

Mass Intentions

19TH WEEK IN ORDINARY TIME

Monday, August 10: Saint Lawrence

8:00 am (GS) Ida Montini by Montini Family

Tuesday, August 11: Saint Clare

8:00 am (GS) Osso & Suriano Family by Vincent & Tami Sacco

Wednesday, August 12 Weekday

[Saint Jane Frances de Chantal]

8:00 am (SJ) Alice Rosso by Dottie

6:30 pm (GS) Sophie & Walter Zywith by granddtr., Donna Copfer

Thursday, August 13 : Weekday

[Saints Pontian and Hippolytus]

8:00 am (GS) Margaret Mulhern by Petra & Mike Moran

Friday, August 14: Saint Maximilian Kolbe

8:00 am (SJ) Lawrence Francis by Francis Family

7:00 pm (GS) Vigil of The Assumption, George & Richard Villella
by wife, mother, and sisters

8:00 pm (GS) No Marian Prayer Group

Saturday, August 15: Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

[not a Holyday of Obligation this year]

10:00 am (GS) Martha Williamson by daughters

4:00 pm (SJ) Vigil, Dorothy Noble by Ed & Gerri Fabanich

5:30 pm (GS) Vigil, For the Living and Deceased of the Parish

Sunday, August 16: 20th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

8:00 am (GS) Frank Aloe by family

9:30 am (SJ) John P. Varhol, Sr. by Gene & Lottie Vallecorsa

11:00 am (GS) Anthenette & Rudolph Baranowitz by daughter,
Jeanette & family

Readings for the Week of August 10, 2015

Monday: 2 Cor 9:6-10/Jn 12:24-26

Tuesday: Dt 31:1-8/Mt 18:1-5, 10, 12-14

Wednesday: Dt 34:1-12/Mt 18:15-20

Thursday: Jos 3:7-10a, 11, 13-17/Mt 18:21—19:1

Friday: Jos 24:1-13/Mt 19:3-12

Saturday: *Vigil:* 1 Chr 15:3-4, 15-16; 16:1-2/1 Cor 15:54b-57/
Lk 11:27-28; *Day:* Rv 11:19a; 12:1-6a, 10ab/
1 Cor 15:20-27/Lk 1:39-56

Sunday: Prv 9:1-6/Eph 5:15-20/Jn 6:51-58

THIS WEEK WE REMEMBER

Bread and Wine

(SJ) Alvie Rosso by Dottie

Blessed Mother Shrine Candle

(GS) Violet Simoni by Louie & Nancy Gilberti

Holy Family Shrine Candle

(GS) Alan Berger by wife, Lizanne & daughter, Sara

Sanctuary Candle

(SJ) Gary M. Hoffman by wife, Millie Hoffman

Holy Family Shrine Flowers

(GS) In Honor of 65th Wedding Anniversary
of George & Dorothy Rhawn

Our Parish is Committed to Protecting God's Children

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Diocesan Victim Assistance Coordinator: 412-456-3060



From Deacon Anthony

Tolerance is Not a Virtue

Last Sunday I traded my clerical shirt for camo pants. I was helping out on a retreat for graduating seniors in Mt. Lebanon. It was an overnight hiking trip in the state game lands near the Ohio border, so camo pants seemed like the appropriate garb. We hiked through woods, explored creepy abandoned buildings and had a lot of honest conversations about what kind of world these soon-to-be college freshmen were entering. It's a world where the life of a famous lion is more important than the lives of unborn children, where love is little more than a feeling, and where there is increasing animosity against the Catholic Church.

It is indeed a challenging time to be a Catholic Christian. More and more in the news we hear about gay marriage and gender identity issues. Instead of doing the hard work of diving into these complicated problems, the culture trumpets its favorite virtue: *Tolerance*.

When Bruce Jenner began to publically identify as a woman, we only had one choice. We either had to embrace his choice completely or be labeled an intolerant bigot. The same goes for gay marriage. Either we tolerate these lifestyle choices or we are simply hateful people. It seems that we have forgotten the old Catholic maxim, "*Hate the sin; love the sinner.*"

Tolerance is the one virtue of our age. Honestly, I believe it comes from a good place. We shouldn't hate people just because their life, identity, religion, or traditions are different than ours. Yet we, as Christians, are called to something much higher and challenging. We are called to Love.

We know that our deepest identity is not our sexual preference or identity, it is that we are beloved children of God. We know that we don't find our ultimate happiness in power, pleasure, money, or fame, but in the peace and love that Jesus Christ brings. The love of Christ is not soft, is not wishy-washy, and it is not "tolerant".

Jesus Christ does not tolerate sin. He does not tolerate anything that keeps us from Himself, from the truth, from what is truly good. I'm reminded of the woman who was caught in the act of adultery. Jesus loved her. He did not throw a stone. What he did do was forgive her and say, "Go and sin no more."

