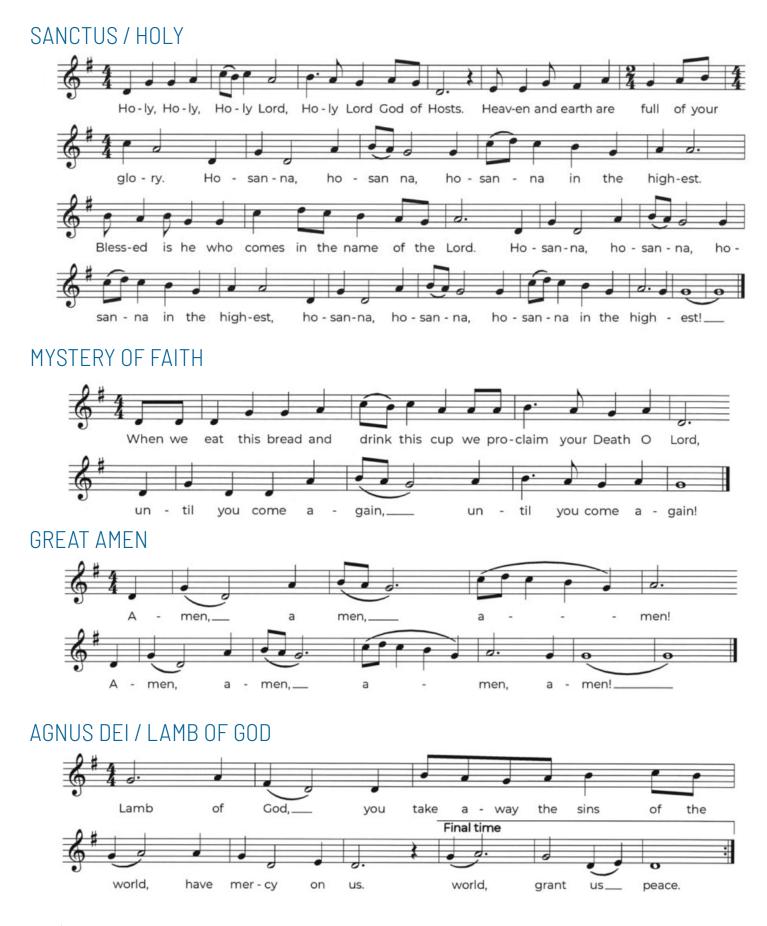
apostolic Church. I confess one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead

and the life of the world to come. Amen.

OFFERTORY HYMN I O CHRIST, WHO CALLED THE TWELVE



THE ORDER OF MASS



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COMMUNION HYMN | LIFE-GIVING BREAD, SAVING CUP



- 1. For bread that is broken, we give thanks; for wine that is poured, we give praise. For life and for knowledge of the kingdom: all praise to you until the end of time!
- 2. We thank you, O Father, for your name, which you give to dwell in our hearts. You bring us together as one family: all praise to you until the end of time!
- 3. Creator of all, we offer thanks; you give us a share in your life. You strengthen our body and our spirit: all praise to you until the end of time!
- 4. Remember your Church which sings your praise; perfect it in truth and in love. And gather your people all together to praise you until the end of time!

Tune: LIFE-GIVING BREAD, James C. Chepponis, b. 1956 © 1987, GIA Publications, Inc. Text: Adapted from the Didache, 2nd C; James C. Chepponis, b. 1956

RECESSIONAL HYMN | GOD, WHOSE PURPOSE IS TO KINDLE



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Congratulations to Louis Allen Santo and to his wonderful

family! Louis was baptized on Saturday, May 18 by Deacon Paul at Ss. Simon and Jude Church.

Baptism

This community rejoices with you, for today the number of those baptized in Christ will be increased, and we offer you our support in raising your children in the practice of the faith. *(From the Order of Baptism for Children)*







Congratulations and God's blessings to Hazel Lee Holman and her family! Hazel was baptized on Sunday, June 12 by Fr. Alek at St. Margaret of Scotland Church.

