



# Church of NOTRE DAME



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**SUNDAY  
AUGUST 27  
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 Faith Formation**

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

22nd Sunday in ordinary time

YOUR LOVE  
IS *eternal.*  
DO NOT  
FORSAKE  
THE WORK OF  
YOUR HANDS.  
*Psalm 138*



VIDEO MASS 8/27	+John Wade, 90 <sup>th</sup> Birthday [Wife, Barbara]
MON 8/28	NO MASS
TUES 8/29 9AM	+William "Willie" Chavara [Chavara Family]
WED 8/30	NO MASS
THU 8/31 9AM	+Marcella Bosak [Sue Ellen]
FRI 9/1 9AM	+Patrick & Anna Quartini, Annv. [Patricia Cardamon & Frank Quartini]
SAT 9/2 9AM	+Tracy Filisky [Renee Kocis & Denise Churlik]
SAT 9/2 * 3-3:30PM	* Confessions
SAT 9/2 4PM	*Mass for the People
SUN 9/3 8AM	+Margaret Papay [Papay Family]
SUN 9/3 11AM	+Margaret Jones [Marilyn John]



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.

**CONGRATULATIONS** to Drew Palisin (Notre Dame), and Bob and Susan Piccirilli (St. Bartholomew) who along with Jim Bombeck are being honored at Buhl Day, Labor Day, Monday, September 4<sup>th</sup> Buhl Park for all the contributions of their time and talent given to the Shenango Valley! Job well done.

## A FAMILY PERSPECTIVE

Like Jesus in today's gospel, we are seen by others in different ways. But those who know us best are usually our own family. Who do they say you are?

## PARENTING POINTERS

"Who has known the mind of the Lord?" (Romans 11:35) As a parent you want to parent well. When your child is young, certainly you are smarter and know what is best for them. But as your child grows, it's hard to know what is best. Pray, read,



<b>SAT 9/2 4PM</b> LECTOR M. Bradac	<b>EUCCHARISTIC MIN.</b> A. Costar / S. Goclano P. Polesnak / P. Polesnak	<b>ALTAR SERVER</b>
<b>SUN 9/3 8AM</b> LECTOR B. Lackey	<b>EUCCHARISTIC MIN.</b> R. Mentrek / T. Pagliaroli J. Trenga / J. Wolinsky	<b>ALTAR SERVER</b> A. Zahniser
<b>SUN 9/3 11AM</b> LECTOR K. O'Brien	<b>EUCCHARISTIC MIN.</b> K. Davenport / M. Hohman S. Hohman / R. McGoff	<b>ALTAR SERVER</b> N. Selby M. Tarbay

\*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

## BORN INTO ETERNAL LIFE

Please keep the family of

**Kim Stephenson**

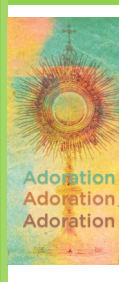
**Mary Barron**

**Delphina McLusky**

in your prayers.



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



Tuesday / 9:30 AM—11:00 PM

Wednesday / 9:00 AM—11:00 PM

Join us for an hour of Prayer, every  
Wednesday during Adoration at 7pm

For more information call:

Jo Feeney 724-699-3340 / Monica 724-977-7665

**Job Opportunity** - The parish is looking to hire a person to perform maintenance activities. This is a part time position. Responsibilities include setting up and taking down tables and chairs for parish events, performing minor repairs, monitoring the overall facility, and maintaining records as required.

# WEEKLY PRAYER

## READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF AUGUST 27, 2023

Sunday: Is 22:19-23/Ps 138:1-2, 2-3, 6, 8 (8bc)/Rom 11:33-36/Mt 16:13-20  
Monday: 1 Thes 1:1-5, 8b-10/Ps 149:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6a and 9b/Mt 23:13-22  
Tuesday: 1 Thes 2:1-8/Ps 139:1-3, 4-6/Mk 6:17-29  
Wednesday: 1 Thes 2:9-13/Ps 139:7-8, 9-10, 11-12ab/Mt 23:27-32  
Thursday: 1 Thes 3:7-13/Ps 90:3-5a, 12-13, 14 and 17/Mt 24:42-51  
Friday: 1 Thes 4:1-8/Ps 97:1 and 2b, 5-6, 10, 11-12/Mt 25:1-13  
Saturday: 1 Thes 4:9-11/Ps 98:1, 7-8, 9/Mt 25:14-30  
Next Sunday: Jer 20:7-9/Ps 63:2, 3-4, 5-6, 8-9 (2b)/Rom 12:1-2/Mt 16:21-27

