Congratulations



Happy 4<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of your Ordination and to officially becoming our Pastor!

# Seventh Sunday of Easter

#### A Message from the Pastor

Last Thursday we celebrated the Ascension of the Lord, which notes a pivotal moment where, having completed his earthly mission, Jesus ascends to heaven, entrusting his disciples with the Great Commission: **Go!** Make disciples of all the nations, **baptizing them** in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. The Ascension is not truly a departure but rather a promise of presence, as Jesus assures us as he ascends, "I am with you always" (Matthew 28:20). *How* does Jesus promise us this constant presence? Quite simply the most ordinary way he continues his presence among us is through the grace or divine life promised us in the Sacramental life of the Church. Jesus himself instituted them and entrusted them to the apostles to be done "in memory" of him, because they actually share Jesus' life directly with us in a continuous and ceaseless way. They are the fulfillment of his promise--what incredible love for us!

Baptism literally incorporates us into the mystical Body of Christ. We belong to the Lord as members of his family in this Sacrament and this can't be undone, and because we are blessed to have a Heavenly Father who continues to invite us to the same intimacy he shares with Jesus, the Son, we are encouraged to follow Jesus, share his life, that we might become heirs to the fullness of divine life, too. This is why we describe Baptism as the gateway to the Sacramental life of the Church. It is where the Lord *first* pours his life into us in a most radical way and changes everything for us. So it's no accident that part of the great commission Jesus entrusts to his disciples involves a mission to Baptize! The heart of God is not one that is trying to withhold his grace or life from us, he desires us to freely respond to his invitation and be transformed by the life of grace.

The readings for the Seventh Sunday of Easter, draw our attention to this profound invitation. Consider the words from the Book of Revelation–again the last book of the bible, the last words of the bible...our story, the word of God teaching us what to do: "Let the one who thirsts come forward, and the one who wants it receive the gift of life-giving water." What happens when we live our foundation of life that comes to us from the spring of divine life? Our humanity is invited to receive and take on divinity–we see it in Jesus' prayer today in the Gospel, but we also see it very practically in the account of Stephen's martyrdom in our first reading. What is his life like as he goes to his death? No surprise he looks like Jesus: "receive my spirit....Lord, do not hold this sin against them"---it's like we are receiving again before our eyes Jesus' Passion, but now with eyes to also see the power of the Resurrection.

What's at stake with all of this as our Easter season comes to a close and we are looking ahead to the giving of the Spirit at Pentecost? When we respond to the divine intimacy that the Lord in his infinite goodness wants to offer us through his grace and gift of the Spirit, the life of the Sacraments, the life of the Church–we are all being called to be conformed to the life of God, to grow in freedom, and to allow Jesus to live his life in us that others would come to know and experience the power of the Gospel. Let's ask the Holy Spirit to enliven us anew this day, and that we would draw our life from the free gift of God bestowed upon us through the sacraments.

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#### *The month of June in this Jubilee Year celebrates significant ministries in the Church.*

During June, as we honor the Sacred Heart of Jesus, a symbol of His endless love, mercy, and service, we also celebrate the special roles of the Holy See, seminarians, bishops, and priests in the Church. Just as Jesus's heart overflows with love for us, these ministries guide and serve us with that same spirit. They show us God's love through their leadership, teaching, and care, helping us to grow closer to Jesus and to one another.

## The Liturgical Calendar!

Easter is a moveable feast determined by the lunar calendar. This year Easter was April 20. 40 days after Easter is Ascension Thursday. 10 days later is Pentecost Sunday. The Easter Season lasts 50 Days, and the Greek word for fiftieth day is pentēkostē. The Seventh Sunday of Easter, this week, is the Sunday between Ascension Thursday and Pentecost. Pentecost has the word 'pente' in it, but it's not about the number five—it's about counting 50 days after Easter when the Holy Spirit came!"

# *Pilgrims of Hope - June 5th The Feast of St. Boniface*

St. Boniface is the patron saint of Germany. One of the most famous stories about St. Boniface is how he chopped down a giant oak tree that the people worshiped as a pagan god. He did this to show them that the true God was more powerful than their idols. After he cut down the tree, he used its wood to build a church! St. Boniface was a great missionary.