We must always remember that we are not dealing with issues. We are dealing with flesh and blood people who Jesus loves and who we must love as well. We do not cast stones, but we must point out sinful actions for what they are. But, before we pluck out a sliver in another's eye, we must first deal with the log in our own. As sinners being saved by Christ, we are no better than anyone else. We ourselves are in need of constant conversion. Jesus does not tolerate sin in our lives, he hates it. He hates sin because he loves us.

Deacon Anthony

SAINT JOHN'S CORNER

TODAY, SUNDAY, AUG. 9, DIVINE CHILD JESUS SECOND SUNDAY MONTHLY DEVOTION, 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.

THANK YOU FROM WE CARE FOOD PANTRY To our Dear Friends at St. John's, You have provided blessing upon blessing to the ministry of We Care Food Pantry! Truly, you do give that "cup of cold water" in the name of Our Savior, Christ Jesus. It is great to be in the family of God & we are truly grateful for your support, encouragement & faithfulness. Lovingly, We Care Food Pantry, Baden United Methodist Church.

IMPORTANT MEETING

Baden Neighborhood Watch Committee will meet on Thursday, Aug. 13, at 7:00 PM in the Community Room, lower level at the Baden Borough Building. The main topic to be addressed is the **possible abolishment of the Baden Police Department**. All residents are encouraged to attend this VERY important meeting. Bring your neighbors!

GOLDEN WEDDING CELEBRATION



The **Diocese of Pittsburgh** is once again planning its annual **Golden Wedding Celebration** for couples who are celebrating their 50th wedding anniversary in 2015. This year's event will begin with Mass at **St. Paul Cathedral on Sunday, October 11, 2015, at 2:30 p.m.**

Bishop Zubik will be the main celebrant. A reception will follow in the lower hall at the Cathedral. Cathedral and hall are both accessible.

If you are one of the couples celebrating your 50th anniversary any time in 2015 and would like to receive an invitation to this event, please call the rectory or drop a note in the collection **basket no later than August 9.**

Pre Marriage Class, Fr. Scott Seethaler, OFM, Cap Saint Cecilia Parish, Rochester, Nov. 14th. Class: 9:00 am to 4:30 pm. Cost: \$70 per couple includes lunch. Register: Contact Sr. Anne, email agreencsj@comcast.net

August 15/16, For Sale After All Weekend Masses

Hand Carved Olive Wood from the Holy Land of Bethlehem: Nativity Scenes, Crucifix, Rosaries, Ornaments. Sales support the Christian Wood Carvers of Bethlehem. **View item on line: www.holylandcarvings.com**

Good Samaritan parishioner seeking part-time work as a companion & helper Assistance with respite care several days a week, up to 5 hours per day for anyone with a moderate disability or dementia. References & clearances available. Call Marjorie 724-266-2111.

LATIN MASS, Vigil of the Assumption, August 14th

A Traditional Latin Mass will be offered at St. Titus Church, 952 Franklin Ave., Aliquippa on Friday, August 14, at 7 PM. Vigil of the Assumption. The Mass will be offered in reparation for the public sacrileges and blasphemies committed against **The Sacred Heart of Jesus and The Immaculate Heart of Mary. The Litany of The Blessed Virgin Mary** will be recited after Mass. Sponsored by the Knights of Columbus Woodlawn Council 2161. Everyone is welcome. Additional info: KnightsOfColumbusLatinMass.blogspot.com.

RETROUVAILLE - SAVE OUR MARRIAGE

This program has helped couples experiencing marital difficulty including disillusionment and deep misery. The next Weekend begins September 18. call for 412-277-3434 or see <http://www.retrouvailleofpittsburghinc.org/>

23rd Annual Bob O'Connor Cookie Cruise

Wednesday, August 19, from 5:30 to 9:30 pm. with boat sailing 7:30 pm. Picnic style buffet, dancing, and fireworks. All proceeds benefit the Bob O'Connor Foundation. Tickets are \$40.00. Call Bob's daughter, Heidi Garth, 412-427-5235 or www.boboconnorfoundation.com All are welcome!

+UPCOMING EVENTS+

Monday, August 10

9:00 am- 3:00 pm (GS) Cabbage Deveining (JH)

Tuesday, August 11

9:00 am (GS) Stuffed Cabbage Prep

Wednesday, August 12

8:00 am (SJ) After Mass, Enjoy Coffee & Donuts (Hall)

Friday, August 14

3:00 pm (GS) Eucharistic Adoration

No Marian Prayer Group at 7:00 pm

7:00 pm (GS) Vigil Mass for the Assumption

Saturday, August 15:

The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

10:00 am (GS) Mass for Assumption of the Blessed Virgin

(Not a Holy Day of Obligation)

2:00 pm (SJ) Padre Pio Prayer Group

Sunday, August 16

10:45 am (SJ) CCM Board Meeting

Bethlehem Christian Woodcarvers at all Weekend Masses

✠IN SYMPATHY

Please pray for the repose of the soul of **Edward Nawalaniec (Navalance)**. May his soul and the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace.

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| Good Samaritan | |
| Weekly Offering, August 2, 2015 | \$7,501.00 |
| St. John the Baptist | |
| Weekly Offering, August 2, 2015 | \$3,031.00 |

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