



FATHER'S DAY

Celebrate his love

June 21, 2020



The Talmud tells us, "A child tells in the street what its father says at home." Much to the embarrassment of many parents, this adage is true. One father tells of taking his three-year-old son with him to see Grandma and Grandpa. While visiting, Grandma and her grandson baked cookies while Dad and Grandpa watched a baseball game. Upon tasting a sample from the first batch, the three-year-old held the cookie out saying, "Damn this is good!"

Grandma gasped in shock. The father jumped up from the chair and corrected the son saying, "That's not a nice word. Where did you learn that word?" the boy instantly replied, "I learned it from you, Daddy—You say it every time Mommy fixes supper."

As we celebrate Father's Day, we want to celebrate the good our fathers have done for us. We remember their good example and we are grateful for their love. We are mindful of children without fathers and children whose fathers do not parent.

How a father lives his life has a huge impact on teaching his children, most particularly his sons. From their fathers, sons learn how to be a man. It is vitally important, then that fathers understand what a man is and, particularly, what a Christian man is. Mothers can fuss at their children all they want about going to church, but children in a family in which the father attends regularly are far more likely to remain active in their own faith. This is not to say a mother's example is unimportant. Mothers have certain influences fathers can't touch!

We are thankful and every day of the year. May God bless all our fathers abundantly in time and eternity.

Temporary Mass Times

(beginning May 26, 2020)

Tuesday and Friday
8:30 am in Church

Saturday
4:30 pm in Church

Sunday
9:00 am and 11:00
am in Church

Confessions will be
heard every
Saturday at 3:30 pm
in Church

A Little Father's Day Humor

A Sunday School teacher was teaching her class about the difference between right and wrong. She said, "Let me give you an example. If I were to get into a man's pocket and take his wallet with all his money, what would I be?"

Little Jason raised his hand, and with a confident smile, he blurts out, "You would be his wife!"

A Prayer for Fathers

*Heavenly Father,
you entrusted your Son Jesus,
the child of Mary,
to the care of Joseph,
an earthly father.*

*Bless all fathers
as they care for their families.
Give them strength and wisdom,
tenderness and patience;
support them in the work they have to do,
protecting those who look to them,
as we look to you for love and salvation,
through Jesus Christ
our rock and defender. Amen*

The Holy Family, with Saint Joseph
Embracing the Christ Child
by Carlo Maratta

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This & That by Deacon Skip

I have two sons, Mark and Steve. Both are adopted Korean orphans. I have been a father now somewhere in the neighborhood of forty years. The wildest experience I had as a father came when Mark was in his twenties.

One day, completely out of the blue, Mark received a phone call from a Korean orphanage. It seemed that a young woman named Sun Ji, better known as Sunny Jo, was actively searching for an older brother she remembered and had traced him to the orphanage. We came to find out that Sunny was raised in Stavanger, Norway and at that time she linked up with Mark lived in British Columbia. They exchanged correspondence and ultimately they met.

Sunny was a persistent detective and ultimately she discovered their birth parents still very much alive in South Korea. Sunny traveled there to meet them. She returned with an invitation for Mark to come to South Korea himself.

Mark went and met them. He came home very conflicted about to whom he owed his allegiance. For many adoptive parents, our worst nightmare is that the true parents will one day show up and claim their child back. To complicate issues, Mark was an adult. We had to tread lightly and let him come to a conclusion about what he did. Mark really struggled with things, until his friends took him to Applebee's one evening for happy hour and talked him out of going back to his birth parents.

About a year later, Mark traveled to South Korea on business. I believe he worked for the purchasing department of GM back then and traveled around the world to buy the components to make plastic. While he was there, he looked up his birth parents again. When he came home, I asked him how the meeting went, very afraid the conflict had come back. He very simply said without a lot of elaboration, "I like your guys values better." So, I get to observe Father's Day with two sons.

