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**24<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time, September 17, 2023**  
**ST. LUCY/ST. BERNADETTE MASS SCHEDULE - SUNDAY 9:00 AM**

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**Marriage**

**Contact Fr. Rick six months in advance.**

**Reconciliation**

**Confessions available by appointment or prior to Sunday morning Mass**

**Baptism**

**Baptism Prep classes are held every 4 to 6 weeks as announced.**

**Dates for Baptism are scheduled after preparation class.**

**PASTORAL CARE**

**Please pray for our sick and homebound:**

Gary Adams, Mary Caluori, Rosemary Caruso, Diane Champion, Carmella Childs, Renate Czapski, Tyler Doolittle, Lourdes Catherine Encarnacion, Miriam Flower, Ralph Fusco, Jack Gardy, Mary Gobel, Carolyn Goracy, Danielle Healey, Mary Jones, Jane Kuon, Thomas Lanni, Francine Magoon, Jeremy Male, Lisa Matott, Maureen McCarthy, Alicia McGann, Darla Mohr, Jordan Munroe, Jen Murphy, Jackie O'Rourke, Marie Phillipuk, Lauri Priddle, Robert Pruzeh, Faith Roe, Dana Sherman, Patricia Spohr, James Sullivan, Alice Vorwerk

*\*Please note: If someone on our prayer list is back to good health, please let the office know, so we can remove their name from the list. Thank you !*

**Please pray for those who are serving in the military:**

Luke Aulita, Zack Boughner, Angela Chaney, Emily Chaney, Mitchell Chaney, Ashton Heim, Robert Klenotiz, 3<sup>rd</sup>, John Krzemien, David Larkin, Seth Powers, Ethan Schager, Shawn Swears, Sean Teeter, Nick Tissandier, Austin Torres, Victor Trottier, Christian Viola

**MINISTER:**

**This Week (9/17)**

**Lector**

**Eucharistic Minister**

**Safety Officer**

**Ushers/Usherettes**

9:00am

Julie Phillips

Louise, Tim, Chris

Nancy Trumpler

C. Francis, D. Krzemien, C. DeMuth

Children's liturgy: Stacey Snyder

Church cleaners: Team #3 week of September 17-23 Marti McLoughlin, Donna McDonald

**Next Week (9/24)**

**Lector**

**Eucharistic Minister**

**Safety Officer**

**Ushers/Usherettes**

9:00am

P. Virkler

Lynne, Valerie, Chuck

Nancy Trumpler

C.Francis, Y. Terplak, L. Healey

Children's liturgy: Erin Bremer

Church cleaners: Team #4 week of September 24-30 Nancy Trumpler, Alex Van Deusen, Andrew Van Deusen

🙏 ANNOUNCED MASSES 🙏

September 17, 2023

9:00am Philip Algene R. Koh & Ligaya Salamat  
Requested by Minda & Joe Bongiardina & family

September 24, 2023

9:00am The well-being of the Parish

SACRIFICIAL SHARING

The Parish Budget, to better reflect expenses is based on a weekly offering of \$ 3,600.00  
*Thank you!* Last week's offertory 3,134.75

September 10, 2023

Offertory 3,134.75  
Fuel & Heat 5.00

Catholic University 5.00  
Food Pantry 25.00

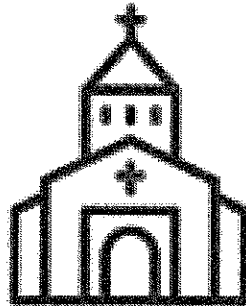
September 11, 2022

Offertory 2,642.00

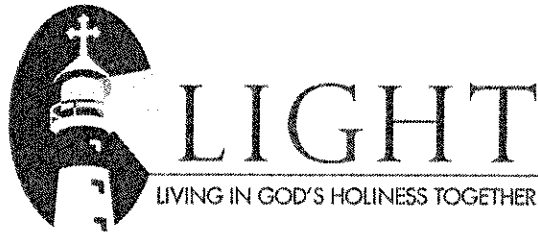
**Next week there will be a Diocesan Collection for The Catholic University of America and other Catholic higher educational needs.** Your gift will support Catholic University of America students who go on to serve the nation and transform the world. Please prayerfully consider this appeal.

