



Mass Intentions for the Week

9-11	Mon	9:00 AM	In honor of 57 th Anniversary of Jim & Nancy Ives By Nancy Ives
9-12	Tues	9:00 AM	Edna Ludwig By Pat Elbrecht
9-13	Wed	9:00 AM	Ken Fisher By Charlie & Jean McKilligan
9-14	Thurs	9:00 AM	Julia McCann By Rose & Marge
9-15	Fri	9:00 AM	Communion Service
9-16	Sat	4:00 PM	Joseph Schalk By Lucy Hindle & family
9-17	Sun	10:30 AM	Father Gordon By Phyllis Blincoe

REQUESTS
FOR
PRAYER

Please call Chris Granan 607-563-1503 for the next few weeks with requests for the prayer chain. Also, please notify the Parish

Office if you are aware of a name on the prayer list that can be removed.

Share the Bounty

Thank you to all who helped in any way for August's dinner. It was very well attended with over 100 dinners served thanks to your help and participation. The date for September's dinner has been moved to Tuesday, September 26th to accommodate the set up for the Harvest Festival.

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Faith Formation Office

23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time
Be Thy Neighbor's Keeper

We travel in this earthly life not only as individuals but also as a community and companions encouraging and correcting one another to become who God intends each of us to be.

God wants us to be our neighbor's keeper and help one another on the way to salvation.

In the first reading, God appointed Ezekiel as a watchman over the house of Israel. He called Ezekiel to guide his people and warn them to turn away from sin and wickedness.

God made it clear to Ezekiel that he will hold him responsible for the soul of the sinner if he fails to speak out and try to correct the sinner.

In the gospel, Jesus talks about the need for forgiveness and reconciliation in our lives. He gives us a three-step procedure on how to offer fraternal correction and to help repair or mend broken relationships.

In the first step, Jesus tells us to approach the person who offended or hurt us and talk to him or her privately. In case this attempt fails, we should go an extra mile to bring one or two others with us to resolve the dispute. And if the second approach fails, we should seek the help of the Christian community. Jesus tells us that if reconciliation does not occur in the end, we should treat the person as a Gentile or a tax collector.

Fraternal correction is important for the wellbeing of individuals, family and community but it is a difficult and challenging task. This work requires courage, compassion, patience, humility and gentleness and prudence. We need these qualities in order to speak the truth and help others to know their mistakes and change for the better.

But sometimes we take delight in spreading the mistakes of others around through gossip. This behavior does not help to bring about healing and restoration.

On the other hand, many of us find it hard to accept correction from others. We think that we are always right and others are wrong. Such attitude sabotages reconciliation and the healing process and it goes a long way to damage our relationships with others.

Some of us harbor ill-feelings or hold grudges against others. Perhaps you and I have not spoken to a family member, a sister or a brother, a relative or a friend for a long time due to feelings of resentment and hurts.

Yes, it is upsetting when someone offends or hurts us but as Christians it is important that we do well to overcome this human emotion. We should try to correct wrongdoing not in anger but in love and charity. It is this Christ-like attitude that can help us to be true watchmen for our sisters or brothers and bring them on the right track.

Saint Paul urges us in the second reading to live in mutual love. He says that love does no evil to the neighbor. The Psalmist also reminds us that if today we hear the Lord's voice, we should not harden our hearts. All of us have thoughts, feelings and actions that we need to surrender to the Lord. Let us open our hearts to God's message and walk on the path of righteousness so we too can be watchmen for others. This week, let us all do our best to be thy neighbor's keeper.

God bless.

Rev. Dr. Ben

Weekend of September 16th & 17th, 2023

First Reading- Sirach 27:30-28:7

Saturday 4:00 PM

Celebrant:

Fr. Ben

Lector:

Carole Ostrander

Eucharistic Ministers:

Nancy Kahane

Altar Servers:

Anderson & Garret Callender

Second Reading- Romans 14:7-9

24th Sunday on Ordinary Time

Gospel- Matthew 18:21-35

Sunday 10:30AM

Fr. Ben

Bill Babbage

Pat Smith

Jack, Henry & Ella Grigoli

Offerings of September 2nd & 3rd, 2023 Regular, \$2,694.00; Fuel, \$210.00; Feast of the Assumption, \$25.00; Evangelist, \$10.00; Repairs, \$15.00; Catholic Home Missions, \$140.00; Catholic University, \$10.00; FORMED, \$377.00



- September 10th- Registration for Faith Formation if not pre-registered- 10:30 AM Mass only
- September 13th- 7:00 PM Catechists meeting
- September 17th- 9:00-10:15 AM Pre-K -10th Grade classes begin
Catechetical Sunday-commissioning of Catechists at Masses
- September 21st- Confirmation 6:30 PM

The weekend of September 2nd & 3rd, 2023 the regular collection and Feast of the Assumption was \$.00. The budget for the regular collection is \$2,395.00. To date we have collected \$22,276.00 which is \$665.00 above budget.

Harvest Festival 2023



The Harvest Festival this year is on October 6th & 7th! We need crafts for the Craft Booth, items for the Farmer's Market, Treasure Chest, soups and baked

goods. Please bring your donations for the Treasure Chest and Craft booth to the Parish Center **before October 6th** so the items can be priced.

NO books, CD's, DVD's, and VHS (can be donated to the Nex-to-New)

No stuffed animals (donate to local ambulance squads)

No clothing (can be donated to the Nex-to-New)

No electronics (computers, printers, tape players, etc.)

Donations of glassware, ceramics, and dishes must be **CLEAN** and should be chip free. Small kitchen appliances and all electrical items must be clean and in working order. Holiday decorations especially; Halloween, Thanksgiving, Christmas and Easter would be most appreciated.