Ministries Center
(734) 425-9771

FOOD PANTRY

Thank you for all of your wonderful donations. Because of your generosity, the pantry is filled to capacity. Please check back for future needs. As of right now we still can use a few Dollar Store items such as hamburger patties, turkey lunch meat, pot pies and small bottles of laundry soap and dish soap. It is very important that you donate the small bottles and not the large ones because the items are weighed with the food and the large bottles are very heavy, therefore people are unable to take food items they might need. The Ministries Building will be open EVERY Thursday from 10am-1pm to drop off donations for the pantry. Cash or check offerings for the pantry should be clearly marked as such. **These times are only for dropping off donations. Anyone wanting to receive items from the pantry needs to call to schedule an appointment at (734) 425-9771.**

Scripture Readings for the Week of June 21, 2020

Sunday, June 21, 2020

Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Jer 20:10-13; Ps 69:8-10, 14, 17, 33-35;
Rom 5:12-15; Mt 10:26-33

Monday, June 22, 2020

Saint Paulinus of Nola, Bishop; Saints John Fisher, Bishop, and Thomas More, Martyrs

2 Kgs 17:5-8, 13-15a, 18; Ps 60:3, 4-5, 12-13;
Mt 7:1-5

Tuesday, June 23, 2020

2 Kgs 19:9b-11, 14-21, 31-35a, 36; Ps 48:2-3ab,
3cd-4, 10-11; Mt 7:6, 12-14

Wednesday, June 24, 2020

Solemnity of the Nativity of Saint John the Baptist

Vigil: Jer 1:4-10; Ps 71:1-2, 3-4a, 5-6ab, 15ab
and 17; 1 Pt 1:8-12; Lk 1:5-17

Day: Is 49:1-6; Ps 139:1b-3, 13-14ab,
14c-15; Acts 13:22-26; Lk 1:57-66, 80

Thursday, June 25, 2020

2 Kgs 24:8-17; Ps 79:1b-2, 3-5, 8, 9;
Mt 7:21-29

Friday, June 26, 2020

Kgs 25:1-12; Ps 137:1-2, 3, 4-5, 6; Mt 8:1-4

Saturday, June 27, 2020

Saint Cyril of Alexandria, Bishop and Doctor of the Church

Lam 2:2, 10-14, 18-19; Ps 74:1b-2, 3-5, 6-7,
20-21; Mt 8:5-17

Sunday, June 28, 2020

Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

2 Kgs 4:8-11, 14-16a; Ps 89:2-3, 16-17,
18-19; Rom 6:3-4, 8-11; Mt 10:37-42

Bulletin Editor

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Bulletin article deadline is Monday before the issue date by 12:00 p.m. During holidays articles must be submitted two Mondays before issue. All articles and submissions are subject to approval and editing.



Dennis Karczynski

Grand Knight

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I am the true vine, and my Father is the vine grower. He takes away every branch in me that does not bear fruit... John 15: 1-2

Fellow parishioners, this will be my last article that I write for you. I hope that my thoughts, words and prayers were taken in a positive light. We are all one family and I am no better than anyone else. I was given an opportunity to share my thoughts with you and I prayed before I asked to publish any of them. Thank you for listening to me, or not.

Being a Gardner, I prune dead branches from my apple trees, roses and other plants. God has been the Gardner of my life. He has had a lot of work to do with me. Sometimes the bad fruit comes back. Things he keeps pruning from me are jealousy, anger, impatience, selfishness and unkind thoughts. Yipes, big branches! He is the vine and I am a branch. To bear fruit I have to remain in him.

Let me leave these final thoughts with you. Take this day as a gift and pray the psalm, "Be still and know that I am God" Psalm 46:11 God has never let me down. I have let him down. But, he always has forgiven me and given me another chance. How many times must I forgive my brother, 70 time seven. By saying we are to forgive those who sin against us seventy times seven, Jesus was not limiting forgiveness to 490 times, a number that is, for all practical purposes, beyond counting. Christians with forgiving hearts not only do not limit the number of times they forgive; they continue to forgive with as much grace the thousandth time as they do the first time. Forgive me for my faults. My thoughts and love are with you all!

