

August 17, 2025

# Hail Holy QUEEN Enthroned Above



## Pope Leo's Time in Peru

We know that Pope Leo looks at his many years in Peru with a very loving heart. In some of his first words as our newly elected Pope, he recalled his work as a missionary in Peru from 1985 to 1998: "And if you will allow me a word, a greeting to all those...in a particular way to my beloved Diocese of Chiclayo, in Peru."

Known as the "City of Friendship," Chiclayo is located in northern Peru, about 500 miles from Lima. Pope Francis appointed him as apostolic administrator and then bishop of the Diocese of Chiclayo. He also served as the vice-president of the Peruvian Bishops' Conference.

In Pope Leo's words, "I came as a missionary to Chulucanas almost 40 years ago, then 11 years in Trujillo, and eight years in Chiclayo. Thank God for so many things the Peruvian people have shared with me. We have walked together and shared our faith."

This is what his colleague, Fr. Guillermo, had to say about him: "We shared many moments of decision-making...and had many opportunities to converse, and I have been able to discover his prudence, his perseverance, his tenacity, and that simplicity that characterizes him, but always with great depth to resolve an issue, any situation, no matter how sensitive. He saw that 'hope was never lost,' regardless of the situation."

May God bless Pope Leo XIV, and may he help to make our world a better place.

### ***On the lighter side.....***

A man went to confession and told the priest, "Father, I stole a truckload of lumber." The priest replied, "That is very serious, and you will have to return it or pay for it." The man reluctantly agreed, hoping for another way. The priest continued, "Now, for your penance, I want you to make a novena. You know how to make a novena, don't you?" The man replied, "No, Father, but if you have the plans, I have the lumber!"

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## This N That by Deacon Skip

I have actual news to report on the Wayne Road bridge. Concrete beams are now in place spanning the creek and connecting the north side of the bridge to the south side. There is no sign of road work yet, and I have no idea if the project is on or off target. It does look like other things are about to happen.

People have asked if I've kept up with my walking. I have to an extent. I don't know what is worse-the air quality index or the heat and humidity problem. I have scaled back a bit, but still walk. If I keep walking I get to meet up with my favorite dogs.

While I was out, I crossed paths with a Korean couple I know. In conversation I learned that the wife has developed uterine cancer and is scheduled for a hysterectomy in the near future. Her husband asked for prayers for his wife. She does not want to be identified by name, so if everyone would, please pray for the Korean lady who is facing a hysterectomy that Deacon Skip knows. I'm sure God can figure it out.

Don't forget SVDP; don't forget the food pantry.

### Ministries Center/SVDP (734) 425-9771



The pantry needs help with our ongoing service to the community. We are most in need of spaghetti sauce, cans of ravioli, spaghetti & meatballs, chili, bag or box mix potatoes, soup, black or other beans, pancake mix, syrup, grape or strawberry jelly, and dish soap.

If you would like to receive items from the pantry, please call (734) 425-9771.

## Scripture Readings for the Week of August 17, 2025

### Sunday, August 17, 2025

#### Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Jer 38:4-6, 8-10; Ps 40:2, 3, 4, 18; Heb 12:1-4;  
Lk 12:49-53

### Monday, August 18, 2025

Jgs 2:11-19; Ps 106:34-35, 36-37, 39-40, 43ab  
and 44; Mt 19:16-22

### Tuesday, August 19, 2025

Jgs 6:11-24a; Ps 85:9, 11-12, 13-14; Mt 19:23-30

### Wednesday, August 20, 2025

#### Memorial of Saint Bernard, Abbot and Doctor of the Church

Jgs 9:6-15; Ps 21:2-3, 4-5, 6-7; Mt 20:1-16

### Thursday, August 21, 2025

#### Memorial of Saint Pius X, Pope

Jgs 11:29-39a; Ps 40:5, 7-8a, 8b-9, 10; Mt 22:1-14

### Friday, August 22, 2025

#### Memorial of the Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Ru 1:1, 3-6, 14b-16, 22; Ps 146:5-6ab, 6c-7, 8-9a,  
9bc-10; Mt 22:34-40

### Saturday, August 23, 2025

Ru 2:1-3, 8-11, 4:13-17; Ps 128:1b-2, 3, 4, 5;  
Mt 23:1-12

### Sunday, August 24, 2025

#### Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time

Is 66:18-21; Ps 117:1, 2; Heb 12: 5-7, 11-13;  
Lk 13:22-30

### ALL AROUND THE TOWN BASKETS!

Excitement is mounting as our festival will be here before we know it!! Once again, The All Around the Town Basket booth would appreciate donations of gifts to raffle off. All donations are greatly appreciated, but if you're not sure what to buy, here's a wish list of items we are hoping for this year:

- iPad
- Luggage Set
- Cooler
- Gas Grill
- Bikes
- Portable Generator
- Power Tools
- Vacuum
- Kitchen Appliances

Scratch off lottery tickets and gift cards to restaurants and stores are always a big hit. Cash donations come in handy too! Items can be dropped off at the Parish Center. Thank you for your continued support.





