

Aug 21 & 28, 2016

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

This bulletin is for two weeks!

21st Week in Ordinary Time

Aug 22 6pm • Rc *Queenship of Mary*

† Elizabeth Fellin r/o Roy/Dolores Gius

Aug 23 9am • Rc *Rose of Lima* † Edward Shamany

r/o Roy/Dolores Gius

Aug 24 noon • Rc *Bartholomew* † Mary Barlick

Aug 25 noon • Rc *Louis* † Marie Spear r/o Dolores & Mary Ann

Aug 27/28 22nd Sunday C

3:30pm • J † Helen Hennessey r/o Bill & Kathleen Lynch

5:15pm • M † Deceased of Kuzmitsky Family r/o Family

8:15am • J † Simon & Philomena Walaites r/o Nahas Family

10:15am • M † Noel Brouse r/o Wife, Ruth Ann

Aug 29 6pm • Rc *Passion of John the Baptist*

† Michael Mustica r/o Mom & Dad

Aug 30 9am • Rc † Thomas Gulash r/o Donna & Jessica Gulash

Aug 31 9am • Rc † Leonard Marzen

Sept 1 noon • Rc † Josephine Bodock

Sept 3/4 23rd Sunday C

3:30pm • J † Edward Shamany r/o Mr./Mrs. Robert Fellin & Family

5:15pm • M Rich & Lynn Kuzmitsky (25th wedding anniv.)

8:15am • J † Helen & Joseph Wolk r/o Son Bob & Sons

10:15am • M † Joseph Mattes r/o Florence Dennison

❖ **STEWARDSHIP:** M: 8/7: S:1342; 8/14: S:1332; Cmp:102;

Dues: 540 • J: 8/7: S: 1643.10; 8/14: S: 1585; Cmp: 169.

Dues:630 *Stewardship of time, talent & treasure!*

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

•Next week:Sir3:17-18,20, 28-29; Heb 12:18-19,22-24a; Lk 14:1,7-14;
Wis 9:13-18b; Phlm 9-10;12-17; Lk 14:25-33

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Office hours: {starting 8/22} Mon - Thurs: 3:30-6:30pm.

❖ 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
Yanusiewicz •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 Irslinger •Al Mehalick •Helen Gurka
•Irene Feeko •Jennifer/Rose Gilliam •LouAnn Rader •Jim/Virginia
Spudis •Pauline Lorah •Mary Yadinskie •Anna May Kealy •Fr.

Raymond Slezak •Betty Lou Torpey •Rose Angelotti

•Virginia/Paul Staerk •Anthony Valanty •Perry Long

❖ **Bishop's Annual Appeal:** You have received the info. by
mail, respond by supporting the Appeal. As of now: goal/pledge:
(M) \$6,687.00/\$2,354.00 (J) \$8,122.00/\$5,322.00

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

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

❖ **Birthday Blessings:** Lydia Sutton: 8/22, Abigail O'Neil,
Isaiah Johnstone: 8/23; Marion Andrews, Teresa Horrox :
8/24; Patty Johnstone: 8/25; Lynn Kuzmitsky, Anne
Tomtishen:8/26; Christine Mencer: 8/27; Angela Lex, John
Oscovitch:8/28; Joleen Gober, Kathy Milefsky, Joyce
Macus:8/30; Richy Halford:8/31; son Alex & Jonathon
Biros, Richard Grabosky, Cindy Zienkiewicz: 9/1; Austin
Brennan, Cathy Rakus: 9/2; Pauline Lorah, Frank
Shatalsky: 9/3; Zack Schwalm, Fr Jim: 9/4.

❖ **Welcome New Members:** (M) Andrew & Joyce Mesarick

❖ **Memorial: @ M: Sandra Halford:** Frank/Rosemary Malocu

❖ **St. Joe's 50/50:** August chances now!

❖ **Joint Pastoral Council Meeting RC,** Sept. 26th 7-8pm
Mark your calendars as we move forward! **Finance council**
members: packets of the financial statement and budget are
available. See me.

