

MASS INTENTIONS**WEEK 15 IN ORDINARY TIME**

Monday, July 17: Weekday in Ordinary Time
8:00am (GS) For intentions & in honor of Carl Mourovic by Carol

Tuesday, July 18: *Saint Camillus de Lellis*
8:00am (GS) Dolores Jamery by Mario & Mary Jo Pelino

Wednesday, July 19 Weekday in Ordinary Time
8:00am (SJ) Joe Slavik by Muffy Cappabianco

6:30pm (GS) Annette Konarski by Family
Thursday, July 20: *Saint Apollinaris, Bishop*

8:00am (GS) Eleanor Skapik by Maria Briola
Friday, July 21: *Saint Lawrence of Brindisi, Priest*

8:00am (SJ) Frederick J. Ringel, Sr. by Helen E. Ringel
8:00pm (GS) Marian Prayer Group

Saturday, July 22: Saint Mary Magdalene
4:00pm (SJ) For the Living and Deceased of Our Parishes

5:30pm (GS) Mutschler & Giammaria Families by Jeri
Sunday, July 23: SIXTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

8:00am (GS) Dawn Finnegan by Husband, Dan
9:30am (SJ) Alfred Gaudino by Dolores Gaudino & Family
11:00am (GS) Mary Himes by Lois Himes

Readings for 15th Week in Ordinary Time: July 17, 2017

Monday	Ex 1:8-14, 22/Mt 10:34—11:1
Tuesday	Ex 2:1-15a/Mt 11:20-24
Wednesday	Ex 3:1-6, 9-12/Mt 11:25-27
Thursday	Ex 3:13-20/Mt 11:28-30
Friday	Ex 11:10—12:14/Mt 12:1-8
Saturday	Sg 3:1-4b or 2 Cor 5:14-17/Jn 20:1-2, 11-18
Sunday	Wis 12:13, 16-19/Rom 8:26-27/Mt 13:24- 43 or 13:24-30

THIS WEEK WE REMEMBER**Bread and Wine**

Florence Rompala by Daughter (GS)

John M. Bungo by Bungo Family (SJ)

Blessed Mother Shrine Candle

Carmela Pucci by Daughter, Rachel (GS)

Holy Family Shrine Candle

Antoinette Rossi Schwalm by John & Gena Bartimac (GS)

Sanctuary Candle

Mary Posega by Children (GS)

Alfred Gaudino by Dolores Gaudino (SJ)

Mission Cooperation Plan (MCP) Appeal: July 22, 23**Father Chike Anyigbo, CSSp will speak at all Masses.**

Congregation of the Holy Spirit (Spiritan community) to learn more about the Spiritans, please visit their website at <http://spiritans.org>. We urge you to respond to his appeal.

Attention Good Samaritan Volunteers !

Please return any of the required forms necessary for compliance in the Safe Environment database ASAP. Thank you for your cooperation and all that you do to protect the children entrusted to our care

WHY, LORD?

It's hard sometimes to believe that I've been a priest for 11 years. It seems like I was just ordained a few years ago. I still find myself calling older priests for advice on a regular basis, because nothing they teach us in seminary can prepare us for some of the things that we encounter. One of the most difficult things to explain is suffering – especially innocent suffering.

One of the hardest questions people ask is “*Why did God allow this to happen?*” Sometimes the question comes forth in anger. Sometimes it is asked in pain. Sometimes, it isn't even spoken, but you see it in their eyes. If the truth be told, only God knows the answer to some questions, and even if He revealed the reason, we might not be ready to hear it or understand.

Saint Paul was no stranger to suffering and pain. Five times he was given 39 lashes with a whip. Three times he was shipwrecked. Three times he was beaten with a rod. Once he was stoned and left for dead. Despite all this, Paul had a unique perspective on suffering. In the second reading this Sunday, he writes...

Brothers and sisters: I consider that the sufferings of this present time are as nothing compared with the glory to be revealed for us. Romans 8

No one knows exactly what happened to St. Paul when he was struck down by the light on his way to Damascus. Perhaps he caught a glimpse of Heaven. Whatever he encountered, he was changed forever. Regardless of the suffering he had to endure, his focus was on the joy that awaited him at the end of his days.

