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THIRTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

JUNE 28, 2015

MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday Vigil, 5:00 PM

Sunday, 9:00 and 11:00 AM

Weekdays & Saturdays, 8:00 AM

Holy Days: As Announced

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Saturday, 4 - 4:40 PM

Weekdays, 7:30 - 7:50 AM

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Jesus said to the synagogue official, "Do not be afraid; just have faith." When they arrived at the house of the synagogue official, he caught sight of a commotion, people weeping and wailing loudly. So he went in and said to them, "Why this commotion and weeping? The child is not dead but asleep."

- Mk 5:36bc, 38-39

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MASS INTENTIONS (Scheduling Form on back of bulletin)**Sat., June 27 - Weekday**

8:00 AM +John Stercho by Ed & Barb Kozar

5:00 PM For the Congregation

Sun., June 28 - Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:00 AM +William Bushyager by Sharyn & Terry Jackson

11:00 AM +Mary E. Burik by Joe Burik & Family

Mon., June 29 - Sts. Peter & Paul, Apostles

8:00 AM +Edward Sera, Husband of Ann Pendrick by The Pendrick Family

Tue., June 30- The First Martyrs of the Holy Roman Church

8:00 AM +Anna Heide by Betty & Jim Takitch

Wed., July 1 - Blessed Junipero Serra, Priest

8:00 AM +Louise Gusik by Virginia Vahaly

Thurs., July 2 - Weekday

8:00 AM +Mikel & Madalena Surniak by Walter & Esther Kruckvich

Fri., July 3 - St. Thomas, Apostle

9:00 AM +Pat Mathews by Debbie & Jim Gari

Sat., July 4 - Weekday

8:00 AM +Lena Monticue by Mr. & Mrs. Tom Pendrick

5:00 PM +Lib, Bill & Betsy Hubert by Family

Sun., July 5 - Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:00 AM For the Congregation

11:00 AM +Irene Yasher by Andrew Kowatch

ST. FLORIAN OFFERTORY STEWARDSHIP:

June 21: Adults: \$4560.00; Loose: \$446.00 ; Endowment: \$37.00; Candles: \$122.00; Bldg. & Grounds Upgrade: \$5.00; Peter's Pence: \$50.00 Total: \$5220.00
God bless you!



Pray for ...the soul of Colleen Yothers



Sanctuary Light
In Remembrance of
PAT MATHEWS
By Debbie & Jim Gari

EARLY DEADLINE

Due to the 4th of July holiday observance this week, the bulletin must be transmitted on Monday, 6/29. All information for the July 5th bulletin must be into the office by MONDAY, the 29th at 9:00 AM.

PLEASE NOTE: Mass on Fri., 7/3, is at 9:00 AM

OFFICE HOURS

The office will close on Thursday, July 2nd at noon and reopen on Monday, July 6th at 8:30 AM.

In the second collection today, we are supporting Pope Francis in his charitable works. The **Peter's Pence Collection** is taken up worldwide to support the most disadvantaged: victims of war, oppression, and disasters. This is an opportunity to join with our Holy Father, Pope Francis, and a witness of charity to our suffering brothers and sisters. Please be generous in today's collection.

MINISTRY SCHEDULE**Saturday, June 27, 2015 ~ 5:00 PM**

Lector T. Jackson
Eucharistic Ministers K. Kelly, J. Lesko, J. Mizikar
Altar Servers..... J. Scekeres, J. Labuda
Greeters..... E. Kowatch, D. Wadsworth, P. Kromer

Sunday, June 28, 2015 ~ 9:00 AM

Lector B. Mizikar
Eucharistic Ministers ...H. Szewczyk, J. Lawrence, M. Ceroni
Altar Servers..... G. & T. Sofranko
Greeters..... N. Tracy, J. Mott, V. Swiderski

Sunday, June 28, 2015 ~ 11:00 AM

Lector M.E. Sopko
Eucharistic Ministers G. Kovacina, W. Bossart, K. Kelly
Altar Servers..... J. & E. Hornyak
CLOW..... M. Klimchock, M. Ludvik
Greeters..... Scekeres Family

