



Church of NOTRE DAME



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**SUNDAY
JULY 2
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

*I will sing
the goodness
of the Lord
forever.*

13TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

PSALM 89



VIDEO MASS 7/2	+
MON 7/3	NO MASS
TUES 7/4 9AM	+Gloria Schweiss [Family]
WED 7/5	NO MASS
THU 7/6 9AM	+Margaret Papay [Papay Family]
FRI 7/7 9AM	+Edward Kurelko [Family]
SAT 7/8 9AM	+Marie Geisler [Sheila Lesnoski]
SAT 7/8 * 3-3:30PM * Confessions	
SAT 7/8 4PM	+Anna Quartini [Cardamon, Quartini, Becker, & Surano Families]
SUN 7/9 8AM	+Paul & Dannie Griz [Rick & Anne Herman]
SUN 7/9 11AM	*Mass for the People

**THE PARISH OFFICE
WILL BE
CLOSED TUESDAY,
JULY 4TH**

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.

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?



SAT 7/8 4PM LECTOR M. Bradac	EUCCHARISTIC MIN. D. Boller / D. Boller A. Costar / P. Thornburg	ALTAR SERVER A. Bowser
SUN 7/9 8AM LECTOR B. Lackey	EUCCHARISTIC MIN. T. Brandenstein / R. Mentrek / J. Trenga J. Wolinsky	ALTAR SERVER A. Zahniser
SUN 7/9 11AM LECTOR K. Wagner	EUCCHARISTIC MIN. M. Hohman / S. Hohman K. Stephenson	ALTAR SERVER A. McDonough

***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 **SALAD DRESSING**. The upcoming item will be broth, stock, & creamed soups [cream of mushroom, etc.].

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

PRAYER Line

Keeping those in need in our prayers. If you, a family member or a friend are in need of prayer please call the prayer line with your request.

**Prayer Line,
Kathy Higgins #724-342-7858**

MINISTRY NEEDS

We are in need of more help in all ministries; **Altar Servers, Lectors and Eucharistic Ministers.**

If you are interested in serving in any of these ministries during a Mass time of your choice, please call the parish office 724-981-5566.

Training will be provided.

WE NEED YOU!

WEEKLY PRAYER

READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF JULY 2, 2023

Sunday: 2 Kgs 4:8-11, 14-16a/Ps 89:2-3, 16-17, 18-19 (2a)/Rom 6:3-4, 8-11/Mt 10:37-42
Monday: Eph 2:19-22/Ps 117:1bc, 2/Jn 20:24-29
Tuesday: Gn19:15-29/Ps 26:2-3, 9-10, 11-12/Mt 8:23-27
Wednesday: Gn 21:5, 8-20a/Ps 34:7-8, 10-11, 12-13/Mt 8:28-34
Thursday: Gn 22:1b-19/Ps 115:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 8-9/Mt 9:1-8
Friday: Gn 23:1-4, 19; 24:1-8, 62-67/Ps 106:1b-2, 3-4a, 4b-5/Mt 9:9-13
Saturday: Gn 27:1-5, 15-29/Ps 135:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6/Mt 9:14-17
Next Sunday: Zec 9:9-10/Ps 145:1-2, 8-9, 10-11, 13-14 (see 1)/Rom 8:9, 11-13/Mt 11:25-30

OBSERVANCES FOR THE WEEK OF JULY 2, 2023

Sunday: 13th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Monday: St. Thomas, Apostle
Tuesday: Independence Day
Wednesday: St. Anthony Zaccaria, Priest; St. Elizabeth of Portugal
Thursday: St. Maria Goretti, Virgin and Martyr
Next Sunday: 14th Sunday in Ordinary Time

LIVE THE LITURGY - INSPIRATION FOR THE WEEK

Our relationship with Christ is the ultimate starting point. The wellspring. Every good quality in our character, every kind action of our lives, every devout practice of our day must flow from this place where we encounter him in our hearts.

RECOGNIZE GOD IN YOUR ORDINARY MOMENTS

By Colleen Jurkiewicz Dorman

A Prophet's Reward

"Move back in with us until you save enough for a decent house," my mother told me over and over again as the birth of my second child neared.

My little family was quickly outgrowing our rented space, but the housing market in our area was a nightmare for first-time home-buyers. As appealing as the offer was, I kept refusing, convinced that my mother didn't understand the chaos, disruption, and loss of personal space that such a move would mean for her and my dad.

I was wrong — she did. And eventually she wore me down. When my son was three months old my family of four moved back into my old bedroom. My parents made an office space for my husband in the basement, and they converted their den into a playroom for two of the loudest children you will ever meet. They told us we could stay as long as we needed to (it ended up being two years). They greeted us with love and warmth every morning and never made us feel like we were an inconvenience.

Today's first reading always reminds me of my mom, not because I consider myself a prophet (hardly) but because of the way she received me — specifically, in whose name she received me.

I've always tried to understand exactly what makes my parents' acts of love — toward me, toward each other, toward perfect strangers — feel so genuine. I think, after more than 30 years, I've finally realized the secret: my parents love God more than they love me. They love God more than they love anyone.

Like making room in their life and their home for me and my boisterous family, these acts originate in sacrifice. They don't come cheap. They come from the cross.

"Whoever loses his life for my sake will find it." — Matthew 10:39

WORSHIP & MEDITATION

SUNDAY READINGS

First Reading:

"I know that Elisha is a holy man of God. Since he visits us often, let us arrange a little room on the roof and furnish it for him with a bed, table, chair, and lamp, so that when he comes to us he can stay there." (2 Kgs 4:9-10)

Psalm:

Forever I will sing the goodness of the Lord. (Ps 89)

Second Reading:

Are you unaware that we who were baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into his death? We were indeed buried with him through baptism into death, so that, just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, we too might live in newness of life. (Rom 6:3-4)

Gospel:

"Whoever receives you receives me, and whoever receives me receives the one who sent me." (Mt 10:40)

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SCRIPTURE - Questions of the week

First Reading:

The Shunammite woman is rewarded with the promise of a newborn son for her generous hospitality to the prophet Elisha. To whom could you show a good measure of charity this week?

