

TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
AUGUST 21, 2022



MASS INTENTIONS



Sat	08/20	5:00 PM	Anthony Kolensky by Mr. & Mrs. Edward Jeziorski & Family
Sun	08/21	10:15 AM	Bernadette M. Senape by Atty. James Senape & Family
Wed	08/24	8:00 AM	Ann Dane & Kelli Williams, 2 ND Anniversary by Theresa, Phil & Erin
Thu	08/25	8:00 AM	Larry Examitas by Bernie and Joanne Perch
Fri	08/26	8:00 AM	Linda Rasport, 2 ND Anniversary by Cuz Mil and Jim Curto
Sat	08/27	5:00 PM	Gail Haddad by St. Patrick's Festival Flea Market Group
Sun	08/28	10:15 AM	All Parishioners, Living and Deceased

OFFERINGS: Wkly: \$3,012 Outreach: \$390 Care & Education of Priests: \$25

CONFESSION SCHEDULE: Sat, 4:00 to 4:45 PM and Sun, 9:00 to 9:45 AM
You may also schedule an appointment.



Message From Father Mike: She suffered for the sake of salvation. Her name was Julia. She was the woman who helped with the cooking at Hands Together in Haiti. She always had an ear-to-ear smile for us. With meager fixin's she could compile a meal to satisfy and hungry stomach and warm the soul. Julia had a hard life. Her husband was murdered and she was left to raise 6 children on her own. Two of her children died of ailments that could have easily been treated here in the USA. Julia had every reason to be sad, angry and faithless. But she wasn't! She was the complete opposite.

This weekend's Gospel tells us at the end: The first will be last and the last will be first. I can assure you, when Julia comes to meet God at the end of her life, she will be THE FIRST in line to get to heaven.

MANDATORY BAPTISMAL PREPARATION CLASS will be at 6:00 PM on Wednesday, November 9th, in the Parish Center of Immaculate Conception Church. Please register by calling the Parish Office at 570-443-9944. Please plan to attend the Baptismal Preparation Class well in advance of your baby's birth so that you are aware of all the information necessary to schedule your baby's baptism.



PARENTS/GUARDIANS: Please be aware the sacraments of First Reconciliation, First Communion, and Confirmation require our children to attend 2 years of Faith Formation. If they have not attended the required 2 years, they will be moved appropriately to fulfill the requirement.



PLANNING A WEDDING? Here are three important steps the Church requires:



1. As soon as you are engaged, you should contact the Pastor. He will go over with you the paperwork and documentation needed.
2. Once the documentation (Baptism, Communion and Confirmation certificates) is ready, contact the parish office to set up a face-to-face appointment to fill out the marriage application.
3. The Pastor will go over with the bride and groom the regulations of the Church pertaining to the upcoming wedding.



Message from Mary Anne Malone, Parish Life Coordinator

St. Monica’s feast day is August 27. Monica lived in the 4th century as a wife and mother. She is best known for her perseverance in prayer for her son, Augustine. He resisted becoming a Christian so she followed him on his travels, but she could not control his immoral behavior, nor could she bring him closer to the Church. In time, she befriended Ambrose, Bishop of Milan, who became her spiritual advisor. Many years passed and her prayers were answered. Augustine was baptized by Ambrose. He became a priest and then Bishop of Hippo. He is one of the most respected theologians of the Catholic Church. St. Monica, a model of patience, is the patron saint of difficult marriages and of mothers. St. Monica and St. Augustine, pray for us.

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As you pray at home this week, spend time with the readings for next Sunday (August 28, 2022), Twenty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time: Sirach 3:17-18, 20, 28-29 • Hebrews 12:18-19, 22-24 • Luke 14:1, 7-14



In observance of Suicide Awareness Month, Bishop Bambera will celebrate a **Mass for Suicide Healing and Remembrance**. The Mass will serve to remember loved ones lost to suicide, and to promote healing for those who grieve their passing. **The Mass will be held on Sunday, September 18 at 12:15 PM at the Cathedral of St. Peter, Scranton.** All are welcome.

READ THE BIBLE LIKE NEVER BEFORE with “Bible Evangelista” Sonja Corbitt on October 16th.

Tickets and information at www.dioscesofscranton.org. Direct link to ticket sales:

<https://www.dioscesofscranton.org/parish-life/read-the-bible-like-never-before>



HAPPENING IN HARRISBURG ... The PA March for Life will take place in **Harrisburg on September 19th**. We will be running a bus to this event. We will leave from the upper parking lot of St. John Bosco Church 573 PA-93 Sugarloaf PA at 8:30am. (You may leave your car parked in the upper lot). For those interested, there will be an 8 AM Mass at St. John Bosco. **To register for this trip send an email to prolife hazleton@gmail.com or call Carol Matz at 570-956-0817.** Cost has not been determined at this time, but please do not let money stop you from going. Please let us know if you have a financial hardship because we always have people who offer sponsorships. For those who are unable to attend but would want to sponsor someone or make a donation to help offset the cost of this bus trip please send your donation to Pennsylvanians for Human Life PO Box 83 Harleigh, PA 18225.



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To dedicate a Rose for Life, call Roseann Kolensky, 570-443-8688.