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**SUNDAY
JUNE 18
2023**

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

M–TH: 9 am–12 pm & 1–3 pm

Friday—Closed

MASS SCHEDULE

Weekend Masses

Saturday: 4 pm

Sunday: 8 am and 11 am

Weekday Masses

Monday: NO MASS

Tuesday: 9:00 am

Wednesday: NO MASS

Thursday: 9:00 am

Friday: 9:00 am

Saturday: 9:00 am

Saturday 3:00 pm – Confession

PARISH STAFF

Pastor

Fr. Richard Allen

Deacon

Dn. Frank Hannah

Director of Religious Education

Mr. Joseph Ranelli

Director of Adult Education

Mrs. Kathy Higgins

Liturgy/Music Coordinator

Mrs. Gretchen Wagner

Secretary

Mrs. Carrie Hannah

Religious Education Secretary

Mrs. Mary Lou Hornyak

Business Manager

Mrs. Ann Miller

11TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME





VIDEO MASS 6/18 +Dr. Kirk Works [Mary Ann & Marissa]

MON 6/19 NO MASS

TUES 6/20 9AM +Fr. Ryan Stawaisz [Stawaisz Family]

WED 6/21 NO MASS

THU 6/22 9AM +Albert J. Fill [Bob & Gina Fromm]

FRI 6/23 9AM +Anne Durisko [Family]

SAT 6/24 9AM +Michael Chavara [Eric Schweiss]

SAT 6/24 *3-3:30PM *Confessions

SAT 6/24 4PM +Irene DeAngelis [Agnes Rumelfanger]

SUN 6/25 8AM *Mass for the People

SUN 6/25 11AM +Margaret Jones [Marilyn & John]

FROM OUR PASTOR

RCIA will begin soon - if you or anyone you know is an adult and in need of First Communion or Confirmation, or interested in the Catholic Faith, please contact [the parish office at 724-981-5566](mailto:the.parish.office@724-981-5566).

WHAT IS RCIA?

The Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults

IS RCIA FOR ME? If you answer yes to any of the following questions, then Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults may be for you.

- A non-baptized person?
- Baptized as Catholic but were never confirmed or received Holy Communion?
- Baptized, made First Communion but never had any religious instruction beyond these sacraments?
- Non-Catholic interested in knowing more about the Catholic Faith?

MAY 2023 FINANCIAL REPORT

Reg. Offertory, 5 Sundays, including Maintenance Fund

Budgeted	Received
\$47,300	\$42,123

International Needs	\$1,071
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2023 CATHOLIC SERVICES APPEAL

Number of Pledges	205
Amount of Pledges	\$120,945
Amount Received to Date	\$74,030
Amount Outstanding	\$46,915

WEEKEND MINISTRY SCHEDULE

SAT 6/24 4PM

LECTOR
T. Bain

EUCCHARISTIC MIN.
P. Polesnak / P. Polesnak
P. Thornburg

ALTAR SERVER
A. Bowser

SUN 6/25 8AM

LECTOR
B. Lackey

EUCCHARISTIC MIN.
P. Clark / T. Pagliaroli
J. Trenga / J. Wolinsky

ALTAR SERVER
A. Zahniser

SUN 6/25 11AM

LECTOR
K. O'Brien

EUCCHARISTIC MIN.
R. Fleis / M. Goncz
M. Hohman / S. Hohman

ALTAR SERVER
N. Selby

***ATTN VOLUNTEERS!** Please sign-in prior to Mass

ST. BARTHOLOMEW MASS SCHEDULE:

DAILY :

MON, WED, FRI
7:30 AM

TUES

6:00 pm / *6:30 PM Confessions

WEEKEND:

SAT
5:30 PM

SUN

9:30 AM



Next Sunday's "Pantry Shower" Item is **TOILET PAPER**. The upcoming item will be sandwich, quart, and gallon size storage bags.

Thank you for your care and concern for God's needy.



Mackenzie Rene Johnson
June 4, 2023

Daughter of
Zachary and Jessica Johnson

BORN INTO ETERNAL LIFE



Please keep the family of

Timothy Jones
Cathleen DiFeo

in your prayers.