Best wishes and God's blessings to our pastor, Fr. Grecco, for today, June 26, he celebrates the 29th Anniversary of his Ordination.

Thank you, Fr. Grecco, for your loving service to Christ and His Church. May God continue to bless you abundantly in your priestly ministry.

Orders

*"It was not you who chose me, but I who chose you and appointed you to go and bear fruit that will remain... " —*John 15:16



RCIA

RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS Who is RCIA for?

1. Persons in need of Baptism.

2. Persons baptized in another Christian tradition who desire to become Catholic.

3. Persons baptized Catholic in need of First Communion and/or Confirmation.

Are you or someone you know seeking to become Catholic or need to receive the Sacraments of Eucharist and Confirmation to be fully initiated into the Roman Catholic Church? If so, please contact Deacon Paul Lim at plim@diopitt.org.

RCIC

RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF CHILDREN

Do you have a child of school age (6 years and older) that has not yet been baptized or is your child approaching the age to receive First Reconciliation and Eucharist and has not yet been baptized? Is your child older than 8 years (grade 3 or above) and has not received the sacraments of Reconciliation and Eucharist? If so, please contact Sharon Smoller at ssmoller@straphaelcgs.org or 412-857-5356 x429.



CARING + GIVING + SERVING

For you were called for freedom, brothers and sisters. But do not use this freedom as an opportunity for the flesh, rather, serve one another through love. -Galatians 5: 13

As the Fourth of July holiday approaches, we might contemplate the courage that was needed to obtain freedom for our nation. The Scripture readings today and several feasts on the liturgical calendar this week might lead us to a deeper appreciation of the courage needed to be and make disciples of Christ.

St. Paul tells us that real freedom is not abusing the ability to do whatever we want as long as it feels good and makes us happy. True freedom is attained by following God's laws, doing what is right, and loving our neighbors unselfishly. To follow Jesus requires placing him first in our lives and sometimes sacrificing other plans and goals that seem to be important to us from a worldly perspective.

This Wednesday, June 29, we observe the Solemnity of Saints Peter and Paul. On this day, we recall how Peter, the leader of the Apostles and first Pope, and Paul, the greatest missionary and teacher of the early Church, were put to death in Rome around the year 64 A.D. The courage of Peter and Paul was foundational to the spread of the Gospel and growth of the Church.

The First Martyrs of the Holy Roman Church are remembered on June 30. The early Christians in Rome were tortured and killed by command of the emperor for professing belief in Jesus Christ. Although their names are forgotten, they are remembered for their courage to die for their faith.

Friday, July 1, is the Feast of St. Junipero Serra. This Spanish Franciscan missionary courageously journeyed to America and with great zeal founded missions throughout California, and baptized over 6000 people. Fr. Junipero Serra attempted to defend the dignity of Native Americans while introducing them to Christianity. At St. Junipero's canonization in 2015, Pope Francis described him as exemplary of "a church which sets out to bring everywhere the reconciling tenderness of God".

The stories of those we celebrate this week witness the courage demanded of Christians throughout history. Their lives demonstrate for us that what Jesus asks of his followers is not easy, but is possible.

MILITARY PRAYER REMEMBRANCE

AIC Noel Blackhall, USAF SSgt David Blackhall, USAF SPC Casey Busch, Army SSgt Kristiana Coote, USAF LTC Ronald Gaudelli, Army 2LT Matthew Grebinoski, Army Sqt Kyle Lamb, USMC COL Christopher Marchetti, Army 1LT Matthew Montanaro, Army SGT Alexander L. Novelli, Army 1stLt Anthony Palumbo, USMC 1stLt Anthony Redondo, USMC Cpl Jordan M. Rush, USMC A1C Elana Russell, USAF SrA Jay Russell, USAF TSgt Justin F. Smith, USAF Cpl Nicholas Steinert, USMC SGT Gregory Timmerman, Army LT Sean Trombetta, Navy 1LT Garrett Walnoha, Army SrA Terance L Wroniak USAF SN Caleb Zajicek, Navy



Join us on Tuesday, June 28 at 7:00 p.m. in the Ss. Simon and Jude Church parking lot for our weekly walk! We meet at the Blessed Mother, pray a brief opening prayer, then walk for 45-60 minutes. Everyone walks at his or her own pace, and we have fun chatting and enjoying nature as we move. All are welcome! In case of rain, we will cancel.