## Bulletins

With postage rates rising again, we would like to cut back on our weekly mailing of bulletins. If you would like it to continue please call the Parish Office and let us know otherwise you will only receive the monthly mailed bulletin. If you would like the bulletin emailed to you, please share your email address with us.

## **Our Mission Statement**

We, the members of Our Lady of Pompei / St. Peter, are called to acknowledge the Lordship of Jesus. As our parish affirms its heritage, we continue to reach out to those in need, bring the gospel to all who will receive it, and be formed in the image of Christ through worship and prayer. We value the talents of each of our members and feel it is the responsibility of all to contribute time, talent and tithe to our faith community.

## Sacrificial Giving

Please contact Fr. Foley if you have any questions about our parish finances.

May 25, 2025-\$6,446.00 Ascension-\$142.00 Blue-\$270.00

You may have noticed that our weekly collections have taken a dip in the last few months. We thank those who have seen the shortfall and have increased their weekly contributions. With that being said, our fiscal year ends on June 30th. Let's do what we can to end the year on a strong note!

Thank you for your commitment to our parish!

#### June's Intention

Please cut this out and pray it for the month of June:

That the world might grow in compassion Let us pray that each one of us might find consolation in a personal relationship with Jesus, and from his Heart, learn to have compassion on the world.

## **Coffee Hour Celebration**

Mark your calendars for the weekend of June 7th & 8th for a Coffee Hour to **celebrate Fr. Foley as he celebrates his 4th Anniversary of his Ordination.** Also, that weekend is Pentecost Weekend. Wear Red!!!

## June 1, 2025

#### This Week We Remember

Monday: June 2 9:00 am Mass at Our Lady of Pompei/St. Peter Ciro Frontale / Wife & Children

#### Tuesday: June 3

9:00 am Mass at Our Lady of Pompei/St. Peter Giovanni & Raffaela Sisera / Sister in law, Gilda

#### Wednesday: June 4

9:00 am Mass at Our Lady of Pompei/St. Peter Joseph, Maria & Ignatius / Andy Tran & Family

#### Thursday: June 5

9:00am Mass at Our Lady of Pompei/St. Peter Nick Muraca, 10yr. Ann. / Mom & Dad

Friday: June 6 9:00am No Daily Mass at Our Lady of Pompei/St. Peter

#### Saturday: June 7

4:00pm Mass at Our Lady of Pompei/St. Peter Nicholas J. Silvaggio, W. Ann. / Tony, Nick & Joe Nicholas Silvaggio, Ann. / Tony, Nick & Joe Sadie Fabrizi / Joe Ruggeri Vittoria Giannantonio & Marianna DiLorio / Anna John Andalora / Beth Welch Pat Nesci (B) / Wife, Carol & Children

#### Sunday: June 8

7:30 am Mass Our Lady of Pompei/St. Peter Kathleen Ignoto (B) / Marietta Blasi Carol & Mary Ellen Sunser / Family Mary LeMura / Mark Parrillo

11:30am Mass at Our Lady of Pompei/St. Peter Carmen Surace (B) / Children & Grandchildren Vincent Caracci,Sr. / Daughter Gregory Demetrick / Sister Fran Sacco / Jim & Angela Albanese Anthony James Cannizzaro & the Deceased Mule` & Cannizzaro Families / John & Margherita









#### Bread and Wine

For Masses Celebrated During The Week In Loving Memory Of *Ron Pierce, Wedding Anniversary* Requested by Wife, Henrietta



#### Sanctuary Lamps

Burning In Loving Memory of *Ron Pierce* Requested by Sons, Ron & Jim & Families

## A Family Perspective

Jesus tells us today, "you are my witnesses" and guarantees the "promise of the Father" to "clothe us with the power to accomplish this mission. It is not worldly power which dominates and manipulates. It is the power of the Kingdom of God to live in peace, forgiveness, compassion, service to others, love of enemies and care for the poor and defenseless.

## Vocations

In today's gospel, Jesus prays what is known as the "Priestly Prayer", in which He Prays for the unity of His Church, that we may be one as He and the Father are one. Is calling you to intercede for the Church in way of a religious sister or brother, a priest or a deacon? Reach out to the Vocation Office.

