

Aug. 10-Aug 16, 2015

M: St Mary • J: St Joseph Rc: rectory chapel

Aug 10 • 6pm • Rc • Lawrence † Joseph Svetik

Aug 11 • 9am • Rc • Claire † Joseph Gigliotti

Aug 12 • noon • Rc • Jane Frances de Chantal † Anna Pewor

Aug 14 • 6pm • Rc • Holyday: Assumption of BVM

St Joseph's Parishioners: 121st anniv.

Aug 15 • 9am • M • St Mary's Sodality Members (L & †D)

Aug 15/16 • 20th Sunday of the Year

4pm • J † Albert Gius r/o Joyce Macus

5:45pm • M † Bill Rydzy r/o family

8:15am • J † Debbie Mattie r/o sister

10am • M † Eleanor Weikel r/o Tom & Marge Krupilis



❖ **STEWARDSHIP: M:** S: 1755; Dues: 415; Campaign: 100

• **J:** S: 1586; Dues: 340; Campaign: 231 • myEoffering: M: \$15 • J: \$190 *Stewardship of time, talent & treasure!*

• **Scripture:** 1 Kgs 19:4-8; Eph 4:30-5:2; Jn 6:41-51

• Next Week: J: Jos 24:1-2a; 15-17; 18b; Eph 5:21-32; Jn 6:60-69

❖ Fill out the forms, even if you're healthy & would like to be prayed for in times of need!

.... • Irene Cicioni • Roy Gius • Richard

Buczowski • Mary Balkiewicz • Bea Gius • John Washko • Dorothy Yanuskiewicz • Rose Ann &

Tracey Aponick • Jean & Alice Jarzinko • Joseph Washko • Ed

& Sally McNamee • Jen Gilliam • Grace Snover • Betty Lou

Torpey • Vickie Hartz • John Tait • Ann Lewis • Bob Fellin

• Gordy Weikel • Nancy Blackwell • Dan & Kathy Milefsky

• Phil & Shirley Kennedy • Theresa Szott

• **Birthdays Blessings:** Thomas Cecchini, Chris Markosky:

8/10; David Sarno, Katherine Edmondson, Jennifer

Gilliam: 8/11; Peter Matino, Barbara Williams: 8/12; Leah

Grabosky, Gerry Evangelista, Deborah Malore: 8/13; Pam

Monaghan, Joan Opanel: 8/14; Alyssa Fuehrer: 8/15; Joe Bryk,

Jr, Rose Gilliam, Sean Kline, Anna Tait: 8/16

• **St. Joseph's 50/50:** August chances are out now! July

winner: The Dixon's: \$137.50 Congrats!

❖ **Aug 14/15: Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary:**

Mass is offered Fri. @ 6pm @ Rc and Sat @ 9am @ M.

The 14th is the 121st anniv of the founding of St. Joseph's!

It's not a holy day of obligation, falling on a Saturday, still we don't follow the "letter" but the spirit of the law. Join us for Mass honoring this gift of our Catholic faith.

Bring flowers for Holy Mass over the weekend: one for the Blessed Mother, the other to be blessed and for you to take home, share, give away. Bring them from your garden, but any will do, place them on the table @ Our Lady's altar.

❖ **A Parishioner is....** One who is registered, participates regularly in the liturgical life of the parish (e.g. Sunday Mass), demonstrates support by the gift of Time, Talent & Treasure!

❖ **Stewardship:** *No one can do everything, everyone can do something!* Make an offering of a gift in thanks for summer fun!

❖ **Year of St. Mark's Gospel continues! Read it!**

❖ **Choir @ M:** There are some great voices, we can hear you, why not join us in giving praise and thanks to God!

❖ **Knights of Columbus:** Mtg. Sun. 8/16 @ Mass @ M...w the rosary before Mass @ both worship sites. The Knights donated \$600 from the Ringtown Yard Sale to our parishes. Thank you!

❖ **Amazon Purchases: Smile:** We're up: visit our webpage or Facebook: hit the smile, taking you to your amazon page, the parish receives 5% on your purchase! We're using St Mary's to filter all purchases, if you'd like credit to go to St Joseph's, let us know. No cost to you!

