Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time – July 24, 2022

"If you then, who are wicked, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will the Father in heaven give the Holy Spirit to those who ask him?" -Luke 11:13



READINGS FOR THE WEEK

SundayGn 18:20-32; Col 2:12-14; Lk 11:1-13MondayEx 32:15-24, 30-34; Jn 11:19-27TuesdayEx 33:7-11, 34:5b-9, 28; Mt 13:36-43WednesdayEx 34:29-35; Mt 13:44-46ThursdayEx 40:16-21, 34-38; Mt 13:47-53FridayLv 23:1, 4-11, 15-16, 27, 34b-37SaturdayLv 25:1, 8-17; Mt 14:1-12

MASSES FOR THE WEEK

Saturday–	July 23	4:00 PM	Wayne & Dorothy Hibbard- 50 th Wedding Anniversary (Susan & Brian Lathrop)	
Sunday –	July 24	9:00 AM	Ed Nowik (Ed & Joanne Luecke)	
Monday –	July 25	12:00 PM	Intention of Donor	
Tuesday –	July 26	12:00 PM	Intention of Donor	
Wednesday -	July 27	12:00 PM	Eleanor Kurosky (Cheryl Kurosky)	
Thursday –	July 28	12:00 PM	Intention of Donor	
Friday –	July 29	12:00 PM	Intention of Donor	
Saturday –	July 30	4:00 PM	Emma McKeown (Frank & Rita DeRiancho)	
Sunday –	July 31	9:00 AM	Janet Lunger (The Hibbard Family)	

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1st Reading: Genesis 18:20-32

This early Abraham story makes the point that God is just, only condemning those who are truly sinful, and not taking the innocent with them. In this case, the people of Sodom are so guilty of transgressing God's laws that not even ten innocent people could be found. Although the story may be somewhat fanciful, it does show God's inclination to be merciful, as well as His willingness to listen to human petitions for mercy.

2nd Reading: Colossians2:12-14

The idea that Christ's death on the cross has 'taken away' our sin- both the sin of Adam and our personal sin- is so fundamental to Christian faith that no true believer could ever question it. The 'mechanics' of atonement have been debated for centuries, but the simple fact of it seems to be part of our deepest, almost unconscious, understanding of what the Christ event is all about. God's mercy knows no bounds.

Gospel Reading: Luke 11:1-13

When Jesus gives to his disciples the Our Father, he is teaching them not only *how* to pray, but in effect encouraging them *to* pray. He emphasizes and illustrates this in verses 5-13, finishing with the promise of receiving the Holy Spirit. All prayer involves a contract of sorts between God who is merciful, and humans who are sinful yet repentant. As salvation history unfolds, Abraham's simple prayerful petitions for the people of Sodom reach their symbolic zenith in Christ's prayer given to his disciples. The fruit of all prayer is Christ's sacrifice, God's response to the cries of dying humanity. In our secular world it is easy to lose sight of this, but within God's creation, within our deepest thoughts and desires, we hunger for God. The path to being with God is Jesus Christ, and prayer is how we find the path.



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, 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 Mondi, Luis Muloski, Jamie Myers, Kevin Nowalk, 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.



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	7/17/2022
(FY18/19 Budget)	\$ (<u>4867.00)</u>
Sunday Collection	\$ 3,312.25

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 obli-

gations. Thank you!!

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS



Thank you to all the families who participated in the religious educati

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!!





Sunday, July 24th – 9:00AM Bernadetta and Albert Paolucci Sunday, July 31st – 9:00AM Lee John Sullivan Sunday, August 7th – 9:00AM Isaiah Torres Sunday, August 14th – 9:00AM Bernadetta and Albert Paolucci Sunday, August 21st – 9:00AM Lee John Sullivan

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: <u>HelpOur-Marriage.org</u>



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. Our goal is again this year: \$25,000.

As of 7/19/2022 we have received **\$17,299** 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.

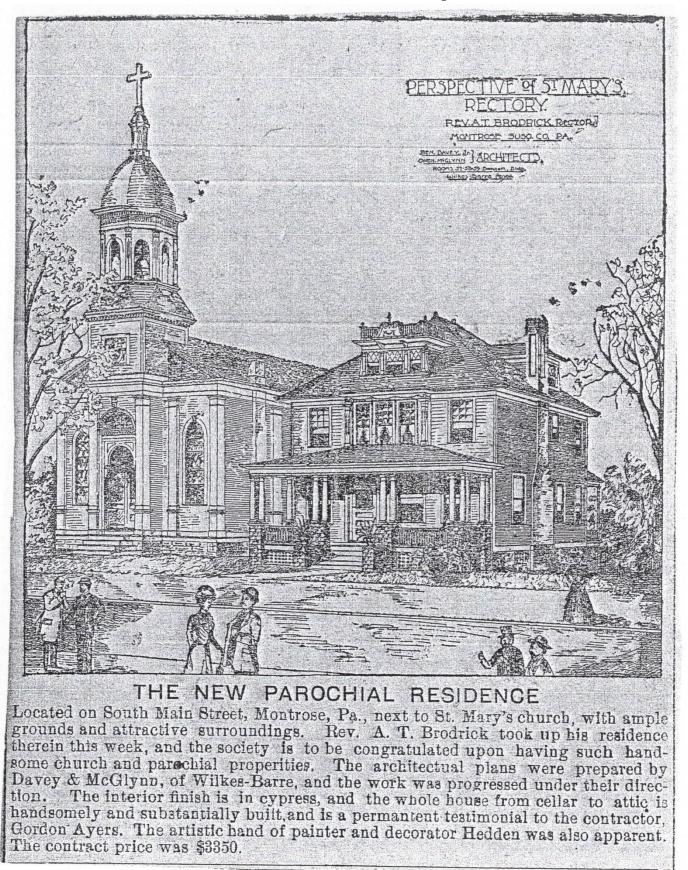
All persons who have lost a loved one through tragic and traumatic death are invited to this liturgy.

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.



A mock-up of the (then) new HNM rectory. The date would have been some time between 1896-1922 when Fr. Broderick retired. Note the price at the bottom!