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"LOVE CHRIST...LIVE CHRIST"

SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME ~EUCHARISTIC SCHEDULE WEEK OF JULY 30, 2017

Saturday, July 29	4:30 PM	People of the Parish
Saturday, July 29	6:30 PM	+John & Veronica Gwynn by the Family (St. Mary)
Sunday, July 30	8:30 AM	+David Lorentz by Cam Lanka
Sunday, July 30	11:00 AM	+Jennifer Stewart by Dave & Barb Leyda (St. Mary)
Tuesday, Aug 1		No Mass
Wed, Aug 2	9:00 AM	+Dee Weber by Tom Weber (St. Mary)
Thursday, Aug 3	8:30 AM	+Ruby Sabler by Dale Batty
Friday, Aug 4	8:30 AM	+Anna Jakubowski by Paul Jakubowski
Saturday, Aug 5	8:30 AM	Personal Intentions
Saturday, Aug 5	4:30 PM	People of the Parish
Saturday, Aug 5	6:30 PM	+Dee Weber by Tom Weber (St. Mary)
Sunday, Aug 6	8:30 AM	+Loretta Fry by Mary & Stephen Newman
Sunday, Aug 6	11:00 AM	+Phyllis Morsheiser by the Morsheiser Family (St. Mary)

Confessions before Mass

If you or any family member is ill or hospitalized, please inform the parish office

OUR LADY OF MERCY PARISH ACTIVITY CALENDAR

Sun	30	5th Sunday Rosary - 8AM
Mon	31	
Tue	1	Sauerkraut for Mill Fest 8AM
Wed	2	Bible Study 11:00 AM Sauerkraut for Mill Fest 8AM Choir Practice 5:30 PM
Thurs	3	
Fri	4	
Sat	5	
Sun	6	

OUR LADY OF MERCY Stewardship Week of July 23, 2017

Adult \$913 Loose \$220 Candles \$35 Bldg. Fund \$1270 LOAN: Balance \$230,000

ST. MARY Stewardship Weeks of July 23, 2017 Adult \$731 Loose \$160 Candles \$73

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT will take place Friday, Aug 4, 9AM - 8PM. All ARE WEL-

COME. Substitute Adorers; Janet Smith, Cynthia Bailey, and Brenda Miller after 5.PM.

ST. MARY NEWS" This year we will be collecting #2 pencils and plastic pencil boxes for the Helping Hands to distribute to students.

OLM & ST. MARY - SAVE THE DATE~ COMBINED PARISH PICNIC - AUGUST 20TH - Hosted by Knights of Columbus. Details coming soon.

NOTE THE DATES[~] Consecration Mass for the new church is September 24 starting at 3PM. Copies of the Dedication Ritual that will be part of the ceremony are still available. More details on this special day will be in the August newsletter/bulletins.

CHOIR PRACTICE~ Choir practice for the music portion of the new church consecration will start Wednesday, August 2nd at 5:30 here at the church and will be the same day and time each week until 9/24.

IT'S THAT TIME AGAIN! We'll be making sauerkraut for the Mill Festival on Tuesday and Wednesday this week (Aug. 1 & 2). If you can help, please join us at 8AM at the Mill.

ATTENTION YOUTH & YOUNG ADULTS~ If you are between the ages of 17 and 30 (as of 1/19/19), you are invited to the 34th International Youth Conference, World Youth Day, in Panama City which will be held in January, 2019. The theme is "I am the servant of the Lord. May it be done to me according to your word" (Lk 1:38). This will be a once in a lifetime experience with Mass by Pope Francis with Bishop Monforton. Applications close October 2, 2017. For more info and to register, visit www.diosteub.org/wyd.

ANNUAL ASSUMPTION PILGRIMAGE~ Preparations are under well underway for the 52nd Annual Assumption Pilgrimage August 13-15 at Basilica and National Shrine of Our Lady of Lebanon in North Jackson with Fr. David Fisher as the featured speaker. If you would like to attend, pick up a brochure at the back of the church.

ST. JAMES COOKOUT~ St. James School in Waynesburg will hold its 20th Annual Ribs Cookout and Casino Night on Saturday, August 26 in St. James Pavilion. Details and prices are on the bulletin board at the back of the church. For info call Natalie Woodin 330-224-0888 or St. James 866-9449.

CONDOLENCES[~] Our prayers and condolences to the family and friends of Peg Williams (Rose Rombough's sister) who died July 23 and to Carole Sabol on the recent death of her friend Clarence.

PARISH COUNCIL MEMBERS: Don't forget the next meeting is August 7 at 6:30 PM in the hall.

Happy Birthday: (OLM) Clover Breedlove 7/29, Carole Sabol 7/30, Sam Dowell 8/1, Lily Breedlove 8/1, Samantha Meister 8/1, Mary Ann Killian 8/3, Jerry Fijalkovich 8/4, Pam Yingling 8/4, Sadie Pozderac 8/6.

(St.Mary) Happy Birthday and Happy Anniversary to everyone celebrating in July and August.

