

Christ Our Light Parish

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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.

Pastor

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.

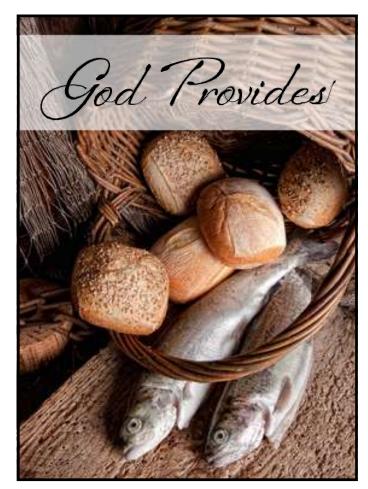
RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS (RCIA): Adult preparation for Baptism, Eucharist and Confirmation. Call Fr. Hrezo or Pat Farley for information.

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.

18TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME Sunday, August 2, 2020



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Mass Intentions for the Week of August 2, 2020

Saturday, August 1	5:00pm	SB	† Dave V. Callihan (Birthday) by Wife, Donna		
Sunday, August 2 (18th	Sunday of 8:00am 10:30am 12:15pm	Ordina SB SB SSPP	ry Time) People of Christ Our Light Parish † Ruth Nau by Kelly and Angela Sailing † Regina Gallagher by Tom and Jacquie Adamik		
Monday, August 3	8:35am	SB	† Richard Tonnous by Jim and Paula Bakos		
Tuesday, August 4	8:35am	SB	† Edward Szabo by Fr. Hrezo		
Wednesday, August 5	8:35am	SB	† Edward and Agnes Lehotay (Wedding Anniversary) by Family		
Thursday, August 6	8:35am	SB	† John Zvolensky (Anniversary, July 18) by Betty		
Friday, August 7	8:35am	SB	† Dick Norman (Anniversary) by Susie Norman		
Saturday, August 8	8:35am 5:00pm	SB SB	† Mark Larrison (Birthday, July 31) by Family† Tom Zembar (Birthday) by Family		
Sunday, August 9 (19th	Sunday of 8:00am	Ordina SB	ry Time) People of Christ Our Light Parish		

8:00am	SB	People of Christ Our Light Parish
10:30am	SB	† Dr. Joe Goggin by Ray and Charmine Chorey
12:15pm	SSPP	† Deceased Members of the Radachi and Cibrik Families by Dan
		and Mary Ann Dzurec

Ministers of the Altar for Saturday & Sunday, August 8-9, 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	Alycia Oswald	Joe Miller	Alex Mullen	Shellie Brown
Ushers	Jacob Padden	Craig Stickelmeyer	Jacob Padden	Ed McConkey
Cantors	Folk Group	Sr. Carol & David	Choir	



Since re-opening in May, we have been able to help 29 families (74 people) meet a variety of needs - from water and electricity to birth certificates, medications, and car repairs. During a time of so much uncertainty, we are grateful to our many donors and their trust in us to be stewards of their generosity. Thank you for your support!

We do still seek help (someone to provide back-up) with our website!

How Does One Become Catholic?

Catholics are blessed by those who ask what it means to be Catholic. Now is the time to offer an invitation to family members and friends



to seriously consider joining the Catholic Church. This requires an act of faith on our part, but shouldn't we be eager to share our faith with everyone? The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) will begin Thursday, October 8. If you or someone you know is interested or if you would like to be a member of this year's team, please contact Fr. Paul or Pat Farley at the parish office, 740-432-7609.



Sunday, August 2

Before Masses Pro-Life Rosary All Masses Monthly Collection for Those in Need After Masses Scrip Sales (Marian Room) 11:45am Confession (SSPP) Monday, August 3 9:00am Rosary Tuesday, August 4 9:00am Rosary Wednesday, August 5 9:00am Rosary 9:00am-9:00pm Eucharistic Adoration (SB Church) 4:30pm Evening Prayer and Benediction Thursday, August 6 9:00am Rosary 9:15amSVdP (SB social hall) Friday, August 7 9:00am Rosary 10:00am-Noon Scrip Sales (school office) Saturday, August 8 9:00am Rosary 4:00pm Confession (SB) Sunday, August 9 After Masses Scrip Sales (Marian Room) 11:45am Confession (SSPP) 2:30pm Bereavement Haven (SB social hall)

PRAY FOR OUR PRIESTS

August 2	Bishop Jeffrey M. Monforton
August 3	Rev. Luke Robertson, TOR
August 4	All Priests
August 5	Rev. Charles Moran
August 6	
August 7	Rev. Edward Maxfield
August 8	Rev. Virgil Reischman
August 9	Bishop Gilbert I. Sheldon
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Table of Plenty

Suggested food donations for August are *soups*, *pasta and ready to eat meals*. Please place your donations in the marked box in the Marian Room of St. Benedict Church.

