



# Church of NOTRE DAME



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**SUNDAY**  
**JULY 9**  
**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

PSALM 145

MY GOD,  
I WILL PRAISE  
YOUR NAME  
FOREVER.

14<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



VIDEO MASS 7/9	+
MON 7/10	NO MASS
TUES 7/11 9AM	+Dorothy & Henry Fill [Son, John Fill]
WED 7/12	NO MASS
THU 7/13 9AM	+James Achenbach [Mary Achenbach]
FRI 7/14 9AM	+Dom & Jean Teaberry [Condo Family]
SAT 7/15 9AM	+Edward Stanton [Tom & Patricia Demas]
SAT 7/15 * 3-3:30PM * Confessions	
SAT 7/15 4PM	+Ron Kocis [Ray & Gale Kocis]
SUN 7/16 8AM	+Richard Liszka [Family]
SUN 7/16 11AM	+Robert Michael Stawaisz [Stawaisz Family]



*Altar flowers this weekend are donated in Memory of*

***Anna Quartini***

*On Behalf of: Lori & Dave Mancino*

## 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](tel: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?



**Amellia Claire Reino**  
June 4, 2023

Daughter of  
Raffaele and Amanda Reino



<b>SAT 7/15 4PM</b> LECTOR Volunteer Needed	<b>EUCCHARISTIC MIN.</b> S. Goclano / P/ Polesnak P. Polesnak	<b>ALTAR SERVER</b> M. Wible R. Wible
<b>SUN 7/16 8AM</b> LECTOR C. St. John	<b>EUCCHARISTIC MIN.</b> P. Clark / T. Pagliaroli J. Trenga	<b>ALTAR SERVER</b> A. Zahniser
<b>SUN 7/16 11AM</b> LECTOR K. Wagner	<b>EUCCHARISTIC MIN.</b> K. Davenport / R. McGoff B. McVey / B. Moder	<b>ALTAR SERVER</b> M. Tarbay

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

### ST. BARTHOLOMEW MASS SCHEDULE:

<b>DAILY :</b> MON, WED, FRI 7:30 AM	<b>TUES</b> 6:00 pm / *6:30 PM Confessions
<b>WEEKEND:</b> SAT 5:30 PM	<b>SUN</b> 9:30 AM



Next Sunday's "Pantry Shower" Item is **BROTH, STOCK, & CREAMED SOUPS [CREAM OF MUSHROOM, ETC.]**. The upcoming item will be large garbage bags.

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

## BORN INTO ETERNAL LIFE



Please keep the family of  
**Vi Grober**  
in your prayers.

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

## 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 9, 2023

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  
Monday: Gn 28:10-22a/Ps 91:1-2, 3-4, 14-15ab/Mt 9:18-26  
Tuesday: Gn 32:23-33/ Ps 17:1b, 2-3, 6-7ab, and 15/Mt 9:32-38  
Wednesday: Gn 41:55-57; 42:5-7a, 17-24a/Ps 33:2-3, 10-11, 18-19/Mt 10:1-7  
Thursday: Gn 44:18-21, 23b-29; 45:1-5/Ps 105:16-17, 18-19, 20-21/Mt 10:7-15  
Friday: Gn 46:1-7, 28-30/Ps 37:3-4, 18-19, 27-28, 39-40/Mt 10:16-23  
Saturday: Gn 49:29-32; 50:15-26a/Ps 105:1-2, 3-4, 6-7/Mt 10:24-33  
Next Sunday: Is 55:10-11/Ps 65:1, 11, 12-13, 14 (Luke 8:8)/Rom 8:18-23/Mt 13:1-23 or 13:1-9

## OBSERVANCES FOR THE WEEK OF JULY 9, 2023

Sunday: 14<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time  
Tuesday: St. Benedict, Abbot  
Thursday: St. Henry  
Friday: St. Kateri Tekakwitha, Virgin  
Saturday: St. Bonaventure, Bishop and Doctor of the Church  
Next Sunday: 15<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

## LIVE THE LITURGY - INSPIRATION FOR THE WEEK

The Christian life does not require wisdom, charisma, or strength — no, quite the opposite. To be Christian, we must embrace our faults, our littleness, our shortcomings — gather them up, and lay them all at the feet of Jesus. There, they will be transformed.

## RECOGNIZE GOD IN YOUR ORDINARY MOMENTS

By Colleen Jurkiewicz Dorman

### A Ballad of Flesh and Spirit

“My yoke is easy and my burden is light,” says the man hanging from a cross. And if we only went on what we see with our eyes — flesh driven through by nails and sword, swollen from beating and inches from expiration — it would seem like a joke.

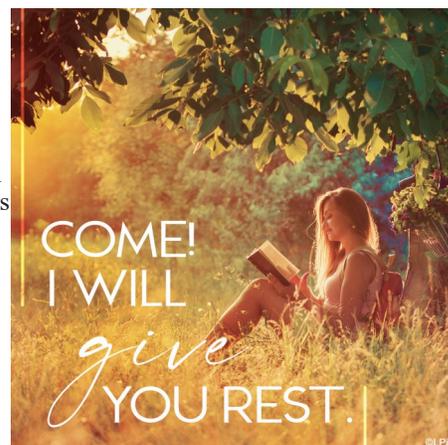
I’ll tell you something we all know: this life on earth is hard. It’s either too long or it’s too short. It’s frequently painful. It’s riddled with problems that seem to make no sense. It is, as Dickens wrote, “made of ever so many partings welded together.”

