

# Welcome



**Father Brendan Foley**  
*To Our Lady of Pompei/St. Peter Church*

# Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

## *A Message from the Pastor*

Our readings this Sunday offer an important reminder for us, however, we might well add that it is not a reminder we would be quick to welcome. It is true: God permits hardships to exist in our lives, and not all of our prayers are answered in the affirmative. Again, probably something we know all too well, and something we don't want to be reminded of. Today we even hear that St. Paul—who is among the all-time greatest responders to God's grace—knew the disheartening experience of prayers going unanswered or at least answered differently than desired. *“Three times I begged the Lord to remove the thorn...”* but he said to me, *“My grace is sufficient for you, for power is made perfect in weakness.”* (2 Cor 12:8-10) But what consolation does the Word of God offer us? What are we to make of this?

Well, one silver lining, since regular suffering was a reality for St. Paul, our experience of hardships has nothing to do with God grading our personal holiness or lack of holiness. This is a very good thing. Piecing together the context of our first reading from Ezekiel, we can consider there was a time in the Old Testament where hardships were inflicted on people as *punishments*, especially when it came resulting from hardness of heart toward God's messengers, the prophets. New life with Christ, life with access to divine grace, we do not (nor should we) experience our hardships as punishments, but rather they become opportunities for us to live a radically different life, they allow for the “power of Christ to dwell in us” and actually lead us to be more intimate with God.

We still might say, ‘that’s nice and all, but it still doesn’t seem like a compelling option I would choose.’ Consider also that St. Paul *continually* grew and was renewed in intimacy with the Lord the more he was aware of his weakness and vulnerability. Precisely in these places were spaces where only the Lord himself could touch,

heal, transform, and perform mighty and unexpected deeds. We might even posit that without his thorn in the flesh, St. Paul doesn't continue to deepen his commitment to evangelization, or that he might've lost his incessant ability to go through struggles for love of the Lord and the Gospel. Consider that after 'would-be' loss the many early Christian communities of changed hearts might not have been born, and by connection, new disciples would then cease to change the world. We know confidently though that it was through the hardship, the Lord truly expanded Paul's ability to become like Himself, to suffer in love just as Jesus did for us. Paul had a deep, deep capacity for divine love. Even those of us who have worked diligently or fought long and hard for something, or who have lived well their vocations in providing for families for example, would likely look back and say, “I truly have grown and been transformed through all the sacrifices. I wouldn't change it.”

So while we might be more interested in questioning the wisdom of God that he would permit hardships in our life, let us fix our eyes of faith on Him who loved us so to suffer for us, so that our suffering is never in vain. Maybe our ability to suffer well changes when we receive the reality that in mercy, God doesn't abandon but now protects us through the hardships so that we might come to trust Him in ways we never thought was possible for us. Today, may we all be granted an increase of faith, that with our hearts opened toward the Lord in the midst of our trials, Jesus may ‘perform mighty deeds’ in us and for us, and free us to move speedily with Him from the cross to resurrected life.

Peace!

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## ***Please Note:***

The weekend of 7/13-14 Father Brendan Foley will be with the Diocese's youth trip to Steubenville.

## ***Totus Tuus Grade School Program***

Designed for children going into first through sixth grade in the 2024-2025 school year. The Day Program runs Monday through Friday. The students are encouraged to be clear and consistent in their faith. They are shown how to view their Lord as a good Father. This personal relationship gives them the confidence to be Christ's witnesses in the world around them. Finally, Totus Tuus endeavors to show the youth that a humble and courageous desire to know God must be based upon a steadfast and disciplined life of prayer combined with the reception of the sacraments.

### ***July 7-12***

St. Rose of Lima, North Syracuse

### ***July 14-19***

Divine Mercy, Central Square / Sacred Heart, Cicero

St. Elizabeth Ann Seton, Baldwinsville

St. Vincent de Paul, Syracuse

### ***July 28-August 2***

Holy Cross, Dewitt

Fr. Foley will be assisting and would love to have children from our parish come!

***[syracusediocese.org/attend-totus-tuus](http://syracusediocese.org/attend-totus-tuus)***

## ***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 tithes to our faith community.

## ***Sacrificial Giving***

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

Our Lady of Pompei/St. Peter:

June 30, 2024 - \$7,410.00

St. John the Baptist / Holy Trinity Collection:

June 30, 2024 - 1,779.00

We thank you for your generous financial support of our parishes.

## ***Centennial Corner***



As the US made it out of the depression and the war ended, we began to feel that security again. We established many great traditions and organizations that would go on to serve the church and the community over the next 60 years. As we entered into the 1940s a thorough instruction program was established for students in public grammar school, junior high school, and high school—in 1940 as a result of a new state law that allowed public school students to be released from class for one hour each week for spiritual instruction.