Jesus Himself explained Paul's perspective. As Jesus was preparing His Disciples for His imminent suffering and death, He told them,

A little while and you will no longer see me. ...You will weep and mourn... you will grieve, but your grief will become joy. When a woman is in labor, she is in anguish because her hour has arrived; but when she has given birth to a child, she no longer remembers the pain because of her joy that a child has been born into the world. So you also are now in anguish. But I will see you again, and your hearts will rejoice, and no one will take your joy away from you. John 16

God never intended for suffering or death to enter into the world, but it but it snuck in through the Garden of Eden. I don't know why some of the most loving people I've ever met are faced with incredible suffering, but I've learned one thing. Sometimes God uses their suffering to minister to others in ways that those who have never suffered cannot *begin* to imagine, and in the process, they forge friendships that last through eternity, and they begin to experience healing themselves. Ω

2017 FESTIVAL CHAIRPERSONS & BOOTH LISTINGS

BOOTH / ACTIVITY	CHAIRPERSONS	TELEPHONE
Sling Shot	CHAIRPERSON NEEDED	
Freaky Tiki	Thurs., Fri. & Sun. Sat.	Donna Kleemook and Family 724-266-0278
Pick - a - Package		Nelko Family 724-869-0194
Pig Race	Thurs. & Fri. Sat. & Sun.	Loriann Erickson & Family 724-561-7028
Black & Gold Wheel		Yvette & John Barnhart 724-318-8047
Crazy Ball		Renee & Derek Pintado Family 412-609-3659
Bounce Wheel	Thurs. (only) Fri., Sat. & Sun.	Rose Curcio – Religious Ed 724-266-6565 ext 12
Bottle Flip		Carolyn Venn Family 724-266-6724
Jumbo Pick-a-Tic		CHAIRPERSON NEEDED
Spin-it-Wheel	Thurs. (only) Fri. Sat. & Sun.	Marie & Steve Kammerdiener 724-266-1838
Gator Alley		Susan & Michael Komlos 412-671-0377
Face Painting		CHAIRPERSON NEEDED
Food Wheel		Coley Family 724-622-3534
Instant Bingo	Fri. & Sun. Sat..	JoAnn Smith 724-869-7677
Wheelbarrow of Gifts-Kids Raffle	Thurs. Fri., Sat. & Sun.	Pam Pless & Debbie Kuzma 724-494-1011
Pop Booth & Snack Booth		Jackie & David Yanko 724-266-0293
Bake Sale		Diane & Elise Casello 724-888-6056
Ice Cream Booth	Thurs. & Sat. Fri. & Sun.	Good Samaritan Music Ministry 724-266-6565 ext 21
Outside Food Booth	(Co-Chairs)	Ann Tignanelli (Call or Text) 724-777-0800
Pizza Booth		CHAIRPERSON NEEDED
Funnel Cake Booth		Belczyk & Indovina Families 724-266-0817
BINGO	(Co-Chairs)	Angie Catanzariti 724-266-7531 OR Karla Besong 724-266-0710
Publicity		Judy & Mike Racioppo 724-266-7027
Festival Tickets & Festival Headquarters		Ambridge Rotary Club
Hourly 50/50 Raffle		Heather Dumek 412-741-9134 OR Michelle Rudis 412-908-0792
EMS Services		Leah Lesak 724-266-8743
Bar & Refreshments		Frank Gaguzis 724-266-3747
Accounting		Rose Cafarelli Filipponi 412-269-1853
Saint Vincent dePaul		CHAIRPERSON NEEDED
Dinner Thursday		Don Sivy 724-869-9162
Kitchen Help		Carole Kon 724-266-0873
Dining Room Mgr.		David Carr 724-869-2872
Dinner Friday		Annette Hramika/Brian Olander 724-318-8078
Kitchen Help		Annette Hramika (call to help in the kitchen) 724-318-8078
Dining Room Mgr.		Turina Zimmerman (call Turina to serve tables in cafeteria) .. 724-266-6219
Dinner Saturday		Annette Hramika/Brian Olander 724-318-8078
Kitchen Help		Annette Hramika (call to help in the kitchen) 724-318-8078
Dining Room Mgr.		Barb Montini (call Barb to serve tables in cafeteria) 724-266-1687
Dinner Sunday		Annette Hramika/Brian Olander 724-318-8078
Kitchen Help		Annette Hramika (call to help in the kitchen) 724-318-8078
Dining Room Mgr.	Sun.	DINING ROOM MGR. NEEDED
Dishwashing		Carl Dennis 724-251-3038
Both Sponsors & Boosters		Rose Cafarelli Filipponi 412-269-1853
BINGO	(Co-Chairs)	Heather Dumek 412-741-9134 OR Michelle Rudis 412-908-0792
Silent Auction		
(Co-Chairs)		Theresa Lesack 724-869-3511 OR Janet Bosh 724-869-5081 OR Nancy Karolak 724-266-7191
Maintenance Crew		Ron Besong and Ron Bercik (<i>emeritus</i>) 724-266-0710 or 724-544-5479
Grounds Set Up / Take Down		John Kleemook 724-266-0278
Games Equipment/Prizes		John Barnhart 724-318-8047
		John Homich 724-266-9231 or 412-860-4710

