



Christ Our Light Parish

Saint Benedict Catholic Church, corner of North 7th Street & Gomber Avenue, Cambridge OH
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ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT:

Wednesdays from 9:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m. in St. Benedict Church

BAPTISMS: Families desiring baptism for their child must be registered in the parish. Parents must attend a preparation class.

BULLETIN DEADLINE: Articles must be submitted in writing by noon on Wednesdays and are subject to approval by the pastor. Space is limited, so we reserve the right to edit.



FACEBOOK PAGE: Live-Streamed Mass every day.

“Christ Our Light Parish, Guernsey County, OH.”

HOSPITAL VISITATION: Please call immediately if you or a loved one is in the hospital.

MINISTRY TO THOSE IN NURSING HOMES, HOSPITALS, AND THE HOMEBOUND: If you or a loved one wishes to receive the Eucharist or have regular pastoral visits, please call the parish office.

RECONCILIATION:

St. Benedict Church - Saturdays at 4:00 p.m.

Sts. Peter and Paul Oratory - Sundays at 11:45 a.m.

And by Appointment

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION: Parish School of Religion (PSR) classes for children in grades K through 8 are held Sunday mornings from September to May.

RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS (RCIA):

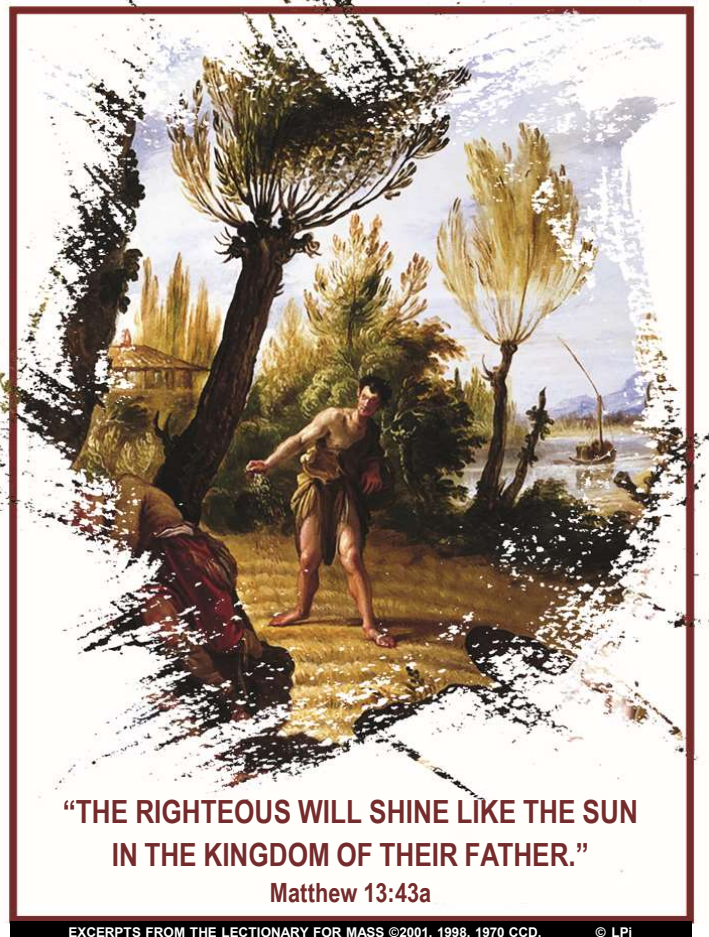
Adult preparation for Baptism, Eucharist and Confirmation. Call Fr. Hrezo or Pat Farley for information.

SCHEDULING MASS INTENTIONS: Anyone wishing to schedule Masses on special days, especially weekends, should do so at least 6 months in advance.

WEDDINGS: Arrangements must be made six months in advance.

WELCOME TO OUR PARISH: Registration forms can be found at the church, oratory and parish office.

16TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME Sunday, July 19, 2020



**“THE RIGHTEOUS WILL SHINE LIKE THE SUN
IN THE KINGDOM OF THEIR FATHER.”**

Matthew 13:43a

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Office Hours 9:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.