## Nankin Family of Parishes



### Mass Schedule

**St. Mary, Cause of Our Joy (734) 425-4421**  
8200 N. Wayne Road, Westland

**St. Mary, Wayne (734) 721-8745**  
34530 Michigan Avenue, Wayne

**St. Richard (734) 729-2240**  
35851 Cherry Hill Road, Westland

**St. Thomas the Apostle (734) 427-1533**  
31530 Beechwood Street, Garden City

<b>Monday</b>	9:00 am	St. Mary, Wayne
	12:00 pm	St. Mary, Cause of Our Joy, Westland (followed by Eucharistic Adoration)
<b>Tuesday</b>	9:00 am	St. Thomas the Apostle, Garden City
	9:00 am	St. Richard, Westland
<b>Wednesday</b>	12:00 pm	St. Thomas the Apostle, Garden City
<b>Thursday</b>	9:00 am	St. Mary, Cause of Our Joy, Westland
<b>Friday</b>	9:00 am	St. Thomas the Apostle, Garden City
	9:00 am	St. Mary, Wayne
<b>Saturday</b>	4:00 pm	St. Thomas the Apostle, Garden City
	4:00 pm	St. Mary, Wayne
	5:30 pm	St. Mary Cause of Our Joy, Westland
<b>Sunday</b>	8:30 am	St. Mary, Wayne
	9:00 am	St. Thomas the Apostle, Garden City
		St. Mary Cause of Our Joy, Westland
	10:00 am	St. Richard, Westland
	11:00 am	St. Thomas the Apostle, Garden City
		St. Mary Cause of Our Joy, Westland
	11:30 am	St. Mary, Wayne
	2:00 pm	St. Mary, Wayne (SPANISH)

#### Confessions (also by appointment)

<b>Tuesday</b>		St. Richard, Westland (after 9 am Mass)
<b>Saturday</b>	3:00 pm	St. Thomas the Apostle, Garden City
	3:00 pm	St. Mary, Wayne
	6:30 pm	St. Mary, Cause of Our Joy, Westland

#### **Perpetual Help Devotion**

Every Tuesday after 9:00 AM Mass

#### **Eucharistic Adoration (one hour)**

First Friday of Each Month after 9:00 AM Mass

### **NEEDED!**

Festival time is fast approaching and we would love your help to make the GAME TENT and SUCKER PULL even more successful. We would appreciate any donations of **NEW games, toys, dolls, and stuffed animals**. This is a great opportunity to pick up those clearance items as summer winds down! If you have a large quantity of donations, we would gladly come and pick them up.

The more donations we can get, the less we need to buy. You can drop them off at the Parish Center or call Kathy at 734-776-2739.

Thank you in advance for your generosity.



## Parish Staff & Services

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Rev. Mr. Leon Rodgers

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**Music Minister.....**Paul Shafer

### **Maintenance**

Rob Walker

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### **Holy Communion**

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### **PARISH ORGANIZATIONS**

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Frank Tofil

#### **Knights of Columbus #4513**

Grand Knight..... John Galdes

#### **Rosary Altar Sodality**

President..... Missy Taylor  
(734) 425-5550

Worship Schedule		August 23 & 24, 2025	
MINISTERS	SAT 4:00 PM	SUN 9:00 AM	SUN 11:00 AM
CELEBRANT	FATHER LAWRENCE ZURAWSKI	FATHER LAWRENCE ZURAWSKI	FATHER LAWRENCE ZURAWSKI
ALTAR SERVERS	JERRY KOWALCZYK	DAVID GERSTENBRAND ANDREW GERSTENBRAND	CHUKWUMA NDUKWE STEPHLIN IMEBUOGU DAVIS IMEBUOGU
EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST	CANDY HENRY JEANNE PYONK FRANK TOFIL	TEDDY LUTHER GLORY MCGAHAN JOAN PALMER	EVIE BURGESS SALLIE QUINN MISSY TAYLOR
LECTORS	CORDELIA CHUKWUDI	GEORGETTE KATTULA	MIKE WELDON
SACRISTAN	BOB PROKOP	ROSE CONYER	LAURIE EICHSTEDT
MASS INTENTIONS	+ JAMES AND CARL DARNELL + BARBARA STEMPNIAK + JOANNE SHANKIN + AGGIE HENDERSHOT + DANIEL & ROSARIO HART ROSA GABRIELA SILVA	+ JEAN COUCH	+ DENNIS PATTOCK