IF YOU THINK YOU MIGHT BE ABLE TO HELP CHAIR A BOOTH — EVEN FOR ONE NIGHT — OR IF YOU WANT MORE INFORMATION, PLEASE CALL JOHN HOMICH ASAP AT 724-266-9231 or 412-860-4710. Thanks!! 7-12-17

XLT



**XPERIENCE CHRIST
IN A WHOLE NEW WAY...**

SAINTS JOHN AND PAUL CHURCH PRESENTS XLT

You are invited to an amazing night filled with powerful worship, an inspiring message by Ben Walther, and above all, an encounter with Jesus Christ, fully present in the Eucharist. All are welcome! **Wednesday July 19th, 6:30-8:00pm** at **Saints John & Paul Church, 2586 Wexford Bayne Road, 15143**. Fr. Joe Carr will be present for exposition of the Blessed Sacrament & Benediction.

Extra bonus for High School & College Students:

Join us for XLTeen party after the XLT event in the CDC hall across from the church! For more info visit www.stsjohndandpaul.org/xlt or e-mail us at xlt@sts-jp.org.

CELEBRATE THE FEAST OF ST. ELIJAH

SS. Peter & Paul Ukrainian Catholic Church invites all to a Divine Liturgy on **Thursday, July 20th, at their Cemetery Chapel on Ridge Road, to celebrate the Feast of St. Elijah.** After Liturgy, cars, bikes, wheel chairs, etc., and all modes of transportation will be blessed. After the blessing, light refreshments will be served. All are invited and most welcome to attend

St. Joseph Spirituality Center, Baden

Companions in Discernment-prayerful discernment for persons sensing a call to the ministries of spiritual direction or spiritual leadership. Sept. 16, Oct. 14, Nov. 18, Dec. 16, Jan. 20 and Feb. 24 from 9-11am. Participants will journey through a discernment process of openness, generosity, courage and interior freedom. Fee of \$300 includes program materials. Learn more or register online: www.bit.ly/CompanionsInDiscernment. Questions? Call 724-869-6587 or email tdunlap@stjoseph-baden.org.

Spiritual Exercises of St. Ignatius in Daily Life-beginning Sept. 19, weekly through May 8, 2018. Sessions from 1:00-2:30pm at St. Joseph Spirituality Center with winter breaks. Retreatants will learn how to pray while contemplating the presence of God in the everyday world. Commitment includes 45-60 minutes a day of personal prayer and readings. Weekly sessions include faith sharing in a contemplative, confidential setting. Cost is \$500; limited partial scholarships available. Registration is limited and ends July 31. A \$50 deposit is required. Questions? Call 724-869-6525 or email tdunlap@stjoseph-baden.org.

