

# Mass for the Intentions Week

7-29	Mon 9:00 AM	All deceased parishioners
7-30	Tues 9:00 AM	All deceased parishioners
7-31	Wed 9:00 AM	All deceased parishioners
8-1	Thurs 9:00 AM	Jim Suriano
		By Marge LaFave
8-2	Fri 9:00 AM	Communion Service
8-3	Sat 4:00 PM	Jim Suriano
		By the family
8-4	Sun 10:30 AM	Joseph Santorelli
		By Joe & Terry Maggio

#### Step Up Men's Conference 2024

This year's conference is being held at St. Edward the Confessor in Clifton Park on August 10<sup>th</sup> from 8:15 AM-3:30 PM. For more information and to register go to: <a href="https://www.rcda.org/StepUp">https://www.rcda.org/StepUp</a>. Additional information is on the flyer posted on the bulletin boards by each exit and in the vestibule.

### Saint Mary Recycle Mission

We received a mailing from Saint Mary Recycle Mission in Lancaster, Pennsylvania and would like to offer our parishioners the opportunity to participate in this worthy undertaking. If you have used and unwanted religious items please consider donating them to Saint Mary Recycle Mission in Lancaster, Pennsylvania. They help to rescue and preserve religious articles. All donations need to be made before 10:30 AM Monday, July 29<sup>th</sup>. Saint Mary's will be here to pick up our donations at 10:30 on Monday, July 29<sup>th</sup>. You can learn more about this organization by going to www.St.MaryRecycleMissionGroup.com.

#### **Upcoming Meetings and Events in July**

28<sup>th</sup> – Anointing of the Sick Mass at 2:00 PM followed by Golden Age Party for registered parishioners 75+ years of age

## 17th Sunday in Ordinary Time World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly!

This weekend, we join with the Holy Church of God to celebrate World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly. This special day was instituted Pope Francis, four years ago. It is observed on every year on the Fourth Sunday of July. On this day, we take time to honor and show our appreciation for our Grandparents and the Elderly for their role and vocation in our lives.

The theme for this year's celebration is: "Do not cast me off in my old age" (Psalm 71: 9). These words from the Psalmist call us to help our Grandparents and the Elderly to know God's constant care for their lives through our closeness to them and our show of love and respect for them.

The readings for this Sunday talk about God's graciousness and his abundant provision which go beyond our expectations. The readings highlight the fact that our little or small deeds can do wonders or significant things in people's lives. In the first reading and the gospel, both Elisha and Jesus fed the hungry crowd with a few barley loaves. The first reading tells us that a man brought twenty barley loaves and grain to the prophet Elisha which he used to feed over hundred people. Everyone had enough to eat and there were some left overs.

In the gospel, Jesus multiplied the five barley loaves and two fish to feed over five thousand people. The five barley loaves and the two fish were brought by a young boy.

Jesus took the gifts and gave thanks and distributed them to the hungry crowd. After everyone had eaten and had their fill, the disciples gathered the leftovers of about twelve baskets of fragments. This action teaches us to manage our resources wisely and avoid waste in our lives.

The two stories about the miraculous feedings offer profound spiritual truths for our faith journey. The stories give us the glimpse of the Holy Eucharist which is the spiritual meal Jesus shares with us in every mass to nourish and sustain our souls. Jesus shows us a heart that reaches out to others. When he looked up and saw the great crowd coming toward him, he said to Philip, "Where can we buy bread for these people to eat"? (John 6:5).

Philip provided the answer most of us will give, "Not even with two hundred days wages could we buy loaves enough to feed such a huge crowd." (John 6:7). Like Philip, we often burden ourselves with limited perceptions of things. We let the immensity of difficult circumstances overwhelm us and we decide to do nothing to help out someone in need.

Jesus challenges us to overcome such attitude and calls us to trust in his father's graciousness to turn our little resources into abundance and enough for everyone. The young boy encourages us to be sensitive to the plight of others and be ready to share our little resources with those in need.

Let us all trust the Lord with our little resources and work to advance his kingdom on earth. Let us ask him for the grace to live in unity and peace, and always show love and respect for one another especially our Grandparents and the Elderly. God bless.

Rev. Dr. Ben

Weekend of August 3rd & 4th, 2024

First Reading-Exodus 16:2-4 Second Reading-Ephesians 4:17, 20-24

Saturday 4:00 PM

Celebrant:Fr. BenLector:Pat ElbrechtEucharistic Ministers:Jane ArtisAltar ServersAyla & Quinn Gronwall

**Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time** 

Gospel- John 6:24-35

Sunday 10:30AM

Fr. Ben Phyllis Blincoe Paula Ciborowski Anderson & Garret Callender Faith Formation News Save the Date: July  $31^{st}$ -



Sky Zone Park Trip- for youth of the parish Letters have been sent out with information about the event.