Bulletin Deadline Noon Wednesday

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Mass Intentions for the Week of July 19, 2020

Saturday, July 18	5:00pm	SB	† Msgr. Stephen Laca by Liz Lewis
Sunday, July 19 (16th Sunday in Ordinary Time)			
	8:00am	SB	† James George by Larry and Carol Bell
	10:30am	SB	† Mark Larrison by the Grubbs and Lohman Families
	12:15pm	SSPP	People of Christ Our Light Parish
Monday, July 20	8:35am	SB	† Gilbert Barczak by Fred and Pat Dinapoli
Tuesday, July 21	8:35am	SB	† Edward Lehotay (Birthday, July 6) by Family
Wednesday, July 22	8:35am	SB	† Eleanor Brusky by Michael and Becky Brusky
Thursday, July 23	8:35am	SB	† Mary Ellen Wright by Liz Lewis
Friday, July 24	8:35am	SB	† Mary Hughes (Anniversary) by Annie Bride
Saturday, July 25	8:35am	SB	† Sister Marella Wagner by the Franciscan Sisters of Christian Charity
	5:00pm	SB	† Jim George by Pat and Pat Grubbs
Sunday, July 26 (17th Sunday in Ordinary Time)			
	8:00am	SB	† Lily Maximo by Dan and Lynn Padden and Family
	10:30am	SB	† Gilbert Barczak by the Grubbs and Lohman Families
	12:15pm	SSPP	People of Christ Our Light Parish

Ministers of the Altar for Saturday & Sunday, July 25-26, 2020

	Saturday (SB) 5:00 p.m.	Sunday (SB) 8:00 a.m.	Sunday (SB) 10:30 a.m.	Sunday (SSPP) 12:15 p.m.
Lectors	Peggy Adams	Jeremiah Hahn	Jacob Padden	David Krak
Ushers	Jacob Padden	Craig Stickelmeyer	Alan Bay	Ed McConkey



- **Please do not post-date checks.** If we don't notice the date and deposit your check earlier than you wanted, it could cause a problem with your checking account.

• **When requesting a Mass to be scheduled,** please indicate if the person is deceased. If you request a certain date and that date is not available, yours will be scheduled at the next available Mass.

• **If you place your D/PSC contribution in the offertory basket at Mass,** please do not include cash. Since our office no longer processes the D/PSC pledges/contributions, we mail them to the diocesan office.

• **ALL checks to the parish should be written payable to CHRIST OUR LIGHT PARISH,** with the exception of the St. Benedict School Development Fund.

Blood Pressure Screenings

Next Sunday, July 26, 2020

1:15 p.m. in the SSPP Rectory

Face masks are required and proper precautions and cleaning of equipment between persons will be followed.



We've heard that Sister Clare Rose

Oswald, former Christ Our Light parishioner, will be teaching school in Arizona this fall and is looking forward to the challenge! Prayers are needed in the light of Arizona's newest restrictions due to the pandemic.

Her new address is: *Sister Clare Rose Oswald
1996 W. San Xavier Road
Tucson AZ 85746*



Sunday, July 19

After Masses Scrip Sales (Marian Room)
 11:45am Confession (SSPP)
 2:30pm Bereavement Haven (SB social hall)

Monday, July 20

9:00am Rosary

Tuesday, July 21

9:00am Rosary

Wednesday, July 22

9:00am Rosary
 9:00am-9:00pm Eucharistic Adoration (SB Church)
 9:15am School Meeting (SB social hall)
 4:30pm Evening Prayer and Benediction
 6:00pm Holy Hour of Prayer (SSPP Oratory)

Thursday, July 23

9:00am Rosary

Friday, July 24

9:00am Rosary
 10:00am-noon Scrip Sales (school office)

Saturday, July 25

9:00am Rosary
 4:00pm Confession (SB)

Sunday, July 26

After Masses Scrip Sales (Marian Room)
 11:45am Confession (SSPP)
 1:15pm Blood Pressure Screenings (SSPP Rectory)

The Meaning of a Miracle

Having preached a sermon on miracles, a priest in Ireland, while walking homeward, was asked by one of his congregation to explain a little more clearly what a miracle meant.

“It’s a miracle you want to understand?” asked the clergyman. “Then walk on ahead a little and I’ll try to think of how I can explain it to you.”

After the man had walked on a little, the priest came after him and gave him a tremendous kick.

“Ow-w-w!” roared the man. “What did you do that for?”

“Did you feel it?” asked the priest.

“To be sure, I did,” replied the man.

“Well, then, it would have been a miracle if you had not.”

