

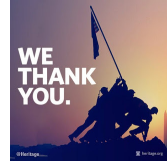
THIS WEEK'S MASS INTENTIONS

12th Sunday in Ordinary Time
June 25, 2017



Sara R. Galarus

PRAY FOR OUR MILITARY: Staff Sgt Daniel Furtak, Lt. Michelle R. McNally, SSKC Terence J. McNally Jr., Sgt. Robert Bonneau, Andrew Midgett, Lt. Col Evah McGinley, The 108th Wing McGuire AFB, Petty Officer George Horning Jr., 1st Lt. Stanley J. Reimer III, SR Brett Pellicciotti, Corporal Thomas Mazzochetti, Robert Catapano U.S. Army 101st Airborne, Michael Bondra, Senior Airman Jacob Shoemaker, Master Sgt. Curt W. Zeiders III, Edward Soback



Saturday, June 24

4:30PM Andrew Donovan

Sunday, June 25

7:30AM Thomas Waszena

9:30AM Theresa McGrath

11:30AM Antonio Stivaletti

Monday, June 26

8:15AM Msgr. Dan Murray

Tuesday, June 27

8:15AM Anthony Rio

Wednesday, June 28

8:15AM Mel Fawber

Thursday, June 29

8:15AM John Baranowski

Friday, June 30

8:15AM Anthony Rio

Saturday, July 1

4:30PM James M. Bowe Sr.

Sunday, July 2

7:30AM Maryflor Horn (5th Anniversary)

9:30AM Rita McAvoy (12th Anniversary)

11:30AM John J. Williams Sr.



Tom Tone, David Talone, JoAnn LaSorsa, Marie Carney, Greg Atkinson, Sophie Grabowski, Msgr. Robert Grudowski, Anthony Bonanno, Joanne Toth, Theresa Lenczewski, Luke Birkhead, Erik Kozlowski, Marlene Salkowski, Roselie Partenheimer, John Walski, Carl Reiff, Joseph Blaszczyk, Patrick Kelly,

Sean McGonagle, Mary Pierce, Brian Dunlevy, Sr. Jean Streibig, Stephanie Hathaway, Charles Streibig, Kylie Reiff, Nikki Dolan, Eduardo Gloria, Molly Glick, Deb Smith, Ann Campbell, Francina Capolingua, Cathy Pierlott, Lynn Bowman, James Gauger, Emilia Bello Jones, Rita VanBuskirk, Caroline Smerecki, Joan Pierce, Kevin Miller, Rylan Borys, Susan Minnick, Ann Greco, Jessica Jara, Joe Lotito, Kendall Soltys, Concezio Lelii, William McGrath, Carl Pierce, Ursula Kozlowski, Benedetto McDaniels, Kevin Kelly, Joanne Kalacinski, Mary DiMedio, Anna Marie Ferrier, Mary Stoffel, Jeri McClennen, John Boccella, Jim Bokoski, Hans Pawling, Margie Burghart, Kristen Lafferty, Debbie Miller Hannon, Robert Berk, Emma Forlini, Paul & Family, Derek Dean, Baby Noah Marchetti, James Simpson, Roseann Sirianni Lare, Theresa Steinhauer, John Palmer, Rachel Minnick, Mark Hogan, Gregory Mazzochetti, John Lewis, Teresa Sensinger, Theresa Rozecki, Minnie Olearsky, Kimberly Moyer

CELEBRANTS MASS SCHEDULE	
6/24	4:30 Fr. McKeaney
6/25	7:30 Fr. Heron 9:30 Msgr. Owens 11:30 Fr. Heron

Pre-Jordan Instructions: The Sacrament of Baptism is administered in church on the **first three Sundays of each month following the 11:30 A.M. Mass.** In preparation for having a child Baptized, parents are required to attend "Pre-Jordan Instructions." Classes are the 1st



Tuesday of each month (except for July because of the holiday). **The next class is July 11 at 7PM in Church.** You will be required to attend a class if this is the Baptism of your first child. To schedule your Baptism go to www.stmatthewparish.com

Prepare for next Sunday
July 2, 2017
13 Sunday in Ordinary Time
II Kings 4:8 – 11, 14 – 16 Romans 6:3 – 4, 8 – 11 Matthew 10:37 – 42
"Whoever receives a prophet because he is a prophet will receive a prophet's reward." This happens literally to the "woman of influence" who furnishes "a little room on the roof" for the Prophet Elisha to stay in. Elisha promises, "This time next year you will be fondling a baby son." We beg for the grace to be able to face the sacrifices and sufferings of daily existence fortified with the desire to endure all for Jesus's sake. Then, as St. Paul promises, "We too might live in newness of life."

