

Mass Intentions

FOURTEENTH WEEK IN ORDINARY TIME

Monday, July 4 **INDEPENDENCE DAY**

10:00am Helen Harasin by Nancy Lotowski

Tuesday, July 5 *St. Anthony Zaccaria, St. Elizabeth of Portugal*

8:00am (GS) In Memory of Deceased of Sacco & Osso Families
by Vincent J. Sacco

Wednesday, July 6 *St. Maria Goretti, Virgin, Martyr*

8:00am (SJ) Wilma Hellwig by St. John's Christian Mothers

6:30pm (GS) Renate Mross & Family by Judene Indovina

Thursday, July 7

8:00am (GS) Leona & Stanley Labik & Son, Stan
by Sister Mary Evelyn Labik

Friday, July 8

8:00am (SJ) For the Living & Deceased of Our Parishes

8:00pm (GS) Marian prayer Group

Saturday, July 9 *St. Augustine Zhao Rong & Companions,*

Optional Memorial to the Blessed Virgin Mary

4:00pm Vigil (SJ) Tommy Plasko, Jr. by Mom & Jim

5:30pm Vigil (GS) Mutschler & Giammaria Families by
Grandsons, Jack & Bob

Sunday, July 10 **FIFTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

8:00am (GS) Louis Colorito by Mary Fontana

11:00am (GS) Tom Majewski by Wife Cheryl & Children,
Peter and Anna

9:30am (SJ) Mike Farah by Gaudino Family

Readings for the Week of July 3, 2016

Monday Hos 2:16, 17b-18, 21-22 Ps 145:2-9 Mt 9:18-26

Tuesday Hos 8:4-7, 11-13 Ps 115:3-6, 7ab-8, 9-10
Mt 9:32-38

Wednesday Hos 10:1-3, 7-8, 12 Ps 105:2-7 Mt 10:1-7

Thursday Hos 11:1-4, 8c-9 Ps 80:2ac, 3b, 15-16 Mt 10:7-15

Friday Hos 14:2-10 Ps 51:3-4, 8-9, 12-14, 17 Mt 10:16-23

Saturday Is 6:1-8 Ps 93:1-2, 5 Mt 10:24-33

Sunday Dt 30:10-14 Ps 69:14, 17, 30-31, 33-34, 36, 37 or
Ps 19:8-11 Col 1:15-20 Lk 10:25-37

THIS WEEK WE REMEMBER...

SANCTUARY CANDLE

(GS) In Memory of Barbara Kinder by
Mother Genevieve Kinder

BLESSED MOTHER ALTAR FLOWERS

(SJ) In Memory of Mom, Dad, Jack & Aunt Mary by the
Gary Bauer Family

A Special Word of Thanks

Thank you to the Christian Mothers/Ladies Guild of Good Samaritan for a very generous donation of \$3,000 to the parish. Thanks also for the many works of charity you do throughout the year.

WEEKEND OF JULY 9-10

Visiting Missionary, Fr. Stephen Nyamweya of Kenya
at all Masses, both parishes



From Father Joe

The Harvest Is Abundant but the Laborers Are Incredible

At that time, the Lord appointed seventy-two others whom he sent ahead of him in pairs to every town and place he intended to visit. He said to them, *"The harvest is abundant but the laborers are few; so ask the master of the harvest to send out laborers for his harvest. Go on your way; behold, I am sending you like lambs among wolves."* **LUKE 10**

It has been nearly 2,000 years, and those words from Sunday's Gospel are so prophetic: *"The harvest is abundant, but the laborers are few."* This past weekend, nearly fifty of our parishioners travelled to the Cathedral to experience the ordination of our own Deacon (now Father) Anthony Sciarappa and his two classmates. It was wonderful to see 3 new priests ordained. It's a stark contrast to the ordination class of 1972, who will be eligible for retirement this year. The youngest of them were born right after World War II. There are 10 of them. The class that will be eligible for retirement *next year* has 13 priests.

