

AUGUST 7, 2022 | THE 19TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Blessed are the people the Lord has chosen for his own.

No message from Fr. Matt this weekend, he is away for a family wedding.

Warr;or	Walk	for	Hope	
In Loving Memory of Tyler J. Barger				

Sunday, September 11,2022 Karns City High School Track

Registration @ 1:00 Opening Ceremony @ 2:00

Cost \$25 – includes t-shirt



Register below or online by 8-27-2022

https://sites/google.com/view/warrior walkforhope/home

More info/registration form:

Tyler Barger Memorial Events Email: BARGER82@EMBARQMAIL.COM

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Make checks payable to: iRise			
Mail registration form to: Marta F. Barger 205 East Drive Chicora, PA 16025	<u>Venmo Information:</u> Questions? Text: 724-290-7849 Marta @Marta-Barger 724-496-4924 Mary		

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WEEKLY MASS INTENTIONS

Date	Time	Location	Intention	Requested By
Saturday, August 6	4:00 PM Vigil	St. Wendelin	Evelyn Stutz	Family
The Transfiguration of the Lord	5:30 PM Vigil	Mater Dolorosa	Gertrude Flick	Mary Ann Mahaffey
Sunday, August 7 19th Sunday in Ordinary Time	7:00 AM	St. Wendelin	Herman Neff	Gary O'Donnell
	8:15 AM	Mater Dolorosa	Marilyn Hinchberger	Bridget Neff & Family
	9:30 AM	St. Joseph	Ethelreda Welter	Ed & Sandy Clouse
	10:30 AM	St. Wendelin	Jeff Neigh	Family
Monday, August 8 St. Dominic, Priest	12:00 PM	Mater Dolorosa	Ron Pistorius	Michele & Glen, Shawn & DeAnn and Families
Tuesday, August 9 St. Teresa Benedicta of the Cross, Virgin and Martyr	8:00 AM	St. Wendelin	Frank & Barb Weiland	Family
Wednesday, August 10 St. Lawrence, Deacon and Martyr	7:00 PM	Mater Dolorosa	Patrick E. Neff	Debbie Neff & Dustin
Thursday, August 11 St. Clare, Virgin	8:00 AM	St. Wendelin	Karen Rettig	St. Clare Book Club
Friday, August 12 St. Jane Frances de	12:00 PM	St. Joseph	Donald C. Ryan	Rosemary Wagner
Saturday, August 13	4:00 PM Vigil	St. Wendelin	Sis Neff	Bob & Mariam Bertha Family
Sts. Pontian, Pope, and Hip- polytus, Priest, Martyrs	5:30 PM Vigil	Mater Dolorosa	Joe & Mary O'Donnell	Salli
Sunday, August 14	7:00 AM	St. Wendelin	For the Parishioners of Saint Clare of Assisi	
Celebration of the Feast Day of St. Clare, Our Patron	8:15 AM	Mater Dolorosa	Edward "Ed" Parker	Family
	9:30 AM	St. Joseph	Harvey Karenbauer	Betty
	10:30 AM	St. Wendelin	James E. Neff Family	Family



Warm wishes and blessings to those recently baptized in our parish.

Grayson Michael Geibel son of Brandon & Nicole Geibel

Welcome to our faith community!



Prayers for comfort and peace to the family & friends of those our parish family has lost.

Thomas Dunn

May they rest in the peace and glory of the Risen Christ.

If you received the sacrament of Confirmation in the last three years (2020-2022), you missed out on the *Pittsburgh trip* due to Covid restrictions. So here's your chance to go and visit these amazing places! The Youth Group is planning a *FREE* trip that includes **St. Anthony Chapel**, on **August 14th.** St. Anthony houses the largest public collection of Catholic relics in the world, you don't want to miss this amazing experience. Contact Sue Fraley at the office ASAP if you are interested in going . More details to come!

CONFESSION SCHEDULE

Wednesday 6:15pm-6:45pm | Mater Dolorosa

Saturday 11:00am-11:30am | Mater Dolorosa 11:00am-11:30am | St. Wendelin 11:45am-12:15pm | St. Joseph





WEEKLY 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

A friendly reminder that the Administrative office for the entire parish is located at 864 Chicora Rd., Chicora, PA 16025. When mailing offertory envelopes, or any correspondence to the parish, please use this address. There is no office staff at any of the other locations and the former PO Box has been closed. Please use the Administrative Office address to insure that your correspondence is received. Thank you for your cooperation.