Thank You Dear Friends,
I began my sabbatical on September 21, 2017 and I moved into St. Matthews on the Feast of St. Matthew. I want to take this opportunity to thank the Parish community and Fr. Heron for your hospitality and warm welcome, especially for your love and support when my mother passed away in December. St. Matthews is a wonderful parish and I am deeply grateful for the nine months while here on my sabbatical.

Sincerely in Our Lord,
Fr. Jim McGuinn



PREP/CCD REGISTRATION FOR 2017-2018. Now is the time for parents to plan for next year. Please take a few minutes to register your children online for religious education

classes.

No payment until after July 1st. Fees will remain the same.

One child \$110.00 Two children \$165.00 Three or more children \$195.00

Classes are offered Sunday Mornings between masses. Classes are held in the Parish Center 10:25-11:25 am.

YOUTH GROUP: Please register online for Parish Youth Ministry. All 7th, 8th, 9th graders are welcome. Group will meet once a month in the evening. Day and Time TBA. No fee.

Announcing a wonderful opportunity to get involved...Enriching the lives of our young children.

TEACH, AIDE, VOLUNTEER FOR PREP/CCD St. Matthew Religious Education Program

We are in need of a few **male** role models as catechists and or aides in the classroom.

Please contact: Mary Kay McKenna at the Parish Office 610-828-0424 or email mckennamaryk@gmail.com.

LITURGY OF THE WORD FOR CHILDREN:



WILL "GO ON VACATION" FOR JULY & AUGUST. It will return to the 9:30 Mass in September. Enjoy the leisure of summer.



ALTAR SERVERS: Are you 10 years old or older? Do you want to help in the parish? Join the St. Matthew's Altar Servers. Training will begin after 9:30 Mass on Sunday. E-mail stmatthewrectory@verizon.net.

ST. MARY'S GOLDEN AGE CLUB: Meets every Thursday at St. Mary's Church Hall. Three-dollar fee. Play Cards 9:00 AM Snacks 10 AM Lunch 11 AM Play Bingo 12 – 2:30 PM **Casino Trips:** scheduled for the 2nd Tuesday of each month: **July 11 & August 8.** Bus leaves 9:00 AM from 11th & Fayette, 9:15 AM from 3rd & Fayette, 9:30 AM from St. Mary's. Call Joe (610-825-4596).



FOOD BANK NEEDS: Our parish food bank is in need of: Applesauce, Jars of Spaghetti Sauce. Donations can be placed in the vestibules of the church. Thanks!



PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY: We most 'warmly' invite you to be a part of this Ministry by meeting with us in the St. Vincent DePaul room Tuesday, **July 11** at 7PM. If you know of someone who might like to receive a shawl,

please let us know-or make one yourself for someone special to you. Contact Alice O'Connor acaoc@verizon.net



YOUNG ADULTS

St. Matthew's Conshohocken Young Adult group aims to provide fellowship through social, spiritual and service opportunities for those in their 20s and 30s and the young at heart. To sign up for events and more please join the St Matthew Conshohocken Young Adult Facebook group. If you have any questions, please contact Tony Moral at tony.moral2@gmail.com or Erin Garrett at erin.garret@gmail.com.

RELEGATION OF ST. MARY'S CHURCH

On February 21, 2017, the Parish Pastoral and Finance Councils voted unanimously to renew our request for the relegation of St. Mary's church. Both councils emphasized the need of having all parishioners worship at St. Matthew's to enhance unity and help parishioners focus on the future of the parish community. The relegation will provide more effectively for the pastoral needs of the faithful, assure the vitality of parish life, provide for a better stewardship of resources and optimum use of clergy, and lay personnel.

Fr. Heron, the Parish Pastoral and Finance Councils welcome your input and comments.

Members of the Pastoral Council: Joe Carr, Pat Getzfread, Ed Garbacz, Debbie Golas, Michelle Borkowski, Mary Kay McKenna, Mary Ann Cook, Mary Ann Pruskowski, Joe Boccella, Paul McConnell.

Members of the Finance Committee: Leah Hepler, Ed Pluciennik, Chris Pecoraio, Ellen Mansfield, Matt McKendry, Kevin McMonagle.