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## ***Week We Remember.. This***

### **Monday: July 8**

9:00am Mass at Our Lady of Pompei/St. Peter  
Antoinette Farone / Family

### **Tuesday: July 9**

9:00am Mass at Our Lady of Pompei/St. Peter  
Joseph DiBello / Sister, Julia  
Andrea Bortoloni / Gilda Sisera

### **Wednesday: July 10**

9:00am Mass at Our Lady of Pompei/St. Peter  
Maureen Paduano / John & Angela Cappuccilli

### **Thursday: July 11**

9:00am Mass at Our Lady of Pompei/St. Peter  
Henry & Esther(1st Ann.) Pagano/  
Sister Elizabeth

Cindy Caruso / Kim & Jim Robinson  
Peter & Mary Caruso / Frank Pagano & Family

### **Friday: July 12**

No Daily Mass at Our Lady of Pompei/St. Peter

### **Saturday: July 13**

4:00pm Mass at Our Lady of Pompei/St. Peter  
Joseph J. Prince III / Sisters

Frank Procopio / Family  
Emmelina Raccuia / Daughter, Mary Linda  
Benny & Terry Cimino / Son, Joseph  
Bessie & Attilio Sampaolesi / Bertha & Family  
Mary Jo & Angelo Canino / Bertha & Family  
Jeffrey Canino / Bertha & Family  
David Vacco / Mom Canino & Family  
Richard Sisto & Frank Giannantonio /  
Frank & Sue

Henry & Esther Pagano / Sandy & Dan  
Christina & Carmine Carapella / Anna

### **Sunday: July 14**

7:30am Mass Our Lady of Pompei/St. Peter  
Richard Monty & Family / Joe Ruggeri  
Mary & Nick Meola / Friends

*continued*

### **Sunday: July 14**

11:30am Mass at Our Lady of Pompei/St. Peter

Cristofero Giarizzo & Jenny Giarizzo / Family  
Pietro & Maria Sisera / Sister in law, Gilda  
Anthony James Cannizzaro / John &  
Margherita / Deceased of the Mule &  
Cannizzaro Families /John & Margherita  
Rev. Michaela Dietrick / Rosemarie Emmi &  
Family,  
Peter & Mary Caruso / DJ, Chris, Angelica &  
Joey  
Phyllis Cutri Caso / Husband, Ronald Caso

## **Please remember in your prayers**

***The sick of our parishes and all those in hospitals, nursing homes and the home Bound.*** Shawn Babcock, Nancy Bailey, Robert Capria, John & Leona Ciferni, Catherine Cushman, Linda Deapo, Ginny and Erin Donovan, Marilyn Ferretti, Ruth Fabrizi, Ellen Gangemi, Katie Stamm Gordon, Gladys Graham, Robert Greenwood, Joseph Guinto, Jeanne Hammond, Mary Isgar, Carla Johnson, Dory Jones, Tony Lauretti, Shirley Kerr, Kay Ledermann, Joseph Leonard, Jackie Limeri, Maria Luisi, Diane Moro, Joe Nicoletti, The Pavia Children, Rebecca Roman, Emily Rosenthal, Cathy Galutz Sacco, Roseanne Scrimale, Faith Setzer, Marion Sherwood, Esther Sindoni, Julie Smith, John Sobon, Timothy K. Suppes, Barbara Traino, Shelly Visco, Matthew Watkins and 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.***

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The Parish Family  
of Our Lady of Pompei/St Peter



invites the Cast and Crew of the  
Pompeian Players  
to a Reunion Party!

Sunday October 6, 2024  
2:00 to 5:00 pm.

Our Lady of Pompei Cafeteria  
A light fare will be served.

Join us to remember those  
wonderful years, browse the  
memorabilia and share the memories.

Please RSVP  
the Parish Office 315 422 7163  
by September 30, 2024.

Cost is \$10.00/person.  
A cash bar will be offered.

## Men In Black Softball Showdown

Looking for a fun evening with the family? Mark your calendars and join us on Sunday, July 28th at 5:30 PM at Mirabito Stadium in Binghamton as our priests and seminarians take on our youth from around the Southern Tier!

Pre-Game: Join us for 3:00 PM Mass with Bishop Lucia at St. Vincent de Paul - Blessed Sacrament Church in Vestal for our Seminarians, Cornelius Deep & Joe Kolcun's Rite of Candidacy.

Father Foley would love to see you there!

*Annual*  
**MEN IN BLACK  
SOFTBALL GAME**

**SUNDAY, JULY 28TH**

**SYRACUSE  
PADRES** **VS** **SOUTHERN  
TIER  
ANGELS**

**5:30PM**  
**MIRABITO STADIUM, BINGHAMTON**

Bring friends and family out to the ball park to join in cheering for our priests & seminarians of the Diocese of Syracuse as they take on our youth from around the Tier!

