

Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time – July 31, 2022

“When Christ your life appears, then you too will appear with him in glory.”

-Colossians 3:3-4



READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Sunday	Eccl 1:2, 2:21-23; Col 3:1-5, 9-11
Monday	Nm 11:4b-15; Mt 14:13-21
Tuesday	Dn 7:9-10, 13-14; 2 Pt 1:16-19
Wednesday	Nm 13:1-2, 25—14:1, 26-29a
Thursday	Nm 20:1-13; Mt 16:13-23
Friday	Dt 4:32-40; Mt 16:24-28
Saturday	2 Cor 9:6-10; Jn 12:24-26

MASSES FOR THE WEEK

Saturday—	July 30	4:00 PM	Emma McKeown (Frank & Rita DeRiancho)
Sunday –	July 31	9:00 AM	Janet Lunger (The Hibbard Family)
Monday –	August 1	12:00 PM	Intention of Donor
Tuesday –	August 2	12:00 PM	Intention of Donor
Wednesday –	August 3	12:00 PM	All Holy Name of Mary Parishioners
Thursday –	August 4	12:00 PM	Intention of Donor
Friday –	August 5	12:00 PM	Intention of Donor
Saturday –	August 6	4:00 PM	Janet Allen (Genny Embleton)
Sunday –	August 7	9:00 AM	Mollie Flanagan (The Host Family)

1st Reading: Ecclesiastes 1:2; 2:21-23

Most scholars believe that Ecclesiastes was written sometime during the Hellenistic period, i.e., after 323 BCE. The pessimistic tone of the book reflects the uncertainty of the Jewish state during the Seleucid occupation.

Although the church has generally linked up isolated passages with Christian teachings, perhaps the best understanding (and use) of this writing is to canonically counterbalance the simpler wisdom teachings of Proverbs. A traditional, non-contextual meaning might be that all human achievement is fruitless when compared to God's larger plan.

2nd Reading: Colossians 3:1-5, 9-11

The author here is pleading with the church at Colossus to focus on the prize- Jesus Christ and the salvation that he brings- rather than the same old worldly influences that held them captive before Christ. It is no small matter that 'Greek and Jew, circumcised and uncircumcised, barbarian, Scythian, slave, free' are all part of Christ's body. These egalitarian notions were unheard of in the ancient world, and were no doubt thought to be peculiar and perhaps even blasphemous.

Gospel Reading: Luke 12:13-21

The parable points to what is truly valuable, not what has worldly worth. Although this parable may sound almost like a threat, Jesus is simply differentiating between the illusion of material things and the reality of God. Everything in life is temporary and ultimately futile- age teaches us this particular lesson. The timeless, ineffable underpinning of reality is God, and as such, our true purpose is to experience the beatific vision. God who cannot be measured is what *matters*, while everything that is *matter* is only morning mist. *Who* we are is little more than a social construct, *what* we are is in the mind of God, and *how* we are is by God's forbearance. God cannot be understood through human abstraction, but in Jesus Christ we can understand God through faith; before we understand this we store grain, and after we understand this we store grain. It is between these different points that we find God waiting for us.



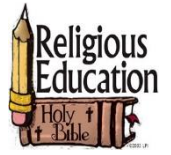
MEMBERS OF THE HOLY NAME OF MARY PRAYER CHAIN are available to pray for you or your loved ones in need of prayer. Please call Maureen Van Nostrand at: 570-278-4590.

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 Mondy, 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 Sargent, 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 7/24/2022

(FY18/19 Budget)	\$	(4867.00)
Sunday Collection	\$	2,315.25

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 obligations. Thank you!!



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.



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 **\$19,449** from the sponsor drive.



ALTAR FLOWERS

If you would like to donate flowers for the altar in memory of a loved one or in celebration of a special occasion, please call the rectory.



BIBLE STUDY

The members of the Bible study who are finishing Scott Hahn's *The Eucharist in Scripture* would like to invite you to join us for the next area of study. We will be focusing on Matthew Kelly's audio series entitled *Rediscovering Catholicism*. Matthew Kelly is a Catholic motivational speaker and businessman who was born and raised in Australia. This study will be held at the Host residence in Montrose on Tuesday evenings from 6:30 pm to 8 pm starting on August 2, 2022.

If you are interested in joining us, please text or call Kathleen Host at 570-396-6228.



NATIONAL Eucharistic Revival

Encountering Christ: Music & Meditation with Fr. Ricky Manalo, CSP

The Diocese of Scranton is pleased to welcome Fr. Ricky Manalo, CSP, Ph.D., a Paulist priest, composer, theologian, and author who will be offering a **concert on Friday, August 26, 2022 at 7:00PM, and a presentation for our local observance of the National Eucharistic Revival on Saturday, August 27, 2022 from 9:00AM to 12 Noon**. The title of the two-part event is "Encountering Christ: Music & Meditation" and will be held at the Church of Saint Gregory, 330 North Abington Road, Clarks Green, PA. There is no charge for the event, but a free-will offering will be accepted. We kindly ask those attending to make a reservation at www.dioceseofscranton.org or by calling 570-207-2213. For more information, please contact David Baloga at 570-207-2213 or at davidbaloga@dioceseofscranton.org.

BE NOT AFRAID

7th Annual Diocese of Scranton

Be a Catholic Man Conference

Oct. 8, 2022

Sat. 8 AM - 3:00 PM

Holy Redeemer High School

159 South Pennsylvania Ave., Wilkes-Barre, PA 18701

Fear works and the devil knows it. Today we face storms like the one on the Sea of Galilee. We ask the Lord, as the Apostles did, "Do you not care if we perish?" Christ's reply to them is the same He would give to us: "Why are you afraid? [i.e., cowardly] Have you no faith?" So, in times of crisis, Jesus challenges us not to be cowards but instead to face our fears with confidence, knowing that He has already won the victory over evil.



Christ in the Storm on the Sea of Galilee

Adoration, Reconciliation, Mass- Bishop Bambera, Exhibitors

Speakers: Dr. Ralph Martin • Fr. Stan Fortuna • Kevin Wells

Register Online: BeACatholicMan.com



✂ Registration by Mail

First name _____ Last Name _____

Phone _____

Parish _____

Address _____

Town _____ State _____ Zip _____

Email _____

Guest name _____

Guest Name _____

- Registration Fee: \$40 each
- Student \$15
- Early Bird \$30 until 9-9-22
- Priest/Deacon/Seminarian FREE
- Amount enclosed \$ _____ *(Registration Fee includes morning coffee & lunch)*

Mail the completed form with your check or money order to:

Be a Catholic Man
c/o Bill Leandri, Treasurer,
239 Hayfield Rd.
Shavertown, PA 18708

Make check payable to:
"Be A Catholic Man" with
"Men's Conference" on memo
line of the check.

If registering more than one person, please provide the additional information on a separate sheet.

Contact:
Mike Kilmer 570-746-0100 michaelkilmer71@gmail.com

Consider becoming a Conference Sponsor!

A \$100 sponsorship includes your name acknowledged in the Conference program and 1 complimentary admission pass.

Deadline for Sponsorship is Sept. 9, 2022

SPONSORSHIP ONLY: *Please make check payable to Diocese of Scranton with "Men's Conference SPONSOR" on the memo line of the check. Return form with check to Kurt Kushner, 137 Maria Blvd., Archbald, PA 18403*

Sponsorships can also be made online at www.BeACatholicMan.com

Name of Sponsor to appear in the program: _____

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