## Word of Life

If you or someone you know has had an abortion, be assured that it is never too late to seek God's forgiveness in the Sacrament of Reconciliation. Additionally, other confidential, compassionate help is available. Go to www.hopeafterabortion.org to find the diocesan Project Rachel Ministry near you.

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## Let us pray as one family

Please remember in your prayers the sick of our parishes and all those in hospitals, nursing homes and homebound.

Jim Albanese, Mike Affleck, Shawn Babcock, Nancy Bailey, Arlene Bukowski, Ashley Caiello, Robert Capria, John & Leona Ciferni, Joe Cimino, Vic Coogan, Catherine Cushman, Linda Deapo, Theresa Domathowski, Hank Donohue, Ginny and Erin Donovan, Audrey Emmi, Tenley Farrow, Marilyn Ferretti, Ruth Fabrizi, Ellen Gangemi, Gladys Graham, Robert Greenwood, Joseph Guinto, Jeanne Hammond, Mary Isgar, Carla Johnson, Juanita, Tony Lauretti, Shirley Kerr, Emma Lane, Kay Ledermann, Jackie Limeri, Luciano & Maria Luisi, Judy & Skip Marioritti, Michael & Darlene Morga, Diane Moro, Joe Nicoletti, Peggy Palerino, The Pavia Children, Emily Rosenthal, Cathy Galutz Sacco, Roseanne Scrimale, Faith Setzer, Marion Sherwood, Nicholas Silvaggio, John Sobon, Patricia Soule, Patrick St. Thomas IV, Barbara Traino, Gerry Vaccaro, Shelly Visco, Matthew Watkins, Fred Wheeler.

Due to HIPAA laws, hospitals are not allowed to give names of patients. Please notify the parish office, 315-422-7163 if you have a loved one in a hospital, nursing home or is homebound and would like a visit.

#### Ordination to the Priesthood Saturday June 7th

The Diocese of Syracuse Ordination to the Priesthood--Saturday June 7, 10am at Cathedral. Bishop Lucia will ordain deacons John Brusa III and Joseph Ryan to the priesthood. Please come and be a part of this incredible sacrament and joyful day for our local church of Syracuse!

## St. Therese Meeting

The next St. therese Meeting is June 19th at 12:30pm. Please note the new time & date.

## Father's Day Envelopes

The Father's Day Remembrance Envelope are in your new envelope packet. If you could turn these envelopes in by June 1st, so that there is time to prepare the Remembrance Booklet for Father's Day Weekend. Thank You.

## Liturgical Ministers

Weekend of June 7 & June 8 Lectors: 4:00 pm Ro Scalzo 7:30 am Jim Magnarelli 11:30 am Merino Merola

#### **Eucharistic Ministers:**

4:00 pm Team IVI 7:30 am Bob Battaglia 11:30 am Team I

## Please Keep Us Up To Date

Help us keep your contact information up to date. If you have moved or have a new phone or cell phone number, please give the parish office a call with your new information, 315-422-7163. We appreciate your assistance.

## "The Wild Goose Series"

The series is intended to run each Tuesday. There will be Adoration of the Eucharist available at 5:30pm, with the video beginning at 6pm, episodes are roughly 25 minutes. Need not be present each week. Please RSVP to either parish office if interested, there is no cost to participate. All are welcome!

## 50th Anniversary of Ordination

At 9am on June 1st Father Lester Smith will celebrate Mass at St. John The Baptist/Holy Trinity. Father's 50th anniversary of ordination was May 10th. He will preside and there will be a reception after Mass. *All are welcome!* 

# June 1, 2025

#### 27th Annual Msgr. William J. Walsh Memorial Golf Tournament 2025

It's amazing to be looking forward again to our parish's annual tournament honoring the vocation and legacy of Msgr. Walsh. What a tremendous blessing it is to be able to enjoy the **incredible course and hospitality of Tuscarora Golf Club!** Why not gather your friends and treat yourself for a good cause with some summer golf?! It's probably the best way to spend a Monday in July.

