



Holy Family CATHOLIC CHURCH

Save the Date:

Here is a list of upcoming activities. Watch the bulletin for news of activities. Listed below are some of the dates you will want to reserve in the coming months.

July 23—CCM Executive Board Planning Meeting

July 28—Burger Bash

August 11—BINGO sponsored by the Youth of Holy Family Church

August 15—The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

August 24—Pork Chop Dinner

Please check the bulletin and insert for Mass times as some changes have been made.

Check insert for details and more information.

*Check Mass times for Holy Days



Scripture Verse

"And I tell you, ask and you will receive; seek and you will find; knock and the door will be opened to you. For everyone who asks, receives; and the one who seeks, finds; and to the one who knocks, the door will be opened."

- Lk 11:9-10

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17th

SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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Weekend Masses

Saturday: 4:00 PM

Sunday: 11:00 AM

Cheryl Hall, Faith Formation

724-872-2106

Eric Blanda, Director of Music

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Paula DeClaudio, Parish Secretary

724-872-6123

Weddings—Baptisms: Contact Parish Secretary for appointment.

PRAYER AND WORSHIP

MINISTRY SCHEDULE



4:00 PM | Saturday, July 27

Lector

George Thuransky

Eucharistic Ministers

Larry Risku, tony Lovato

Altar Servers

Emma Smith

11:00 AM | Sunday, July 28

Lector

Mary Ryckman

Eucharistic Ministers

Tina Quinn, Barry Beneccio

Altar Servers

Gina Beneccio

4:00 PM | Saturday, August 3

Lector

Rita McGrogan

Eucharistic Ministers

Ginger DeBlasio, Mary Houseman

Altar Servers

Jocelyn Siburt

11:00 AM | Sunday, August 4

Lector

Sienna Lehner

Eucharistic Ministers

Mary Ryckman, Dennis Balenovich

Altar Servers

Raphaela Lombardozi

Saturday, July 27

4:00 PM *Vigil—The Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time*
Albert W. Thuransky by Rita and Bob Gabonay

Sunday, July 28

11:00 AM *The Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time*
Nick Safranec by Mary and Bill Ryckman

Monday, July 29

9:00 AM *St. Martha*
Rosemarie Hanick by Karen Foster

Tuesday, July 30

9:00 AM *Weekday*
Rita Ryckman by Patricia and Ernie Scavincky

Wednesday, July 31

9:00 AM *Weekday*
Shirley Lucovitz by Barbara and Melvin Sleith

Thursday, August 1

9:00 AM *Weekday*
Robert Kemmery by Family

***Friday, August 2**

There is *NO MASS SCHEDULED on Friday July 26

Saturday, August 3

4:00 PM *Vigil—The Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time*
Helen Tamasy by Family

Sunday, August 4

11:00 AM *The Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time*
Michaelene Nohavicka, 51st Memorial Wedding
Anniversary—by Family

Weekday Masses are Monday—Thursday at 9:00 AM unless otherwise scheduled.

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No weekday Masses are scheduled on Friday

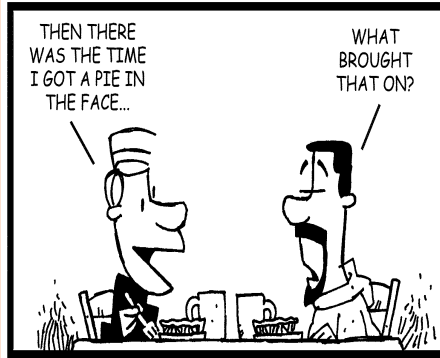
WEEKLY BELL CHIMES

DAY	NOON	6:00 PM
SAT 7/27	Stephan Fanala, Sr.—Memorial	Fr. Harry Parsons—Memorial
SUN 7/28	Anna Honaker—Memorial	Joseph D. Castellana—Birthday
MON 7/29	Dr. Joseph Schwerha—Memorial	
TUES 7/30	Tina Delduca—Memorial	
WED 7/31	Cenaida “Sandy” Sherbondy—Memorial	
THURS 8/01		Joseph & Michael Keegan—Birthday Memorial
FRI 8/02		
SAT 8/03	Anna Risku—Memorial	
SUN 8/04		

Blank spaces are available for celebratory/memorial/honorary Bell Chimes.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

17TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



BINGO SOCIAL

Come Join us for BINGO

Sunday August 11

Early Birds start at 12:30 and will pay out at least \$15/game

15 Regular games paying \$30

There will also be **BONZAI, SPECIALS and QUICKIES**. Oh, don't forget about the final game—**JACKPOT**.

