



# Church of NOTRE DAME



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**SUNDAY  
JULY 25  
2021**

## PARISH OFFICE HOURS

M—TH: 9 am–12 pm & 1–3 pm

Friday—Closed

## MASS SCHEDULE

Weekend Masses

Saturday: 4 pm & 6 pm

Sunday: 8 am, 10 am & Noon

Weekday Masses

Monday: 7:30 am

Tuesday: 9:00 am

Wednesday: 7:30 am

Thursday: 5:30 pm

Friday: 9:00 am

Saturday: 9:00 am

## PARISH STAFF

### Pastor

Fr. Richard Allen

### Deacon

Mr. 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



## 17<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

“There is a boy here who has five barley loaves and two fish; but what good are these for so many?” Then Jesus took the loaves, gave thanks, and distributed them to those who were reclining, and also as much of the fish as they wanted. - Jn 6:9, 11



# WEEKLY PRAYER

## READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF JULY 25, 2021

- Sunday:** 2 Kgs 4:42-44/Ps 145:10-11, 15-16, 17-18 [cf. 16]/Eph 4:1-6/  
Jn 6:1-15
- Monday:** Ex 32:15-24, 30-34/Ps 106:19-20, 21-22, 23 [1a]/Mt 13:31-35
- Tuesday:** Ex 33:7-11; 34:5b-9, 28/Ps 103:6-7, 8-9, 10-11, 12-13 [8a]/Mt 13:36-43
- Wednesday:** Ex 34:29-35/Ps 99:5, 6, 7, 9 [cf. 9c]/Mt 13:44-46
- Thursday:** Ex 40:16-21, 34-38/Ps 84:3, 4, 5-6a and 8a, 11 [2]/Jn 11:19-27  
or Lk 10:38-42
- Friday:** Lv 23:1, 4-11, 15-16, 27, 34b-37/Ps 81:3-4, 5-6, 10-11ab [2a]/  
Mt 13:54-58
- Saturday:** Lv 25:1, 8-17/Ps 67:2-3, 5, 7-8 [4]/Mt 14:1-12
- Next Sunday:** Ex 16:2-4, 12-15/Ps 78:3-4, 23-24, 25, 54 [24b]/Eph 4:17, 20-24/  
Jn 6:24-35

## OBSERVANCES FOR THE WEEK OF JULY 25, 2021

- Sunday:** 17th Sunday in Ordinary Time
- Monday:** Sts. Joachim and Anne, Parents of the Blessed Virgin Mary
- Thursday:** St. Martha
- Friday:** St. Peter Chrysologus, Bishop and Doctor of the Church
- Saturday:** St. Ignatius of Loyola, Priest
- Next Sunday:** 18th Sunday in Ordinary Time

## LIVE THE LITURGY

### Inspiration for the week

God shows up in unexpected ways! Just when we think we have God's agenda figured out, another surprise comes. Expecting to find God only in some places hinders us from finding Him everywhere. Who would have thought that a young boy's few loaves and fishes would feed thousands of people? The disciples were probably just as amazed as everyone else when this feast appeared before them. Sometimes, we find it difficult to believe that God can do amazing things with something small and simple. Yet, grasping this truth is really at the heart of understanding the power of the Eucharist. Having the Body and Blood of Christ made present for us is one amazing wonder. Actually being fed and nourished by that gift is another. Now being able to become what we have eaten, God can do tremendous things with the simple, humble gifts of our lives. All we have to do is realize that God dwells within us. When we do, then everyone we encounter and everything we do has the power to become a sacramental moment. When done with great love even the smallest gesture can be multiplied exponentially. Now, that's amazing!



