

Mass Intentions for the Week

8/03 Mon 9:00 AM Claire Swislowksi
By Marge LaFave
8/04 Tues 9:00 AM Alycia Consuello & Family
By Alex
8/05 Wed 9:00 AM All Deceased Parishioners
8/06 Thurs 9:00 AM All Deceased Parishioners
8/07 Fri 9:00 AM Communion Service
8/08 Sat 4:00 PM Rev. Richard Mietzfeld
By Mathias Mietzfeld
8/09 Sun 10:30 AM Dorotea Delvalle
& Hilda Rivera
By The Family

Heartfelt Appreciation ~ From Joan Barber

Thank you to all who attended Tony's services, sent cards & masses and expressed in any way their condolences at his passing.

I am very grateful for your support.

Sincerely,
Joan Barber

Formed~ Thank You

Thank you to all who have contributed to FORMED this week. Your donations are greatly appreciated!

~The Faith Formation Office

Words of Appreciation

Thank you for the love, support, and prayers you shared with me on the 29th anniversary of my ordination to the Holy Priesthood. My heartfelt gratitude to the organizers of the Parish Coffee Hour and to all who joined in making the celebration special. I deeply appreciate your thoughtful gifts, kind words and prayerful presence. May god richly reward your goodness and bless you and your families with His peace, joy and grace.

With gratitude and prayers,
Fr. Dr. Ben

Envelopes

We are in the prep stage for next year. If anyone received envelopes and are not using them please contact the office at 607-563-1591.

18th Sunday in Ordinary Time-God's Boundless Generosity

Faith offers us great consolation and the assurance that we are never alone. Our faithful and loving God walks with us each day, guiding our steps, strengthening our hearts, and providing for our needs. His constant presence reminds us that we are always held securely in His loving care.

Today's readings invite us to place our trust completely in God's providence, confident that He can take our limited resources and transform them into abundant blessings.

In the first reading, the prophet Isaiah extends God's gracious invitation: "Come to the water...eat and drink without cost."

Isaiah proclaims that God gifts are freely given and abundantly available to all. The psalmist echoes this truth, praising the Lord who opens His hand to satisfy the desire of every living creature.

Saint Paul further strengthens our faith by proclaiming that nothing, neither hardship nor suffering, neither trial nor even death itself, can separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus.

In the Gospel, Jesus feeds the hungry crowd with five loaves and two fish. What seemed insufficient in human eyes became more than enough in His hands. Through this miracle, Jesus reveals God's compassionate heart and tender care for His people, especially those who are poor, hungry, weary, and in need.

The multiplication of the loaves also points us to the Eucharist, the Bread of life. At every Mass, Christ continues to nourish us with His Word and with His Body and Blood. He satisfies our spiritual hunger, strengthens us in our weaknesses and accompanies us on our journey toward heaven.

As we recipients of God's abundant love, we are called to become channels of His generosity in the world. By placing our time, talents, and gifts in service to the Lord and neighbor, we allow Christ to work through us.

What we have may seem small or insignificant, yet when faithfully entrusted to Him, it can become a source of grace, hope, and blessing for many.

May the Lord deepen our trust in His providence, open our hearts to generous service, and make us bread broken and shared for a world longing for hope, faith, love, and compassion. Amen.

God bless.

Fr. Dr. Ben Ampong

Weekend of August 8th & 9th , 2026

First Reading- 1 Kings 19:9a, 11-13a

Second Reading: Romans 9:1-5

Saturday 4:00 PM

Celebrant: Fr. Ben

Lector: Sheri Youngs

Eucharistic Ministers: Jane Artis, Mary Early, Gene Walsh

Altar Servers:

19th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Gospel: Matthew 14:22-33

Sunday 10:30AM

Fr. Ben

Lorraine Keckeisen

Josh Gronwall, Emelinda Gronwall, Ada Rice

Anderson & Garret Callender

Offerings from July 25th & 26th , 2026: Regular \$1905.00; Repairs 33.00;
Evangelist \$50.00; Peter's Pence \$651.00

Mission Coop Appeal

Pope Leo XIV has called us too be a church of missionaries. And there is no better way to do that than supporting the missionary that will be coming to your parish this summer.

It makes a tremendous difference in the communities and the good work we support.

Last year, through the Mission Cooperative Program, our Diocese raised \$258,793.28.

This year Sacred Heart will host the Diocese of Norwich, CT.- Outreach for Haiti, August 22nd & 23rd.

A second collection will be taken that weekend to support this mission. Please give as you are able, and keep the people of Haiti and all missionaries in your prayers.

Thank you for your generosity and let's continue to support the great work of the Church around the world!

Save the Date ~ KOC Dinner Dance

Fundraiser for St. John's and Sacred Heart
9/19/2026, 5:30PM ~ Sacred Heart Parish Center
Dinner, Dessert, and DJ.
More information to come!

Share the Bounty Dinner ~ August

The group doing August Bounty is unable to cook – Please help out. We need your help with:

- 1) Desserts ~ needed by Aug. 27th
- 2) Need helpers to prepare the food, we have a menu. Please contact Paula at 607-563-7066 to sign up.