The kitchen will be open serving hamburgers, hot dogs, pizza, chips, pop, water and coffee. So come join the fun and try your luck winning larger prizes.

Admission is only \$15 for the 15 game boards. The more who play, the more the payouts will be.

17th Sunday in Ordinary Time –

Legends and myths are full of warnings about being careful of what we ask and pray for, for our request might be filled. The story of King Midas is a perfect example of this. He was a man with a passion for wealth, such that when he was offered the opportunity to ask a gift of the gods, his naïve request was that everything he touched would be turned to gold. At first, he was absolutely delighted. But of course, when he felt hungry, his food and wine in their turn also turned to gold, as did his daughter when he reached out to touch her. His prayer had been answered and it made his life impossible.

In today's Scripture readings we hear Abraham praying – he calls to mind the justice of God, in order to plead for mercy for the inhabitants of Sodom and Gomorrah. In the Gospel, we see Jesus praying – and His words and His life provide the model for every Christian's relationship with God. Paul's selection from the letter to the Colossians reminds us of our Baptism – Baptism is our union with Christ: the death of sin and the beginning of our new life.

The classic pattern of all Christian prayer is patterned after the Lord's Prayer – the Our Father. We begin by giving some type of praise and thanks to God: "*Our Father, how holy is Thy name.*" Only after this do we turn to our petitions, our intercessions: "*May Thy Kingdom come, Thy will be done, Give us today our daily bread*" – (which covers all the graces we need to fulfill our lives, and to be protected from Satan). Matthew and Luke both give us the words of the Lord's Prayer, but each of them is slightly different, both in their content and in their context. As today's Gospel shows us, Luke's version of the prayer is followed up by the teaching on the need for persistence in prayer, and also for confidence in the goodness and providence of God Who knows our needs and always provides for them. Ultimately, Jesus tells us in Luke's Gospel, the answer to all our prayers, and God's greatest gift, is that of the Holy Spirit – the very life of God Himself.

Like those first disciples, we also want to know how to pray. But what constitutes good prayer? Is it wrong to pray like King Midas – for oneself, for wealth and possessions? Or for health and happiness? Is it permissible in time of war to pray for one's enemy's destruction? And if we pray for victory in war, what about in a game of football. As the baptized, whenever we pray, we do so as children of a loving Father, confident not only that God already knows all our needs, but that fundamentally, God has already answered our prayer. He has given Himself to us totally, by giving us His Spirit. We are confident that His love will never leave us. So whatever we pray for, our prayer is something which only ever seeks people's good, whether our own or other's, since such is the will of our loving god. And true prayer always lays ourselves open to the possibility of change. Intercessory prayer is not a means of turning God into a *genie in a bottle*, ours to command. True prayer engages both God and the person praying. It is ultimately an act of trust in God's love and an act of obedience, expressing our readiness to follow God's Spirit.

Let us pray for the conversion of the world & for peace.

Concerns Regarding Sexual Abuse

If you have any suspicion about the sexual abuse (or any other type of abuse) of a minor child by anyone — please contact PA Childline immediately at 1-800-932-0313. If the alleged abuser is functioning in a parish, school or diocesan position as clergy, religious, paid staff or volunteer you are also requested to contact the Bishop's Delegate for Matters of Sexual Misconduct after you have called the Childline number and made the report. The Bishop's Delegate may be reached at 724-837-0901, Ext. 1221

GOLDEN WEDDING ANNIVERSARY MASS ON SEPT. 22; REGISTRATION NOW OPEN

Bishop Malesic invites all couples celebrating their 50th wedding anniversary in 2019 to participate in the Golden Jubilee Mass at Blessed Sacrament Cathedral Sept. 22 at 3 p.m. Jubilarians, their children, relatives or friends should contact their parish office to register couples for this celebration. All registered couples, even those unable to attend the Mass, will receive a scroll signed by the bishop to commemorate this anniversary.