DID YOU KNOW?

Now that we're firmly back in the familiar summer rhythm of Ordinary Time, I want to revisit the topic of a column I wrote in March: what is the symbolism that lies behind the physical gestures we use at Mass? The column in March reflected on what it means when we beat our breasts at the Penitential Rite; today I'd like to cover one of the most familiar Catholic gestures, the Sign of the Cross.

The gesture is usually made when reciting the familiar formula, "In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holv Spirit." The most technical and traditional way for a priest to make this gesture at Mass is as follows: While placing his left hand flat under his breast, the priest raises the first three fingers of his right hand to his forehead, which he touches and says, "In the name of the Father"; then, touching his breast with the same fingers, he says: "and of the Son," and touching his left and right shoulders, he says, "and of the Holy Spirit." As he joins his hands again, he concludes,

"Amen." (Have you ever seen that written out in its entirety? It took me a while to think it all through!)

However precisely we do it. Christians have been marking themselves and other things with a Sign of the Cross since the earliest years of the faith. Tertullian, a Christian author who wrote in the late 100s. wrote: "In all our travels and movements, in all our coming in and going out, in putting of our shoes, at the bath, at the table, in lighting our candles, in lying down, in sitting down, whatever employment occupies us, we mark our foreheads with the Sign of the Cross." As Tertullian hints, the oldest form of this gesture was a simple cross traced with the thumb on the forehead just as we still do before the proclamation of the Gospel today.

Over time, this signing of a little cross became more elaborate; first, two fingers were used, to signify that Christ was true God and true Man; then, another was added (the pointer and middle fingers, joined with the thumb), to indicate the Blessed Trinity. The whole gesture has the following significance, as explained by Pope Innocent III in the thirteenth century: "The sign of the cross is made with three fingers, because the signing is done together with the invocation of the Trinity. This is how it is done: from above to below, and from the right to the left, because Christ descended from the heavens to the earth."

Wait a second... from the right to the left? If you're familiar with the Greek traditions of Christianity. such as the Orthodox or Eastern Catholic Churches, you know that they make the Sign of the Cross differently from us, signing from their right shoulder to their left shoulder — rather than from the left to the right, as we do. That is the more ancient way of doing it, as Pope Innocent referenced. Apparently we Latin Catholics flipped it around at some point in the Middle Ages because we began imitating, as if by mirror image, the way a priest would bless the people after Mass: extending his hand and tracing a blessing, from the viewer's perspective, from left to right. Try signing yourself "backwards" sometime — it's hard to do at first, but then it feels natural. Just don't confuse yourself for good! —Fr. Alek



FAITH FORMATION 2022 - 2023 FAITH FORMATION BEGINS SEPTEMBER 14, 2022

Registrations for children in grades K - 8 are now being accepted. Faith Formation is for any child who is not enrolled in a Catholic school. A child is to be enrolled in a faith formation program throughout these years to receive formal religious education and faith formation in preparation for reception of the sacraments.

Sessions are held in the Parish Life Center *(former school building at 1607 Greentree Road)* on Wednesday evenings from 6:30 to 7:45 p.m.