Vivat Jesus!
Dennis Karczynski
Grand Knight



Last Sunday St. Thomas parish community welcomed Brent Belous and son, Sebastian, as new Catholics. Brent was finally able to receive the Easter Sacraments of Initiation (Baptism, Confirmation and Eucharist) and his son, Sebastian, was baptized. We welcome the Belous family to our community of faith. God bless them!



We are in need of volunteers to set tables for funeral luncheons. If you are interested, please call the parish office at (734) 427-1533. Thank you!

First Saturday Memorial Association 2020-2021

The opportunity to renew/join our First Saturday Memorial Association is now through June 28.

The St. Thomas the Apostle First Saturday Memorial Association is a special offering made by the parishioners celebrated on the first Saturday of every month at the 4:30 PM Mass throughout the year.

These intentions will be published weekly in our bulletin. New membership will begin July 2020 and run through June 2021. Cost is \$75.00 for the year.

Please fill out the information below and return it in an envelope with your payment through the collection basket, mail or dropped it off at the Parish Center. Thank you!

NAME _____

ADDRESS _____

PHONE _____

INTENTION: _____

Please PRINT clearly ONLY ONE LINE PER INTENTION.



We are no longer collecting bottles and cans for the pantry.

Thank you for all of your support!

Worship Schedule		June 27 & 28, 2020	
MINISTERS	SAT 4:30 PM	SUN 9:00 AM	SUN 11:00 AM
CELEBRANT	FATHER LAWRENCE ZURAWSKI	FATHER LAWRENCE ZURAWSKI	FATHER LAWRENCE ZURAWSKI
ALTAR SERVERS	JERRY KOWALCZYK	TOM WILHELM	ANTHONY WOODWARD
EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST	CANDY HENRY CAROL STEC FRANK TOFIL	GAIL COZZAGLIO DAN LOBB TEDDY LUTHER	DENICE BIELSKI EVIE BURGESS MISSY TAYLOR
LECTORS	FRANK TOFIL	VICTORIA APOLZAN	MIKE WELDON
SACRISTAN	KATHY GENAW	GAIL COZZAGLIO	TEREZE AULA
MASS INTENTIONS	ARTHUR AND ANN KAPANKE	EILEEN JUDGE KENNETH LA MAR	+MARGARET PRICE +MARY ANN SCHMITZ

Weekday Masses

June 22-June 26, 2020

Monday, June 22

+TOM BENCIC

Tuesday, June 23

8:30 am.....CHURCH

MARY ANN WOSMAK

+SOPHIE LA MAR

Friday, June 26

+CAROLINE BUDNICK

Weekend Collection

June 13-14, 2020

Total Sunday Offering	\$6,290.00
Budgeted per week	\$10,404.00
Below the budgeted amount	-4,114.00

Thank you for your support and may God bless you!

Please remember St. Thomas the Apostle when writing your will.

Acts of Spiritual Communion

It has long been a Catholic understanding that when circumstances prevent one from receiving Holy Communion, it is possible to make an Act of Spiritual Communion which is a source of grace. Spiritual Communion means uniting one's self in prayer with Christ's sacrifice and worshipping him in his Body and Blood. The most common reason for making an Act of Spiritual Communion is when a person cannot attend Mass. Acts of Spiritual Communion increase our desire to receive sacramental Communion and help us avoid the sins that would make us unable to receive Holy Communion worthily.

A prayer for Spiritual Communion

*My Jesus, I believe that you are present in the Most Holy Sacrament.
I love you above all things and I desire to receive you in my soul.
Since I cannot at this moment receive you sacramentally,
Come at least spiritually into my heart.
I embrace you as if you were already there
And unite myself wholly to you.
Never permit me to be separated from you.
Amen.*

**ARE YOU REGISTERED AT
ST. THOMAS THE APOSTLE?**

If you have been looking for a new parish we would appreciate you considering St. Thomas the Apostle as your parish.

Stop by the Parish Center and fill out a registration form or download one from our website www.thomastheapostle.org. You can stop by the office, or put it in the collection basket at Mass. Young adults over 18 should be registered on their own registration form.