If you, or a couple you know are celebrating 50 years of marriage this year please call the parish office to register them for the Golden Wedding Anniversary Mass. 724.872.6123



MIDDLE YOUTH MINISTRY

Dates to remember:

Please mark your calendars grades 6-8 for the **NET retreat** which will be held on **Sunday, September 29 from 1:00pm to 7:00 pm**. This will be the mandatory Confirmation retreat for the 8th grade students who will be receiving their Confirmation this year. Fee is \$10 and includes pizza, snacks and drinks. Call Cheryl in the Faith Formation office to register 724-872-2106.

Holy Fire Conference at the Stroh Center, Bowling Green State University, **Sunday, October 13**. The fee is \$50 which includes event ticket, coach bus ride and dinner. This exciting event is for Middle School students in 6th to 8th grade and parents are also invited to attend. Please let Cheryl know if you need more information or are interested in attending this event. There is a poster with the days schedule on the bulletin board in the church vestibule. Don't miss out on this great faith event!

WEEKLY/MONTHLY MEETINGS – EXCEPT DURING THE MONTHS OF JUNE, JULY AND AUGUST!

Watch the bulletin for notices of special events and meetings during the summer months for the Societies!

Adult Bible Study – Weekly, Wednesday's 9-11:00 AM

Holy Name Society – Monthly, 2nd Sunday of each month at 9:30 AM on the Social Hall.

Confraternity of Christian Mothers – Monthly, 4th Sunday of each month at 9:30 AM in the Social Hall.

FINANCIAL REPORT FOR 7/14/2019

Parish Income:

Offertory: \$2,359.00

Loose: 358.00

Candles: 71.00

Monthly: 15.00

Holy Days: 0.00

Total: \$2,803.00

Parish Budget \$4,000.00

Total Income \$2,803.00

Under Budget: -\$1,197.00

Total Offertory \$2,803

NOTES ABOUT THE BINGO SOCIAL

The August 11 BINGO benefits Faith Formation/ (YOUTH) of the parish and BINGO players are urgently needed. For the past 4 months there have only been 32 - 34 players and if this does not improve, the monthly BINGO will stop. The prizes have increased and the amount of money returned to the players is well over \$400 each week. Imagine how much more would be returned with more players. The BINGO starts at 12:30 and is (usually) finished by 3:15. A great way to spend a few hours giving to support the sponsoring organizations as well as time with friends and fellow BINGO players. And don't forget that the kitchen is open selling great burgers, hot dogs, pizza, Big pretzels and other fine foods at low prices. So, please join us and have a great time.

IMPORTANT NOTICE ABOUT MASS SCHEDULES

Please note that the Mass Schedule will change beginning July 1, 2019.

Daily Masses are Monday-Thursday at 9:00 AM

At this time no change is anticipated in the weekend Mass schedule.

These changes are necessary to accommodate the Pastor's schedule and so make weekday Masses available to both Churches.

The **STUFFED PORK CHOP DINNER** on August 24 at Gary's Chuck Wagon from 4 PM to 7 PM is open to the entire community and will be a great opportunity to demonstrate to the community the LOVE & CARING of Holy Family Parish by donating a dessert for the dinner. The Holy Name Society is sponsoring this event but they really need your help with the desserts. Pies, cakes, cupcakes, fancy desserts are all welcome and certainly will make this event a great success. In the past our parishioners have always shown their culinary prowess by the tremendous outpouring of desserts. Now is the time to help our Holy Name men by baking or buying a dessert. There are sign-up sheets at the back of church. The desserts can be brought directly to Gary's on the 24th of August. Thank you and God will indeed Bless you for your kindness.

GOSPEL MEDITATION

Are you guilty of spiritual stockpiling? Spiritual stockpiling isn't an endless rotation of rosaries and novenas. It's accumulating emotional "goods" to meet your needs. Perhaps it's a collection of material objects you treasure. Maybe it's a preoccupation with money. It could also be relationships, making sure there's always enough friends and connections to never really feel alone. It's our tendency to let things add up so that we won't quite need God to fulfill our inner life. Yet in this Sunday's Gospel, we have that inescapable petition from the Our Father. "Give us each day our daily bread."