*...for he  
who made  
the promise  
is trustworthy.*

— HEBREWS 10:23 —



# WORSHIP & MEDITATION



## FIRST READING

"For thus says the LORD,  
They shall eat and there shall be some left over."  
(2 Kgs 4:43)



## PSALM

The hand of the Lord feeds us; he answers all our  
needs. (Ps 145)



## SECOND READING

One body and one Spirit,  
as you were also called to the one hope  
of your call;  
one Lord, one faith, one baptism;  
one God and Father of all. (Eph 4:4-6)



## GOSPEL

Then Jesus took the loaves, gave thanks,  
and distributed them to those who  
were reclining,  
and also as much of the fish as they wanted.  
(Jn 6:11)

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## GOSPEL MEDITATION

### Encourage Deeper Understanding of Scripture

St. Oscar Romero said, "We cannot do everything, and there is a sense of liberation in realizing that. This enables us to do something and to do it very well. It may be incomplete, but it is the beginning, a step along the way, an opportunity for the Lord's grace to enter and do the rest."

There were a group of ladies many years ago who made quilts. They were beautiful creations reflecting inspirational designs artfully composed from the simple scraps of fabric each woman would bring to their individual pieces. There was no plan for the finished project as each finished work became the combined creation of what each woman contributed. They abounded in vibrant colors and dazzled the beholder with intricate patterns and their myriad textures. They were so beautiful that they became coveted family treasures passed from generation to generation. Those women never realized the power of their work. Countless babies rested in the comfort of those quilts warmly nestled in the legacy of tradition they were fortunate to inherit. They adorned countless homes with their beauty and brought joy and solace to many faces.

We cannot do everything. We are not meant to. Our work in life is to contribute our individual piece, a piece that reflects the unique thumbprint I claim as my own. We only have to do small things well. Then, as St. Oscar Romero reminds us, the Lord's grace will enter and do the rest. We have to trust that this is true just as those women trusted in the eventual beauty of their final work.

Eucharistic blessings are blessings that start small and multiply. We all come to life with only a few loaves of bread and a few fish. Not any single one of us has all that it takes to transform our world. Who knows what God will do with the little we have and how many will benefit from our kindness, compassion, wisdom, courage, conviction, love, warmth, zeal, faith, and hope? That young lad never dreamed that his few leftovers would do all that they did. God shows up in unexpected ways! Where would life's adventure and fun be if it were any other way? Being able to be part of bringing God's creative, transforming, healing to the world opens us up to wonder, awe, and excitement! We can all bring our little piece to the bigger work of God that can result in being a coveted jewel passed generation to generation. This is good news indeed!

Bread and wine transform into Christ's Body and Blood and we become what we eat. Trust that.



MON 7/26 7 <sup>30</sup> AM	Delores C. DeMay [Emil & Lisa DeBonis]
TUES 7/27 9AM	Ralph & Fern Saternow
WED 7/28 7 <sup>30</sup> AM	Msgr. Dan Arnold
THU 7/29 5 <sup>30</sup> PM	Gary Whitehead [Family]
FRI 7/30 9AM	William & Mary Jane Chavara [Family]
SAT 7/31 9AM	George Tyillian [Tyillian Family]
SAT 7/31 4PM	Dom Nigro [Judy Bator]
SAT 7/31 6PM	Barbara Oleskey [Daughters, Son-in-laws, Grandchildren, & Great Grandchildren]
SUN 8/1 8AM	Deacon Jack Tupper
SUN 8/1 10AM	Ken White [Friends]
SUN 8/1 12PM	Mass for the People



<u>SAT 7/31 4PM</u> LECTOR T. Bain	EUCCHARISTIC MIN. D. Boller / D. Boller P. Polesnak / P. Polesnak	ALTAR SERVER A. Bowser
<u>SAT 7/31 6PM</u> LECTOR <b>LECTOR NEEDED</b>	EUCCHARISTIC MIN. <b>EUCH. MIN. NEEDED</b>	ALTAR SERVER <b>SERVER NEEDED</b>
<u>SUN 8/1 8AM</u> LECTOR J. Feeney	EUCCHARISTIC MIN. T. Brandenstein / P. Clark A. Joseph / R. Mentrek	ALTAR SERVER A. Zahniser
<u>SUN 8/1 10AM</u> LECTOR K. O'Brien	EUCCHARISTIC MIN. P. Dinger / B. McVey A. Orndorff	ALTAR SERVER <b>SERVER NEEDED</b>
<u>SUN 8/1 12PM</u> LECTOR R. McGoff	EUCCHARISTIC MIN. S. Hohman / M. Hohman	ALTAR SERVER <b>SERVER NEEDED</b>