Saturday, July 4, 2015 ~ 5:00 PM

Lector T. Chovanec
Eucharistic Ministers J. Lesko, T. Jackson, M. Ceroni
Altar Servers J. & J. Chovanec
Greeters..... E. & J. Kovalik

Sunday, July 5, 2015 ~ 9:00 AM

Lector J. Lawrence
Eucharistic Ministers S. King, J. Mizikar, H. Szewczyk
Altar Servers..... Z. Koch, P. Bitner
Greeters..... K. Sabo, J. Mott

Sunday, July 5, 2015 ~ 11:00 AM

Lector E. Zider
Eucharistic Ministers M. Klimchock, W. Bossart, K. Kitz
Altar Servers..... C. & M. Reese
Greeters..... N. Tracy, R. Mizikar

CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD has been suspended for the month of July. If enough leaders have the clearance process completed, we will resume on August 2nd.

Readings for the Week of June 28, 2015

Sunday: Wis 1:13-15; 2:23-24/2 Cor 8:7, 9, 13-15/Mk 5:21-43 or 5:21-24, 35b-43

Monday: Vigil: Acts 3:1-10/Gal 1:11-20/Jn 21:15-19

Day: Acts 12:1-11/2 Tm 4:6-8, 17-18/Mt 16:13-19

Tuesday: Gn 19:15-29/Mt 8:23-27

Wed: Gn 21:5, 8-20a/Mt 8:28-34

Thurs: Gn 22:1b-19/Mt 9:1-8

Friday: Eph 2:19-22/Jn 20:24-29

Sat: Gn 27:1-5, 15-29/Mt 9:14-17

Next Sunday: Ez 2:2-5/2 Cor 12:7-10/Mk 6:1-6a

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THIS WEEK

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament Tuesday - Wednesday
Prayer Shawl Ministry Tuesday, 1:00 PM

For sale by individual: **2 St. Florian Cemetery plots** ~
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← **Connections** →

by Joseph Patrick Lesko

The Book of Wisdom and all of the four Gospels contain messages of hope and comfort. The author of Wisdom is writing for the Jews living in Alexandria, Egypt about fifty years before the birth of Jesus. The Jews were becoming too Hellenistic in their beliefs and life style, and the author aims to get them back to their cultural roots of the Old Testament, which relied on God's teachings of justice and righteousness.

The spiritual thought at this time involved the concept of God's retribution for sin by bestowing adversities on the sinner. Sin resulted from a failure to follow the will of God. The Book of Wisdom shows that death and sin have no power; for all power comes from God only. If adversities do occur to man, they are forms of purification and opportunities to show fidelity to God's will.

In these five verses of today's reading, the author explains that death and sin come from the envy of the devil. The devil envies God's gifts to Adam. These gifts were (1) being created in the image of God and (2) receiving control of all of God's creation. Whatever the cause, it is the devil who brings Adam to sin and that sin destroyed man's relationship with God. A return to the old ways to justice and righteousness would restore a place with God.

Mark's Gospel shows the power of God through Jesus' teachings and miracles. In the cases of the miracles in today's passage the people show faith; and faith in God's teachings is what the author of Wisdom wants the Jews to return to. His words are meant to offer hope and comfort in their situation in Alexandria. As long as the people are with God, God is with them. This is also Jesus' message to seek the Kingdom of God.

The main connection between these two readings for this Sunday is an afterlife with God. The Book of Wisdom is the first Book of the Bible to suggest an afterlife with God. Jesus' preaching, through word and deed, gives us hope of an afterlife with God if we too follow a path of justice and righteousness.

The WORD and *Life*

Reflections on the Scriptures

Finding Jesus in the Crowd

Multi-tasking can be a difficult thing to do for many of us. Some of us are very talented at the task, others, fail miserably. In today's gospel reading (Mark 5: 21-40) Jesus seems to be showing us how to multi-task but in reality, He is teaching us several lessons: the power of faith, the importance of dwelling in the moment, and staying focused on God.

While surrounded by a large crowd, Jesus is approached by Jairus, a synagogue official, whose daughter was dying. One would think Jesus would pay attention to the official because of his high standing in society, but in reality, Jesus was moved by the plea of a worried parent. As Jesus is escorted through the large crowd, which is pressing in on Him from every side, a woman afflicted with hemorrhages reaches out and touches the hem of his garment. Instantly, Jesus recognizes the power of a healing touch moving through him and into this woman. Jesus demands to know who touched him.