This life isn't an immediate arrival. And as much as we might try to shore up possessions and pleasures, we know the journey is unpredictable. Give us this day our daily bread implies enough for the next set of steps, but not enough to stockpile. So here's the big question: Do we trust God to give us what we need? After all, "What father among you would hand his son a snake when he asks for a fish? . . . How much more will the Father in heaven give the Holy Spirit to those who ask him?" At the Last Supper, Jesus said he would never leave us orphaned. God will not abandon us. And surely He wouldn't ask us to pray for what He does not intend to give.

Of course, sometimes our prayers for daily help can seem to go unanswered. Today's Gospel has advice for that, too. "I tell you... he will give up to him whatever he needs because of his persistence." Our spiritual stockpiling increases our self-reliance and decreases our openness to God's possibilities. Be persistent in your pursuit of God! Trust that He will keep His promises to provide for us, today and always.

FEAST OF ST. MARTHA

What's on your calendar this week? On July 29th, we celebrate the feast of St. Martha, unofficial patron of workaholics and busybodies everywhere. Martha appears several times in Scripture. One passage we heard in our recent Sunday Gospel. Jesus has visited the home of Martha and Mary. Mary sits at the feet of our Lord, soaking in his teaching. In the meantime, Martha is washing dishes, preparing hors d'oeuvres, and playing the hostess. Sound familiar? John's Gospel doesn't shy away from Martha's active nature either. After the death of their brother Lazarus, Martha is the first to greet Jesus, and while she's quite confident in Jesus' power to heal, she's the first to warn him of the possible smell should the tomb be opened. While Mary often gets the credit for contemplative holiness, we can't forget that pragmatic is a saint, too! As we strive to place Jesus in the right perspective, making him king of our hearts and over all our daily tasks, we can know that we're in good company. St. Martha, pray for us!

ALTAR FLOWERS

In the past, our parish had sponsors for flowers on the altar on a weekly basis. We have started that program up again with a good response. There are a few weekends available in the last half of the year. If you would like to participate in this effort to have flowers on our altar, please complete the following form and drop it in the collection basket. Once a schedule is set up, you will be notified. Also, the florist will bill you directly. Your participation will be greatly appreciated.

NAME _____

PHONE# _____

DATE DESIRED _____

IN MEMORY/HONOR OF _____

BURGER BASH!

Knights of Columbus Council 3026 will be having a *Burger Bash and Bake Sale*, Sunday July 28, 11:30 AM – 1:00 PM, on the lawn at Seven Dolours Church, Yukon

Your support is greatly appreciated.

Funds from the Burger Bashes assist with many of our projects to name a few:

- Coats for Kids. Approximately 100 children in Yough School District and St. Sebastian's in need of a winter coat
- Financially assist a Seminarian from the Diocese. Mark Dunmire, is now serving as a Deacon and is to be ordained in 2020
- A Food Pantry in Greensburg
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STUFFED PORK CHOP DINNER

Saturday August 24 from 4:00 PM to 7:00 PM at Gary's Chuck Wagon. Tickets, \$12, can be obtained at Gary's, from Armand Luzi, Bob Gabonay, Dan Landini, Bill Hughes or by calling 724-872-8920.

Help is needed for the Pork Chop Dinner. We need servers, clean-up crew and dessert makers.

Sign-up sheets are located in back of church.

FEAST OF THE ASSUMPTION TO BE CELEBRATED WITH MASS, OUTDOOR CANDLELIGHT PROCESSION AND ROSARY AT CHRIST OUR SHEPHERD CENTER AUG. 15

Bishop Malesic will lead a celebration of the diocese's patronal feast, the Feast of the Assumption, Aug. 15 at the Christ Our Shepherd Center near Greensburg. The bishop will celebrate Mass at 7 p.m. in St. Joseph Chapel then lead an outdoor candlelight procession with recitation of the rosary in multiple languages.