Please Pray For...

Ainsworth, Karen	Cunningham, John	Levoir, Lorraine	Pastula, Shirley	Thomas, Michael
Ainsworth, Ron	Daughtery, Jeff	Luther, Brian	Persondek, Cristin	Tomasi, Jack
Akwaegbu, Kingsley Ejike	DeGrande, Colleen	Malish, Rosemary	Pietszak, Carol	Vaughn, Kelly
Altizer, Brynn	DeGrande, Sam	Malone, Della	Pryce, Mary Ann	Wysocki, Ken
Arsenault, Cathy	DiVitto, Rita	Marchand, Susan	Radford, Magdalen	Zonca, Barbara
Arsenault, Fran	Esson, Pat	Mathison, Bonnie	(Maggie)	Ziolkowski, Norm
Asini, Eloho	Farr, Viola	Mathison, Jackie	Rawlings, Therese	
Asini, Margaret	Gau, Sandy	Mayfield, Sally	Robertson, Michael	
Bargardi, Carl	Gorsuch, Eric	McGrath, Jim	Rodgers, Hiedi	
Bargardi, Frances	Hamm, Jo	Merritt, Dan	Rollins, Joan	
Bartlett, Carol	Hayes, Jacqueline	Miklousich, Lena	Romanowski, Ronald	
Boyak, Carolyn	Henry, Bernadine	Mirabitor, Timmy	Saenz, Carlos	
Bufalini, Rose	Herlihy, Patrick	Mocadlo, Audrey	Sanregret, Anna	
Burdis, Cathy	Hrlac, Betty	Mocadlo, Jim, Sr.	Severin, Judith	
Burke, Larry	Irwin, Mary	Mocadlo, Jimmy	Shankin, JoAnne	
Burrell, Fred	Jones, Marie	Murray, Colleen	Skorupa, Peter	
Burris, Nikita	Kietur, Deanna	Nantz, Janice	Staudacher, Jason	
Burris Family	Kleczynski, Richard	Needham, Jim	Sulkowski, Karen	
Chicila, Pam	Koslosky, Alphonse	Newman, Theresa	Summet, Fred	
	Kusluski, Walter	Niemczewski, Gordon	Szura, Samantha	
	Larry, Bruce	Parker, Sharon	Tetreau, Audrey	

Pray for the First Saturday Memorial Association from July 2019-June 30, 2020

Deceased members of the Ajlouny & Blaty family	Deceased members of the Kattula family
Deceased members Szuba-Balawajder family	In loving memory of Al Kolpacke
In loving memory of Charles Batherson	Loving memory of Gorny and Kushnir family
In loving memory of Thomas Bencic	Malish-Porembiak family
Loving memory of Aunt Loretta Brandt	In memory of Madeline Frank & Michael Mangold
In loving memory of Walter and Mary Burdis	Loving memory of Jerry Moynahan
In loving memory of Sgt. Bryan Burgess	Angel Dr. Dominic J. Noonan
Dec. & Liv. members of the Butka & Wojtkowiak family	Deceased members of the Pattock & Stuecken families
Loving memory of coach Dave Cain	Angel Danny P. Pepera
In loving memory of Raymond and Virginia Carozza	My loving wife of 66 years, Mary J. Pepera
Liv & Dec friends & family of Tommy & Barbara Cockrum	In loving memory of Joseph Potter
William, Gloria, & Billy Cozzaglio	Richard & Eleanore Reed
In loving memory of Robert E. Derda	In loving memory of Kathy Rodgers
In loving memory of Michael Dicker	Loving memory of Sherwood & Carolyn Webber
Loving memory of Jessie & Chester Gugala	Loving memory of Bill Wilson
In loving memory of Bob & Ann Hoelscher	In loving memory of Mary Zarzycki
Special Intention of D.A.K.	In loving memory of Fred Zonca
Deceased Members of Kapanke-Omilian Family	