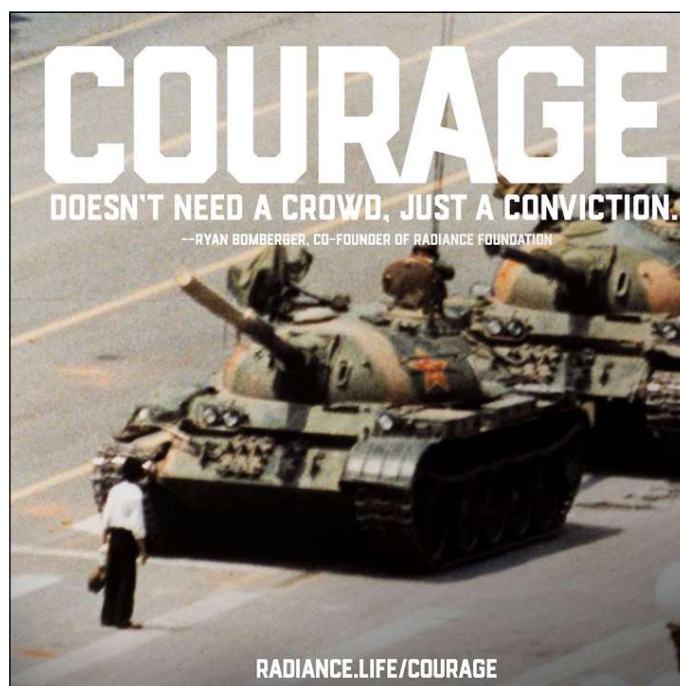
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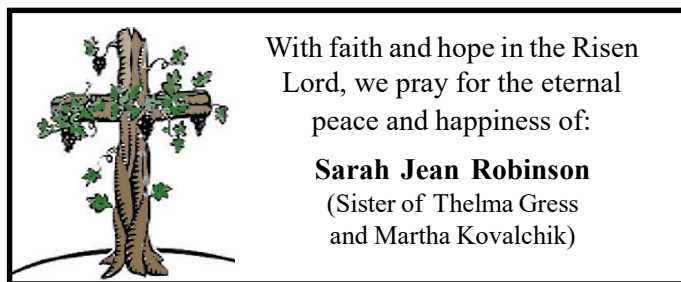
Suggested food donations for July are *soups, pasta and sauce*. Please place your donations in the marked box in the Marian Room of St. Benedict Church.



The Christ Our Light Conference of Saint Vincent de Paul Society (SVdP)

We are looking for someone to serve as back-up to our webmaster. This can be anyone with an interest in or knowledge about computers, especially the web design program **WordPress**. A high school student needing service hours would be acceptable. This work can be done remotely. Contact Jeff at (740) 432-7609 ext. 207





Please pray for all God's children who are ill, homebound or in nursing homes, and those who care for them.

Jim Albert, Beth Anderson, Megan Archer, Bob Barlock, Larry Beck, Dorothy Bednarski, Joe Bennor, Whitney Benson, Marcella Beros, Bill Bodner, Steve Bodner, Frank Booth, Brinley Boyd, Imelda Bruney, David Callihan, Rosie Campbell, Diane Carkin, Melanie Carna, Jeff Carpenter, Patti Cartner, Milt Cerny, Chesler Family, Monica Chicwak, Yung Chuang, Lee Cline, Mike Cowgill, Anita Cox, Jennifer Cox, Linda Delik, Peggy Ditto, Angie Doerfler, Sister Miriam Dosch, Carl James Duch, Patty Eibel, Liam Elliott, Mary Evans, Betty Fannin, Jen Fannin, William "Buzzy" Ferguson, Marsha Finley, Greg Gibson, Pat Graven, Louise Hack & Family, Steve Hall, Dave Hanes, Stephen Hannum, Mark Hayes, Mary Ann Haynes, Jane Hemlar, Violes Henry, Lorriane Hesson, Dolly Hitzel, Sally & Ted Hoey, Sally & Payton Hubal, Bob Huffman, Laverne Ingles, David, and Paul Iten, Rachel Jirles, Josh Jones, Diane Krall, William Kyser Jr., Dorothy Lackney, Amara Larrison, Mike Long, Andrea May, Lisa McGregor, Joyce McPeak, Keagan Meek, Angela Merva, Hayley Morris, Pam Motil, Mary Ann Pachuta, Christine Palmer, John Palmer, Dick & Frances Pavlov, Lynda Pawlowski, Carole Pekari, B.J. Petrasko, Sally Pfalzgraf, Ben Pickenpaugh, Richard Riesbeck, Don Ross, Emma Ross, Connie Rummell, Mary Schmid, Jett Schmitt, Terri Scott, Rosemary Sebek, Irene Sekel, Steve Shedlock Jr., Carys Singler, Mallory Smith, Mike Smith, William Smith, Ramona Springer, John Sprouse, Loretta Stahovec, Louie Stahovec, Mark Stahovec, Mary Stoner, Stephen Storch, Ken Stump, Loran Stutz, Chris Seward, Don Thatcher, Margaret Urdak, JoMarie Wasik, James Weidlich, Matthew Wentzel, Bill and Cathy Whitmire, Don and Grace Whitmore, Jodie Williams, Andrea Yakubik, Helen Yakubik, William "Bill" Yoho

We ask your prayers for all men and women serving in our armed forces and those who put themselves in harm's way to protect and serve others.