Happy Anniversary: (OLM) James & Jessica Ujcich 7/29 (11 yrs), Steven & Kelli Pridemore 8/3 (15) Tom & Nancy Bauer 8/5 (56).

St. Mary of the Immaculate Conception

Lucille Fiddler, Brenda Sandefur, Dave Leyda, Richard Otte, Sandy Fiddler, Beth Wolford, Rose Marie Shine, Marilyn Schaeffer, The Grossi Family Please pray for all serving in the military and thank them and all who have served our country.





Calendar

Monday luly 31 St. Ignatius of Loyola, Priest Ex 32:15-24, 30-34 Mt 13:31-35

Tuesday

August 1 St. Alphonsus Liguori, **Bishop and Doctor** of the Church Ex 33:7-11; 34:5b-9, 28 Mt 13:36-43

Wednesday

August 2 Weekday Ex 34:29-35 Mt 13:44-46

Thursday

August 3 Weekday Ex 40:16-21, 34-38 Mt 13:47-53

Friday

August 4 St. John Vianney, Priest Lv 23:1, 4-11, 15-16, 27, 34b-37 Mt 13:54-58

Saturday

August 5 Weekday Lv 25:1, 8-17 Mt 14:1-12

Sunday

August 6 **Transfiguration** of the Lord Dn 7:9-10, 13-14 2 Pt 1:16-19 Mt 17:1-9



Is it a sin to purchase goods and services from a business that financially supports morally objectionable behavior?

This question requires us to back up a bit and ask two more fundamental **L** questions: "What is sin?" and "To what degree am I allowed to participate in an objective evil?" A moral action has three necessary components: the object, the intention, and the circumstances. These are the what, the why, and the context. For something to be sinful, all three of these

components must be taken into account. I must know what I am doing is sinful, I must fully intend it, and there must not be any mitigating circumstances that lessen my degree of culpability. Sin, in other words, requires knowledge that the action is sinful, the will to perform it, and circumstances that do not unduly inhibit my knowledge and freedom to act. To purchase goods and services from a business that supports morally objectionable behavior is sinful if we are conscious that

the business supports such behavior, if we intend to purchase the product as a way of showing our support of this morally objectionable behavior, and if there are no mitigating circumstances inhibiting our knowledge

and freedom of action. As a general rule, we should avoid purchasing goods and services from such businesses. We should not, for example, buy products from companies that fund grave objective moral evils such as embryonic stem research, contraception, abortion, assisted suicide, capital punishment, or euthanasia. Specific cases must also take into account the distinction between grave and less serious matters.

> Fr. Dennis J. Billy, CSsR Sundaybulletin@Liguori.org

A Word From Pope Francis

"The Apostle Thomas, at the conclusion of his impassioned quest, not only came to believe in the resurrection, but found in Jesus his life's greatest treasure, his Lord. He says to Jesus: 'My Lord and my God!' [John 20:28]. We would do well, today, and every day, to pray these magnificent words, and to say

to the Lord: You are my one treasure, the path I must follow, the core of my life, my all."

> -Mass with priests, men and women religious, consecrated people and Polish seminarians at St. John Paul II Shrine, Kraków, July 30, 2016

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Rags to Riches

The richly decorated portrait The Vision **L** of Saint Helena by Paolo Veronese is immediately impressive. Helena, a woman of humble origins, became the wife of Constantius Chlorus (Rome's emperor from 293-306). An innkeeper's daughter in an outback town, her beauty caught the eye of the most powerful man on earth. She went from rags to riches.

Here she wears lush, Eastern fabrics with woven prints and royal colors. The gold and blue details of her dress and the valour of her crimson cape broached under her chin denote the wealth her position afforded. She rests on a high-back leather throne; an elegant textile wall covering provides a background from floor to ceiling.

The softly flowing fabrics and her serene posture exude calm and focus our attention on her tranquil face and spirit of contemplation. No matter the power, wealth, and beauty of the world surrounding her, Helena has forsaken all to pursue the true treasure she possesses as a Christian and values more than the rest. Helena traveled from Rome to Jerusalem to bring back the relics of Christ's passion. These reminders of Jesus' love for sinners became the most important treasures of Christendom.

Veronese wants to convince us that through prayer we come to understand our treasure is not found in wealth but in the glorious vestment of baptismal faith. As adopted sons and daughters of the king, we become like St. Helena: poor commoners raised to royalty! Thank God for his gift of life in Christ and allow your heart to follow the inspirations he shares with you. -Fr. Mark Haydu, LC

> "The kingdom of heaven is like a treasure buried in a field, which a person finds and hides again, and out of joy goes and sells all that he has and buys that field" (Matthew 13:44).





July 30, 2017 Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time (A) 1 Kgs 3:5, 7-12 Rom 8:28-30 Mt 13:44-52 or 13:44-46



For Reflection Saint Helena left the comfort of her home to search for the cross of Christ. What are you searching for? What are you willing to give up for it? Are there riches or treasures that have a stronger hold on your heart than the kingdom of God? -

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