Fortunately many of the young priests who are being ordained are incredibly talented. At the same time, I worry about them. When priests were ordained in the early 1970s, it was probably 10 or 12 years before they were even *considered* for a position as pastor. It has been rumored that the newly ordained may be pastors in just 3 or 4 years! To exacerbate matters, many first-time pastors are either being assigned more than one parish, or larger parishes with a school. Imagine what it would be like for a young priest who has never had to pay a mortgage to step into managing 2 parishes with 10 employees and a budget in excess of a half million dollars. This is part of the reason we are now looking at different models for parishes and parish clusters as part of our *On Mission* for the Church Alive initiative.

I really encourage parishioners to take advantage of the Question & Answer Sessions being offered by the Diocese. **The sessions run from 7 to 8:30 PM.** A few of the dates are listed below:

**July 7 at St Therese of Liseux in Munhall (Fr. Terry's parish)
with Fr. Sam Esposito**

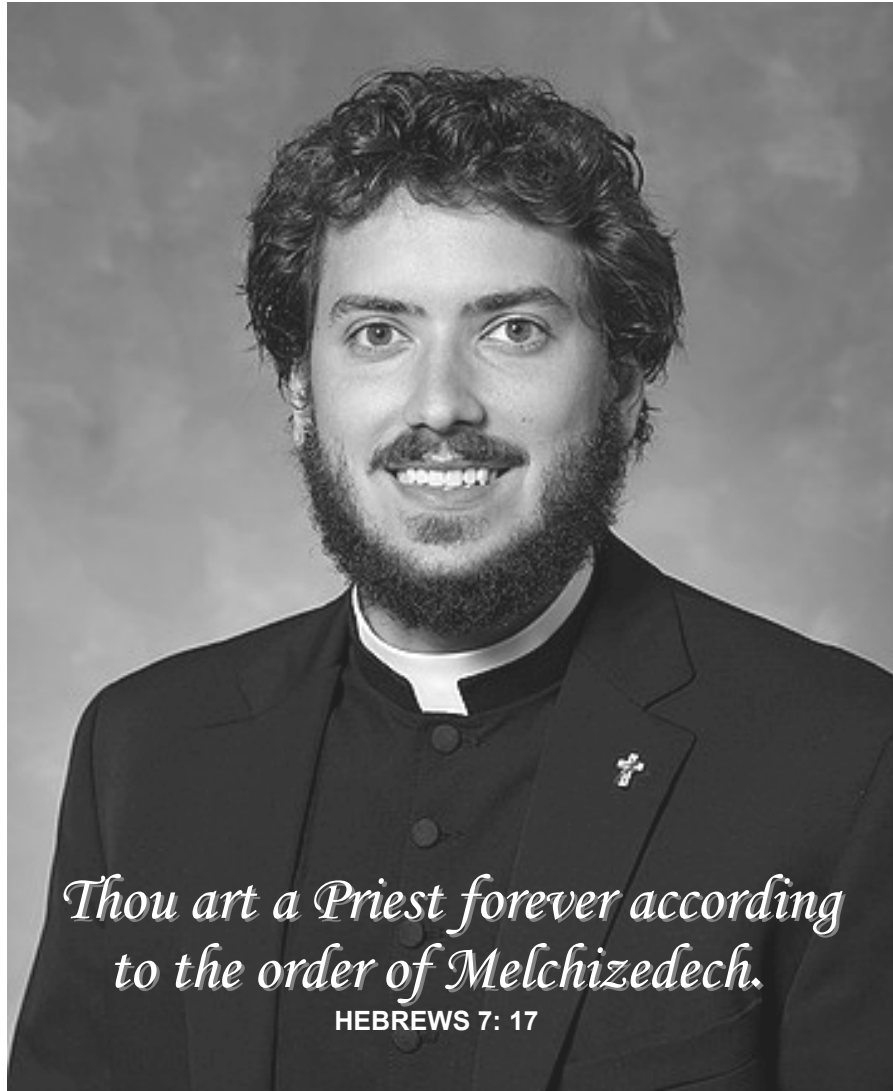
July 19 at St. Monica in Beaver Falls with Fr. Marcucci