"Into your hands Oh Lord we commend our brothers and sisters"

WEEKLY PRAYER

READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF JUNE 18, 2023

Sunday: Ex 19:2-6a/Ps 100:1-2, 3, 5 (3c)/Rom 5:6-11/Mt 9:36—10:8
Monday: 2 Cor 6:1-10/Ps 98:1, 2b, 3ab, 3cd-4/Mt 5:38-42
Tuesday: 2 Cor 8:1-9/Ps 146:2, 5-6ab, 6c-7, 8-9a/Mt 5:43-48
Wednesday: 2 Cor 9:6-11/Ps 112:1bc-2, 3-4, 9/Mt 6:1-6, 16-18
Thursday: 2 Cor 11:1-11/Ps 111:1b-2, 3-4, 7-8/Mt 6:7-15
Friday: 2 Cor 11:18, 21-30/Ps 34:2-3, 4-5, 6-7/Mt 6:19-23
Saturday: *Vigil:* Jer 1:4-10/Ps 71:1-2, 3-4a, 5-6ab, 15ab and 17/1 Pt 1:8-12/Lk 1:5-17
Day: Is 49:1-6/Ps 139:1b-3, 13-14ab, 14c-15/Acts 13:22-26/Lk 1:57-66, 80
Next Sunday: Jer 20:10-13/Ps 69:8-10, 14, 17, 33-35 (14c)/Rom 5:12-15/Mt 10:26-33

OBSERVANCES FOR THE WEEK OF JUNE 18, 2023

Sunday: 11th Sunday in Ordinary Time; Father's Day
Monday: St. Romuald, Abbot
Tuesday: World Refugee Day
Wednesday: St. Aloysius Gonzaga, Religious
Thursday: St. Paulinus of Nola, Bishop; Sts. John Fisher, Bishop, and Thomas More
Saturday: The Nativity of St. John the Baptist
Next Sunday: 12th Sunday in Ordinary Time

LIVE THE LITURGY - INSPIRATION FOR THE WEEK

Without cost we have received, without cost we are to give. Do we open our hearts to one another with the same reckless love and mercy that God opens His heart to us? How quickly the world could change if we did.

RECOGNIZE GOD IN YOUR ORDINARY MOMENTS

By Colleen Jurkiewicz Dorman

The Toy

What does it mean to be God's "special possession"? Our world is dominated by *things*, objects, possessions. To say we are a materialistic culture is an understatement. In that context, it can be really hard to fully appreciate the meaning of being "possessed" by God. I have so many possessions, after all. I acquire and discard them without thought. I am even overwhelmed by them. Sometimes, it feels like *they* possess *me*.

But then I think of the week after Christmas in a house with small children. In that week, there is always The Toy. The Toy that won the heart of your child under the tree, The Toy to which they emotionally attached themselves in a whirlwind of twinkle lights and sugar cookies. For that one week, The Toy is all there is. There were many gifts, but The Toy is special, and there can only be one.

So, what does it mean to be "possessed" by God? What does it mean to be of his people? It means you will be cherished and protected in ways you do not deserve and cannot understand. It means you are distinguished not by your own merit, but by the love with which you are beheld.

It means that you are always The Toy, and every day is Christmas.

"Therefore, if you hearken to my voice and keep my covenant, you shall be my special possession, dearer to me than all other people, though all the earth is mine." — Exodus 19:5

WORSHIP & MEDITATION

SUNDAY READINGS

First Reading:

“Therefore, if you hearken to my voice and keep my covenant, you shall be my special possession, dearer to me than all other people, though all the earth is mine. You shall be to me a kingdom of priests, a holy nation.” (Ex 19:5-6)

Psalm:

We are his people: the sheep of his flock. (Ps 100)

Second Reading:

Indeed, if, while we were enemies, we were reconciled to God through the death of his Son, how much more, once reconciled, will we be saved by his life. (Rom 5:10)

Gospel:

Then he summoned his twelve disciples and gave them authority over unclean spirits to drive them out and to cure every disease and every illness. (Mt 10:1)

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SCRIPTURE - Questions of the week

First Reading:

The Lord teaches Moses that Israel is intended to be his “treasured possession among all peoples ... a kingdom of priests, a holy nation.” How would you react when you receive an incredible gift?