Pray for those Serving in the Military

Ainsworth, Amber	Ainsworth, Raymond	McGaw, Douglas	Meadows, Erin
Angelovic, Adrian	Angelovic, George	Miller, Maj. David C.	Mondoux, Ian
Ardinger, Stephanie	Baumgardner, AJ	Moody, Samantha	Murray, Daniel
Becker, Justin	Bregand, David	Nguyen, Staff Sgt. Truong	Ohannesian, Brandon
Brozek, Timothy	Campbell, Mary	Pastula, Michael Thomas	Persondek, Michael
Canfield, Chaz	Chokr, Jamel	Porcaro, Jeff	Preba, Danny
Cinka, Jonathan	Coatsworth, Michael	Rosa, Brian J.	Rosa, Douglas J.
Comment, Scott	Dempsey, Joseph	Rousseau, Philip	Sheko, Destiny
DiCicco, Bill	Dwyer, Tyler	Smith, David	Smitt, David
Ellsworth, Justin	Fisher, Bob	Spiczka, Cathy	Spiczka, Greg
Gentilia, Anthony	Goudeseune, Russell	Sparrow, Justin	Spohr, Raymond
Griglio, Matthew	Kashou, Christopher	Squires, Derek	Szerszen, Michael
Laichalk, Robert	Logan, Jonathon	Steenburg, Patrick	Waldo, Michael
Logan, Sean Patrick	Logan, Jeff	Tesarz, Ian Michael	Wiertella, Jonathan
Masiarak, Luke	McHale, Sgt. Shawn	Webb, Brian	Yount, Alex
McCarville, William E.	McGahan, Wade	Witt, Christopher	



Missy Taylor
 Director of Religious Formation & Coordinator of Youth Ministry

**RELIGIOUS FORMATION
 2020-2021 REGISTRATION**

We will now be accepting registrations for the upcoming Religious Formation year. Forms will be mailed to our existing families who had students enrolled in the program this year. The forms are also available on our website, and in the Gathering Space of the Church. I can always send them by email to those interested as well. Our date to return is Monday, September 28th at 6:00pm. Although we completed the year in a strong online program, we hope to resume our "normal" style of learning. Please remember it is NEVER too late to sign children up for this program. We have catch-up classes for those who have not had previous catechesis. We look at each case on an individual basis. Please call me if you have any questions or concerns.

**CONGRATULATIONS TO THE
 CLASS OF 2020!!**

Elaina Ryan (St. Raphael school graduate 2016)-Elaina graduated with highest honors from Huron High School in New Boston, MI. She is the 2020 Salutatorian! Her classmates voting her as "most likely to become President" is not a shock as Elaina has



enjoyed many leadership roles including Math team president, National Honors Society Vice President, Writing Club President, Quiz Bowl co-captain and 3rd grade catechist. Elaina

qualified to compete in Nationals for Math-Con (an annual math competition) 2 years in a row. Elaina will be attending University of Michigan, Ann Arbor in the fall with hopes, at this point, to eventually attend Law School.



In continuing to practice social distancing with the safety of our parish family in mind, we will not be holding an "in person" Vacation Bible School this year. However, we will be providing an opportunity for a Virtual Vacation Bible School that you can access digitally and enjoy with your children at home. Please let me know if you are interested, and I'll add you that email distribution list so you can be part of this great experience. I will share links the week that our VBS was scheduled to be held (June 22-26), so please notify me of your interest before June 21. Thank you and we look forward to this new way of sharing His message with our young people!!

ATTENTION ALL GRADUATES!



If you are graduating in 2020, we would like to celebrate you!! This is for both high school and college graduates. We hope to schedule a Mass later this summer, but would like to recognize you in our bulletin and on our website and Facebook pages. Please send me a photo of you (either a senior photo or one in cap and gown) along with information as to what school you graduated from, any honors you received along the way, and future plans. I will spotlight a new graduate each week in the bulletin and post all graduates to our social media pages as I receive them and leave them up on our pages throughout the summer. I will keep you updated on a potential Mass date as we get more information on that. Congratulations on your accomplishments and may God bless you and watch over you as you enter into this new phase of your journey!

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