❖ **Adult Ed:** Our series continues this Mon, Aug 10th @ 6pm Mass @ Rc. Topic: "**Why Do I Need the Church?: The Mystery of the Catholic Church**" Bring your Catholic Bible, Catechism/ YouCat.... why not join us? Sessions consist of a video on the topic, sharing, & social!

❖ **Cards:** Birthday, Get well, Anniversary, etc are available for \$2 each. Place your offering in an envelope marked: Cards.

Reflection: 19th Sunday: Actors, to create background noise, say: "Rhubarb, Rhubarb...." it's similar to the "murmuring" we hear in the Gospel. In Latin, the word "murmur" literally means to make a loud noise. They claim to "know" Jesus from his earthly roots, but fail to see his heavenly. This noise was particularly loud when He said that He was "living bread!" Same kind of "noise" occurs today.... by us who believe. His is a promise & the fulfillment of the real life for which we long, but too often we settle for the life we're comfortable with, the life we've made. Such mystery, this Jesus, living bread. Who can believe it? Instead the real question is: "who can afford not to believe it?"

☑ Be a saint...what else is there? ☑

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p.s. Welcome Fr. Zelonis for Mass this weekend as I'm chaplain for the Into the Wild Weekend! Pray for us!



❖ **Orange Ribbons:** Wear one as a sign of support that we wear the "color" that the "people of the Cross" wear when they're martyred.

❖ **N.B:** Parish Office: the office is open on an as-needed basis. Mary's tentative date for return is Aug. 17th, until then, keep her & her family in prayer. Meanwhile, when you request items, we'll try to get them to you @ weekend mass. Best to use email if you can! Your understanding is appreciated.

❖ **SCRIP:** We've \$25 Applebee's, \$25 Cabela's, \$25 Weis, \$10 Bed, Bath & Body, \$10 Dairy Queen, \$10 Denny's, \$25 iTunes, \$25 Home Depot, \$25 Sheetz, \$25 Lowe's, \$10 Long John Silver's, \$25 PetSmart, \$25 Walmart; \$10 Pizza Hut, \$25 Regal Theatres, \$10 Taco Bell on hand. Contact the office, we'll get them to you.

❖ **New addition:** We're down to the final selections: Peaches, Creamsicle, Starburst. See his pic on facebook/web. A young male canary has joined Star & Fr! Last chance to suggest a name. We ask our children/young folks. Note or email.

❖ See us: stmarystjoseph.net

❖ [facebook.com/stmarystjosephrcc](https://www.facebook.com/stmarystjosephrcc)

❖ **Interested in our Catholic faith?** Ask, encourage, invite! Share the gift of faith!



❖ **Meetings: Finance Council/Block Party/Picnic:** For M: **Aug 17 @ 6pm Mass**; For J: **Aug 24 @ 6pm Mass**.

❖ **Ministry:** We're seeking to replenish our teams. We've a plan: adults to learn to serve as we transit to adult ministry [keeping our young people]! Some disciples have responded as Lectors, Servers & Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist! We're looking for more, especially Sunday AM Masses: how about you? CH __ CH: what's missing?

❖ **Integrity Restored.com** Children the age of 7 are being exposed to porn! IR provides education, encouragement & resources to break free from pornography heal relationships, assist parents in preventing & responding to pornography exposure that devastates lives/families.

To help fight the battle: **covenanteyes.com**: enter the code word *Patrick* for a 30 day trial. Every family should have this on your computers, laptops & mobile devices. The price? Saving your life, your family, your marriage, your faith: priceless!



❖ ..are reserved for Aug. 15/16. For the main altar/tabernacle: \$75, side altars: \$25+. Contact us via the parish office to reserve a date.

❖ **These Are the Three American Prisoners abandoned by the Iran Nuclear Deal:** [cont'd]: **Jason**

Rezaian: is an Iranian American journalist. He works as the chief of the *Washington Post's* Tehran bureau. On the night of July 22, 2014, Iranian agents raided Rezaian's home in Tehran and arrested him, on charges related to what they called a "technical investigation." They also accused him of giving sensitive information to "hostile governments" and "spreading propaganda." Rezaian waited seven months for a lawyer—a clear violation of his internationally-recognized right to legal counsel. Not only that, but Rezaian was not permitted to hire the lawyer he wanted.