Steven Barrows, Makenzi Carna, Becky Chesar, Phillip Cram, Carl Duch, Scott Fearn, Luke High, Travis Jackson, Jeremy Jones, Michael Kuhns, Joshua Lucas, Ryan McGough, Jeff McKnight, William Miller, J.C. Minarchek, Josh Norris, Anthony Stevens, Jesse Walters, Sean Weir, Steven Whaley, Zach Williams, Zac Wilson, Ethan Wray



Please Pray For Our Priests

July 19 Msgr. J. Michael Campbell
July 20 Rev. Thomas Vennitti
July 21 Rev. Dennis Gang, TOR
July 22 Rev. James Dunfee
July 23 Rev. Francis Dankoski, OSIHJM
July 24 Rev. Timothy Huffman
July 25 Rev. Martin Holler
July 26 Rev. Thomas Chillog



"Keep a clear eye toward life's end.

Do not forget your purpose and destiny as God's creature. What you are in His sight is what you are and nothing more. Remember that when you leave this earth, you can take with you nothing that you have received but only what you have given: a full heart enriched by honest service, love, sacrifice, and courage. Embrace the God of us all and His Word wherever it surfaces."

- from St. Francis of Assisi's Letter to Rulers of People

Offertory for July 11-12, 2020

Adults \$8,006.15
Children 23.00
Miscellaneous 65.75

Weekly Budget Amount Needed..... \$9,000.00

READINGS FOR THE 17TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Sunday, July 26, 2020

The readings for the 17th Sunday in Ordinary Time speak of the precious gift of discipleship. As Christians, we are called to turn away from the allurements of this world and to seek the treasures of the kingdom of heaven. To better prepare our hearts to celebrate these sacred mysteries, let us call to mind our sins as we seek the Lord's mercy.

Our readings focus on seeking the things that are of true and enduring value.

King Solomon is praised for seeking wisdom rather than riches or personal gain. And he desired wisdom in order to better serve his kingdom.

The Gospel gives us two examples of doing everything possible to attain the reign of God. The person who truly

wants the reign of God will sell everything in order to remain faithful to the kingdom. That is true wisdom.

1 Kings 3:5, 7-12

Give your servants, therefore, an understanding heart.

As you reflect on your past life, what is it that you find predominate in your search for satisfaction?

Romans 8:28-30

All things work for good for those who love God.

Are you truly able to experience the love of God for you?

Matthew 13:44-52

The kingdom of heaven is like a treasure buried in a field.

What aspects of the life of Heaven motivates you to value Heaven above all things?



A beautiful sports car or a perfect house on a gorgeous piece of property is easy to desire. You can visualize them in your own mind or you can see them displayed on a dealer's lot or zipping past you on the highway! You can walk around on a piece of property and even become familiar with the smell of a new house or new car.

How can we desire more deeply those realities that endure forever that we can't always notice right away? Can some of these other beautiful things draw us to desire what's "transcendent," such as wisdom? Next Sunday's readings show us the way!

"The Kingdom of Heaven is like a treasure **buried** in a field..." It's not obvious right away. It's been buried for safekeeping. The footnote for this verse in the *New American Bible* (Matt. 13:44) says, "In the unsettled conditions of Palestine in Jesus' time, it was not unusual to guard valuables by burying them in the ground." But then, according to God's good will and good timing, comes the time for revelation, for finding the treasure. The person who found the treasure would probably have been simply a worker in the field, doing some day labor for the property

owner. To his surprise and very much to his delight, he discovers this buried treasure.

This parable describes a **wise** man! He has found the most valuable of all treasures and he is willing to give everything so that he can have the land with that buried treasure, a treasure that is without price. It is worth it for him to give everything for it because it will pay him back perpetually – its benefits will never run out!

That's the kind of relationship and experience the Lord is inviting us into. He wants us to experience Him as the most valuable of all treasures! **Knowing Jesus** is that great treasure. Its worth everything we've got. That is true wisdom!

