

NINETEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME AUGUST 7, 2022



MASS INTENTIONS



Sat	08/06	5:00 PM	Carter Family by Tom, Carol, Billy, and Ryan
Sun	08/07	10:15 AM	All Parishioners, Living and Deceased
Wed	08/10	8:00 AM	Frank and Eleanor Perch by Bernie and Joanne Perch
Thu	08/11	8:00 AM	Mary Bellas by Yefchak Family
Fri	08/12	8:00 AM	Philip Burns by Family
Sat	08/13	5:00 PM	John Rusnock, 2 ND , In Loving Memory by Kathy Dunn
Sun	08/14	10:15 AM	All Parishioners, Living and Deceased

OFFERINGS: Wkly: \$2,299 Outreach: \$190



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

A MESSAGE FROM FATHER MIKE: Most of you know of my life-time association with the Scouting program. I attribute the person I am today because of all that I learned in Scouting. One of the first things learned is the Scout Motto: **Be Prepared!**

This weekend's Gospel clearly challenges us to be prepared. "You also must be prepared, for at an hour you do not expect, the Son of Man will come." How do we prepare ourselves? We all know the two-fold answer to that question: **Go to church! Go to confession!** In these dog-days of summer, it's easy to go on vacation from church and confession. This is when we need it the most. What are your plans this week? Hopefully, **Mass and Confession.**



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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.



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



Message from Mary Anne Malone, Parish Life Coordinator

St. Teresa Benedicta of the Cross was born into a Jewish family in Germany in 1891. Her name was Edith Stein. As a teenager, she rejected God and called herself an agnostic. Edith pursued a rigorous education and earned a Ph.D. in Philosophy. Always searching for truth, she came to see the truth of the Catholic Faith. She was baptized in 1922 and twelve years later became a Carmelite nun. She was sent to the Netherlands for safety in the pre-war years, but Hitler invaded the Netherlands in 1940. Because she was born a Jew, she was arrested in 1942 and sent to Auschwitz. On August 9 she died with her sister Rose, also a convert, in the gas chamber. This modern-day martyr was canonized by Pope John Paul II in 1999. Her feast day is August 9. St Teresa Benedicta of the Cross, pray for us.

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As you pray at home this week, spend time with the readings for Sunday, August 14, Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time: Jeremiah 38:4-6, 8-10 • Hebrews 12:1-4 • Luke 12:49-53



Knights of Columbus

Over the next few weeks the Knights of Columbus will be collecting for the Pennsylvania Special Olympics. A canister is on the table as you enter the Church. Your donations are greatly appreciated.



WOMEN OF ST. PATRICK will hold their summer picnic at Jarick Pavilion on Wednesday, August 17 at 5:30 PM. All women of the Parish are invited to attend.



SYMBOL OF THE WHITE CROSS: When driving through Frankenmuth Michigan, people are intrigued with the many small crosses in the front yards of the homes they pass by. Those crosses are a statement of support for Frankenmuth's Christian heritage. Years ago, an atheist living there complained about two crosses on a bridge in town. He suggested that they be removed and the town removed them. He then decided that, since he was so successful with that, the city shield should also be changed since it had on it, along with other symbols, a heart with a cross inside signifying the city's Lutheran beginnings.

At that point, the residents decided that they had enough. Hundreds of residents made their opinions known by placing small cross in their front yards. Seeing this quiet but powerful statement from the community, the man withdrew his complaint. These simple crosses remain in those front yards today. Many Christians throughout the country have now adopted this symbol. The simple white cross is viewed as a witness to our faith. It is also a statement that Christians will continue to proclaim their faith. If you would like to make a simple quiet statement about your faith and the importance of our freedom to proclaim it, put a white cross in your front yard or garden for all to see. There are a limited number of crosses available on the table as you enter the Church. Please feel free to take one home with you.