## OBSERVANCES FOR THE WEEK OF AUGUST 27, 2023

Sunday: 21<sup>st</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time  
Monday: St. Augustine, Bishop and Doctor of the Church  
Tuesday: The Passion of St. John the Baptist  
Next Sunday: 22<sup>nd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

## LIVE THE LITURGY - INSPIRATION FOR THE WEEK

“Who do you say that I am?” Let our whole lives be the answer, given not in words, but in action. If the world looked at your life, your decisions, your words, and your deeds, would they conclude that you are a person who believes Christ is the son of the living God?

## RECOGNIZE GOD IN YOUR ORDINARY MOMENTS

By Colleen Jurkiewicz Dorman

### Who Do You Say That I Am?

I once knew a very devout woman whose adult godchild had fallen away from the practice of the faith. This godchild still believed in God, and even felt a sense of belonging in the Church. He was a good and kind person. But poor catechesis and a society that confuses pleasure with joy had left him lax in practice, without an appreciation of the sacraments. He was making choices that threatened his soul.

His godmother wanted more for him. She planned to speak with him about his life, hoping to encourage him to return to the practice of the faith. She knew that, when she brought this up, he would reply that it wasn't important to attend Mass or to receive the Eucharist, that was all just “extra.”

She told me that she was going to begin their conversation by asking him the question Jesus poses to Peter in Matthew 16:15 — the critical question in all our lives, the question whose answer will define what we become in this world and the next.

Her godson knew the answer. She was confident, unshakably, that he did. He may have forgotten it or ignored it. He may have tried to convince himself he wasn't entirely sure. He may have refused to give an answer. But he knew it. He knew the answer.

There is a reason that, after Peter's response, Jesus gives him the keys to the kingdom of heaven.

“Who do you say that I am?”

Let our whole lives be our answer.

*“You are the Christ, the Son of the living God.” — Matthew 16:16*



# WORSHIP & MEDITATION

## WEEK OF AUGUST 27, 2023

### SUNDAY READINGS

#### First Reading:

"I will place the key of the House of David on Eliakim's shoulder; when he opens, no one shall shut, when he shuts, no one shall open." (Is 22:22)

#### Psalm:

Lord, your love is eternal; do not forsake the work of your hands. (Ps 138)

#### Second Reading:

For from him and through him and for him are all things. To him be glory forever. Amen. (Rom 11:36)

#### Gospel:

"And so I say to you, you are Peter, and upon this rock I will build my church, and the gates of the netherworld shall not prevail against it. I will give you the keys to the kingdom of heaven." (Mt 16:18-19)

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### SCRIPTURE - Questions of the week

#### First Reading:

The Lord condemns Shebna (the master of King Hezekiah's palace) for ignoring Isaiah's prophetic warning and gives to Eliakim the authority and honor that belonged to Shebna. What helps you stay focused on following God's commandments?

#### Second Reading:

Paul celebrates the wisdom and knowledge — the mystery — of God. If you could Ask God one question, what would it be?

#### Gospel:

In Peter confessing Jesus as "the Messiah, the Son of the living God," Jesus gives him the authority to hold the keys to the kingdom of heaven. How do you use authority in your life?

### GOSPEL MEDITATION

Isn't it a bit weird that Catholics call the Pope "papa," father? This Sunday provides us with essential Scriptural background on the papacy, the petrine office. Jesus gives Peter the "keys to the kingdom of heaven," after witnessing to the special grace Peter has to know Jesus' true identity. Many have pointed out that the "keys" refer back to the figure of Eliakim, King David's prime minister. True enough. But notice this is not mere authority or power. It's a family relationship. The Lord says to Eliakim, "He shall be a father to the inhabitants of Jerusalem" (Isaiah 22:21). David's prime minister was a spiritual *father* to the family of Israel. Peter, and his successors, will be spiritual fathers in the family of the Church.