In addition to the packaged food generously donated by members of our parish, Grace Food Pantry will be happy to accept any <u>produce</u> that we want to share from our gardens, even if a small amount.

Different, however, from the packaged food, the fresh fruit and vegetables need to be taken directly to the pantry at Christ Lutheran Church on the corner of Steubenville and 11th/Clark Street. Someone will be there to receive donations Monday-Friday from 9 AM to Noon in the church basement and shared with those who come for the daily lunch.

Access to the Pantry is from Steubenville Avenue via the church driveway across the

street from the Orme's parking lot. This is one way that we can "do something" to help our neighbors in need during the Covid crisis.

July Mass Attendance

Weekend Attendance Average Attendance

 July 4-5
 273
 5:00 p.m. Saturday
 55

 July 11-12
 272
 8:00 a.m. Sunday
 66

 July 18-19
 259
 10:30 a.m. Sunday
 88

 July 25-26
 278
 12:15 p.m. Sunday
 60

 Weekly Average
 270
 270
 10
 10

Offertory for July 25-26, 2020

Adults	\$5,848.00
Children	
Miscellaneous	

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



With faith and hope in the Risen Lord, we pray for the eternal peace and happiness of:

> Lucille Davis (Mother of Nancy Hoffer)

Prgyer Requests

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

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

> A Great Saint for August St. Augustine Feast Day ~ August 28th



Miracles are not contrary to nature, but only contrary to what we know about nature.

And Jesus departed from our sight (in the Ascension) that we might return to our heart, and there Him. For He departed, and behold, He is here.

If you believe (only) what you like in the Gospels, and reject what you don't like, it is not the Gospel you believe, but yourself.



In Memoriam

Christ Our Light Parish has received donations in memory of *Gilbert Barczak and Jim George*.

READINGS FOR THE 19TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME Sunday, August 9, 2020

Peter's faith is put to the test as he walks on the water toward Jesus. Overcome with fear, Peter begins to sink. As Christians each day our faith is tested; and like Peter, we too can drown in our fears if we don't stay focused on the Lord. As we gather for these sorrow mysteries, let us turn to the Lord seeking mercy for the times we have wavered in our trust in God.

The focus of our readings is the presence of God in the calming of the storm.

Elijah finds God, not in the storm, earthquake or fire, but in the quiet, calm, stilling of the storm.

The disciples, frightened by the storm, fail to recognize Jesus walking on the water. It is in the stilling of the storm that they recognize him and praise him.

<u>1 Kings 19:9, 11-13</u> When Elijah heard the tiny whisperings, he hid his face in his cloak. How have you experienced the presence of God?

<u>Romans 9:1-5</u> I speak the truth in Christ. Have you ever been able to speak about your faith in Jesus?

<u>Matthew 14:22-23</u> Peter gets out of the boat and begins to walk on the water toward Jesus. What doubts of faith should you seek to resolve?

The Powerful God of Peace Conquers the Storm

In our Sunday readings over these next two weeks (Sunday, August 9th and Sunday, August 16th) we will see several people's faith in God on display for the sake of strengthening our own faith in *God* and for the sake of helping it to grow.

First, next week we will see both Elijah and St. Peter expressing trust in God by crying out for Him, by seeking God in their distress. In both cases they will encounter God drawing them to His profound presence in calm rather than in power and in vengeance. Then, the following week (August 16th), we will see the faith of a Gentile woman contrasted with the misguided faith of the Pharisees.

So, Elijah and St. Peter: how can they help our faith in Jesus to grow?

For Elijah there is a clue in his name, which means "**My** God is **Yahweh**" (Eli = my God; jah = Yahweh)! His very name points to the One who is the focus and source of Elijah's confidence. In whom do we focus our confidence?

Notice also how Elijah encountered God in this passage of 1 Kings 13:9-13 (next week's First Reading). This passage happens after Elijah had been the only faithful prophet of Yahweh. He had just defeated 400 prophets of the false god, Baal. Now the queen Jezebel is seeking his life. So, Elijah flees to Mt. Sinai, which is also called Mt. Horeb, as it is in this passage. Mt. Sinai is where the faithful Hebrew people could expect to meet God, since this is where God had first spoken with Moses in the burning bush and had given the Israelites the Ten Commandments. And, Elijah does encounter God.

However, he does not encounter God as Moses did. He does not encounter God in fire or in awesome displays of

the most powerful forces of nature. This new revelation is meant to reinforce the growing experience of God as He helps <u>us</u> to grow in relationship with Him. Instead of quickening Elijah's heart through fear and awe, God now <u>strengthens</u> his heart by speaking to him with a quiet interior voice. God speaks to Elijah as the God of love and of tender mercy. This is how God speaks to those who He helps to grow in having an understanding heart (remember last week and King Solomon?).