Clothing Sale at St. Alphonsus in Wexford -- Need clothes but don't want to pay high prices? St. Alphonsus Parish in Wexford is selling gently used clothing from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. on Saturday, August 6, in the gymnasium beneath the church at 201 Church Road, Wexford (Pine Twp.). Proceeds benefit the parish's annual Passion Play. Music Director Mary Heagy, who is organizing the sale, says some of the donated clothes from previous years' sales were so new they still had price tags on them as well as designer tags. All types of items will be featured -- belts, jewelry, purses, ties, socks, hats, gloves, scarves and more for adults, teens and children. For info, please contact Mary Heagy at musicdirector@saintalphonsuswexford.org.

GIGANTIC FLEA MARKET

Our Lady of Fatima, Hopewell, July 16th, 2- 5PM
A huge selection of treasures, something for everyone!

OLSH Summer Camps

Girls Basketball Camp July 24-28, 9am -noon

This half-day camp is for girls entering grades 5 through 8, and is open to players of all ability levels. Hone your shooting, passing, dribbling, and defensive skills with a daily focus on the important elements of competitive basketball! Camp includes team building activities and positive reinforcement, individual skills practice, and team play. Cost: \$100 and includes a t-shirt and water bottle.

Strength & Conditioning Camp July 31-Aug. 4, 9am noon

Learn proper drills technique, core training, lifting training and explosion training with Track Coach, Andy Shirlow. Prepare for your sports season and learn how to prevent injury! This camp is open to any student entering grades 6 thru 12. Cost: \$150 and includes a t-shirt and water bottle.

Debate Camp July 31-Aug. 4, 9 am to noon

Students in grades 6 through 8 can learn more about the art of argumentation and how to debate from award-winning Speech & Debate coach Jessica Cerchiaro. This camp will cover basic argumentation skills and mock congressional debate. Campers will have the opportunity to debate each other in small groups and one-on-one throughout the week. Cost: \$50 and includes a t-shirt.

Register today at www.olsh.org/summercamp!

OLSH Accepting Transfers for the 2017-18 School Year

Our Lady of the Sacred Heart High School in Moon Township, frequently accepts transfer students to grades 10 and 11 who are seeking an alternative to their current school or environment. High school students who desire a nurturing, academically-focused environment and would benefit from a transfer prior to the next school year, please contact Jessica Sellman, Director of Admissions and Enrollment, at 412-262-3300 or jsellman@olsh.org. Transportation and financial aid may be available.

Quigley Catholic High School is currently enrolling students for grade 9. We are also accepting transfer students to grades 10 and 11. Contact Admissions for info or a private tour at admissions@qchs.org or [724-869-2188](tel:724-869-2188).

The Sisters of Divine Providence invite you to join them Saturday, August 5 at 7pm for their annual Ketteler Award for Social Justice ceremony and reception at 9000 Babcock Boulevard, Allison Park. This year they will honor Dr. Zane H. Gates and Associate Jane Kerr for their work helping those in need. RSVP to 412-931-5241 or ndavis@cdpsisters.org. All are welcome to attend!

SAINT JOHN'S CORNER

HAVE YOU MOVED? CHANGED PHONE NUMBERS? If any of your contact information has changed, please notify the parish in order that we may update our records. THANKS! 724-869-2280.

BADEN COUNCIL MEETING: Wed., July 19, at 6:30PM in Council Chambers at 149 State Street.

SUN., JULY 23 - LITURGY OF THE WORD with children. Join us during 9:30AM Mass as we break open the Word of God with the children.

KIDS' FREE SUMMER LUNCHEAS IN BADEN

Baden United Methodist Church is offering a Summer Food for Kids program this summer in the Fellowship Hall from 11:30 AM to 12:30 PM. All children up to and including 18 years of age are welcome. There are no income limits and there is no charge. All volunteers have state clearances. Any questions please contact: Esther Hallas Home: 724.869.4739 / Cell: 724.462.7959.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED AT "WE CARE FOOD PANTRY"

Baden United Methodist Church "We Care Food Pantry" is in need of volunteers. The food pantry is part of the Pittsburgh Community Food Bank and serves residents of the Baden and Conway areas. The program is the third Monday & Tuesday of every month from 5:30 to 8:00PM. (Next program July 17th & 18th) Volunteers are needed to help members shop and to pack their vehicles with the groceries. If you would like to volunteer or have questions; please contact: Esther Hallas Home: 724.869.4739 / Cell: 724.462.7959

"I pray that you will understand the words of Jesus, 'Love one another as I have loved you.' Ask yourself, 'How has he loved me? Do I really love others in the same way?' Unless this love is among us, we can kill ourselves with work and it will only be work, not love. Work without love is slavery".

