

18TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

He said the blessing, broke the loaves, and gave them to the disciples, who in turn gave them to the crowds. They all ate and were satisfied. - Mt 14:19c-20

SAINT BARBARA CHURCH AUGUST 1 - 2, 2020

WEEKLY PRAYER

READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF AUGUST 2, 2020

SUN 8/2 Is 55:1-3/Ps 145:8-9, 15-16, 17-18 [cf. 16]/Rom 8:35, 37-39/

Mt 14:13-21

MON 8/3 Jer 28:1-17/Ps 119:29, 43, 79, 80, 95, 102 [68b]/Mt 14:22-36

TUE 8/4 Jer 30:1-2, 12-15, 18-22/Ps 102:16-18, 19-21, 29 and 22-23 [17]/

Mt 14:22-36 or Mt 15:1-2, 10-14

WED 8/5 Jer 31:1-7/Jer 31:10, 11-12ab, 13 [cf. 10d]/Mt 15:21-28

THR 8/6 Dn 7:9-10, 13-14/Ps 97:1-2, 5-6, 9 [1a, 9a]/2 Pt 1:16-19/Mt 17:1-9

FRI 8/7 Na 2:1, 3; 3:1-3, 6-7/Dt 32:35cd-36ab, 39abcd, 41 [39c]/

Mt 16:24-28

SAT 8/8 Hb 1:12—2:4/Ps 9:8-9, 10-11, 12-13 [11b]/Mt 17:14-20

SUN 8/9 1 Kgs 19:9a, 11-13a/Ps 85:9, 10, 11-12, 13-14 [8]/Rom 9:1-5/

Mt 14:22-33

OBSERVANCES FOR THE WEEK OF AUGUST 2, 2020

Sunday: 18th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Tuesday: St. John Vianney, Priest

Wednesday: The Dedication of the Basilica of St. Mary Major

Thursday: The Transfiguration of the Lord

Friday: St. Sixtus II, Pope, and Companions, Martyrs; St. Cajetan, Priest

Saturday: St. Dominic, Priest

Next Sunday: 19th Sunday in Ordinary Time

LIVE THE LITURGY

Inspiration for the week

What do you really hope and hunger for? We are most familiar with our physical hungers and cravings as they are quite obvious. What we don't always realize is that we also have emotional and spiritual hungers. Many are starving for acceptance and love. Many others hunger for a sense of purpose, more focused direction, and deeper connection and meaning. Our hungers can easily get confused. We think we are in need of one thing but are actually being driven by another. We need to recognize and pursue our spiritual hungers. If we do not do so, we will attempt to fill these needs with lesser, and not always healthier, things. God, ultimately through the Eucharist, is the only One who can quench our more profound thirsts. Have we discovered this yet?



AUGUST 2, 2020 - EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Collection: (Weekend of 7/25/2020 – 7/26/2020)

 Sunday
 \$ 3,224.00

 Mail-In
 \$ 3,873.66

 Online
 \$ 2,035.00

 Total
 \$ 9,132.66

Mass Attendance:

4:30 pm: 66 8:00 am: 70 10:30 am: 75 Total: 211

Monday - 8/3

Intention - Floyd Draime (Sue Ziegelhofer)

Tuesday - 8/4 - St. John Vianney

Intention - Ruth Beatty (Bonnie Pratt)

Wednesday - 8/5

Intention - Thomas Joliat (Mike & Erica Soehnlen)

Thursday - 8/6 - The Transfiguration of the Lord

Intention - No Mass

Friday - 8/7 - St. Sixtus II & St. Cajetan

Intention - Margaret & Ray Wolfe (May Sweany)

Saturday - 8/8 - St. Dominic

Intention - People of Our Parish

Sunday - 8/9 - NINETEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Intention 8:00 am - Antoinette Unklesbay (Mike Leasure)

Intention 10:30 am - Deceased Members of the Runo & Kuminski Families (Arlene Nussbaum)

Sanctuary Candle:

This week, the sanctuary candle is lit in memory of Irene Bucci for her birthday, with love from Phil, Judy & Dave.

Flowers on the Altar:

This week, the flowers on the altar are in loving memory of Josie Spevere with love from her husband, children, and grandchildren.

Mass Intentions:

Mass Intentions are available. If you would like to schedule a Mass for a loved one, please call the rectory office at (330) 833-6898 and speak with Jennifer.

Sanctuary Candle:

There are still a few weeks available to have the sanctuary candle lit for a loved one. If you would like to schedule a week, please call the office and speak with Jennifer.

RCIA

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults

Are you someone or do you know someone who has expressed an interest in becoming Catholic? Perhaps you or a person you know was baptized Catholic, but has not celebrated the Sacraments of Eucharist and/or Confirmation. RCIA offers an opportunity to come together in a small group to learn more about the Catholic faith. Sessions focus on the teachings and experience of Church and prepare individuals to celebrate the Sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation and Eucharist during the Easter season. You are welcome to participate in the process with your questions, your insights and your faith story in a warm accepting setting. - For information please contact: Amy Davis, Director of Religious Education, at 330-833-6898.

Flu Vaccines:

MARK YOUR CALENDARS! Heritage Square Pharmacy will be offering flu shots in the Narthex the weekend of September 26th and 27th. They will be here after the 4:30 pm Mass on September 26th and between the 8:00 am and 10:30 am Masses on September 27th.

