

# Community of Faith

July 6 – July 19

M: St Mary • J: St Joseph

**Daily Mass will be celebrated privately by Fr. Dominic**

**Tuesday, 7/7** *Weekday*

8:00am M St. Mary & St. Joseph's Parishioners

9:00am J † Justin Bara r/o Diane Castaro

**Wednesday, 7/8** *Weekday*

8:00am M † Joseph Wolfer

9:00am J Special Intention r/o Carol Frask

**Thursday, 7/9** *Weekday*

8:00am M † Mary Hammel

9:00am J Paul Medvetz r/o Anne Carevya

**Friday, 7/10** *Weekday*

8:00am M † Donna Kramer

9:00am J Special Intention r/o Genaro Frask Jr.

**Saturday, 7/11** *St. Benedict*

8:00am M † Paul Marth

9:00am J † Edward Schwartz

## 15<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Ordinary Time • Year A

4:00pm J † Mrs. Lorenz

r/o Madeline Bradford & Heather Conti

5:30pm M † Karen A. Washko r/o John J. Washko

## Sunday, 7/12 15<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Ordinary Time • Year A

8:00am J † Joseph Costa r/o Joanne & Al

9:30am M Ray & Arlene Sachleben (45<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniv.)

**Tuesday, 7/14** *St. Kateri Tekakwitha*

8:00am M † Stephen Frisch

9:00am J † Mary Sugra

**Wednesday, 7/15** *St. Bonaventure*

8:00am M † Anna Nederostek

9:00am J † John Siekonic

**Thursday, 7/16** *Our Lady of Mount Carmel*

8:00am M † Anthony Grabarits

9:00am J † Emma Ifkovits

**Friday, 7/17** *Weekday*

8:00am M † Theresa Kochenash

9:00am J St. Mary & St. Joseph's Parishioners

**Saturday, 7/18** *St. Camillus de Lellis*

8:00am M † Mary Simko

9:00am J † Lorraine Yapsuga

## 16<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Ordinary Time • Year A

4:00pm J † Irene Fuehrer r/o Ceci-Fuehrer & family

5:30pm M † William Lorah Jr. r/o Dennis & Patricia Fellin

## Sunday, 7/19 16<sup>th</sup> Sunday Ordinary Time • Year A

8:00am J † Mary Timko r/o daughter, Carol

9:30am M † Jeannie Cleveland

r/o Sherry & Gene Rejent & family

## Liturgy & Worship

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“Come to me, all you who labor and are burdened,  
and I will give you rest.” Mt. 11:25  
Why do we pray?

The Chosen people of God overcame their numerous enemies with prayer and trust in God more than with arms. On one occasion a very powerful enemy fell upon them in the desert. Moses sent his army to battle them and he ascended a mountain to pray. As long as he held his arms outstretched toward heaven, Israel overcame, but when he let his arms fall from fatigue, the enemy overcame. Therefore Aaron and Hur seated him upon a rock and held up his arms until the Israelites put their enemy to flight.

Prayer is a debt we owe to God; a debt of adoration, because He is our Lord and Master; a debt of thanksgiving, because He is our first and greatest Benefactor; a debt of sorrow; because we have offended Him by our sins.

Prayer is a duty because Jesus commanded us to pray and because in general spiritual and temporal graces are granted only to those who pray.

God grants much more than what we request.

### ❖ SUNDAY COLLECTIONS: UPDATED WHEN MASS RESUMES

#### Upcoming Collections:

July: Dues, Weekly, Cemetery, Bldg Fund, Mission Appeal

**Thank you so much** for mailing your weekly donation envelopes or donating online. We are still receiving our monthly bills during this pandemic and it truly does help.

❖ Pray for: Living: • Jaden Leiby • Fr. Jim Torpey and mother

**A note from the office:** During this time that we are on the stay-at-home request, I will be working from home. I will periodically check the mail and phone calls. Please be aware that if I am returning your call my phone number may come up on your phone as an unknown caller. I will be happy to help you in any way I can during this time. Stay safe, stay healthy.  
Lisa Balkiewicz/Secretary

❖ Parish Census: the office has sent out a census to all families of the parish. If you did not receive one, contact the office. Please send back your updated census ASAP.  
**It is very important that we update our computer system.**

**Parish Address: Please do not send mail directly to St. Joseph's Church, we do not have a mailbox on the premises. Send all mail to the parish office: 84 N. Center St., Ringtown, PA 17967**

Mass will be held **Saturday & Sunday only** outside on the church grounds.

Daily Mass will be celebrated privately by Fr. Dominic.

