

# Aug 7 & 14, 2016

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

**This bulletin is for two weeks!**

## 19<sup>th</sup> Week in Ordinary Time

Aug 8 6pm • Rc *Dominic* † Edward Shamany r/o Beatrice Gius

Aug 9 9am • Rc *Teresa Benedicta of the Cross*  
† Michael Mustica r/o Mom & Dad

Aug 12 6pm • Rc *Jane Frances de Chantal*  
† Marie Spear r/o Dolores & Mary Ann

## Aug 13/14 20<sup>th</sup> Sunday C


St Joseph's: 122<sup>nd</sup> Anniv: 8/14

3:30pm • J † Frank Belfiore r/o Theresa Novak

5:15pm • M † Parents of John & Anna Tait r/o Family

8:15am • J † Thomas Gulash r/o Donna & Jessica Gulash

10:15am • M † Eleanor Weikel r/o Son Gordy

 ...of Mary: Holyday of Obligation  
Aug 15 5pm • J † Michael Mustica  
r/o Mom & Dad  
6:30pm • M Sodality Members

Aug 16 9am • Rc *Stephen of Hungary*  
† France Matthew Kelly

Aug 17 noon • Rc † William C. Schuster

Aug 19 6pm • Rc *John Euclis* † Mary Mele

## Aug 20/21 21<sup>st</sup> Sunday C

3:30pm • J † Edward Shamany r/o Theresa Novak & Mary Stitzer

5:15pm • M † Faris Zogby r/o Joann & Mark

8:15am • J † John & Rachel Horvath r/o Lori Horvath

10:15am • M † Robert Aponick Jr. r/o Janet Kuzma

❖ **STEWARDSHIP: M:** 7/24: S:1113.; 7/31: S:1006.; Cmp: 87

• **J:** 7/24: S:1883; 7/31: S: 1296; Bldg/Cmpn: 1262

*Stewardship of time, talent & treasure!*

❖ **Scripture:** Wis 18:6-9; Heb 11:1-2, 8-19; Lk 12: 32-48;

• Next weeks: Jer 38:4-6,8-10; Heb 12:1-4; Lk 12:49-53;

Is 66:18-21; Heb 12:5-7,11-13; Lk 13:22-30

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

• Richard Buczkowski • John Washko • Dorothy Yanuskiewicz • Rose Ann Aponick • Jean Jarzinko • Joseph Washko • Grace Snover • Vickie Hartz • Ann Lewis • Bob Fellin • Gordy Weikel • Kathy Milefsky

• Phil & Shirley Kennedy • Bill/Flo Steele • Theresa Szott • Helen Mehalick • Margaret Krupilis • Barbara Green • Brian Irlinger • Al Mehalick • Helen Gurka • Irene Feeko • Jennifer/Rose Gilliam

• Loretta Zienkiewicz • LouAnn Rader • Jim/Virginia Spudis

• Pauline Lorah • Mary Yadinskie • Anna May Kealy •

Fr. Raymond Slezak • Betty Lou Torpey • Rose Angelotti • Virginia/Paul Staerk

❖ **Birthday Blessings: Raina Krusinsky: 8/7, Jen Bell, Carol**

**Burke: 8/8; Thomas Cecchini, Christine Markosky: 8/10;**

**Jennifer Gilliam, Jeremy Pukavage, David Sarno: 8/11; Peter Martino, Barbara Williams: 8/12; Gerald Evangelista, Leah Grabosky: 8/13; Pam Monaghan: 8/14; Alyssa Leigh: 8/15; Joseph Bryke Jr., Aaron Freyne, Rosemarie Gilliam, Anna Tait: 8/16; Flo Steele: 8/17; Everett Fritz, Betty Kakalecik, Linda Labert: 8/18; Ed McNamee: 8/19; George Motil: 8/20; Jane Kiernan: 8/21**

❖ **Bishop's Annual Appeal:** You have received the info. by mail, respond by supporting the Appeal.

❖ **Year of St. Luke's Gospel:** Pray your Bible!

❖ **St. Joe's 50/50:** July winner: Joe Schneider : \$173.50!

Thanks for donating 1/2 back to the parish! Aug tickets now!