St. Paul's Church – Summer Movie Night 2026

The Old Hancock Cinemas/Now the Bridgewater Church

Aug. 4, @ 6:30PM

Movie – House of David – Episode 1 & 2

Aug. 11, @ 6:30PM

Movie – House of David – Episode 3 & 4

Aug. 18, @ 6:30PM

Movie – House of David – Episode 5 & 6

Aug. 25, @ 6:30PM

Movie – House of David – Episode 7 & 8

Sept. 1 @ 6:30PM

Movie - TBD

Movie, popcorn soda – free!

All are welcome!!!!

For more information see flyer on bulletin board.

July Bulletin Quotes

O God our Creator – through the power and working of your Holy Spirit, you call us to live out our faith in the midst of the world, bringing the light and the saving truth of the Gospel to every corner of society.

~ *United States Conference of Catholic Bishops*

Lay Carmelite Community Forming

We invite you to explore the developing Third Order Carmelite Community of St. Elias Province at St. Mary's Our Lady of the Lake Church, Cooperstown. We will be having a Come and See informational meeting **Saturday, August 22 at noon in St. Mary's Parish Hall in Cooperstown.** Join us and see the beauty of the 800 year old Carmelite tradition. For more information and to register for the meeting, please contact Diane Butz at 607-643-3796 or dbutztoc@gmail.com. Please see flyer in vestibule for more information.

Peter Pence ~ Thank You

Thank you for your generous support in last week's Peter Pence Collection! Our contributions join those from our brothers and sisters worldwide to help Pope Leo XIV in his ministry to the Universal Church, including relief to people in need and support for the Holy See.

Dinner with Bishop Mark O'Connell

August 15 ~ After Mass

The last day to purchase tickets is today
Sunday August 2nd.

Tickets are \$15.00 each and will be available after Mass in the vestibule.

Joint Parish Picnic

Sacred Heart & St. Paul the Apostle Church
Sunday August 23rd ~ 2PM – 7PM



Oquaga Creek State Park

Come join us for food & fellowship!

More information in flyer in vestibule.

Diocesan Appeal 2027

The 1st mailing has gone out already. If you have not received the mailing let us know. Thank you!

Please pray for the following people, who have requested our prayers: Joe LaFave, Ginni Roe, Gabi Bakeman, Kimberlee Roe, Michael Bell, Barbara Bennett, Kim Sumski, Grady Charles Weigand, Daniel Rickard, Dorothy Kashuda, Alyson Sabillon, Linda Falk, Bonnie La Voie, Doug Williams, Faith Williams, Don Butler, Debra Patterson, Ed Nicol, Dawn Maruszewski, Madlyn Sumski, Alex Roberts, Mary Munetz, Jazmiers Moore, Bruce Allen, Kimberly Bosket, David Rivera, Jackie Bargher, Matthew Baxter, Darline Smith, Joseph Dermody, Alice Anderson, Sandy Kemp, George Walters, Lorraine Keckseisen, Maria LaBar, John McCann, Natalie Stone, Marian Heeps, Mary Kolermous, Terri Cristofaro, Nancy Daugherty, Mark Morotwe, Sharon Guenther, Kira Cronk, Terry Yackel, Jack Yackel, Jim Mylotte, Alice Walters, Rev. Steve Deckard, Nick Gibson, Andy Woods, Bob Jenks, Dolores Starzinger, Alexis Spencer, Ines Warlock, Susan Chidester, Bob Oliver, Rose LoCasci, Eugene & Yvonne Cutler, Timothy Bell, Ruth Glaum, Holly North, Dixy Pflug, Celeste Hartman, Aidan Burns, James Jennings, Marge Suriano, Marlena Keath, Marian Agyemang, Frank Holley, Nicholas Gaedeke, Gary Maraia, Rachel Feyh, Marge LaFave, Olivia Ross & family, Joe Maggio, Eric Roll, Barbara Haynes, Renee Joseph, Charlie Washburn, James Rattrie, Sean Granan, Marge Ramsey, Fran Groshans, Marion Kiselic, Pat Nabinger, James Stanley, Chris Smith, Bonnie De Salvo, Lori White, Ellen Reuter, Jaxson Beadle, Francis Duguay, Joan Rice, John MacDonald, Rowan DeCocker, Stephanie Soldingier, Bonnie Tabone, John Gilmore, Will Sterchak, Donna Khan, Anthony Barber, Jr., Payton Lakin, Joan Barber, Mathias Mietzelfeld, Maggie Hoffman, Marybeth Modinger, Jacqueline Richardson, Celeste Aber, Teri Frallich, Andrea Emilia Bernabey, Bill Babbage, Sarah Pressler, Chris West, Dawn Cronin, Josephine Materazzo, Avery Maggio, Barb & Jerry Patrick, Paisley Halbert, John MacDonald, Anne Klopchin, Gloria Parsons, Anthony Naple, Danielle Spry, Ellen Hogan, Bradley Lathan, Peter Burghardt Jr., The Family of Mufide, Kathy Saludo, Elizabeth Cline, Robert Ostrander, Kyle Banas, Kristin Barber, Ellen Hogan, Susan Hanaway

Please note: All names will remain on our prayer list and will be prayed for unless our office is notified to remove an individual.