July 21 at St. Margaret Mary in Moon Twp. with Fr. Marcucci

Aug. 8 at St. Frances Cabrini in Center Twp. with Bishop Zubik

While I am concerned, I am optimistic. I've met some of the young people who are in seminary and they have the potential to become wonderful priests and excellent preachers. In the short time that our new seminarian, D.J. Egan has been here, he has proved to be a true blessing. Please pray for him and the others who have stepped out in faith and answered God's call. The future of God's Church will one day be in their hands. **Father Joe**

*Join us for a Mass of Thanksgiving
Celebrated by Fr. Anthony Sciarappa*



*Thou art a Priest forever according
to the order of Melchizedech.*

HEBREWS 7: 17

*Sunday, July 10 at 11:00 AM
At Good Samaritan Parish*

A reception will follow Mass at Jericho Hall

MISSIONARY APPEAL

GOOD SAMARITAN & SAINT JOHN THE BAPTIST PARISHES

Weekend of July 9-10



Fr. Stephen Nyamweya, representing the Catholic Diocese of Nakuru in Kenya, will be talking at all Masses at Saint John the Baptist and Good Samaritan the weekend of July 9-10 as part of the 2016 Mission Cooperative Plan.

Famine Appeal 2016: Alleviating Human Suffering

The Catholic Diocese of Nakuru (CDN), Kenya, was established in 1968. Presently, the diocese is involved in pastoral care and promoting human development activities to a Catholic population of approximately 250,000 in two counties, Nakuru and Baringo. The region covered by the diocese has approximately 1.3 Million inhabitants.

Drought is not new to Kenya. In the Northern enclaves of Baringo and East Pokot, drought is again ravaging thousands and dangerously leaving many more to be dependent on food aid. There are reports of human and livestock deaths, acute food shortage and increased migration by pastoralist communities due to depletion of pasture and water for livestock; this situation has already sparked off conflict over struggle for dwindling pasture and water resources with host communities. As a result, school drop-outs have increased significantly with children abandoning learning to become migrant herders. In our parishes, for instance, priests and nuns serve hundreds of families with much needed food, water, and medical supplies.

- To supplement these efforts, we ask that you join us to pray and ease the burden for the people impacted by malnutrition and starvation. Here is our plan:
- Provide targeted supplementary feeding to 5,000 school-going children
- Provide access to safe water for an estimated 50,000 individuals in pastoral and marginal agricultural areas affected by drought.
- Promote hygiene and sanitation for an estimated 50,000 individuals in pastoral and marginal agricultural areas affected by drought.

We hope that you will be as generous as your circumstances allow, to assist us in ministering to those in need. Thank you.

SAINT JOHN'S CORNER

JULY 6, FIRST WEDNESDAY ADORATION Exposition and Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament will take place immediately following the 8:00 AM Mass and continue until 2:30 PM closing. Please pray for religious vocations. Come and experience the beauty and peace of Our Eucharistic Lord.

JULY 10 LITURGY OF THE WORD WITH CHILDREN will be held during 9:30AM Mass. Children are invited to join us for readings and Gospel in terms simplified for their understanding. We return to Mass before the Liturgy of the Eucharist.

JULY 10 2nd SUNDAY MONTHLY DEVOTION: Divine Child Jesus/Saint Padre Pio Prayer Group will meet here at St. John's. Holy Mass begins at 2:00 PM followed by 3:00 Holy Hour and 4:00 meeting. A social follows in the hall. All are welcome. Fr. Ladis Cizik will be the celebrant.

COMING UP AT THE BADEN MEMORIAL LIBRARY "SMOOTHIE CLASS" Learn to make a delicious, nutritious smoothie on Monday, July 18, at 11:00AM. This class is free, but registration is required. Call 724-869-0681 or sign up at the library.

ANNUAL PARISH PICNIC!

MAKE SURE TO SIGN UP FOR THE PARISH PICNIC! SUNDAY, JULY 17 The St. John's Holy Name Society has a great picnic planned. Brewster's Ice Cream will be served for dessert. A sign-up book is near the main entrance of the church. All are welcome!!