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❖ **Stewardship:** *No one can do everything, everyone can do something!* Make an offering of a gift in gratitude for the gift of Summer!

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



❖ **Knights: State Coal Sweepstakes Chances: \$1 each for 16 prizes ranging from trips to 66" HDTV & iPad Air2.**

Drawing: Dec. 8, 8pm, Newton Square, Pa.

**Reflection: August:** The "Magnificat" prayer journal sums up the beauty & power of the Gospels of the Sunday's of August: "[they] highlight beautifully the mercy of our Savior."

We encounter the Lord Jesus who promises that He will wait on those who serve Him now, that his "purifying love" will set the earth ablaze and that "some who are last will be first." It occurs by God's grace poured into our hearts, giving us the courage to go into the world and proclaim "Good News."

Pope Francis joined with the youth of the world in Poland (do a web search of World Youth Day Prayer Service), joining 1.5 million. He challenged them to get off their couches and go into the world to proclaim the Gospel. The picture of night time prayer and adoration is inspiring!

The gift of attending Holy Mass week in/out give us a chance to hear that Good News, be challenged by Jesus & His Church to look Islamic Terrorism in the eye & say: we have no fear, we love our life, but there is a life to come! It allows us to assist those who are last in a political climate that wants government to "give" so that there are no firsts/lasts. All the more reason for us to practice our faith!

● Be a saint...what else is there? ●

**Fr. Jim** 🐾 & Peaches [frjim.stmj@gmail.com](mailto:frjim.stmj@gmail.com)

Mom is home & working at ongoing therapy, with nursing wound care. Your thoughts & prayers are appreciated. • Fr. Z joins us for Masses Aug. 6/7 while I'm on the Into the Wild Weekend with 50 men/young men.

❖ **Flowers: (J)** 7/24 wknd: IMO 50<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniv of Cecilia & the late Mike Funanage. (J) 8/6 wknd: IMO William & Anna Fellin by Bob & Jeanette

❖ **Donation:** to **J:** \$150 IMO d'cd of Kowalick/Wezner families by Joy Wezner, winner of St Joseph \$1000 Grand Raffle Prize. Thank you!

❖ **Appreciation Picnic:** Sun, Aug. 21 2:00 @ Oneida: Fellins North St. Any parishioner who've helped are invited! Sign-up sheets are at Church. Let us know what you'll bring: appetizer, side dish or dessert we're providing the burgers/dogs. BYOC & B (chair & beverage) Sign-up by Aug 14<sup>th</sup>.

❖ **Hosts:** We're hearing that, with so many challenges to our faith, that the Blessed Sacrament is being stolen/received inappropriately at Mass. In order to assure that this doesn't occur here, we're asking our Eucharistic ministers to watch that people receive the Blessed Sacrament as you take a step to the side, BEFORE you return to your place.

If, for some reason, you are in need of taking the Blessed Sacrament to an ill/shut in family member, contact us & we'll gladly give you the pyx and the formula used for such.

❖ **St Joseph's:** We're waiting to hear from Msgr. James @ diocese as to our project. He indicated that a call was coming, but with summer time & vocation ministry, he is very busy. When we hear, you'll be informed.

❖ **Immaculate Waters: Hand/Body Lotion:** Lavender, Rose & Unscented. Our Lady's intercession reveals Christ's healing. The offering is \$10@.

❖ **Cleaning @ M:** We seek disciples to take a month at a time to clean the Church. Renovations have been completed, why would we let our church be cluttered.

**Assumption Flowers:** Bring two bouquets of either homegrown or arranged flowers. One is for Mother Mary, the other is blessed for you to take home.

When you come to the holyday Mass place them at the table at Mary's altar.

❖ **Candles:** for the feast Aug. 15 @ Our Lady's altar. Light your candle, place the envelope in Sunday Stewardship. They're available fcfs. The offering is \$10 @.