**Free Admission | Kids Games**

**PRE-GAME:** Join us for 3:00pm Mass with Bishop Lucia at St. Vincent de Paul Blessed Sacrament Church in Vestal for our Seminarians, Cornelius Deep & Joe Kolcun's Rite of Candidacy.

**Concessions | Family Fun**

**Raffles | Faith & Fellowship**

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## *100th Year Happenings*

As Our Lady of Pompei / St. Peter Church celebrates its 100th Anniversary, we invite you to mark your calendars and attend our monthly events! Our next event will be held in July.

**\*Strawberry Social will be held on July 20th & 21st after all Masses.** Please join us for a sweet treat in the Gathering Space. NO RSVP is necessary.

**\*August 17th & 18th we will have a Coffee Hour after all Masses** hosted by the Society of St. Therese and the Holy Name Society. NO RSVP is required for this event.

**\*Calling all Our Lady of Pompei School/CAP Alumni.** We will honor you at the 11:30am Mass on September 8th followed by a reception, location to be announced. All are welcome! RSVP will be needed.

**\*Once a Pompeian always a Pompeian.** Come to the school cafeteria at 2:00pm on October 6th for an Open House with light fare. Featuring a Pompeian Player Slide Show! RSVP will be needed.

**\*The 75th Annual Spaghetti Supper will be November 5th, Election Day 2024!!** Volunteer to help out, eat in or take out, make a donation or just spread the word!!

**\*Start the Christmas Season off right with the Parish Christmas Party on December 1st at Traditions' at the Links from 2pm-6pm.** RSVP's will be needed.



## *Liturgical Ministers*

Weekend of July 13 & 14 Lectors: 4:00 pm  
OLP/St. P. AJ Cimino 7:30 am OLP/St.P. N. Lore  
11:30 am OLP/St.P

Merino Merola Eucharistic Ministers: 4:00 pm  
OLP/St. P. Team III 7:30 am OLP/St.P. M.  
Iannettone 11:30 am OLP/St. Team III



## *Eucharistic Angels*

In loving memory of

***Henry & Esther Pagano***

As requested by their family.



## *Bread and Wine*

For masses celebrated during the week in loving memory of

***James Arena***

Requested by family



## *Sanctuary Lamps*

Burning In Loving Memory

Special Intentions

Requested by

Eileen Kitts

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**Results: 6/25**

## **OLP/St. Peter Golf League**

Low Gross A-Flight, Mike Stala - 40  
Low Gross B-Flight, Steve Shoen - 44  
Closest to the Pin # 5 Ed Calkins  
Jamie Lanza  
Congratulations First Half Winners  
A-Flight, Dave Holcraft  
B-Flight, Doc Dimicco

## **The 26th Annual Msgr. William L. Walsh Memorial Golf Tournament**

Gather your foursomes now for the 26th Annual Msgr. William L. Walsh Memorial Golf Tournament on **July 22th at Tuscarora Golf Club**. The cost of the tournament is \$150.00 per person which includes: lunch, 18 holes of golf with cart, steak dinner, awards and prizes. Want to make a hole sponsor donation, \$100.00 or register a foursome, \$150.00 per golfer, please call, 315-422-7163.

## **Thank You for your Impact**

We are grateful for your support of the 2023 HOPE Appeal. In today's bulletin you will find the HOPE Impact Report Summary with a thank you from Bishop Lucia. On behalf of the many individuals and families who were helped by your goodness, thank you for strengthening the fabric of our faith.

## **St. Therese Meeting**

The next St. Therese Meeting will be at the Parish Office in September. We are still searching for the St. Therese banner. We have been unable to locate. If you know where it is please call the parish office at 315.422.7163.

## **Peter's Pence Collection**

Thank you for your generous support in last week's Peter's Pence Collection. As a parish, we collected 269.00. Our contributions will join those from our brothers and sisters worldwide to help Pope Francis in his ministry to the Universal Church, including relief to people in need and support for the Holy See and the charitable works of the pope.

## **A Fond Farewell to Father Caruso**

Last Sunday our Parish Family celebrated the feast of St Peter, our Parish Picnic and the years of service that we were blessed with Father Caruso as our Pastor. Mass was absolutely beautiful. Bringing together all of our wonderful faith community in one mass of prayer and gratitude.

After Mass, over 300 Parishioners celebrated with a fantastic outside picnic under the school canopy. The food was spectacular with a delicious blend of Hot Dogs, Hamburg's, salads, and an incredible Vietnamese spread of various specialties. It's always a beautiful time when working side by side and breaking bread with our Vietnamese brothers and sisters. We are so Blessed!!!

Many thanks to Lenny and Maria Scarfino-DiBello who headed up the committee and worked tirelessly to pull together such a special and wonderful event. We hope Father Caruso felt all the gratitude and love.

***May God Bless him always!!!***