Have you ever been in the midst of a large crowd with people bumping into you on every side? It only makes sense that people would be touching you. So, why does Jesus appear to be upset when someone touches such a small bit of his clothing like his hem? What does he expect? Look at the hem of your clothing, gently touch it. Can you sense the light touch? Imagine being in a large crowd. Do you think you would sense someone touching the hem of your clothing? Are you that attentive to one person while in the midst of a large crowd? But it wasn't just the touch that Jesus felt, He felt healing power going out of him. The woman's faith caused the healing and shows us the power of possessing a great faith.

Jesus was multi-tasking that day but also stayed in the present moment, open to anything or anyone who would need his loving attention. As we go throughout each day we are often bombarded with events and people who demand our attention. It can be very hard to divide ourselves and often when we do something or someone suffers. The key to getting through times like these is to focus the eyes of our hearts on God and trust that HE will give us all we need to get everything done.

One thing about a crowd, it can be defined as a lot of people asking a lot of things from us. But a crowd is also anything which divides our heart and prevents us from staying focused on Jesus, including our egos. When Jesus finds himself in our hearts but crowded in the midst of our own agendas, need for power, prestige, or attention, it is difficult for us to reach out and find Him. The woman with hemorrhages was also crowded but knew which garment belonged to Jesus. It could be nothing other than her free and open heart which reached out for Love in great faith.

May we clear our hearts of all which crowds out Jesus so we can find Him and realize the power of faith in our lives.

— Sandy Monier, Director of CFFE

"Human beings, while capable of the worst, are also capable of rising above themselves, choosing again what is good, and making a new start."

- From the Encyclical Letter Laudato Si' Care for our Common Home by Pope Francis

Sponsor Couple Training

The next Sponsor Couple Trainings have been scheduled for Sunday, October 4th and Sunday November 22nd.

The trainings are from 1:00pm to 4:15pm at The Pastoral Center Lounge. Please notify Tina Moore if you would like to attend.

A light lunch is provided. Please bring a copy of the booklet "For Better and For Ever" by Fr. Ruhnke.

Your parish office can supply this booklet. A limited number are available at the training session.

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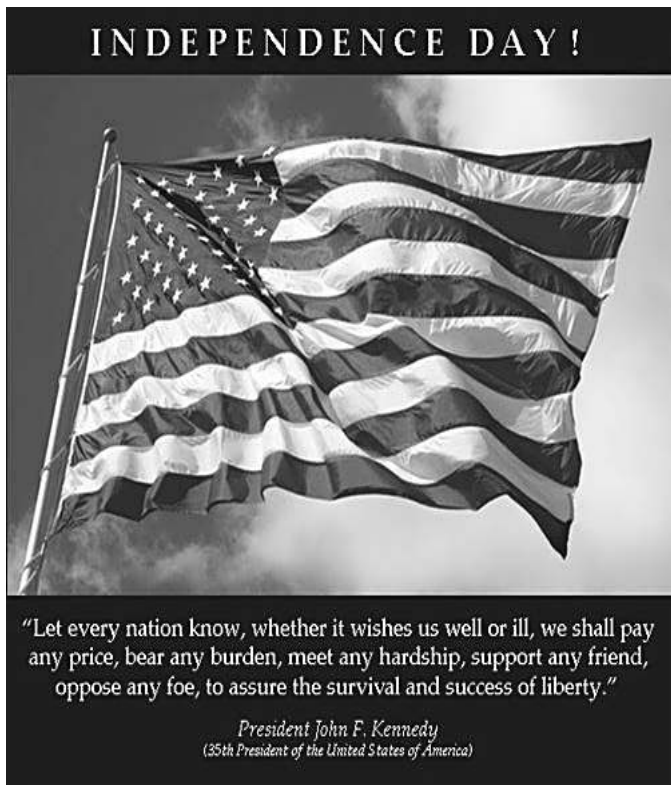
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COMMUNITY NEWS & EVENTS