PILGRIMAGES DURING THIS YEAR OF MERCY

PILGRIMAGE TO BASILICA IN WASHINGTON DC:

Saturday, October 8. Our Lady of Peace & Good Samaritan will sponsor a Pilgrimage to the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception in Washington DC. Cost will be \$60 a person, including the bus and snacks for the bus ride. We will have two pick up stops – Northern Lights and Good Samaritan in Ambridge. If you would like to reserve a seat on the bus, please contact Cindy Deschaine at 724-869-4723 ext 2 or olopdre@verizon.net.

HOLY LAND PILGRIMAGE WITH FR. TERRY O'CONNOR

Fr. Terry O'Connor is leading a pilgrimage to the Holy Land from February 7-16, 2017. The cost of the trip is \$3,749 per person in double occupancy (price does not include transportation to and from Newark, NJ where the trip will depart and arrive). If interested please contact Jeanne Bair, at 412-462-0546 or jbairtours@gmail.com. There will be an informational meeting about the pilgrimage at St. Therese on Thursday, July 28 at 7:00 p.m. in the Club Room (beneath the church).

PILGRIMAGE TO OUR LADY OF GUADALOUPE SHRINE IN MEXICO

St Frances Cabrini will host a pilgrimage December 8 – 13, 2016, \$2,194 per person including airfare from Pittsburgh, Breakfast, Lunch & Dinner Daily. Holy Mass everyday. For a Flyer or more information please call Cathie or Mike Milano at 1-800-773-2660.

+UPCOMING EVENTS+

Monday, July 4 Happy Independence Day!
PARISH OFFICES CLOSED

Wednesday, July 6

8:00am-2:30pm (SJ) Eucharistic Adoration following Mass
6:00pm (GS) Ethnic Cooking Class: Pasta Fagioli (Jericho Hall)

Friday, July 8

3:00-8:00pm (GS) Eucharistic Adoration
7:00/8:00pm (GS) Rosary/Mass-Marian Prayer Group

Sunday, July 10 (GS) 11:00 Mass of Thanksgiving
with newly ordained Fr. Anthony Sciarappa

Ethnic Food Cooking Class

Jericho Hall at Good Samaritan

July 6th, 6PM—Pasta Fagioli

by Deb (Mondera) Zubrucky

July 25th, 6PM—Italian Anise Knot Cookies

Call Bob Mikush at 724-266-3140 to register for class,
Monday-Friday 9AM-5PM



St. Ferdinand Church Family Festival

Cranberry Township, August 12, 13, 14

With concession booths, craft booths, games and prizes, giant white elephant flea market, Bingo, Spirit of St. Ferdinand Train rides, Kiddieland, bountiful dinners, Grand \$12,000 Raffle, raffle baskets, and more. Festival Grounds hours are Friday, August 12: 6:00 PM - 11:00 PM, Saturday, August 13: 5:00 PM - 11:00 PM, and Sunday, August 14: 4:00 PM - 9:00 PM with dinners and White Elephant Flea Market opening an hour before the Festival Grounds (dinners on Sunday open 3 hours earlier). Come join in the festivities at 2535 Rochester Road; for more info call 724.776.2888 or go to <http://stferd.org>

Our Parish is Committed to Protecting God's Children

ABUSE HOTLINE 1-800-932-0313 ☎

✠IN SYMPATHY

Please pray for the repose of the souls of all our dearly departed, especially *Christine Colorito (daughter-in-law of Rita Colorito)*, and *Irene Agnes Kroepil* who died recently. May her soul, and the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen

GOOD SAMARITAN

Our Gift to God

Weekly Offering June 26, 2016	\$5,343.50
Monthly Collection	\$230.00
Parish Share	\$65.00
Children's Offering	\$33.00
Diocesan Peter's Pence	\$1,070.65

ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST

Weekly Offering June 26, 2016	\$2138.00
Diocesan Peter's Pence	\$347.00

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