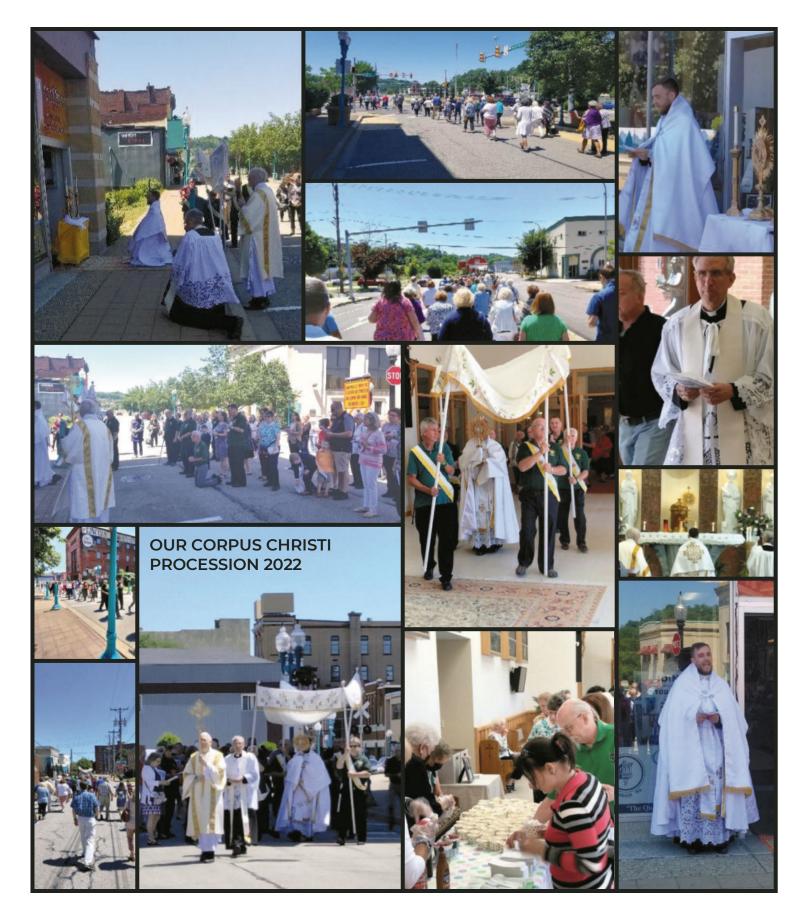
Families currently enrolled in Faith Formation should have received an email with the registration forms and tuition information. If you have not received an email, or you are new to the program, please contact Sharon Smoller at ssmoller@straphaelcgs.org or 412-857-5356 ext. 429 to obtain more information.

WHY WAIT? REGISTER NOW!

10% Tuition discount available until June 30, 2022

for families registered at Saint Raphael the Archangel

Registration and tuition due by August 1





2022 FESTIVAL

Thank you for donating items for the Grocery Booth. Return all filled bags after Masses this weekend. Please leave them in the back of any of our three Churches. Thank you!

FLEA MARKET NEWS Donations will be accepted through July 7

Here's a few things to keep in mind as you gather items: we cannot accept knives, TVs, computers, stereos, large furniture, clothes, or shoes. Items should be gently used, clean, unbroken, and with all necessary parts (pieces).

If you drop off your items between 10:00 a.m. and 3:00 p.m. on Thursdays, Fridays, and Saturdays, someone will be there to accept your donation and may even be able to lend a hand getting it on the porch or in the building.

We need many volunteers to help with the Flea Market. We need people to sort, price, and display all the items during June and July. We need workers to work during the festival to assist customers, act as cashiers and baggers, and provide security for the area.

To volunteer or to get more information, please call Peggy Sembrat at 412-818-6623, Kathy Cunningham at 412-260-8835 or Phil Mastrean at 412-420-9969



will also be a silent auction for a few of the most valuable treasures. Bids will be accepted starting at 5:00 p.m. and winners will be announced that evening at 8:45 p.m.

POLISH BOOTH AT THE FESTIVAL

The Polish Booth chairman, Marisa DiBello, is looking for some kitchen helpers on Tuesday, June 28, and Wednesday, June 29, from 2:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. Her team is making the stuffed cabbage and the cabbage and noodles for the Festival. If you are able to help them cook (or just want to come and wash dishes) please come to the kitchen at the Parish Life Center on Greentree Road. Bring your own apron and kitchen gloves if you have them. If you want more details please call or text Marisa: 330-962-4755.