"At every turn, Iran's handling of Jason's case has served to reinforce an impression of state-sponsored injustice, as demonstrated by seven months of harsh incarceration without counsel or consular access," Martin Baron, the executive editor of the *Washington Post* and a friend of Rezaian's, said.

Since getting a lawyer, Rezaian has been on trial in the Iranian capital. However, unlike in the Western legal system, Rezaian's trial is going on behind closed doors in what the regime calls a "revolutionary court." "I am a journalist, and I carried out all my activities legally and as a journalist," Rezaian said in a statement to the court that was released.

The judge presiding over the trial is known for his bias in favor of prosecutors, and his custom of handing down extremely harsh punishments. Rezaian could spend as much as twenty years in prison. Westerners are not allowed anywhere near Rezaian's trial. Representatives from the *Post* were denied access, and even Rezaian's family has been restricted from proceedings.

Amir Hekmati: is a former United States Marine. He was arrested in August, 2011 on charges of espionage, and sentenced to death in 2012. Hekmati's parents were Iranian immigrants to America and they raised their family in the Islamic tradition. He joined the Marine Corps to help offset the cost of college, and served as a rifleman, linguist, and translator. He was deployed as an infantryman in Iraq from 2003 to 2004, where he helped the Iraqi people begin to rebuild their country after the toppling of Saddam Hussein. Hekmati's arrest came right before he was supposed to arrive at a Ramadan celebration with friends and family. Despite the

best efforts of his American family members, his release has not been secured. Allegedly, Hekmati was in Iran as a spy for the United States government. There is even a "confession" video, but experts believe that Hekmati was forced to do it and that much of the evidence is falsified. In the past, Hekmati has gone on hunger strikes to protest his imprisonment, but he was asked to stop by his family when it began taking a toll on his health.

Earlier this year, President Obama told Pastor Abedini's family that freeing him, Rezaian, and Hekmati was a "top priority." However, the new Iran deal does not secure their release as a precondition to lifting sanctions. Instead, it lets Iran get away with these unjust imprisonments without facing any consequences. In the 1930s, giving into the machinations of totalitarian regimes without resistance was called "appeasement." Today, the Obama Administration calls it a "diplomatic victory." -*Michael Lucchese: www.breitbart.com/national-security/2015/07/14/these-are-the-three-american-prisoners-abandoned-by-the-iran-nuclear-deal*



❖ **"What time is Mass?"**...When Mass is announced at a given time, it's not time for greetings, etc....best to get here 5-10 minutes beforehand to prepare for the best hour of the week!

❖ **Disciples Picnic: Aug 30:4-6pm:** Rectory Yard: Bring a dessert/appetizer, we'll provide burgers/dogs. Let us know if you'll join us! BYOC: chair! BYOB.

❖ **Immaculate Waters Hand/Body Lotion:** Our 3rd order has arrived. We've Lavender, Rose & Unscented. We've had some graces received: healing, no pain after surgery, relief from chronic pain, anxiety, etc. Have a favor granted? Let us know.... the Intercession of Our Lady of Lourdes continues to show Christ's healing. The offering is \$10@ bottle.

Umbert the Unborn

by Gary Cangemi



❖ **Outside Events:** ➔ **Free School Supplies:** St Paul's UCC Church, 100 E Main St, Ringtown: Aug 12: 7-8:30pm, while supplies last. ➔ **Deppen Pie Sale:** Ringtown Library. \$9 @, order by 8/12, pick up 8/26. ➔ **Trinity Academy** seeks: ☉ **after-school cleaning duties:** M-F (2 ½ hours @ day) ☉ **Kindergarten Teacher's Aide:** M-F: 11:30-3pm. Send resume. ☉ **After-school care staff** (2 positions) to run & supervise: daily after school 'til 5pm. ☉ **Food Service Director:** full time, breakfast/lunch programs. Administrative & computer skills, cooking experience a must. Info, resumes: Sr Mary Ann: mspaetti@trinitymatters.com ➔ **St John's Church, Ringtown Town Social:** 8/14-15: 4-9pm