❖ **No Christianity, No Hospitals!** by John Stonestreet  
Pro-abortion forces should be careful what they wish for, especially when it comes to Christian hospitals. A recent poll by the Pew Research Center found that the percentage of Americans who "think" that religion plays a role in solving important social problems "has fallen significantly" in the past fifteen years. In 2001, 75% of those polled said that religious institutions played such a role in our society. By 2016, the percentage had dropped to 58%. Now what's changed? There's no evidence that religious institutions have reduced their efforts in addressing the problems around them. Pew suspects that the drop has something to do with the rise of the so-called "nones," the religiously unaffiliated. I think part of the problem is that the religious contribution to the common good is so woven into the fabric of American life that most people these days just take it for granted and never stop to think about how prevalent it really is. So today I want to talk about one such contribution: religious hospitals. As Wikipedia tells us "Greek and Roman religion did not preach of a duty to tend to the sick." The idea of the hospital grew out of the "Christian emphasis on practical charity," especially towards the sick. Thus, as historian Roy Porter wrote in his book "The Greatest Benefit to Mankind: A Medical History of Humanity," "Christianity planted the hospital." Or stated differently, without Christianity, there would be no hospitals, at least not as we understand the idea. That's why, again quoting Wikipedia, the Catholic Church is "the largest [non-governmental] provider of health care services in the world." How large? "It has around 18,000 clinics . . . and 5,500 hospitals, with 65 percent of them located in developing countries." By one estimate, the Catholic Church "manages 26 percent of the world's health care facilities." So unless folks don't consider providing health care in the developing world as "an important social problem," the 42 percent who answered Pew's question in the negative could not be more wrong. But in the off chance that respondents interpreted the question to mean "important social problems" just in the U. S., well one in six hospital beds in our country is located in a Catholic hospital. In at least thirty

communities, the Catholic hospital is the only hospital in a 35-mile radius. This doesn't even take into account hospitals run by other Christian bodies such as Baptists, Methodists, and especially Seventh-Day Adventists. Now for many progressives, this is a bad thing since these hospitals do not, because of their "commitment to the sacredness and dignity of human life from conception until death" define "women's health" in the same way they do. To them, the spread of Catholic hospitals just means fewer abortions, and of course, that's bad. For someone actually sick and in need of medical care, this is completely irrelevant, if not perverse. And speaking of perverse: many also have the strange notion that if Christian institutions got out—or as some would prefer, were forced out—of the health care business, government would just somehow pick up the slack. This highlights the foolishness of the pro-abortion ideological crusade against Christian professionals and organizations in health care. . . . Washington State is already forcing Christian pharmacists (who by the way got no help from the Supreme Court) to choose between their faith and their careers. If states or the federal government attempt to force Christian hospitals to perform abortions, and those hospitals close their doors, the results would be catastrophic. . . . the Christian commitment to caring for the sick, and other acts of compassion, are such a part of American life they're taken for granted. . . . [breakpoint.org/bpcommentaries/entry/13/29628]

❖ **Yankee Candles, Crosses:** Prices vary! Crosses are handmade by † John Zakavage (M), Bob Bruno & Randy Brown (J).

❖ **SCRIP:** We've \$25 Amazon, \$25 Applebee's, \$25 Cabela's, \$10 Bath & Body Works, \$25 & \$100 Weis, \$10 Dairy Queen, \$10 Denny's, \$10 Pizza Hut, \$10 & \$25 Dunkin' Donuts, \$25 Home Depot, \$15 iTunes, \$25 Boscov's, \$25 Old Navy, \$25 Lowe's, \$25 Giant, \$10 Long John Silver's, \$25 PetSmart, \$25 Olive Garden, \$25 Kmart, \$25 Dunham's Sports, \$25 Red Robin, \$50 Sunoco, \$50 Ruth's Chris, \$10 & \$25 Regal Cinema, \$25 Kohl's, \$10 Taco Bell, \$25 Staples, \$25 Bed Bath & Beyond, \$10 Wendy's, \$25 & \$100 Walmart on hand. Contact the office, we'll get them to you.

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

❖ **Outside Events:** Sheppton Fire Co: Bingo 8/7 1pm • Ringtown Library-Deppen Pies: order by 8/17; NYC: Bus-free day-11/12.

• St. John's Town Social, Ringtown: 8/19-20, 4-9pm @ night. Food & entertainment.

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