The Parish of St. Raphael the Archangel presents

OIR BIG CASH RAFFLE

\$20,000 1st Prize is \$15,000 2nd Prize is \$3,500 | 3rd Prize is \$1,500

WE WILL BE GIVING AWAY

Winners will be drawn on Saturday, July 16, at the Parish Festival. Tickets are \$5.00 each and are available in books of ten. Every registered parishioner had a book mailed to them! Did you get it? Turn them in now before you forget!

Volunteers are needed to sell tickets at the tent on Greentree Road from 10:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. daily. Sign up to volunteer today by using the Sign Up Genius on our website or call Jo Ann Whitaker at 412-337-2000.



Did you get your festival yard sign? There may still be a few yard signs in the back of each church. Please take one and advertise for us!

PARISH FESTIVAL 20

FESTIVAL T-SHIRTS

MAKE HISTORY

We expect thousands of neighbors and guests to attend our festival!

We are looking for sponsors for our festival T-shirts. Our goal is to give every hard-working volunteer a FREE T-shirt ! Help us to make this happen! Your donation will help fund this project, AND your business, family, or organization will be advertised right off the backs of our workers! Not only will thousands see your advertisement during the festival, but our workers are encouraged to wear the festival shirts all year long!

Here's how it works:

- for a donation of \$300 your company logo (or lettering) will be on the upper portion on the back of every shirt.
- for a donation of \$100 we will list your name, with our font, on the back of the shirt.
- for \$50 we will list your name in a smaller sized font on the back of the shirt.

Name listings are limited to 32 characters and spaces. All business sponsors and organizations are subject to approval. The size of the logos and names will depend on the number of sponsors. Yes, you may purchase more than one space!

For more information, and/or to reserve your spot, please contact Patrick Walther at 412-303-1151, or Mary Kay Smith at 412-857-5321

Requests and donations must be received by July 1.



We all lead very busy lives. It may be why you haven't received a personal invitation to volunteer at the festival. Well, consider THIS your personal invitation. Volunteer one shift, or a whole week! We will be grateful for every bit of help! The best part is you are going to have fun and meet so many different people! Call Peg or Kathy today and find out how and when you can be a part of the festival. Peg: 412-818-6623, Kathy: 412-260-8835.

YES! There will be valet parking this year! More details coming soon.



Chinese Auction

We need YOU!

Please donate a monetary gift, items, or a complete basket to the Parish Festival's Chinese Auction!

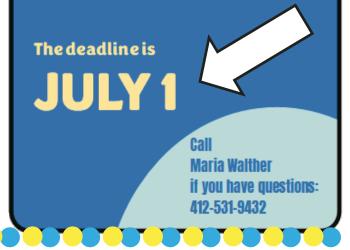
Drop off your donations at the Parish Office in Carnegie!

We are also in need of Instant Lottery Tickets (*scratchers!*) and Gift Cards! These items may be placed in the collection basket at Mass.

We are in search of items for our BASKET OF CHEER!

Please help us fill our basket by donating a bottle (or more) of adult beverages.

Yes, we will take that unopened gift that you received for Christmas that no one at your house is going to drink.





1123 "The purpose of the sacraments is to sanctify men, to build up the Body of Christ and, finally, to give worship to God. Because they are signs they also instruct. They not only presuppose faith, but by words and objects they also nourish, strengthen, and express it. That is why they are called 'sacraments of faith."

1127 Celebrated worthily in faith, the sacraments confer the grace that they signify. They are efficacious because in them Christ himself is at work: it is he who baptizes, he who acts in his sacraments in order to communicate the grace that each sacrament signifies. the Father always hears the prayer of his Son's Church which, in the epiclesis of each sacrament, expresses her faith in the power of the Spirit. As fire transforms into itself everything it touches, so the Holy Spirit transforms into the divine life whatever is subjected to his power.