It's important for us to note that Elijah's faith was in <u>God</u>. His faith wasn't in himself. That is, he didn't believe in the quality of his own faith but believed in <u>God</u>. That's often where we miss the point. We tend to think to ourselves, "I hope <u>my</u> faith is strong or good enough" meaning the focus is on ourselves. Instead, the focus is to be on God. We are to be thinking, "I believe in **You**, Heavenly Father. I believe in **Your** love and **Your** good plan for me." This small but important shift of focus can make all the difference.

St. Peter also experiences God helping him to focus his faith in Jesus.

The geography of the Sea of Galilee meant that some truly ferocious waves could be stirred up. Being below sea level and surrounded by some steep hills caused the north end of the lake to be a kind of wind amplifier. The winds and waves would have been pushing against the front and then the side of the disciples' boat.

Like Elijah's experience of God, St. Peter experienced Jesus bringing him into calm and into experiencing the Lord's mercy. Jesus' gift of calm is to reassure all of us that **He** will see us through to calm. He will bring us "to the harbor we long for" (Psalm 107:30).

Again, St. Peter's faith is ultimately also focused on Jesus. "Lord, save me!" Yes, we see him begin to doubt that he could walk on the stormy water. But, we also see him "of little faith" crying out to the **Lord**. He places his ultimate hopes on Jesus.

May the Lord help us to follow and live the examples of Elijah and St. Peter.

Pastor's Letter

Because it has happened several times over these past few months, it is clear that in order to try to stop text messages and email messages supposedly from me, especially asking for your generosity by buying gift cards or money cards, I will need to either change my main email account or perhaps try sending some parish items, such as the bulletin, from a different email account.

Please be wary of any email messages or text messages evidently from me requesting a quick response of a purchase even if it is requesting something for a generous outreach ministry need. Thank you for your generosity and for thinking well of me if you have considered responding to one of those requests! Nevertheless, please be well advised that I will not make a request like that. Thankfully our parish has procedures for outreach – again thanks to your consistent generosity – that don't depend on requests like in those messages.

On a different and encouraging note, for the first time since opening for public Masses on Monday, May 18th, we came close to our allowed capacity this past Sunday at the 10:30 a.m. Mass. We can have up to 50% of our capacity, which realistically at St. Benedict Church would be about 125 people in the main body of the church. Most of our Masses over these past 2 ½ months have averaged between 50 – 70 people, with only one Mass with 90 people. This past Sunday at the 10:30 a.m. Mass we had 109 people, including the half dozen masked and distanced members of our choir and some parishioners in the "sky box" (i.e. the Cry Room). I must admit that on one hand there was what I considered sufficient space between individuals and household groups. Yet, on the other hand, we really did not have much more space if more than that arrived.

Interestingly, as we've been tracking attendance, the 10:30 a.m. Mass has been one of the lightest attended Masses. We've had more at the 8:00 a.m. Mass and even had the highest number at the 12:15 p.m. Mass at Sts. Peter & Paul in Lore City on the first weekend of July.

So, if you are uncomfortable with a gathering of that size, close to capacity, if you're here when that happens don't feel bad if you need to quietly excuse yourself and plan to attend another Mass or even a daily Mass instead. That's one of the reasons the bishops of Ohio have suspended the requirement for the Sunday Mass obligation. And, please do not be offended if our ushers post a sign on the doors that we have reached our capacity and even lock the doors to prevent additional people from entering (in such a case, know that all of our doors can open from the inside)!

And, because the governor's mask order is still active, <u>please do wear a mask when attending Mass or other</u> <u>prayer services in our churches</u>. We have additional masks on hand if you forget a mask at home or leave it in the car. We will continue to "air out" our church buildings and sanitize the pews between events to keep our churches as clean as possible.

Some very strong suggestions were made from parishioners this past week regarding distribution and receiving Communion. While I have usually mentioned that the masks could be left in the pew while going forward to receive Communion, I will no longer offer that option. Please continue to wear your mask while in the line and only lower the mask for placing the Host in your mouth.

Here are some thoughts about receiving Communion on the tongue, a concern from several parishioners. This is meant to be absolutely respectful of the various angles of this issue.

Regarding receiving Communion directly in the mouth rather than in the hand, here is what Bishop Monforton has posted at the Diocese of Steubenville's website: "During this time, the faithful are strongly encouraged to receive Holy Communion in the hand. However, liturgical law allows the faithful to choose to receive either in the hand or on the tongue." Please note that we purposely use a variety of hosts that have minimal to *negligible* crumbs that develop from them, one of the chief and legitimate concerns prompting many to choose to receive Communion directly in the mouth. Others are concerned that those who receive this way breathe more substantially into the air both in that space where others will receive Communion and onto the ministers of Holy Communion. So, should we consider having stations to the side, perhaps with a kneeler (for optional use, of course), for those receiving on the tongue? This way they would breathe into a space less occupied by anyone else and have an additional dimension of reverence.

Oh my! Praise God that we are at the point where we can have these concerns because we are open for public Masses, right!?

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

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