Second Reading:

Paul teaches the Christians in Rome that believers are reconciled to God and saved from the final wrath through the death of his Son, Jesus. What do you think we should do with this incredible message of reconciliation and salvation?

Gospel:

Jesus commissioned the twelve disciples to “proclaim the kingdom of heaven is at hand” and “cure the sick, raise the dead, cleanse lepers, drive out demons” — in other words, disciples are called to follow Jesus’ lead. How can we modern disciples follow Jesus’ lead?

GOSPEL MEDITATION

In the backyard of the house where I live with other priests, there is a lemon tree which produces a huge amount of fruit. One evening in the spring I needed some lemons for a chicken dish. I glanced from the kitchen and saw the tree bursting with large, bright, gorgeous lemons, hanging thick on seemingly every branch. Turning to Fr. Bob (I’ll change his name to protect the innocent) who sat on the couch, I said, “Father, could you pick a few lemons for me?” He said sure and into the backyard he went. He returned a few minutes later empty-handed. “John, there’s no lemons. Sorry.” I said, “What are you talking about?” I looked again and saw the grapefruit tree on the other side of the yard, which had recently been picked clean of fruit. He didn’t see the abundant fruit because he was looking in the wrong place!

Like Fr. Bob, we sadly don’t see the fruit all around us. We think that the culture is spiraling down, young people avoid church, and the future looks bleak. Why go out into the world and work? The world looks like a fruitless tree.

Jesus doesn’t see things that way. This week he tells us, “**The harvest is abundant, but the laborers are few.**” Look again: there is spiritual fruit hanging all around us! The lonely ready to be visited. The sick ready to be healed. The forgotten ready to be remembered. The poor ready to be treated with dignity. The sad ready to be consoled. The young ready for the Gospel. So, let’s ask the Lord to send laborers to get to work. And he will. He might send you and me. Just remember to look at the correct trees.

— Father John Muir



Saint of the week

Venerable Mother Angeline founded the Carmelite Sisters for the Aged and the Infirm in New York. She provided healthcare, housing, and dignity for the elderly, making certain that the people in her care enjoyed a life full of community and joy during their advanced years.

Prayer

Almighty and Eternal Father, we thank You for the inspiration You gave to Your daughter, Mother M. Angeline Teresa, to establish the Carmelite Sisters for the Aged and Infirm, and to provide loving care for countless elderly men and women with compassion and a respect for their dignity and a regard for life in all its stages. In particular, moved by her example of prayerful trust in Your mercy, we ask You through her intercession for this special intention (pause to add your petitions for healing, etc.) If it be Your gracious will, grant that the virtues of Venerable Mary Angeline Teresa may be recognized and provide a lasting example for Your people.

We ask this through Our Lord Jesus Christ, Your son, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, God, forever and ever. Amen.

(Prayer Source: <https://motherangeline.org/prayer-to-mother-angeline/>)

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Father's Day

Spiritual Remembrance

Charles Baldoff Sr.
Tom Barner
Paul Bator
*Jordan Benes
*Steve Benes
Steve Benes
Paul T. Brestelli Sr.
Carlo Buzzeo
James Cameron
James Campman
Robert Cardamon
William J. Chavara
John Cidila Sr.
Donald Conti
George Cook
John Delmonaco Sr.
Eugene Dillon
Ottavio DiPaolo
*Dana Esmond
Samuel Esmond
George Evanchan
Earl Feigert Sr.
Peter Fiscus

Sam Fisher
William Furey
Ralph Geisel
Oscar Geroni
John Gilpin
William Griffith
Frank Habuda Jr.
John Hohman
John B. Hornyak
Joseph W. Hoza
Michael Hritz
William F. Jena
Blaine Jennings
*Dr. James Kollar
James E. Kollar
*Don Kovac
George Krantz Sr.
Edward Kurelko
Mike Lazor
Stanley Leonard
Robert Liptak
Jeremiah Lynch
Paul Martincic

Donald Maffei
John McKernan
John S. Meier
William Moder Jr.
Gerard Murrin
Stephen G. Myers
Albert Necaster
Joseph Nestich
Ted M. Niec
Ray Oaks
Bill Owens
Ernest Papay
*Matt Patton
Robert Peters
Joseph R. Piccirilli
Elmer Piroga
Paul J. Pisarcik
Sam Pontera
Jay Porter Sr.
Patrick Quartini
Eric J. Radachy
Burton Rea
James Reinhart