POLKA FEST: All are invited to the Second Annual Polka Fest, Montgomery County's official Polish festival, at the TK Club at 521 East Hector Street in Conshohocken on **Sunday July 9th** from Noon to 6 pm to support St. Mary Polish American Society. Polka Fest will feature live Polka music, Polish food, a 50/50 drawing and other games of chance, a basket raffle, and baked goods for sale. Families are welcome, as there will be games for children with plenty of prizes! Tickets are \$10 in advance and \$15 on the day of the event. Tickets for children are \$7 each and free for children under the age of 6. Tickets include the price of admission, food not included. Advance tickets are on sale until Wednesday June 28th. For tickets, stmaryconshy@gmail.com or call Dorothy Swedkowski at 610-630-0861.

Reboot Life! With Chris Stefanick – Save the Date!

St. Philip Neri in Lafayette Hill, PA is pleased to announce that internationally-renowned Catholic family man, speaker and author, Chris Stefanick and his life-changing event, Reboot Live!, will be held this **October 5th, 2017** from 7PM to 9:30 PM in the parish church located on 437 Ridge Pike in Lafayette Hill. Reboot Live! is the fun, inspiring and practical experience for all (ages 12 and up) of applying the beauty and genius of the Gospel to every aspect of your life, from prayer and spirituality, to work, dating, marriage, parenting, health and more! Tickets are \$20. Register today at www.reallifecatholic.com/reboot. (Look for October 5th and St. Philip Neri to purchase online.)

God's Plan for Giving

June 18, 2017

WE ARE VERY GRATEFUL FOR YOUR OFFERTORY GIFTS LAST WEEKEND:

\$11,266.00

Electronic giving \$1,475.00 + \$9,791.00 = \$11,266.00

2nd Collection today is for Peter's Pence



ELECTRONIC GIVING: Parish Giving is convenient for you and there is **NO COST** for you to participate. Contact Deacon Mike Kubiak at deacon.mike.kubiak@comcast.net to register www.parishgiving.org or www.stmatthewparish.com



SUMMER VACATIONS:

Please remember your parish church in the summer. You may be away for one week, one month, or have a vacation home which takes you away from the parish every weekend. We are asking that you remember your contribution to the church during this time. Thank you for your generosity in the past. We have a very caring, generous parish and we ask that you do not forget about us in the coming months.

FULL TIME CHILDCARE ASSISTANT: Conshohocken Catholic Early Childhood Center is seeking full time caregivers for infants and toddlers in our newly formed Daycare center. Experience caring for infants and/or toddlers is required.

Previous daycare experience is preferred. Candidate must be loving, nurturing, and possess good leadership skills. For more information call Carol Kearney at 610-825-4823 or email cceccdaycare@gmail.com

FULL TIME PRESCHOOL AIDE: Conshohocken Catholic Early Childhood Center is seeking an energetic classroom aide for our PreK Program. Candidate must have previous experience working with young children. Associate Degree or Bachelor's Degree in Education is preferred. For more information call Michelle Borkowski at 610-828-0755.

St. John's Annual Shore Reunion: Parishioners, Alumni, and friends are invited for this Annual Summer Reunion in Wildwood at Backfin Blues Bar & Grill, 517 Rio Grande Ave, Wildwood on **August 20** from 1-5PM Tickets are \$35 per person. Also available is bus transportation for \$35 additional per person departing from Mitchell & Pensdale Sts. Call Marie Kwartnik to purchase at 215-317-2775.

HOLY NAME SOCIETY – On Saturday, September 9th, The Holy Saviour Holy Name Society will sponsor a trip to see The Phillies play the Washington Nationals at Nationals Park in Washington D.C. The Hagey motor coach leaves Holy Saviour parking lot at 1:30pm. Refreshments are allowed on bus. Price is \$110 per person and includes ticket and transportation. For tickets contact Mike Angelucci. (610) 213 1196. michaelangelucci@verizon.net

OUR LADY OF MOUNT CARMEL SOCIETY ANNUAL 'GRANDE FESTA ITALIANA 2017'