This means we have a serious obligation to not only recognize the Pope's authority, but also to love him with the affection of children for their papa. We should never speak about him with disrespect or rancor. We should listen to him with trusting hearts, and ignore the slander thrown at him in various media. When we show the world we are loving and obedient to our Holy Papa, perhaps they'll see more clearly that the Church is indeed God's beloved family.

— Father John Muir



#### Saint of the week

*Despite being forced into marriage at 16, Venerable Teresa Fardella de Blasi still pursued her heart's desire to serve the poor wherever she lived with her husband. Originally from New York, she founded and eventually joined the Poor Daughters of the Crowned Virgin in Italy.*

#### Prayer

*O loving Jesus, please grant that Your servant, Venerable Teresa Fardella de Blasi, who worked selflessly for poor and homeless children and adolescents, may, through the intercession of Mary Queen of Heaven, be glorified by visible signs and miracles; so that for Your glory and salvation of souls, she may, by Your power, be declared Blessed. Amen.*

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# RELIGIOUS EDUCATION FAITH FORMATION NEWS

- \* 2023-2024 Registration will be mailed to previously registered families soon.
- \* Grades 9 & 10 will be receiving the Sacrament of Confirmation this year.
- \* The Edge model will be the norm for Grades 6-7-8
- \* We can always use a few more adult helping hands and hearts.

If interested, please contact Joe Ranelli at the parish office 724-981-5566.



## A PRAYER FOR STUDENTS

Lord our God, in your wisdom and love you surround us with the mysteries of the universe. Send your spirit upon these students and fill them with your wisdom and blessings, grant that they may devote themselves to their studies and draw ever closer to you, the source of all knowledge.

We ask this through Christ our Lord. R/.Amen.

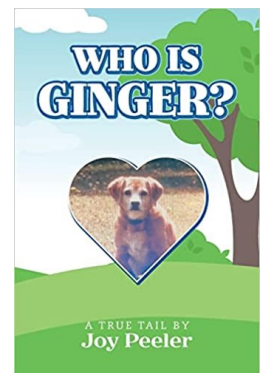


**JOIN US  
AFTER MASS  
SEPTEMBER 9<sup>TH</sup> & 10<sup>TH</sup>  
FOR  
DONUTS & COFFEE!**

**LOOKING FOR A COPY OF THE BOOK  
OR MAYBE YOU AREN'T AWARE OF  
JUST HOW FAMOUS GINGER IS, YOU  
CAN STILL PURCHASE  
WHO IS GINGER? ONLINE.**

Story behind the book: A woman in Florida, Joy Peeler, found ND masses online during the pandemic. She fell in love with our masses, and "our" dog, Ginger. Consequently, she wrote a book for children, "Who is Ginger?" and it is available online through Amazon.com and Barnes and Noble.com. The cost is \$10.99.

Though we do not directly receive any financial benefit from the sale of the book, it is a great gift to the children who see and love Ginger at church, at school and all around.



## ST. ANTHONY CHURCH RUMMAGE SALE



**FISH FRY  
FRI., SEPT. 1  
4-7PM  
TAKE OUT  
ONLY**

**WED., AUG. 30 \* 2-5PM  
THURS., AUG. 31 \* 9AM-2PM  
FRI., SEPT. 1 \* 9AM-2PM  
SAT., SEPT. 2 \* 9AM-12 NOON**

**RUMMAGE SALE LOCATED IN THE ANTONIUM  
(SHERMAN AVE., SHARON, PA)**

**ITEMS FOR SALE INCLUDE: FURNITURE, ANTIQUES, COLLECTIBLES, LINENS, HOME  
DECOR, DISHES, POTS & PANS, TOYS, GAMES, BOOKS, VIDEOS, CLOTHING,  
AND LOTTERY TICKETS**

**DAILY SPECIALS & FOOD CAFE**

# KINGDOM

**"I will give you the keys to the  
kingdom of heaven. Whatever  
you bind on earth shall be  
bound in heaven; and  
whatever you loose on earth  
shall be loosed in heaven."**

**MATTHEW 16:19**