

Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time – July 10, 2022

“For in him all the fullness was pleased to dwell, and through him to reconcile all things for him, making peace by the blood of his cross through him, whether those on earth or those in heaven.”-Col 1:19-20

*Return to God with all your heart
and you will live.*



READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Sunday	Dt 30:10-14; Col 1:15-20; Lk 10:25-37
Monday	Ex 1:8-14, 22; Mt 10:34—11:1
Tuesday	Ex 2:1-15a; Mt 11:20-24
Wednesday	Ex 3:1-6, 9-12; Mt 11:25-27
Thursday	Ex 3:13-20; Mt 11:28-30
Friday	Ex 11:10—12:14; Mt 12:1-8
Saturday	Ex 12:37-42; Mt 12:14-21

MASSES FOR THE WEEK

Saturday–	July 9	4:00 PM	Jim Coiro (The Hibbard Family)
Sunday –	July 10	9:00 AM	Ed Nowik (Roger & Sandra Gardner)
Monday –	July 11	12:00 PM	Intention of Donor
Tuesday –	July 12	12:00 PM	Intention of Donor
Wednesday –	July 13	12:00 PM	Intention of Donor
Thursday –	July 14	12:00 PM	Intention of Donor
Friday –	July 15	12:00 PM	Intention of Donor
Saturday –	July 16	4:00 PM	Cecilia Vaccaro (Nancy & Richard Pelicci)
Sunday –	July 17	9:00 AM	Candy Wells (Roger & Sandra Gardner)



1st Reading: Deuteronomy 30:10-14

We tend to think of the Old Testament writings as being very stern, and centered always on adherence to the Mosaic Laws, however, the tradition found in Deuteronomy is actually based upon the love of YHWH first, and the strictures of the law second. This reading emphasizes God’s love as: *“something very near to you, already in your mouths and in your hearts.”* There is a subtle but important distinction between following the law *before* receiving God’s grace, and receiving God’s grace (written on our hearts) prior to *understanding the need* to follow the law.

2nd Reading: Colossians 1:15-20

Paul’s theology here is embedded in poetic form, probably used as a creedal hymn in the early church. It points to Christ as existent during creation, one with the wisdom of God. It is important to recognize how Christ’s redemptive act on the cross brought creation back into synch with the Creator, not just for humans: *“to reconcile all things for him, making peace by the blood of his cross through him, whether those on earth or those in heaven”*.

Gospel Reading: Luke 10:25-37

The Good Samaritan was ‘good’ because he showed mercy and compassion to someone viewed as unclean by the ‘lawful’ righteous. As in the first reading, Jesus teaches that those who follow the law first, and love only after the law has been fulfilled, are really missing the point. The Samaritan, a gentile (strictly speaking) who didn’t follow the Judaic understanding of the Laws of Moses, understood God’s intention far more clearly than the religious officials. And then, in order to make exactly this point perfectly and clearly for all humankind, Jesus gave his life for us, so that we could finally understand that love *always* comes first.



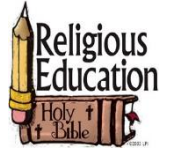
MEMBERS OF THE HOLY NAME OF MARY PRAYER CHAIN are available to pray for you or your loved ones in need of prayer. Please call Maureen Van Nostrand at: 570-278-4590.

LET US PRAY THIS MONTH:

We remember in prayer those who are ill & pained in body, heart & mind. We pray especially for Betsy Arnold, Richard Arnold, Frank Bayer, Anne Belles, Jerry Blodgett, Ralph Blodgett, Brad Booker, Ellen Booker, Brad Bozzo, Al Breiner, Ellen Burns, Katie Calvin, JoAnne Catlin, Becky Cole, David Conklin Jr., Odessa Cornell, Wilma Daniels, Manny DeBonis, Philip Donahue, Jeanne Falk, Larry Ferris, Mary Ferris, Harvey Fletcher, Geraldine Flynn, Maria Garvey, Brandy Golden, William Hector, Gerard Heiser, Jane Heiser, Byron Hilgner, Susan Jennings, Timothy Jones, Deb Kessler, Bill Kozerski, Ken Landes, Josh Landis, Dolores Makowski, Walter Miller, Alexis Mock, Christian Mondri, Luis Muloski, Jamie Myers, Mike Rayias, Kimberly Richey, Luke Richey, Bob Roccia, Ann Paolucci, Debbie Rossi, Rob Rossi, Jack Rozanski, Lennas Russell, Dorothy Sergent, Kathleen Sitkowski, Delores Slatter, Jerry Stahl, Florence Trowbridge, Ruth Vandermark, Wayne Vandermark, Rosemarie Whalen.



RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS



Thank you to all the families who participated in the religious education program for the 2021-2022 school year. A big thank you to the religious education teachers for their support and dedication to the children of our parish.

Have a great summer! See you in the fall!

Travelers & Vacationers

Please remember that our parish relies on your contributions, even when you are away. Thanks!!



LET US PRAY FOR THOSE WHO PROUDLY SERVE IN THE MILITARY:

Floyd Beamer, Thomas Butler, Daniel Daly, Christopher Jordan, James Kane, Mark Nowalk, Nate Seymour, Julie Snyder, Aaron Taylor, Nancy Travis, and Travis Walter.

PARISH FINANCES 7/3/2022

(FY18/19 Budget)	\$	(4867.00)
Sunday Collection	\$	3,552.50

Thank you for your generosity & support



Please remember that during these difficult times, Holy Name of Mary is relying on your continued support to meet our financial obligations. Thank you!!



<u>Sunday, July 10th – 9:00AM</u> Lee John Sullivan
<u>Sunday, July 17th – 9:00AM</u> Isaiah Torres
<u>Sunday, July 24th – 9:00AM</u> Bernadetta and Albert Paolucci
<u>Sunday, July 31st – 9:00AM</u> Lee John Sullivan
<u>Sunday, August 7th – 9:00AM</u> Isaiah Torres

Would you like to become an Altar Server? If so, please contact Pam Tometchko at 570-278-0497 or speak to Fr. Philip directly.

2022 CATHOLIC MEN'S CONFERENCE "BE A CATHOLIC MAN"

The 7th annual Catholic Men's Conference, sponsored by "Be A Catholic Man", is planned for Saturday, October 8, 2022, at Holy Redeemer High School, 159 S. Pennsylvania Blvd., Wilkes-Barre. The theme, "Be Not Afraid" is under the patronage of Saint Joseph. This event (from 8 am to 3 pm) will be blessed with nationally known Catholic Speakers to be announced. Men are challenged to live virtuous lives in this secular world, --- whether single, married, or clergy, -- all are encouraged to set this date aside and attend. There will be Rosary, Eucharistic Adoration, Sacramental Confession, and lunch break. Mass will be offered by the Most Reverend Bishop Joseph Bambera. Questions, please contact Michael Kilmer, Conference Chairman, at 570-746-0100 or michaelkilmer71@gmail.com.



RETROUVAILLE WEEKEND FOR COUPLES

August 19 - 21, 2022: at the Towneplace Suites, Moosic

Is your marriage going down the right road, or is it a little off track? Life can be difficult, as can the challenges you face in marriage.

If the distance between you seems wide, if you are looking for a better way, even if you are already separated, Retrouvaille can help. Retrouvaille is a peer ministry of volunteer couples that can help you learn the tools of healthy communication, rebuild intimacy, and heal - just as the team couples have done in their own marriages. Retrouvaille is Christian-based and Catholic in origin, but welcomes couples of all faiths as well as non-religious couples. For more information, contact our team @ 631-338-5413 or visit our website: HelpOurMarriage.org



Our 2022 Sponsorship Drive is still underway. This fundraiser replaces the Harvest Moon Festival and your support is vitally important for the financial

health of the Parish. Contributions of any amount are greatly appreciated and we thank those who have already given.

As of 7/5/2022 we have received **\$8,749** from the sponsor drive.

Mass in Remembrance of Victims of Violent or Tragic Death

The Diocese of Scranton is offering the annual Mass in remembrance of victims of violent or tragic death. This Mass is offered for the families and friends of those who have died in tragedy, especially through murder, suicide, and accident.

The Mass is scheduled for Thursday, July 28, 2022 at 7:00 p.m. in Saint Peter's Cathedral, 315 Wyoming, Scranton.

All persons who have lost a loved one through tragic and traumatic death are invited to this liturgy.

The mass will be televised on CTV.

We ask that the names of deceased loved ones are registered on registration forms which are available in the parish office or on the Diocese of Scranton's website, www.dioceseofscranton.org.

All forms must be received by July 22, 2022.

God Is Ever Faithful

God said in the long ago, “While the earth remains, seedtime and harvest, and cold and heat, summer and winter, and day and night shall not cease” (Genesis 8:22).

The changing seasons are proof of God’s faithfulness to His Word. Even in the bleak deadness of winter, we can be sure that the spring will blossom with life. God keeps His promises!



That is why it is not difficult for us to believe what he has said about life beyond the grave, the future resurrection from the dead, and the glorious consummation of our hope in heaven. God is utterly dependable!

“The Lord is not slow about His promise, as some count slowness, but is patient toward you, not wishing for any to perish but for all to come to repentance” (2 Peter 3:9).