❖ **St. Mary's: Nov 1: \$1K Drawing:** All Saints Drawing
\$2 @ for 10 chances to win: PA 7pm #4 Sellers needed!

❖ **Donation: J** received \$100 from Shepton Oneida Fire
Co. Thank you! It goes towards our new kitchen/hall.

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❖ Visit us on the web: www.stmarystjoseph.net

Reflection: August/Sept: During these days we enter into the
"hard sayings" of Jesus in St. Luke's Gospel. They are hard because
of the reality that Jesus, knowing he'd face persecution, the scandal
of the Cross and death. To prepare us, He offers direct challenges,
pointing us towards the ultimate goal: Life on high with the Lord of
Life. Last weekend we reflected on the challenges that come our
way, not because we've done something wrong, but we're trying to
do good!

The devil isn't worried about us when we give little time and effort
living this Catholic way of life. The devil is after us at the time when
we are trying our best. Why? We're worthy opponents. God boasts
about us as a parent their child! Of course, that angers the devil
(*remember he is still one of God's beloved*), he wants to spit in God's face
and show Him that he can get us to fall by the wayside, give up &
lose hope.

That is why the saints are so important. Despite all the challenges
they faced, saints are those sinners who did their best to surrender
their lives and will into God's care. We're anticipating these days for
the canonization of Mother Teresa of Calcutta. What a great time
for us to ask for her intercession. She wasn't impressed with
president or pauper. She spoke the truth to the Noble Peace Prize
gathering, before the President of the US & in the slums of Calcutta.
When asked if they could join her in her work, Mother sent people
back with the admonition to go find our "Calcutta" & there serve
Christ in the poorest of the poor. We need her courage, her
inspiration, her example. With her lips and her life, she pointed
always towards Jesus, the leader and perfecter of faith. (Heb 12)

Take the time to ponder these "hard sayings of Jesus," rededicate
ourselves to living with our suffering, dying & persecuted Lord. For
after the suffering, dying & persecution comes the great power of
New Life, Resurrection & Hope!

● Be a saint...what else is there? ●

Fr. Jim 🐾 & Peaches frjim.stmj@gmail.com

Mom faces some challenges & we're working on some options for
her comfort & peace. • I'll be away in Sept, welcome our missionary
priest, Fr. Zelonis, Msgr. Handges & Fr. Seifert! Help out if you see
a need!

❖ **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.

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



❖ **Wedding:** Congrats to **Zachary & Janel Fisher** married **Aug. 13 @ Cincinnati, OH.** Janel is the daughter of Randy/Pam Brown (J). Congrats to **Rich/Lynn Kuzmitsky** on their 25th anniv!

❖ **CCD:** Signup sheets are at the back of the church. Please sign your child up. The first day of class is Sept. 11, 2016 after mass.

❖ **Hosts:** We’re hearing that, with so many challenges to our faith, that the Blessed Sacrament is being stolen/received inappropriately at Mass at Churches across the land. 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 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 heard from Msgr. James @ diocese as to our project. He indicated that we have permission for our project, they are preparing a summary for an upcoming meeting in mid-Sept. and we’ll be making a request to build.

❖ **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.