1129 The Church affirms that for believers the sacraments of the New Covenant are necessary for salvation. "Sacramental grace" is the grace of the Holy Spirit, given by Christ and proper to each sacrament. The Spirit heals and transforms those who receive him by conforming them to the Son of God. The fruit of the sacramental life is that the Spirit of adoption makes the faithful partakers in the divine nature by uniting them in a living union with the only Son, the Sav<u>ior</u>.



Breanne and John Brescia, and daughter Finley

Mrs. Ly Dugan

Sara and Brian Kennelly

The Sargent Family William, Amanda, Arabella, Everett, Dashiell, and Wilder

Mr. Charles Stype



- Throughout history, all Christians make the Sign of the Cross by gesturing from the left shoulder to the right. True | False
- 2. A family that learns and lives the faith together prepares children to respond to God's call to serve as faith-filled _____, single, or married people.
 - a) priests or religious
 - b) athletes
 - c) foreigners
 - d) world travelers
- The first ______ shared all their money and property to make sure everyone had enough.
 a) millionaires
 - a) millionaires
 - b) country music singers
 - c) English kings
 - d) Christians
- 4. According to Catholic social teaching, people are more important than things. True | False
- 5. Like the Ten Commandments, you can find a list of the principles of Catholic social teaching in the Bible. True | False
- 6. In most circumstances, ______ serves as a witness for the Church at every Catholic marriage.
 a) an altar server
 b) an ordained minister
 - b) an ordained minisi
 - c) a flower girl
 - d) the Maid of Honor
- 7. Holy Orders is a sacrament of initiation. True | False
- 8. St. _____ is well known as the patron saint of parish priests.
 - a) John Vianney
 - b) Francis
 - c) John Paul II
 - d) Bernard
- 9. In the early Church, first there were priests, then deacons, and eventually, bishops. True | False
- 10. What can we learn from today's Gospel about following Christ?
 - a) We have to give up our securities.
 - b) We have to take risks.
 - c) We can expect difficulties.
 - d) All of the above.

Answers on page 19



Looking for Classmates

The South Hills High School Class of 1975 is planning a gettogether on September 25, 2022. Please contact parishioner Georgann (Perry) Danzuso for more information: gdanzuso1107@ gmail.com.

Last Call

We will be celebrating our graduates in next week's bulletin. If you have not submitted a photo and/or name of your High School or College Grad, please do so by Noon on Monday, June 27.

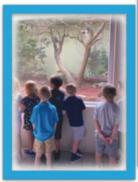


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GUARDIAN ANGEL ACADEMY









GUARDIAN ANGEL

FIRST GRADE FUN! Here are a few more photos from the First Grade adventures.





ANCIENT GREEK DAY

Ancient Greek Day at GAA was celebrated on May 31. Sixth grade students either took on the role of an ancient Greek character or performed a short ancient Greek play. Those who dressed up as an ancient character were required to prepare a one-minute speech describing who they were. We had philosophers, mathematicians, leaders, and gods and goddesses. The play performed was based on an old ancient Greek tale called "Pandora's Box." The

students in preschool to fifth grade were invited to participate and watch.

CONGRATULATIONS

CONCRATULATIONS to our Junior Varsity and Varsity Soccer Teams, our Diocese of Pittsburgh Soccer League Spring 2022 Champions! *Great Job!!!*







WIDOWED, DIVORCED, SEPARATED?

The loss of a spouse through death, divorce, or separation is a traumatic experience. The Beginning Experience© Pittsburgh Lay Apostolate will host a 1-day Saturday seminar, *Coping with Life Alone-In the Beginning Program*, intended to help widowed, divorced, or separated men and women work through their grief and begin to move forward with hope on their life journey.

Please plan to join us Saturday, July 9, 2022 from 8:45 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. The fee is \$25.00 (lunch included). Location: Martina Spiritual Renewal Center, 5244 Clarwin Avenue, West View, PA 15229.

Register by July 3: www.BeginningExperiencePittsburgh.com or make a confidential call to Kim at 412-352-2653 to learn more about this healing ministry.