Treasure Chest and Craft Booth **donations should be brought inside** the Parish Center during office hours. Please contact the Parish Office, 607-563-1591, if you are unable to come during office hours to arrange for a time to bring in your donations. *To be in compliance with fire and safety codes please do not leave items outside or inside in the doorways or hallways.*

Sign-up sheets for volunteers for this year's Harvest Festival will be in the vestibule of the church on September 23rd and 24th.

September Bulletin Quotes

"By our baptism, we are members of Christ's body and sharers in his mission. Imitating Christ, we must care for all members of our communities, honoring each person as unique, sacred, and created in the image of God."

USCCB, "Open Wide Our Hearts" Bulletin Insert

Register now for the NYS Eucharistic Congress

Catholics from across New York State are planning to come together at Our Lady of Martyrs Shrine in Auriesville on October 20-22, 2023 to celebrate the real presence of Our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ in the Eucharist. For details and to register (**EVERYONE ATTENDING MUST REGISTER**), log onto <https://nyseucharisticcongress.org>.

There is also a pilgrimage being planned, a walk from the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception to Auriesville along the Empire Trail. You can walk all or part of the 4 day pilgrimage. To find out more information on this event go to www.wayofmartyrs.org

CALLING ALL CRAFTERS

You have been gifted with a talent and now is your chance to share your talent with others. We are in need of modern day crafts for our upcoming Harvest Festival. Any and all crafts are welcome! If you do woodworking, sewing, scrapbooking, card making, farmhouse home decor, photography, holiday ornaments and more, please donate to the success of our Harvest Festival. Items may be delivered to the parish office Monday-Thursday from 9:00am to 1:00pm. If these times are not convenient for you, call Pat Smith at 607-563-3118 or Pat Tartaglia at 607-563-3920 to make arrangements for delivery.

Worldwide Marriage Encounter

Romans 13:8: "Brothers and Sisters: Owe nothing to anyone, except to LOVE one another, for the one who loves another has fulfilled the law." Want to make your good marriage even better? Sign up for a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Experience. Registration is limited; there is a \$100 application fee. For more information or to apply, call Frank & Margie Pearson at 860-337-2447 or <https://www.mectw.org/>.

The date to sign up is:

September 22-24, 2023, in Huntington, NY (Immaculate Conception Seminary)

Please pray for the following people, who have requested our prayers: Gussie Shifflett, Steve Pickwick, Joe LaFave, Ginni Roe, Gabi Bakeman, Bettye Pete, George Mertz, Kimberlee Roe,

Grady Charles Weigand, Kevin, Michael Bell, Barbara Bennett, Daniel Rickard, Andre' Lundstrom, Mark & Andrea, Kim Sumski, Dorothy Kashuda, Alyson Sabillon, Linda Falk, Jake Delay, Debra Barnard, Diane, Bonnie La Voie, Doug Williams, Faith Williams, Don Butler, Debra Patterson, Ed Nicol, Dawn Maruszewski, Carey, Madlyn Sumski, Alex Roberts, [Paul J. Hamilton, Sr.](#), Ray & Mary Munetz, Jazmers Moore, Bruce Allen, Kimberly Bosket, David Rivera, Jackie Bargher, [Matthew Baxter](#), Darline Smith, Daniel, Joseph Dermody, Alice Anderson, Sandy Kemp, [George Walters](#), Lorraine Keckeisen, Maria LaBar, Kathryn Wickham, [Patrick](#), John McCann, Natalie Stone, Marian Heeps, Mary Kolermous, Clare Sterchak, Terri Cristofaro, Liliana, Nancy Daugherty, Mark Morotwe, Sharon Guenther, Kira Cronk, Terry Yackel, Fr. Hearn, Jack Yackel, Jim Mylotte, Alice Walters, Mariah Pierce, [Rev. Steve Deckard](#), Terry Nicolini, [Tammy Byrnes](#), Nick Gibson, Andy Woods, Bob Jenks, Jane, Dolores Storzinger, Alexis Spencer, Susan Chidester, Ines Warlock, Alyce Hopkins, [Bob Oliver](#), Rose LoCasci, Eugene & Yvonne Cutler, Timothy Bell, Barb Doyle, Ruth Glaum, Tom DeMulder, Holly North, Dixy Pflug, Tony & Lila Donnolo, Stefanie Smith, Celeste Hartman, Aidan Burns, Bill, Alicen Knapp Feroletto, Assunta Siniscalchi, James Jennings, Marge Suriano, Marlena Keath, Marian Agyemang, Frank Holley, Nicholas Gaedeke, Pat Hamilton, Gary Marara, Rachel Feyh, Mike Andersen, Marge LaFave, Denise Dinato, Joe Maggio, Olivia Ross & family, Anne Terzo, Eric Roll, Barbara Haynes, Jess Johansen, Renee Joseph, Susan Pandolfino, Charlie Washburn, Sean Granan, Marge Ramsey, Beverly Pierce, Fran Groshans, Marion Kiselica, a dear friend, Anne Powell, Father Peter, John Miller, Pat Nabinger, James Stanley, Chris Smith, Marlena, Pat Elbrecht, Dorothy Cronin, Anthony Barber, Jr., Bonnie De Salvo, Lori White, James Rattrie, Danielle Guglielmo, Ellen Reuter, Francis & Alfredine Duguay, Chelsi Byrne, Jaxson Beadle, Tom Ruff, Joan Rice, Joe Santorelli, Jaime Mathewson, Theo Williams, Joan Barber

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