Festival Update:

Unfortunately, due to COVID-19 and the strict guidelines set by the CDC and Governor DeWine, we will not be able to have our festival this year. However, we will still be drawing for the car raffle! Tickets are still available in the Narthex and in the rectory; you can either purchase them or take them to sell. Tickets need to be returned to Jennifer in the rectory no later than Wednesday, September 9th in order to participate. The drawing will take place on Friday, September 11th and the winner will be contacted via phone. If you are able to buy or sell some tickets, please be sure to pick some up. Your support is greatly appreciated!

SCHEDULE OF MASSES:

SATURDAY - 4:30 pm. - SUNDAY - 8:00 am, 10:30 am HOLYDAY VIGIL - 7:00 pm - HOLYDAY - 9:00 am and 7:00 pm WEEKDAY - Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday 9:00 am SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION - SATURDAY - 3:30 pm SAINT BARBARA CHURCH AUGUST 1 - 2, 2020



Congratulations to our Eagle of the Cross recipient, Julia Majors. Julia was honored at the 10:30 a.m. Mass Last weekend! The Eagle of the Cross is an award created by the National Federation of Catholic Youth Ministry and is the highest honor our diocese confers on a youth. It recognizes Catholic juniors or seniors who show particular zeal in living their faith and who exemplify the qualities of moral integrity, prayer, service, and Christian leadership.

200 Club: Sales are under way for the 2020-2021 200 Club and we are hoping to make this our best year yet! If you or someone you know would like to purchase a ticket, please contact Jennifer in the rectory at (330) 833-6898 to pick your number! This is an important fundraiser for our parish and a great way for you to have multiple chances to win each month! Here's how it works. The new drawing cycle will begin on October 15, 2020 with our first two drawings of \$100 each. Two winners will be drawn on the 15th and two winners will be drawn on the 30th of each month by Father Brian. Winners' names will be placed back into the drawing for another chance to win each month. Winners will be announced monthly in the church bulletin and all winners will receive a check via mail. On June 15th, one winner of \$100 and one winner for \$500 (which is the Summer Fun Bonus) will be drawn. On June 30th, there will be one \$100 winner drawn. On December 15th, one winner of \$100 and one winner of \$1000 (which is the Grand Prize Drawing) will be drawn. On December 30th, one winner of \$100 will be drawn. Total payout of prizes for this coming year will be \$5,900!

Parish School of Religion (PSR) 2020-2021

During the week of July 27-31 we surveyed our current PSR families to gain an understanding of the comfort level and family preferences with returning to PSR in the fall. With multiple options for schooling in area school districts, it was decided that the best way to make a plan for moving forward would be to get feedback from those presently involved. Based on the results, we will be offering multiple options for religious education this year. Families will be asked to register based on the following options. Option 1 is the traditional in-person option. Option 2 is a virtual option with online assignments and coursework. Option 3 will follow a blended model, where students will complete most weeks virtually, but will gather in person as a family periodically for family-based lessons. Parent meetings/registration sessions will be scheduled throughout the month of August based on the option each family has chosen. If you are a family that is new to the parish and would like to enroll your child in religious education classes, please contact Amy in the parish office at (330) 833-6898 during regular office hours or by emailing amy.davis@saintbarbaraparish.com.

Volunteers Needed for Religious Education

This year brings the opportunity for new involvement in our religious education programs! If you are someone who has always wanted to help with PSR but are too nervous to instruct a group of children, there are now more ways for you to use your gifts and talents to help us out! Also, if you have been reluctant to volunteer in the past, because you are unable to make a weekly commitment, there are ways for you to be involved on a monthly or bi-monthly basis. We are in need of volunteers in the following areas: grade-level catechesis (in-person); developing on-line lessons/resources; assisting with technological needs/providing support for catechists to get lessons and resources online; cleaning the school building following PSR sessions; facilitating pick-up and drop-off procedures/monitoring social distancing and safety during PSR sessions; acting as a substitute catechist when needed; and assisting with sacramental preparation as part of a team approach. Please note that compliance with the Child Protection Policy of the Diocese of Youngstown may be required based on the type of volunteering you wish to do. If you have other ideas for how to get involved or would like to volunteer, please contact Amy at (330) 833-6898 during regular office hours or by emailing amy.davis@saintbarbaraparish.com.

BINGO Help Needed!

Bingo is looking for help on the floor selling tickets and other duties. Bingo is every Wednesday. Doors open at 4:30 and Bingo starts at 6:30. Help would need to be there by 5:30. For more information contact the school.

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We wanted to give you an update on our Vacation Bible School program in 2020. Once again, thank you so much for your incredible generosity in donating supplies and funds to assist us in putting on the program. Following Governor DeWine's public address on Wednesday, July 15, we made the difficult decision to modify the format of our program from in-person to at-home. We put together kits for each student that included craft materials/supplies, at-home faith lesson pages, and their Vacation Bible School t-shirts. In addition, our wonderful volunteer catechists created Bible lesson videos for each night, and we were able to share links to the songs for students to learn from home. Students were able to hear the story of St. Patrick and his adventures by a different reader each night – Fr. Gretchko, Fr. Cline (and his dog, Autumn), Seminarian, Garrett Guerrieri, Michael Alesiano, and Amy Davis. In the fall when it is safe to gather again, we plan to hold a follow-up event for the children to come together for games, snacks, and to sing the songs! There were thirty-two participants.

With thanksgiving, we want to express our gratitude to all of the parishioners from both parishes who made generous donations of supplies, gift cards, water bottles, and cash. Thank you to those who volunteered their time in numerous ways — by making masks for the students (which we will use in the fall), by preparing and delivering lessons, by brainstorming ideas for how to make a safe and effective program, and by distributing supplies! Please enjoy some photos of our children having fun with Vacation Bible School from home!

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