But it’s also shockingly, senselessly beautiful. It is full of physical experiences of love, joy, and peace that are so powerful they leave you breathless.

It is both these things — good and bad, hard and wonderful, just as we are both body and soul, spirit and flesh.

No one knows the Father except the Son, who entered into our bodily existence to free us from enslavement to it. No one knows the Son except the Father, and the means by which they know one another — the love passing between them, the Third Person himself — has ing within us through baptism.

“*Brothers and sisters, we are not debtors to the flesh, to live according to the flesh.*”  
— Romans 8:12



# WORSHIP & MEDITATION

## SUNDAY READINGS

### **First Reading:**

See, your king shall come to you; a just savior is he, meek, and riding on an ass, on a colt, the foal of an ass. (Zec 9:9)

### **Psalm:**

I will praise your name for ever, my king and my God. (Ps 145) Or Alleluia.

### **Second Reading:**

For if you live according to the flesh, you will die, but if by the Spirit you put to death the deeds of the body, you will live. (Rom 8:13)

### **Gospel:**

Take my yoke upon you and learn from me, for I am meek and humble of heart; and you will find rest for yourselves. (Mt 11:29)

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## SCRIPTURE - Questions of the week

### **First Reading:**

The prophet Zechariah saw the future king of Israel restoring both the land and the people, bringing peace and justice to all the nations. How might you help build toward this promised future?

### **Second Reading:**

Paul speaks of the power of the Spirit living in those who believe in Jesus. When have you felt or experienced the presence of the Holy Spirit in your life?

### **Gospel:**

Jesus invites all who are burdened and laboring to find “rest” in him. What burdens do you or your family need lifted from your life?

## GOSPEL MEDITATION

Do you ever feel restless? I certainly do. Daily tasks and challenges, but also the more basic demand of simply existing — sooner or later, this can all feel crushing and tire us out.

Which is why Jesus’ words are such stunningly good news: “Come to me all you who labor and are burdened and I will give you rest” (Matthew 11:28). How vastly weird that this man speaks as though he is capable of giving us the deep repose we desire. Is his claim the height of absurd grandiosity? No, because next he immediately proclaims that he is “meek and humble of heart.” We here touch a mystery: Jesus is capable of giving us rest because he is the one who forever reposes in the heart of God the Father. He is “yoked” to the Father in his divinity. But he is humbly “yoked” to us, sharing in our humanity.

The good news, my fellow tired-out friends: we don’t have to despair in our burdens and exhaustion, no matter how heavy they feel. This week, join me in opening our hearts to hear him say to us, “Come! I will give you rest.” We come to him in the Church, Eucharist, the Scriptures, prayer, in the poor. There he will give us rest.

— *Father John Muir*



### **Saint of the week**

*Venerable John Augustus (Gus) Tolton was born into slavery and escaped with his mother early in his life. He went to seminary in Rome and returned to the U.S. to form a black national church in Chicago. He is considered to be the first priest in the USA who was publicly known to be black.*

### **Prayer**

*Venerable Father Tolton, when confronted with the hatred of a brother and the taunts of a few, you imitated the Lamb of God and did not open your mouth against them.*

*Help us, Father Gus, to follow your example of long-suffering compassion and silent perseverance, to love our enemies and to pray for our persecutors.*

*Teach us to be noble servants of Christ until he calls us into the presence of his majesty, there to look upon the Master’s loving face.*

*Who lives and reigns with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever.*

*Amen.*

*(Prayer Source: <https://tolton.dio.org/prayer.html#:~:text=A%20Prayer%20to%20the%20Venerable%20Augustine%20Tolton&text=Teach%20us%20to%20be%20noble.Amen.>)*

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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: [Religioused@notredame-pa.org](mailto:Religioused@notredame-pa.org)



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Erie, PA 814-833-0927

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• **A FAMILY PERSPECTIVE**

Today's gospel is about being missionaries. As Jesus accepted his mission, parents accept the mission of raising a family. Parents are not alone in this exhausting and difficult vocation. Today Jesus calls us to himself when he invites us to "Come to me and I will give your rest."

• **PARENTING POINTERS**

"Although God has hidden these things from the wise and the learned, God has revealed them to little ones." (Mt. 11:25) What can you learn from your child this week?

• **MARRIAGE MOMENT**

"Come to me, all you who labor and are burdened, and I will give you rest." (Mt. 11:28) Perhaps this summer has been carefree and joyous, OR perhaps you are hot and tired. If the latter, remind each other to rest a bit.

**MILESTONE ANNIVERSARY  
CELEBRATIONS**

Couples celebrating 25<sup>th</sup>, 40<sup>th</sup>, 50<sup>th</sup>, 60<sup>th</sup> or more wedding anniversaries are invited to attend the annual Diocesan Anniversary Celebrations on **Sunday, August 6 at Our Lady of Peace Parish, Erie** or **Sunday, August 20 at Sts. Cosmas and Damian Parish, Punxsutawney**. Celebrations include Mass with Bishop Persico followed by a light reception.

To register for either event or to receive a certificate by mail, complete the online registration at <https://www.eriecd.org/familylifeoffice/anniv.html>, or contact the Marriage and Family Life Office at (814) 824-1210. Registrations are being accepted until July 21 for Erie celebrations and until August 4 for Punxsutawney celebrations.

**NOTRE DAME** 

**Thursday, July 20<sup>th</sup> / 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!***