WEEKLY COLLECTIONS JULY 31, 2022

Total Offertory	\$6,868.00
Offertory - Online	\$915.00
Offertory - Mass	\$5,953.00

PARISH SHARE COLLECTIONS

Parish Share (PSP)	\$990.00
Parish Share - Online	\$5.00
Total Parish Share	\$995.00
*2022 Parish Share YTD	\$46,817.00
2022 Parish Share Goal	\$68,160.00

MINISTRY COLLECTIONS

Maintenance Fund	\$375.00
Maintenance Fund Online	\$15.00
School Support	\$110.00
School Support Online	\$0
Peter's Pence	\$25.00

*Parish Share now runs on a calendar year Thank you for your continued support of Ministries at Saint Clare of Assisi Parish!

The Second Collection Today is for the School Support Fund



Are you or someone you know interested in the Catholic Faith? Planning is currently underway for our RCIA – Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults that will begin on Thursday, September 22 at 7:00 p.m. at St. Wendelin Rectory. We offer an opportunity to come together in a small group setting to learn more about the Catholic Faith and our parish community. All who are not baptized, baptized into another faith denomination, or baptized Catholic but have not received the Sacraments of Eucharist or Confirmation are invited to attend.

For more information and registration please call: Cathy Rodgers at 724-388-5207 or email: Cathyrodgers@gmail.com

You are cordially and warmly invited to discover the treasure of the Catholic Faith!

CANS FOR KIDS - ALUMINUM CAN DRIVE

Benefits St. Wendelin School Help the school and the environment, don't just throw cans away, collect them at home, outings, reunions, and events!



Cans may be dropped off in the small trailer in lower parking lot across from school, or take your cans to a recycling facility and donate the profit to the school.

The next **St. Clare Senior Pot Luck Lunch** will be on Wednesday, August 10th, at DePaul Hall (St. Joseph N.O.) from 12-2pm. Please join us for food, friends, and fellowship!



Once a Christian Mother, ALWAYS a Christian Mother!

If you were previously a Christian Mother at any of our St. Clare Parish churches and would like to be a participating member again, please contact Norma Miller at 724-496-6667. Looking for new members also!!

Donations for the Petroleum Valley Food Cupboard will be collected in the back of each church through Tuesday, August 16th. Donations may also be dropped off at the



office. Delivery will be made on Wednesday, August 17th. As always, thank you for your generosity.

Our St Wendelin location is hosting the Community Dinner at St. Paul Church in Butler on Tuesday, August 23rd. Anyone interested in volunteering, call or text Gina at 724-991-7967, by Thursday, August 18. This is our traditional Parish Picnic Community Dinner, and we serve our famous chicken and all the tasty side dishes. Workers are needed from 3-6:30pm to pack and distribute the carry out meals. This is a great opportunity to earn service hours! Community dinners are a Corporal Work of Mercy shared among Catholic churches and their ministries that have proximity to downtown Butler.

BOLDLY go where many others have gone before and help pass on the Good News of Jesus Christ and our Catholic faith. You can help them learn and grow in faith by becoming a Catechist. As you nurture the faith of our young, you too will learn and grow in faith." We will provide you with training, materials, and support. Classes begin September 18th, please contact Mrs. Brown at dre@saintclareparish.com if you would like to find out more.

2022-23 Confirmation Class: We need your help for Kids Games at the Parish Picnic on August 21st! Please contact Mrs. Brown if you can help! FAITH FORMATION REGISTRATION FORMS ARE DUE!



at St. Wendelin (210 St. Wendelin Rd. Butler)

Sunday, August 21, 2022 from 1 lam - 6 pm

Fun for the whole Family!

Chicken or Ham Dinner \$14 (Dine-in or Take-out)

Giant Basket Raffle, Kid's Games, Bingo, "99" Game,

Car Show, Music & Refreshments!