Second Reading:

In Paul's view, since Jesus defeated death in his resurrection, he challenged the believers in Rome to think of themselves as "being dead to sin and living for God." How often do you *think* of ways to put your faith into action?

Gospel:

Jesus teaches his disciples about the challenges and rewards of following him. What do you personally find most challenging or rewarding in following Jesus?

GOSPEL MEDITATION

As a boy my favorite board game was "Chutes and Ladders." The players roll dice to move from the start to the finish, from the bottom of the board to the top. If you land on a chute, you slide back and down. It was a bummer. Land on a ladder, and you jump well up the board and near the goal. It was a thrill to find a ladder and draw closer to the goal. That's life, isn't it? At every moment, we're either moving closer or farther from the goal of our lives.

How do we win? Jesus tells us the secret of life's chutes and ladders hinges on getting our loves rightly ordered. What we love in life is meant to be a ladder, drawing us up into God's love — including our family, friends, work, play, food, and drink. Even to give your water to someone out of love for Christ leads to a sure reward.

But those ladders of our loves can become chutes. If we love even our family members more than Christ, we slide down and back. If we love the persons and things in our life for the sake of Christ, He says we **"surely will not lose our reward."** The key difference between a chute and ladder, between our spiritual regression and advancement, is our willingness to renounce everything — even our own life — for the love of Jesus. To allow everything and everyone we love to draw us to love him more — that's the difference between chutes and ladders.

— Father John Muir



Saint of the week

Servant of God Fernando Rielo Pardal was a philosopher, mystical poet, author, and founder of the Idente Missionaries of Christ the Redeemer. He also founded a metaphysical school of thought called the Genetic Metaphysics of Fernando Rielo.

Prayer

Father, who granted Your son Fernando the grace of following Your voice and that of Your Son, Jesus Christ, under the guidance of the Holy Spirit, when You said, "Be holy, son, as I, Your Father, am holy" (Mt 5:48), grant that I, too, following his example, may fully live the love to which You call me and, in imitating your Son, Jesus Christ, or Firstborn Brother, make Your name known so that all of us, on feeling ourselves to be children of the Father, may worship You. I ask You, Father, to glorify your son Fernando and to grant me, through his intercession, the grace which I request. Amen.

(Prayer Source: <https://www.idente.org/postulation-of-the-cause/?lang=en>)

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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: Religious@notredame-pa.org

Registration forms are available outside
the parish office and in the church foyer.



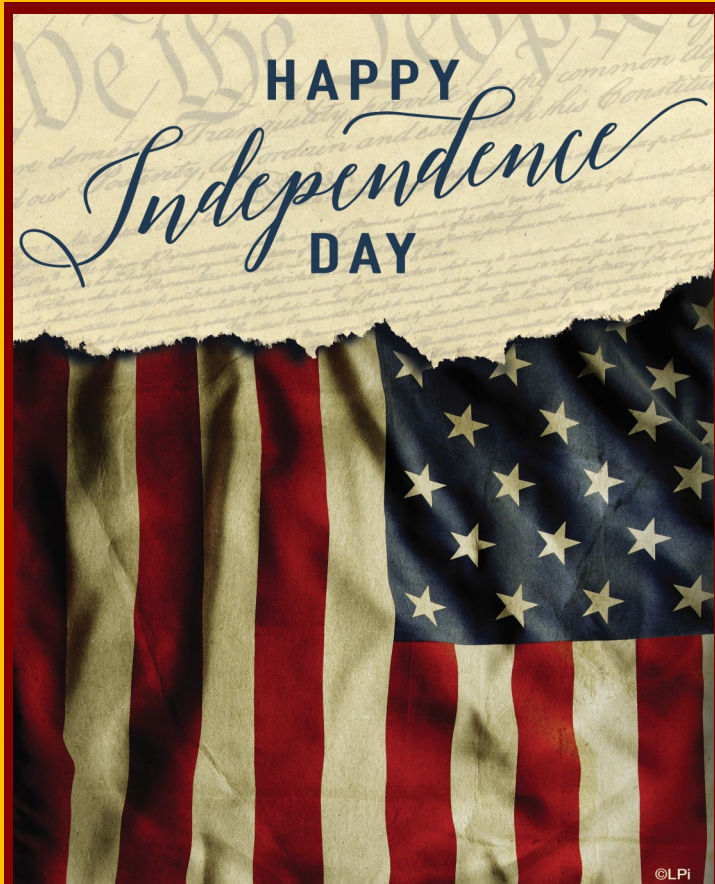
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Erie, PA 814-833-0927

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A poster for 'Immaculate Heart SPLASH CANYON' Vacation Bible School. It features a group of children in a blue raft on a river, with a sign that says 'Splash Canyon'. The text includes 'Vacation Bible School July 17-21 5:30pm - 8:00pm', 'Open to all children from Pre-K through Eighth Grade!', and a QR code. The bottom right corner has a yellow button with the text 'More Information' and the URL 'HTTPS://IHMERCER.ORG/VBS'. A small note at the bottom says '*Not a school affiliated event*'.

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NOTRE DAME Book Club

Thursday, July 20th / 6:30 PM
NOTRE DAME MULTIPURPOSE ROOM

We will be reading, *This Time Tomorrow*,
by Emma Straub.

A few books will be available outside the
parish office.

Please join us!