The 52nd Annual Diocesan Marriage Jubilee Celebration will be held on Sunday, September 29th, 2024, at 3:00 PM, at Christ Our Light Catholic Church, 1 Maria Drive, in Loudonville. Couples celebrating their 25<sup>th</sup>, 40<sup>th</sup>, 50<sup>th</sup> or other special wedding anniversaries are invited to attend this celebration. Bishop Edward B. Scharfenberger will celebrate the Mass at 3:00 PM and greet couples and their guests at a reception in the Parish Hall at Christ Our Light immediately following Mass.

\*Please register through your parish office or by email to Marriage.Jubilee@rcda.org.

If you are unable to attend but would like a certificate commemorating your special anniversary please contact the Parish Office by August 31, 2024.

### Pilgrimage to Rome

Young adults 18-30 years of age, Dave Stagliano, Diocesan Coordinator for Youth/Young adult Ministry is looking to see if there is interest in a Jubliee pilgrimage to Rome in July 2025. See the flyer in the vestibule for more information on how to express your interest.

#### **August Birthdays**

3<sup>rd</sup> - Michael Reif Karleigh Roberts Moran



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2<sup>nd</sup>- David & Paula Dewey



#### **FORMED**

Thank you to all who have donated so far to support our FORMED subscription. We are half-way there! There is still time to help reach our goal. Any donation, large or small, will be appreciated. Please prayerfully consider helping.



Next Saturday, August 3<sup>rd</sup>, after the 4:00 PM Mass we will meet in church to pray the Rosary. All are welcome to join.

#### **July Bulletin Quotes**

"Because of our belief and hope in the Resurrection, we can face death not with fear, but with preparation.... We prepare for eternal life by choosing to love and follow God now, in our daily lives and decisions." Read more at www.respectlife.org/end-of-life-considerations.

USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities "Catholic Considerations for Our Earthly Passing"

#### **Peter's Pence Collection**

Today is the Peter's Pence Collection, a worldwide collection that supports the work of the Universal Church, including the work of the Holy See and the charitable works of Pope Francis. Take this opportunity to join with Pope Francis and be a sign of mercy to our suffering brothers and sisters. Please be generous today. For more information, visit, www.obolodisanpietro.va/en.html.



Next weekend is our monthly collection for our local food bank. Donations of canned and boxed food items, as well as boxed cereal are always appreciated.



Donations of diapers, baby shampoo and lotions as well as baby formula are always appreciated. Place your donations in the basket in the vestibule.

#### **Diocesan Gathering**

Please see the flyer in the vestibule and at each of the exits or the link below for how to submit your response to the Diocesan Gathering information survey. ANYONE can respond to the survey within the parish/network that might be interested in some form of Diocesan Gathering to further their ministry or for just an interest in a particular ministry. Once the Diocese gathers information from the survey, they will be assembling a planning team to consider the suggestions and options.

Thank You,

The Office for Discipleship Formation team

Survey direct link -

https://forms.gle/Nih5FFqpG3YrGs92A

Please pray for the following people, who have requested our prayers: Gussie Shifflett, Steve Pickwick, Joe LaFave, Ginni Roe, Gabi Bakeman, Kimberlee Roe, Kevin, Michael Bell, Grady Charles Weigand, Barbara Bennett, Daniel Rickard, Mark & Andrea, Kim Sumski, Dorothy Kashuda, Alyson Sabillon, Linda Falk, 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, Joseph Dermody, Alice Anderson, Sandy Kemp, George Walters, Lorraine Keckeisen, Maria LaBar, Catherine 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, Jack Yackel, Jim Mylotte, Alice Walters, Rev. Steve Deckard, Terry Nicolini, 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, Tom DeMulder, Ruth Glaum, Holly North, Dixy Pflug, Tony & Lila Donnolo, Stefanie Smith, Celeste Hartman, Aidan Burns, Bill, Alicen Knapp Feroleto, Assunta Siniscalchi, James Jennings, Marge Suriano, Marlena Keath, Marian Agyemang, Frank Holley, Nicholas Gaedeke, Pat Hamilton, Gary Maraia, Rachel Feyh, Marge LaFave, Denise Dinato, Joe Maggio, Olivia Ross & family, Eric Roll, Barbara Haynes, Renee Joseph, Susan Pondolfino, Charlie Washburn, Sean Granan, Marge Ramsey, Beverly Pierce, Fran Groshans, Marion Kiselica, a dear friend, Pat Nabinger, James Stanley, Chris Smith, Marlena, Pat Elbrecht, Bonnie De Salvo, Lori White, James Rattrie, Danielle Gugliemo, Ellen Reuter, Jaxson Beadle, Francis & Alfredine Duguay, Joan Rice, Rowan DeCocker, Stephanie Soldinger, Bonnie Tabone, Austin Kilmer, Daniel, John Gilmore, Will Sterchak, Donna Khan, Anthony Barb