WE NEED RAFFLE BASKETS!!! Looking for prepared baskets, gift certificates, monetary donations or any items that can be used to prepare baskets! Parishioners are always so generous and creative with basket donations, we appreciate and rely on your support and creativity! Donations and baskets can be dropped off at the Office during office hours, or contact Nicole at the office to make other arrangements.





A reminder that **sold raffle tickets** can be returned to the office or any of the church collection baskets any time leading up to the picnic date. Need more to sell?

Contact the office.



Picn ic Volunteer sign-ups! If you haven't yet, please fill out the picnic volunteer sheet and return to the office. Sheets are available at each church or on the website, and can be returned to the office directly, via collection basket, or emailed to nicole@saintclareparish.com. The Picnic takes many hardworking hands to make it a success. We are so thankful for our dedicated volunteers.

We are accepting **new or gently used items for our kid's games prizes**. A box will be available in the back of each church if you would like to donate toys, children's books or puzzles (we currently have enough stuffed animals). Donations may also be dropped off at the office. If you have any questions, contact Audra at the office.



THE YOUTH GROUPS FROM ST. CLARE & ST. FRANCIS HAD A BLAST AT COOK FOREST!



Catholic Identity Program Family Link This Week's Virtue: COURAGE Courage is the ability to face difficulties and overcome fear with faith.

COURAGE



doing the right thing in the face of difficulty



St. Wendelin School is continuing Open Enrollment for the 2022-23 school year for Grades Pre-K through 8. Visit the school website at www.stwendelinschool.com, for more details on completing the registration forms,

or call the St. Wendelin School Office at 724-285-4986. Visit the school website to take a virtual tour! Learn about the importance of Catholic Education in your child's life. St. Wendelin School offers smaller class sizes, more one on one time with our qualified educators, and the latest technology to assist in the education process. St. Wendelin is also proud to be a chosen participant in *The St. Pope John Paul II STAR, Student Tuition Assistance Resource*

Program, a scholarship program making Catholic Education affordable for ALL families! Call us today!



St. John Paul II Student Tuition Assistance Resource





Hí! I am Ms. Ahlgren

The 2022-2023 school year is my 4th year with the St. Wendelin family. I love the close-knit community we have within our school from families, staff, and students.

St. Wendelin provides a multitude of opportunities for students to grow academically, socially, and most important, spiritually. One of our more recent opportunities is the STAR student program, which helps continue to make Catholic education affordable for our families.

More About Me

I grew up with my parents and older sister, Katie. My parents have a boxer, Remi, who is a ball of energy.

My sister is married to Kyle, my brother-in-law. They have been married for three years and have one fur baby, Molly.

I have a second job as a youth director for a local church working with students in 6th-12th grades.

Outside of work, I am a competitive bowler going into my 19th season!

Education and Experience

I graduated from Edinboro University with a Bachelor's in Early Childhood PK-4 and Special Education PK-8 with a minor in Spanish. After graduating, I added on 5th and 6th grades. I just recently finished courses to obtain my certification in English as a Second Language (ESL).

I taught 4th grade for two years in Georgia before returning back to PA where I joined St. Wendelin teaching 3rd grade!

At St. Wendelin, I run the Sign Language Club, aftercare program, Kids Heart Challenge, and am the technology coordinator.

KNOW SOMEONE WHO NEEDS COMFORT? The Prayer

Blanket Ministry at St. Francis Parish has a beautiful selection of blankets for anyone who needs the comfort of prayer. If you know of someone who is sick, depressed, lost a loved one, or is struggling with a mental illness, please consider the gift of one of our blankets. The blankets are blessed and come with a rosary. The recipients are lifted in prayer every Tuesday morning at our meeting. We also have blankets for children of all ages. Pick up a blanket during our meeting, Tuesday mornings, St. Joseph Hall, Cabot, 9 - 11:30am, or call Suzanne Ekas and leave a message at 724.360.0027.

Saint Joseph High School is hiring! Positions include a Golf Coach, Chef Manager and Long-Term Substitute Teacher for Art. For more information and how to apply, please visit "Jobs at SJHS" at SaintJosephHS.com. Saint Joseph High School is still enrolling incoming freshmen and transfer students for this fall. The STAR (Student Tuition Assistance Resource) Program, established by an anonymous donor, provides additional financial aid, making Catholic education more affordable. Interested families are encouraged to contact Admissions Director, Shane Palumbo '92, at admissions@SaintJosephHS.com or 724-226-4932 to start the admissions process.