1210 East Ridge Pike in Plymouth Meeting, PA
Saturday, July 15 – Grounds Open at 4PM until 11PM
Sunday, July 16 – Grounds Open at 12Noon until 10PM
Quality Entertainment Saturday night from 7P.M. – 11P.M. with 'Jumpstreet' And Sunday from 1P.M. – 4P.M. Italian melodies with 'Jerry Trecroce' Also on Sunday from 6P.M. – 10P.M. the very popular 'A M Radio' Fine Traditional Foods, Games, Prizes and Family Fun! Our celebration will include at 9:00 P.M. Sunday evening a . . .Grand Prize Drawing of \$1000
For Information/Details ☎610.277.5320 Or Find us on Facebook A very warm welcome is being extended to all!
+ Sunday, July 16th Feast Day of Our Lady of Mount Carmel + MASS in HONOR of OLMC: On Sunday morning, July 16th, a Mass and Procession honoring our patroness will be held beginning at 10:00 a.m. at Our Lady of Mount Carmel Church, 454 Fairfield Road in Plymouth Meeting, PA. Monsignor Charles Sangermano, Pastor of Holy Saviour Parish, Norristown will be the Main Celebrant.

St. Joseph Villa: St. Joseph Villa is in need of substitutes while their regular volunteers are on vacation. Some needs include:

- Providing in-house transport to appointments (Hair Salon, Therapy, or Doctor's)
- Assisting Staff with Health & Wellness Activities and Socials
- Serving as an Extraordinary Minister of the Eucharist
- Weekly visit to resident without family/friend connection (regular day and time preferred)

For information, please contact Sister Frances Hart at 215-248-7844 or email hartf@stjosephvilla.org

Cardinal O'Hara Class of 1977 Reunion October 14, 2017 - 7pm - 11pm

The Lamb Tavern - Springfield, Pa 19064
All updated class information should be sent to Ohara77reunion@comcast.net

CELEBRATE ST. KATERI TEKAKWITHA

Saturday,
July 15, 2017

**NATIVE AMERICAN DAY at the
National Shrine of St. Katharine Drexel
10 AM - 2 PM**

10 AM - Blessing of the 4 Directions;
Chief Buffy Red Feather and members of Cherokee Nation Community Round Dancers; presentation on St. Kateri ; various activities and crafts.

Lunch will be available.

1:15 PM - Prayer of Healing
National Shrine of St. Katharine Drexel
1663 Bristol Pike, Bensalem, PA
215-244-9900 X402 www.KatharineDrexel.org

OPEN DAILY 10 AM - 5 PM

Fr. Tom Heron's Weekly Reflection

Jesus is preparing His friends for discipleship. This instruction, which began in last Sunday's gospel and concludes next Sunday prepares the disciples for the hardship, rejection and persecution that they will experience if they "go public" with His message and mission. Yet, this they must do. The gospel message cannot be kept secret. What they heard whispered, they must now "proclaim from the housetops."

Jesus knew the one thing that would prevent this proclamation would be fear. While their identity as disciples of Jesus would give them authority and power, it would also guarantee their suffering. Without a doubt, discipleship would cost them. Jesus wanted to be sure that fear would not keep them from living out their call.

We understand fear. But what are the fears that keep us from acknowledging Jesus as Lord of our lives? Are we afraid discipleship might cost us? Do we worry about what others might think, or what we might have to change or give up if we take our call to discipleship seriously?

Since September 11, 2001, many people have taken another look at their lives, their priorities and their readiness to cross over into that "unknown country" of the next life. Conversations about "end times" have become more commonplace. Many have been motivated to take stock of their lives and perhaps have come to realize that much of what worries or delights them is a "trifle and a waste."

For most of us, acknowledging God in our lives takes a subtle form. It happens each

time we reach out to another in compassion or forgiveness; each time we share the wealth of our treasure, our time or our talent for the good of others; each time we choose to be faithful to our commitments. It happens when we honor the sacredness of every single person and refuse to participate in actions that degrade or humiliate others. It happens when we speak out for a just cause, and it will happen here today in a most profound way when we declare our "Amen," acknowledging the redemptive power of Christ present for us in the Eucharist.

Three times in today's gospel Jesus assures us that we need not be afraid to be recognized as His disciples. No detail of human life is insignificant to our God. Not even the simple sparrow falls to the ground apart from God's will. Even the hairs of our head are counted by God! The prophet Jeremiah expressed total confidence in God's loving care, even when he experienced "terror on every side."

It has been said in jest that each time we act in a Christ-like way we are cramming for our "finals." If we recognize and acknowledge Jesus in all the ordinary circumstances of our lives, we are assured today in the scripture passages that Jesus will acknowledge us on the day of our "final exam."

**What you hear...
proclaim**



from the housetops.

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