SERVERS NEEDED

All children of St. Raphael the Archangel Parish in grades 4 through 12 are invited to become Altar Servers. Students must be registered members of St. Raphael Parish and have received the sacraments of Baptism and First Holy Communion. Training will occur in late Summer. Parents who are interested in including their children in this service to the church should contact the parish office at 412-857-5356 or email Father Grecco at: rgrecco@straphaelcgs.org.

Answers from page 13

- 1. False. Read Fr. Alek's *Did You Know* on page 12.
- a) Parents prepare their children for their vocations by teaching them the Christian virtues of "tenderness, forgiveness, respect, fidelity, disinterested service ... self-denial, sound judgment, and selfmastery" (see CCC, 2223).
- d) "There was no needy person among them, for those who owned property or houses would sell them, bring the proceeds of the sale, and put them at the feet of the apostles, and they were distributed to each according to need" (Acts 4:34-35
- True. "Every person is precious, people are more important than things, and the measure of every institution is whether it threatens or enhances the life and dignity of the human person" (U.S. Bishops).
- 5. False. Neither is the Creed or the word Trinity in the Bible. However, all these teachings and many others are based on the Bible. Guided by the Holy Spirit, it is the job of the magisterium (pope and bishops) to interpret and apply the Bible's wisdom to every generation.

- b) The priest (or deacon) who assists at the celebration of a marriage receives the consent of the spouses in the name of the Church and gives the blessing of the Church (CCC,1630). In very rare cases, it is possible for a Catholic to obtain a dispensation from the "form" of marriage and be married in front of a minister or even a judge, as long as the required permissions have been obtained.
- False. The Sacraments of Initiation are Baptism, First Communion, and Confirmation. Holy Orders is a Sacrament of Service.
- a) A priest in France after the French Revolution, St. John Vianney devoted himself to preaching and teaching the faith, hearing confessions, and offering spiritual guidance. His feast day is August 4.
- False. The apostles were ordained by Jesus and became the first bishops. Deacons and priests were later ordained to assist in the ministry of the bishop.
- d) For more about this topic, Fr. John Bartunek explains this answer. Go to catholicexchange.com/184-badexcuses-luke-951-62.

HERE FOR YOU Mercy in Action

Sick Calls

If you or a loved one are admitted to a hospital or nursing home, please ask the nursing staff to contact the Catholic priest on call for the facility, or let us know so we can get you the proper spiritual care. Because of the HIPAA law, treatment facilities are not permitted to release your information to us unless you or your family give them permission to do so.

Home Visits

If you are homebound and desire Holy Communion and/or the Sacraments of Healing (Penance or Anointing of the Sick) please call Laura at the parish office: 412-857-5356 ext.431

St. Vincent de Paul Society: 412-444-5424

If you are in need, SVdP may be able to assist you. Individual cases are confidentially evaluated and help is provided as our resources and guidelines allow. A variety of direct services including clothing, furniture, utility assistance, and more may be available.

St. Vincent de Paul Food Pantry* 412-489-5848

Our pantry supports local families who are unable to make ends meet or who have experienced a recent crisis. This second branch of our SVdP outreach program is specific to the mission of feeding the hungry. Open Tuesdays from 9:00 a.m. to Noon; stop by or call to learn more. *Located at the Administration Center in the back of the building: 330 Third Avenue (rear) The street is named Barrett Way.

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Please join us at straphaelcgs.org and click the "Livestream" button. The Mass schedule is on the front cover.

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SACRAMENTS

Baptisms

For arrangements please call Dcn. Jim Mackin.

Marriage

Arrangements must be made with one of the priests *at least six months before* the proposed date of the wedding.

Penance

Saturdays; 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. at St. Margaret of Scotland Church, and Noon to 1:00 p.m. at St. Elizabeth Ann Church

Anointing

Call the parish office for arrangements if in danger of death.

If hospitalized or in a skilled nursing facility, please ask the nursing staff to contact the Catholic priest on call.

Note:

You must be a registered and active parishioner for at least **six months** before requesting sacramental sponsor forms. Please allow **three weeks** for completion.

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