Blessed Mother Teresa of Calcutta

GOOD SAMARITAN YOUTH CHOIR

All youth in the Church are invited to come and praise the Lord with their voices in song. Children need to be at least 5 yrs old.



Summer Schedule: July 16, 23, 30 & Aug 6, 13, 20

Sundays: 9:30 - 10:15 am, rehearsals in the Choir Room



NEW FOR ETHNIC COOKING! Get up to date info on ETHNIC COOKING ACTIVITIES sent straight to your phone @Simply go to your phone enter 81010 and text this message @ethnicco (Free to use) or email ethnicco@mail.remind.com.

Ethnic cooking will resume in the fall. We have volunteers to teach cake decorating, Italian greens and wedding soup and more! Attendees really enjoy learning and the comradery!!

To volunteer to teach, follow above instructions and let us know if you want to be a student or teacher or call_724-266-3140, M-F, 9-5, Bob Mikush.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Sunday, July 16

(GS) Second Collection for Parish Share

9:30-10:15am(GS) Youth Choir Rehearsal (Choir Room)

Monday, July 17

7:00pm (GS) *Living Rosary Novena to*

Our Lady of Fatima-Week 6 (GS Church)

Friday, July 21

3:00-8:00pm GS) Eucharistic Adoration

7:00pm(GS)Confessions/Rosary (8:00pm Mass) *Marian*

Sunday, July 23: Second Collection: Mission Appeal

(GS/SJ) Father Chike Anyigbo, C.S.Sp, Speaking at

Masses for MSP Congregation of the Holy Spirit

9:30am (SJ) *Liturgy of The Word* with children at Mass

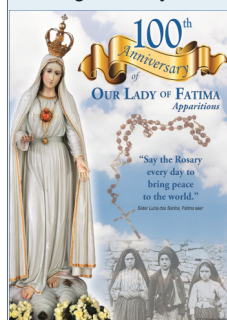
10:30am (SJ) Ladies of Charity Meeting

"Monday with Mary" 7pm Good Samaritan Church

"Living Rosary Novena to Our Lady of Fatima"

Did you know that you can gain a "plenary indulgence"

for yourself or the soul of a deceased loved one by praying the "Living Rosary Novena to Our Lady of Fatima" with our sisters in



faith on Monday evenings at 7 PM in Good Samaritan Church? All women are invited to bring your Rosary as we publicly pray by meditating upon the Luminous Mysteries in Church before the Blessed Sacrament reserved in the tabernacle and pray for the Pope's intentions. For the plenary indulgence to be obtained, the faithful must be in a state of grace by having a sacramental confession and receiving the

Holy Eucharist within 20 days before or after the indulged act. ("The Gift of the Indulgence" given in Rome at the offices of the Apostolic Penitentiary on January 29, 2000.) For more info contact Susan 724-266-3921 or 724-266-6565 Ext. #17.



EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

GOOD SAMARITAN PARISH

Every Friday from 3:00 - 8:00 PM

Followed by Mass at 8:00PM

◆IN SYMPATHY

Please pray for the repose of the souls of all our dearly departed who died recently, especially **Irene C. Jones, Ann E. Valler and Eileen J. Mattia**. May their souls and the souls of all the faithful departed, through the Mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen

GOOD SAMARITAN	<i>Our Gift to God</i>
Weekly Offering, July 9, 2017	\$8,295.00
Saint Vincent de Paul	\$585.00
June On-Line Giving	\$3,244.00
SAINT JOHN THE BAPTIST	
Weekly Offering, July 9, 2017	\$2,350.00
Good Samaritan Parish	724-266-6565
Saint John the Baptist Parish	724-869-2289