Leo J. Rettger
Richard Rocco
Anthony Rogers
Sandy Rossi
Tony Rossi
Richard Saborsky
Matteo Sangregorio
Salvador Scarnecchia
Michael Schnur
Joseph Selby
Joseph Selnekovic
Paul Selnekovic
*Bill Ser
Blaine Sheasley
James Sheasley
Dennis Sheehan
Joseph Small
Bruno Spatilson
*Tom Spayd
*David Stanley Jr.
Michael Anthony Stawaisz
Bob Tallarico
James Teapole Sr.

Bob Thornburg
Delbert Tice
William Tice
James Tobin
Jim Topper
Samuel Toskin
Walter Trkula
George Tyillian
William G. Vasconi
Edward Venesky
Christian Vennetti
Jim Vernille
Peter Vernille
Pietro Verroco
Michael Vicario
John Wacaski
*Ben Wagner
*Dana Wagner
George Wagner
*Ken Wagner
Charles Werner
Robert Whalen
Mike Yonosik
Robert G. Zikmund

Church of Notre Dame

VACATION BIBLE CAMP

WHO IS MY NEIGHBOR?

Learning to Love Like Jesus
Facilitator: Mrs. Pat Polesnak & Team

August 7-11, 2023

9:00am-12:00pm

PreK - Sixth Grade

Cost: \$10 per student

SJPII School Multipurpose Room

Questions contact:

Religious Education Office 724-981-5566 or

Email: Religioised@notredame-pa.org

A FAMILY PERSPECTIVE

The "troubled and abandoned" children in our world are "sheep without a shepherd." Today Jesus asks our "hearts be moved to pity for these children" and reminds us. Without cost you received, without cost you must give. Go to the lost sheep"

Join the Immaculate Heart of Mary 300 Club

- ♦ The 300 Club is a 6-month raffle at IHM. **Only 300 tickets will be sold!**
- ♦ Each ticket price is \$100.00.
- ♦ Every number is entered into a weekly drawing.
- ♦ The drawing during the first week of the month is worth \$400.00
- ♦ The drawings during the subsequent weeks of the month will each be worth \$200.00.
- ♦ The drawings for the raffle will take place every Wednesday from 7/12/2023 to 12/27/2023.
- ♦ Five (5) additional drawings will be pulled at the Annual Cookie Walk and Soup Sale 12/10/2023.
- ♦ The five (5) drawings at the Cookie Walk and Soup Sale will include three (3) \$1000 drawings and two (2) \$500 drawings.
- ♦ Every ticket will be eligible to win each weekly drawing even if your number was already pulled once.
- ♦ Each number will only have one chance at the five (5) special drawings at the cookie walk and soup sale.
- ♦ Winner need not be present at any of the drawings to win.
- ♦ To join, tickets will be sold after the weekend masses as well as at the parish office, Monday - Thursday 9:00 am - 3:00 pm. **Tickets will begin being sold April 1.**
- ♦ Checks are to be made out to **Immaculate Heart of Mary Parish, 100 Penn Ave, Mercer PA 16137** with the memo line reading "300 Club".
- ♦ For more information, call the parish office at 1 (724) 662-2999.

Drawing Dates

7/12 - \$200	10/4 - \$400
7/19 - \$200	10/11 - \$200
7/26 - \$200	10/18 - \$200
	10/25 - \$200
8/2 - \$400	11/1 - \$400
8/9 - \$200	11/8 - \$200
8/16 - \$200	11/15 - \$200
8/23 - \$200	11/22 - \$200
8/30 - \$200	11/29 - \$200
9/6 - \$400	12/6 - \$400
9/13 - \$200	12/13 - \$200
9/20 - \$200	12/20 - \$200
9/27 - \$200	12/27 - \$200



ENVELOPES:

- Please use the envelopes only for what they are intended. Although we work diligently trying to catch all notes written on the envelopes and record payments as intended, notes are easily overlooked.
- **Cutting/trimming envelopes: please make sure your name, envelope number and collection description is on the section being used. Some collection descriptions are not on the same side as the name and envelope number.**