\*ATTN VOLUNTEERS! PLEASE CHECK-IN WITH FR. ALLEN PRIOR TO MASS

## MINISTRY NEEDS

Now that most of the covid restrictions have been lifted and we move back into our somewhat normal setting during Mass, 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!**

## RETURNING TO MASS

"For where two or three are gathered in my name, I AM there among them"

(Mt:18:20, NRSV)

After 15 months of the coronavirus, with Stay at Home orders and dispensation from our PA Bishops from attending Sunday Mass; **The dispensation has now been lifted!** We are invited to return in person to hear God's Word proclaimed and share in the Body and Blood of Christ, **Sunday, August 15, The Solemnity of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary.**

Once again we are able to pray together in praising God with joyous music, thanking God and remembering our Christian community needs.

More information will be coming as we near Sunday, August 15. Watch our Notre Dame Bulletin, Website, weekly email communication and Father Allen's Sunday announcements.

*Altar flowers this weekend are donated In thanksgiving to God and in Memory of*

**Joann "Kitty" Henry and Michael Henry**  
*On Behalf of: Jim, Kathy and Liam Ryan*



**Andrew and Sarah O'Donnell**



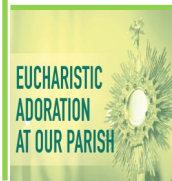
Next Sunday's "Pantry Shower" item is **juices and powdered drinks.** The upcoming item will be large garbage bags.

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

## PRAYERS AND SYMPATHY

We extend our sympathy to the families and friends of those who have lost a loved one. Please keep in prayer those who have entered into eternal life:

**Daniel Conlin**



Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday  
**9:00 AM—11:00 PM**

For more information call:  
Jo Feeney 724-699-3340  
Rosalee Beal 724-981-2645



## Prince of Peace Center



There are several programs throughout the Valley that focus on supplies (notebooks, pencils, etc.); this year, we turn our focus to meeting a different but just as important need.

### Seats & Feet Underwear and Sock Drive

On August 26<sup>th</sup>, Prince of Peace Center will distribute the following items to the needy children of families that attend the Food Pantry and Soup Kitchen programs which the Center provides.

Sizes K-12 needed (Children through adult sizes):

- New Socks: ALL SIZES
- New Underwear:
  - \* Girls/Women: various styles
  - \* Boys/Men: boxers

You may place your donations of these items into the designated box in the back of the Church **now** through **August 23<sup>rd</sup>** or drop them off at the **Prince of Peace Center, 502 Darr Ave., Farrell.**

Your donations of clothing items will aid parents in preparing their children to return to school with a positive image and attitude.



KENNEDY CATHOLIC  
FAMILY OF SCHOOLS

## Rummage Sale and Uniform Giveaway



July 29, 2021

Donation drop-off (8am-8pm) no large furniture or appliances

Uniform giveaway (5pm-8pm) at KCHS

Rummage Sale Begins

July 30th | 9 AM to 6 PM

July 31st | 9 AM to 4 PM

KCHS Gymnasium

help us  
reach our  
goal of  
\$6,000

ALL PROCEEDS BENEFIT THE FREE LUNCH PROGRAM

## BLUEBERRY FESTIVAL

July 31<sup>st</sup> / 10am to 7pm

Bethany Retreat Center  
1031 Germania Rd.

### EATS & SWEET TREATS!

Wide variety of  
foods \* drinks \* blueberry pie  
Belgian waffles w/ice cream  
& blueberry sauce  
\*Blueberries for Sale

### FAMILY FUN

Pick Your Own Blueberries \* Silent Raffle \* 50/50  
Arts & Crafts for Kids \* Hand Painting \* AND MORE

### LIVE MUSIC

Featuring Local Christian Bands  
Heavenbound from 2—4pm  
and A Day Awaits beginning at 4pm

\*Bring a lawn chair or blanket\*

For more information call 814-263-4855 or visit us online at [www.bethanyretreatcenter.org](http://www.bethanyretreatcenter.org)