- ♦ **Smokeless Afternoon Bingo** ~ every Tues. @ 3:00 PM (doors open @ 2:30) ~ Sponsored by Adelphoi ~ 1133 Village Way
- ♦ **Car Show** ~ August 9, registration @ 11:00 AM ~ St. Francis of Assisi Parish, Footedale site ~ oldies by DJ Arnie Amber ~ Pasta & Salad Bar ~ Noon - 5 PM ~ Dash Plaques - Trophies- Door Prizes- Raffles

Catholic Charities of the Diocese of Greensburg invites you to participate in the **14th Annual Paul R. Smiy Memorial Golf Outing**, Mon., Aug. 17, 2015 at Ligonier Country Club in Ligonier. This fundraising event is designed to supplement the profit of the Communities of Salt and Light Award Dinner in providing assistance for basic life necessities for the poor living in our four county diocese. Space is limited to the first 144 golfers so please sign up early for this great day of fun while helping the most vulnerable of our neighbors. For information on pricing, tee time, sponsorships and prize donations, please contact Heather Rady at 724-837-1840 or visit our web-site www.ccharitiesgreensburg.org to register online.



The Saint Benedict Festival will be held July 11 & 12. The grounds will open at 6 p.m. until 11 p.m. on Saturday and on Sunday, 3:00 p.m. until 9:00 p.m. Outdoor Mass at 5:15 pm on Saturday. 'Last Resort' will be playing on Saturday from 6-10 pm. 'PA Express' will be performing on Sunday 5-8:30 pm. Serving ethnic & traditional food on Saturday and Sunday. Games for children on Saturday and Sunday. Join us for fun, food and music. For more information please call 724-834-9045.

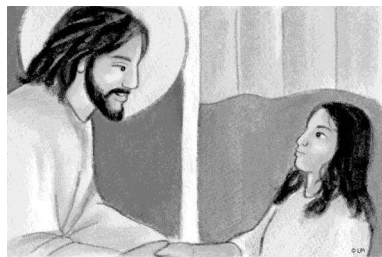


1/2 Price Idlewild tickets are available again this year. They can be used any day the park is open (including for school picnics). Call Jean to reserve yours today - 724-423-4538. St. Vincent de Paul Day at the park is 7/19/15.

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He took the child by the hand and said to her, "Talitha koum," which means, "Little girl, I say to you, arise!" The girl, a child of twelve, arose immediately and walked around. At that they were utterly astounded.

- Mk 5:41-42

Bishop Malesic's residence

Bishop-elect Edward C. Malesic will live in the rectory at St. Paul Parish, Greensburg, after his ordination and installation as Bishop of Greensburg.

Bishop-elect Malesic had a variety of residency options available to him in the Diocese. He made the decision after considering the options presented to him and after consultation with Father Lawrence L. Manchias, pastor of St. Paul Parish, and the parish's pastoral and finance councils. Father Manchias lives in the rectory at St. Bruno Parish.

The rectory will remain the property of St. Paul Parish. The Diocese will enter into a lease agreement with the parish for use of the rectory for the time Bishop-elect Malesic lives there.

Bishop-elect Malesic, after his ordination and installation, will form a committee to study potential uses of the current bishop's residence that the diocese owns in Maplewood Terrace, Hempfield Township. Because the residence is a diocesan asset, the bishop must consult with diocesan advisers before making a decision concerning its future.

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Countdown to Festival

Think Festival...Clearances for all volunteers, donate used books, design your basket, plan to bake for Altar Society Bake Sale (and cake wheel, too!), look forward to having fun while helping the parish!



JULY MINISTRY SCHEDULES have been mailed. Only ministers who have turned in **all** clearances have been scheduled to serve in any capacity. As you complete your clearances, please turn them in to the CFFE Office so that your name is reactivated for ministry. We need and appreciate each of you and hope you have started the clearance process.

God Bless America!



FESTIVAL GIVING TREE

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Please pull a tag and bring the item listed
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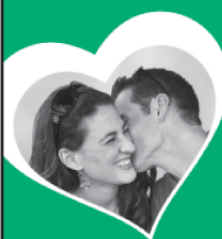
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