The evangelist and apostle Matthew records Jesus as using the phrase "Kingdom of Heaven," reflecting the practices of the good, devout Jewish faithful. Using "Heaven" rather than the word "God" or the name of God expresses deep esteem for God the Father. "Finding the Kingdom of Heaven" means experiencing the "reign of God" in our hearts. We experience Jesus reigning in our hearts. That's what it's like when we "know Jesus" – we experience Jesus subduing sin in our hearts and helping us

to want to praise the Father. We experience Him giving us a peace and knowledge we couldn't have on our own without him. When we struggle with sin or feel empty in our worship of the Father, Jesus invites us to turn to Him.

This is described in Hebrews 4:15-16, "For we do not have a high priest who is unable to sympathize with our weaknesses, but one who has similarly been tested in every way, yet without sin. So let us confidently approach the throne of grace to receive mercy and to find grace for timely help." Some people have found it helpful both when they pray and when they need help with temptations to visualize in their mind's eye entering into the throne room of God, both simply to be with Him and to ask for His help. God the Father loves it when we actually turn to Him. He welcomes and encourages us and gives us the assistance we need through an awareness of the real presence of Jesus with us, reigning in our

hearts, reigning over that temptation or praying with us. Remember that we use Jesus' very words when we pray the Lord's Prayer, for example.

What can help us to desire this relationship? Experiencing God's perspective about us can help. God sees **us** as the most valuable of all treasures. Is God willing to give us His all to purchase the field of our souls, of who we are? By simply looking at the cross and empty tomb and we can say a resounding, "Amen!"

We can even say, "Lord, I'll sell you this sin I'm holding onto; I'll let go of it for you"! Yes, the Lord desires to take our lives and then swap with us for His land that has the great treasure of eternal **life**. He invites us to dig around in a relationship with Him and to discover Jesus as our greatest treasure.

Pastor's Letter

This might be largely an echo of last week's bulletin. In part, we seem so close to either progressing toward slowing down the spread of COVID-19 or returning to some degree of the lockdown situation. In his address on Wednesday evening you could tell that Governor DeWine so strongly wants to resist having to make masks mandatory and returning to another lockdown. Thank you to all of you who, again, are playing it extra safe now that the number of cases in our county has been increasing.

Thankfully, it seems that health care professionals have a better handle on managing this virus so that the mortality rate remains relatively low. Nevertheless, it sounds like a fair number of those who have contracted it, especially those with other underlying conditions, have had lasting effects. So, let's do our best to keep our homes and the various buildings on our parish properties havens of cleanliness.

We'll continue to provide a live stream of at least one Mass per day at our parish's Facebook page [Christ Our Light Parish, Guernsey County, OH]. And, Lord willing, we will improve our parish's YouTube channel [it has a very similar "address": Christ Our Light Parish Guernsey County Ohio] so that these liturgies could be accessed through that means as well. For some people YouTube is easier to access than Facebook. We'll continue to try different camera angles and ways of boosting and improving the sound quality.

We have also been live streaming Evening Prayer and Benediction on Wednesdays at 4:30 p.m. and posting the text for that prayer service at our parish website: www.christourlightparish.com. From the menu or along the top banner you can see the link for "Liturgy of the Hours." That's where you can access the text for the weekly Evening Prayer and Benediction, part of our weekly 9:00 a.m. – 9:00 p.m. Eucharistic Adoration.

And, to echo again what I mentioned last week about our Bereavement Haven support group in last week's letter: in light of scheduling the First Communion Mass for Sunday afternoon last week, please note that our Bereavement Haven support group will meet this week/today, Sunday, July **19th**, at 2:30 p.m. in the St. Benedict social hall (which has sufficient space to maintain safe distances). This group usually meets on the second Sunday afternoon of each month for several years and will plan to *continue* to do so. The group has recently been discussing a very effective book, Finding a Loving God in the Midst of Grief, reading and reflecting on a chapter-at-a-time. This week we're planning to read and reflect on Chapter 4 of that book. Sharing resources like these as well as simply enjoying the time of fellowship have helped this group to be impactful.

May the Lord keep us protected and healthy and, as always, well prepared for the gift of eternal life!

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New parishioners are welcome and should register as soon as possible. Registration forms can be
found in the vestibule of St. Benedict Church and at the back of Sts. Peter and Paul Oratory.

☐ Change of Address ☐ Moving out of Parish ☐ New Phone Number

Name: _____ Email: _____

Address: _____ Phone: _____