### Summer Mass Times

	St. Joseph's	St. Mary's
Saturday	4:00pm	5:30pm
Sunday	8:00am	9:30am

**\*Important notes:**

- You are not obligated to attend if you are not comfortable to do so.
- Please maintain 6' from your fellow parishioners.
- **Masks should be worn even outdoors if not 6' away from others**.
- No gathering after Mass.
- Bring your own folding chair if standing will be an issue.
- Be aware of the weather if you may need an umbrella or a jacket.
- If you or any family member you are in close contact with are ill we ask that you refrain from Mass.
- Communion will be at the end of Mass, and you are not obligated to receive if you do not feel comfortable.



❖ **Congratulations to the family of Reagan Catherine Wasko**, baptized July 5<sup>th</sup> @ St. Mary Parish.  
**Welcome to our family of faith!**

❖ **St. Joseph's Picnic:** Our Grand Raffle tickets have been distributed. We ask that you buy or sell the 2 tickets that you have received. Because we are not having our annual picnic this year, we ask that you go the extra mile & try to sell additional tickets. Please contact the parish office (889-3850), Donna Gulash (384-3774), or Bob/Jeanette Fellin (384-4431) & we will get additional tickets to you. Ticket returns can be dropped in the collection basket or mailed to the parish office.

**Thank you for your devotion to our parish!**

❖ **Block Party News.:** We are in the process of handing out our tickets for the Block Party's money drawing. With our masses just starting up and some people still being hesitant about attending, we are having a much more challenging job of handing these out. If you know someone who isn't going to church yet would you please consider taking their tickets to them? It would be greatly appreciated. The drawing will be held on September 5th at the Block Party. The envelopes also have a letter that explains our thoughts about this year's event and information about the basket auction. Please do the best you can with selling your tickets and considering donating a basket.

**Thank you to all our parishioners! Stay well!**



❖ **Cemetery Care: Rules & Regulations of the Diocese:**

▶ A detailed plan and design of all memorials **must be submitted** to the parish office for approval before a permit will be issued, and no memorial shall be erected or placed until checked, approved, and

accepted by the Cemetery Authorities. (submit to the office) **If the memorial does not conform in every detail to the approved design, it shall be the sole deficiencies in workmanship and material.**

- ▶ Memorial dealers shall abide by all the rules and regulations of the cemeteries.
- ▶ Each monument or flat marker shall have an acceptable Catholic symbol thereon.
- ▶ The Cemetery Authorities also have the right to charge a fee for any memorial left at the cemetery before any cemetery permits have been issued.
- ▶ **No** coping, curbing, fencing, hedging, borders, or enclosures of any kind shall be allowed around the plot. The Cemetery Authorities reserve the right without prior notice to remove same if so erected, planted, or placed.
- ▶ **No** work is allowed to be done by a plot owner. ex: grass cutting, adding fill, seeding, foundations. Call the office if you have any concerns.
- ▶ Perpetual Care is for grass care only. We do ask that you remove any old flowers etc. especially when the holiday is over.

**For more Rules & Regulations visit:**

[allentowndiocesecemeteries.org/rules-regulations/](http://allentowndiocesecemeteries.org/rules-regulations/)

**BECAUSE WE ARE CATHOLIC ANNUAL APPEAL**

As of today, **(M) 11.25%** **(J) 19.08%** of our parish families have joined the 2020 BECAUSE WE ARE CATHOLIC ANNUAL APPEAL. In other words, **(M) 16 (J) 16** parishioners have contributed **(M) \$841 (J) \$3,660** to support food programs, senior services, community outreach, Catholic schools, and more. Every dollar helps those in need. Imagine what we can do if 100% of our parish participates! Remember, every gift counts, no gift is too small. If you have any questions or would like to make a gift, please call the parish office or visit the Appeal website at:

[www.BecauseWeareCatholic.org](http://www.BecauseWeareCatholic.org)

PETER'S PENCE COLLECTION - The 2020 Annual Peter's Pence Collection, usually taken up on the Sunday closest to the Solemnity of Saints Peter and Paul, that was scheduled for June 29, has been delayed this year due to the corona-virus pandemic. The Holy See has asked that the collection be taken up on Sunday, October 4, 2020. Please use your envelope at that time. Thank you for your cooperation.

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**SAVE THE DATE**

September 28, 2020

Diocese of Allentown – Annual Golf Tournament  
Steel Club

Proceeds to benefit Seminarian & Catholic School Education

For more information contact Michele Mullikin at 610-871-5200 x2282 or [mmullikin@allentowndiocece.org](mailto:mmullikin@allentowndiocece.org)



**Community Events: Sheppton/Oneida Fire Co.:** Monthly bingo. 7/12 @ 1:00pm. • **St. Joseph the Worker/Frackville:** Ethnic Food Sale, St. Ann's Picnic Grove (rear of St. Anne's Church) 7/31 4-8pm & 8/1 12-8pm. Theme basket Auction winners will be chosen 7pm on 8/1. • **United Methodist Strawberry Social.** 7/12 4-8pm. (tentative)