Planning to Marry? Couples contemplating marriage should contact a priest at least 6 months prior to the date of the intended marriage. A marriage preparation program is held twice a year in Butler. The next marriage preparation retreat will be held on two consecutive Saturdays, October 29 & November 5, 2022 at St. Michael Church hall. You must attend both Saturday sessions. The next program is held in the Spring of 2023. The registration forms for both Fall and Spring are available on our parish website. For more information or to register, contact Cheryl Weiland at 724-991-2639 or <u>cweiland@zoominternet.net</u>.

The Substance Addiction Ministry will be hosting a speaker from *the Butler County Drug & Alcohol Program* on September 20th at 7:00pm in St Joseph's Hall (in Cabot). The presentation is to make people aware that there is help available. They will advise and discuss all the resources that are offered through their office. This is for anyone that has a loved one in addiction (son, daughter, niece, nephew, neighbor etc). Light refreshments will be served.

The Educational Improvement Tax Credit Program (EITC) has supported families to attend Catholic schools for over 20 years. There are opportunities for qualified individuals and businesses to donate & receive a PA Tax credit. Email stewardship@diopitt.org for more information.

The R.C. Men's Club will be holding an outdoor Mass on Sunday August 14th at 1:30 pm. Father Ed Voltz will be the celebrant. All are welcome to attend. Tickets are now available for the St. Francis of Assisi Parish Ultimate Sports Raffle at the RC Men's Club on September 24th. Tickets are available at the Parish office at St. Joseph in Cabot and at St. Mary in Herman. For tickets, information, or if you are interested in donating a raffle basket, contact Gary Martin (724-991-3370), Leann Bauer (724-822-7381), or Becky Kriley (724-285-3285).

HOPE AND HEALING ARE POSSIBLE!!! For those struggling with addiction or substance abuse, for their families and for those who have lost loved ones to the disease of addiction and overdose. We come together in prayer! PLEASE JOIN US FOR ROSARY AND SPECIAL INTERCES-SIONS TUESDAYS: Aug. 9th, 23rd and 30th 2:30 to 3:30pm (No gathering on Aug 16th) ABBA'S HOUSE, 320 W. MAIN ST., SAXONBURG, 16056 "The lost I will seek out, the strayed I will bring back, the injured I will bind up, the sick I will heal...." - Ezekiel 34:16 information: patomaszewski@zoominternet.net



Save the date for the annual St. Francis of Assisi Fall Festival on September 11th at St. Joseph in Cabot.

Retrouvaille: A Lifeline for Married Couples.

Retrouvaille offers help to couples experiencing trouble in their marriage. The weekend and post sessions focus on rebuilding marriage through better communication, listening, and understanding. Call today to begin the healing process beginning with a weekend on September 30, 2022. Contact Retrouvaille at 412-277-3434. E-mail 3041R@helpourmarriage.org.

More information is available at helpourmarriage.org.

Auditions for the 2022-2023 Diocesan Choir season will soon be held. The choir, under the direction of Fr. Jim Chepponis, Music Director for the Diocese of Pittsburgh, sings for the major diocesan events at St. Paul Cathedral throughout the year. Currently there are openings in the soprano, alto, tenor and bass sections. In addition to being good singers, potential members must be capable sight-readers due to a limited rehearsal schedule, and at least 18 years of age. Rehearsals are held at St. John Capistran Church, 1610 McMillan Road, in Upper St. Clair. Audition times may be scheduled by calling Doris Anne at 412-953-4480 before August 5.

Come for a **retreat with Immaculée Ilibagiza, Rwandan American author and survivor of the Rwandan genocide**. This retreat includes Immaculée's witness of the power of prayer, miracles of the Rosary, and inspirational music. No one will leave this retreat the same as when they came. The retreat takes place November 4-5 at St. Alexis Church of St Aidan Parish. The cost to attend is \$57. For more information and to register, visit: <u>https://</u>

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