ALTAR  
SERVERS

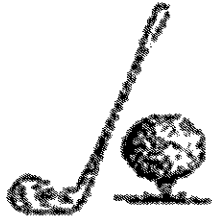
The time has come to reinstate the practice of having Altar Servers. If you feel the call to minister in this way, please call Donna at the office 518-861-8770 or email [lyonsd@rcda.org](mailto:lyonsd@rcda.org). I'm looking forward to hearing from you.



We are most grateful for the response from our Parishioners willing to help our community with Sacramental Prep for First Reconciliation and First Communion. A big thank you also for the volunteers interested in the Baptismal and Funeral and Bereavement Ministries.



We are excited to let you know about our first LIGHT session at the end of October. As always, it will be followed by a potluck lunch and fellowship. More information and sign-up sheets will be available next week.



*The Golf Tournament was a success!*

Many thanks to all who participated in our 17th Annual Golf Tournament! We especially thank Cathy Turck and Kim DePeaux our co-chairpersons, Lou DeMaria who continues to be our chief consultant, Don and Chris Dennis, Karen Bunzey, Sr. Lou, Sr. Pat and Minda Bongiardina!!!!

*We were overwhelmed with the wonderful community spirit of our St. Lucy/St. Bernadette Parish.*

*Kudos to those of you who golfed with us, and when we asked for other ways for parishioners to participate if not a golfer, many of you provided beautiful theme baskets, auction items and purchased cash raffle tickets, theme basket tickets and/or took out a sponsor ad. We are so grateful to Donna, Yvette & Stephen, Dave and Katrina, Marian, and all the other wonderful helpers on Monday who covered registration, selling tickets, sitting at prize holes on the golf course, setting up the theme baskets, auction, etc. Thank you to Sister Lou for coming through with the weather at the last minute. We will let you know the monetary results next week.*

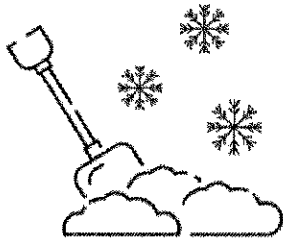
**October 20-22, 2023**

**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. The Congress will feature inspiring talks, Mass, Eucharistic adoration, opportunities for confessions, inspiring music and more. For details and to register, log onto <https://nyseucharisticcongress.org>

## Volunteers Needed

The Churches of St. Matthew's, Christ the King, St. Lucy's, and St. Thomas the Apostle plan to begin the Gabriel Project® as part of our Walking with Moms in Need program. The Gabriel Project® is a pro-life and parish-based program offering assistance to women experiencing difficult circumstances during their pregnancy. We need volunteers to accompany pregnant women and assist them spiritually, physically, emotionally, and materially. If you are interested in learning more about the Gabriel Project®, you can come to the training meeting at St. Thomas on Saturday, September 23, at 9:30 am in the parish office conference room. For more information, please contact Louise Schrecongost in the (St. Thomas) parish office: 518-439-4951.



St. Lucy/St. Bernadette is looking for snow removal assistance beginning this coming Winter.

The job would involve clearing snow from the Parish Center parking lot, the Church parking lot, and the sidewalks.

More details to follow regarding frequency etc.

We are checking around but wanted to begin the search here to see if there was interest within the Parish, and/or to see if someone within the Parish had someone they could recommend for this.

Thank you!

*Starting September 11<sup>th</sup>, the Church will be unlocked for visitation, on Monday, Wednesday and Friday from 9:00 am - 2:00 pm.*

## Exploring the Sunday Readings

### 24<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

September 17, 2023

1<sup>st</sup> reading Sir 27:30—28:7

2<sup>nd</sup> reading Rom 14:7-9

Gospel Mt 18:21-35

### 25<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

September 24, 2023

1<sup>st</sup> reading Is 55:6-9

2<sup>nd</sup> reading Phil 1:20c-24,27a

Gospel Mt 20:1-16