As is the case each year, the proceeds from this day help continue the ongoing mission and evangelization at Our Lady of Pompei/St. Peter Parish, especially the forthcoming projects and campus improvements that have been long overdue. This event is one of the main fundraisers of our year, and it's also one that offers a lot of fun and friendly competition for all, too. On behalf of the faithful of our parish family, I would like to extend our deep gratitude for your continued support and contributions that make this day possible and that also enliven our ministry in the Northside all throughout the year.

"Hole-y Moley Fr. Foley!"--is what they say when I swing a golf club! :)---Well maybe that's not exactly what they say, but I look forward to joining the competition this year and am already praying for good weather! Whether you're a pro or just there for the beautiful club, it'll be a day well spent. Let's putt our faith into action and make this a swinging success! Please spread the word for this day you won't want to miss!

May the Lord bless you, and may St. Anthony--patron saint of finding lost things--be hard at work for us on the course July 21st! See you there!

#### Mission Appeal - June 14-15

Rev. Leo Antony, SDV Vocationist Fathers & Brothers (SDV)

"The Society of Divine Vocations, also known as the VOCATIONIST FATHERS, is a religious congregation founded by Saint Justin Maria of the Holy Trinity, in Pianura, Naples – Italy in 1920. Saint Justin also founded the Vocationist Sisters and Apostles of Universal Sanctification.

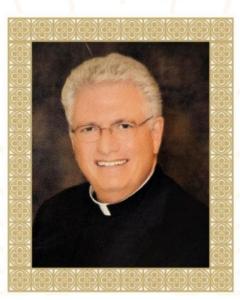
The Vocationist Fathers' main charism is "identifying and fostering vocations to the priesthood and religious life, especially among the less privileged". We work in Vocationaries, parishes, schools, and missions. Our missionary spirit currently serves God's people in Italy, Brazil, the U.S.A., Argentina, Nigeria, the Philippines, India, Madagascar, Colombia, Ecuador, Indonesia, the United Kingdom, and Chile.

Saint Justin said, "A Vocationary is a religious house where, in a spirit of prayer and study, we educate and guide – free of charge – candidates who wish to dedicate themselves to a life of service to the Lord, but who are not oriented yet towards diocesan priesthood or religious congregations."

We look forward to welcoming and offering support to Fr. Leo next month.



# Please join us in thankful celebration of



Sunday, June 22<sup>nd</sup> Mass of Thanksgiving at 10:30 am St. John the Baptist, Rome, E

Dinner following at The Oneida Room - The Turning Stone 2:00 - 5:00 pm Tickets \$65 per person

> To make reservations, or for more information contact: Lucy Paris: 315-345-0562 or lucycp2004@yahoo.com

> > Deadline for tickets June 15th



# Church of Our Lady of Pompei / St. Peter

#### Weekly Mass Schedule

Daily Mass: Mon -Thurs 9:00 am in the Chapel Daily Vietnamese Mass: Mon-Fri 5:00 pm in the Chapel, Sat 8:00 am in the Chapel *Mass Schedule for Holy Days TBA*  Saturday Vigil: 4:00 pm Vigil Sunday Masses: 7:30 am - 11:30 am Sunday Vietnamese Mass: 9:00 am

#### Parish Staff

Father Brendan Foley, Parish Administrator Reverend John Nguyen Chaplain to the Vietnamese Community Lauri Gildemeyer, Office Manger Mary Beth Meade, Director of Religious Education James Stanley, Director of Music D.J. Scarfino, Facilities Manager

#### **Parish Office**

920 North McBride Street, Syracuse, NY 13208 Hours: Monday-Friday 8:30am - 3:00pm

#### **Contact Information**

Parish Office: 315.422.7163 Religious Education Office: 315.422.7163 Email: olopsyracuse@syrdio.org Website: ourladyofpompei-stpeters.org

#### Joining the Parish

New parishioners always welcome. Please call the office to become a member.

#### Sacrament of Penance

Wednesday: 4:00-5:00 at OLP/St. Peter Thursday: 4:00-5:00 at SJB/HT

#### Sacrament of Baptism

Held Sunday's after the 11:30 am mass. Call the parish office to schedule.

#### Sacrament of Marriage

Call the parish office for arrangements. By Diocesan Law, must be scheduled at least 6 months before wedding.

Bulletin Deadline is Monday morning week of publication