❖ **Fr. Hamel ordered: Begone, Satan as his killers attacked!** *A translation of the homily delivered during the funeral Mass of Father Jacques Hamel, slain while saying Mass in a Normandy church, updated & improved upon...* Dear friends, the priest, Jacques Hamel has no more to fear God. He presents himself, now, with his righteous works. Of course, we are not the judges of the heart of our brother, but so many testimonials cannot be wrong: Father Jacques Hamel had a simple heart. He was the same whether with his family, with his brother and sisters, with his nieces and nephews, in the middle of the city with his neighbors, and in his community with the Christian faithful. 58 years of priesthood! 58 years in the service of Jesus as priest, that is to say, the servant of his Word, his Eucharist — his Eucharist and charity. [Before that fact] I feel very small. Of Jesus, Peter said that “Wherever he went, he did good.” Jacques, you were a faithful disciple of Jesus. Wherever you went, you did good... For you, Jacques, the resurrection of Jesus is not a catechism lesson, it is a reality, a reality for our heart, for the secret of the heart, a reality at the same time to share with others, as a confidence told with trust. And God knows, [as we stand] before the reality of your death as brutal and unjust and horrible, you must now tap into our hearts to help us find the light. Brothers and sisters, let us be true to ourselves... The death of Jacques Hamel called me to make a frank “yes,” — no, not a tepid yes — a “yes” to life, as the “yes” of Jacques to his ordination. And we must respond yes again and again. God will never force us. God is patient, and God is merciful. Even when I, Dominique, have resisted, and said “no” to love; even when I told God, “I will think about it; we will see later,” even when I have forgotten, God is patient. God expects me because of his infinite mercy. But today, can the world wait to forge the chain of love that will replace the chain of hatred? Will there be any other killings before we are to be converted to love, and to the justice that builds love — justice and love between individuals and peoples, whatever side of the Mediterranean they are located... Too many deaths! Enough! This is enough!

Evil is a mystery. It culminates in horrific moments that takes us beyond what is human. Is not that what you meant, Jacques, with your last words? You fell to the ground after the first stab; you tried to push your attacker with your feet, and you said, “Go away, Satan.” Again you said, “Begone, Satan.” In this you expressed your faith in humanity, created good, but gripped by the devil. “Jesus healed all who were oppressed by the devil,” says the Gospel.

This is not to excuse the murderers — those who make a pact with the devil! But we must uphold with Jesus that every man, every woman, every human person can change his heart with His grace... [for Fr’s family:] the path is hard... Your brother, your uncle was a pillar, and continues to be. It is not for me to yet call Father Jacques “martyr,” but how do we not

recognize the fruitfulness of the sacrifice he has lived in union with the sacrifice of Jesus, whom he faithfully celebrated in the Eucharist? The words and gestures of our Muslim friends, their coming here today, are a significant step. I also turn to you, Catholic community. We are hurt, dismayed but not destroyed. I turn to you who were baptized in our Catholic Church, especially if you do not come often to church, if you have forgotten how to do it... In tribute to Fr Hamel, we invite you to visit a church in the coming days, to make it plain that you refuse to allow desecration in the holy places, to be a witness that violence will not win in your own heart, to ask for God’s graces for it, to please light a candle in the church, a sign of resurrection; to collect yourself there, and to open your heart to what is most profound; to pray, if you can, to beg for mercy. August 15, the Feast of the Assumption, will be a most appropriate day. The Virgin Mary will welcome you with all her tenderness. Let us remember our own mother and pray, God, do not turn away from the pleas of your children, who look to you! God, bring to fulfillment in our hearts what your Son Jesus has begun! God, thank you for your son Jacques: console his family and raise up among us... new prophets of your love! Amen!

+ Dominique Lebrun Rouen Archbishop -aleteia.org/2016/08/02/fr-hamel-ordered-begone-satan-as-his-killers-attacked

❖ **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.

❖ **Redners Save-A-Tape:** Keep saving your receipts and put them in the collection basket. The parish benefits 1% from your purchases. If you are not registered, sign up at Redners service desk! Thanks to Sally McNamee for tallying them!

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

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

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

❖ **Senior Project:** Heather Lorah (M) & Rebecca May’s (*NS Sr. project*) to benefit The Helping Hands Society. The non-profit org. serves special needs children with educational & therapeutic assistance. Donations are accepted ‘til Sept.5th. Some examples of supplies needed/suggested: Puzzles, Playdough, Finger Paint, Craft sticks, Construction Paper.... see the flyer on the box.

❖ **Outside Events: Sheppton Fire Co:** Bingo 9/11 1pm • **Ringtown Library** NYC Bus trip: free day-11/12.

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