*Offertory collection is reported quarterly.*  
 Thank you for your support and may God bless you!  
 Please remember St. Thomas the Apostle when writing your will.


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

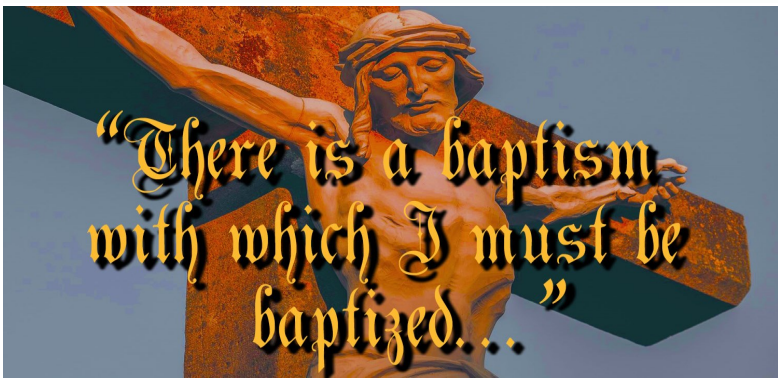
If you have been looking for a new parish we would appreciate you considering St. Thomas the Apostle as your parish. Stop by the Parish Center and fill out a registration form or download one from our website [www.thomastheapostle.org](http://www.thomastheapostle.org).

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.

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Bulletin article deadline is Monday before the issue date by 8:00 a.m. During holidays, articles must be submitted two Mondays before issue. All articles and submissions are subject to approval and editing.

  
 Weekday Masses  
 August 18-22, 2025  
**Tuesday, August 19**  
**9:00 am.....CHURCH**  
 ANNIE ANAHI LOPEZ  
**Wednesday, August 20**  
**12:00 PM.....CHURCH**  
 + SISTER PATRICIA ANN TAUBE  
**Friday, August 22**  
**9:00 am.....CHURCH**  
 + WILLIAM E. GORMAN



## Please Pray For...

Alaska, Shirley  
Batherson, Barbara  
Baumgardner, Patty  
Berger, Ron  
Block, Karen  
Boyak, Carolyn  
Bringold, Bonnie  
Burgess, Evie  
Burke, Larry  
Burris, Nikita and Family  
Calley, Julie  
Carpenter, Mike  
Cepko Family  
Chop, Nancy Grabel  
Cislo, Dan  
D'Angelo, Rebecca

Dacus, Shirley  
Daugherty, Kenny  
Decaminada, Mona  
DeGrande, Colleen  
Dempsey, Sgt Joseph  
Dempsey, Michele  
Dewey, Thomas  
Dial, Philip  
Durkin Jr., Gerald Lee  
Duval, Chuck  
Eichstedt, Laurie  
Feiler, Alex Horne  
Fichtner, Leanne  
Filak, Julianna  
Fornasiero, Joseph  
Gozowsky, David  
Hagen, Jenifer  
Harte, John

Hubbard, Carl  
Jachym, Patricia  
Kapanke, Dolores  
Kathan, Joann  
Kathan, Thomas  
Kotrys, Marlene  
LeVair, Lorraine  
LeVair, Sherry  
Lobb, Cindy  
Lobb, Jeri  
Lopez, Patricia  
Lowe, Jonathan  
Malish, Rosemary  
Murawski, Veronica  
O'Connell, Evan  
Oliverio, Jr., Robert  
Paczas, Karen  
Pastula, Shirley

Prosser, Cindy  
Roffi, Herman  
Sanak, Francene  
Sanregret, John  
Smith, Mary  
Smitt, Deb  
Smith, Patricia  
Soine, Dianna  
Stites, Keith  
Sutherland, Eleanor

Tennent, Joan  
Tsaprazis, Pete  
Turcotte, Joshua  
Walker, Ian  
Whitfield, James  
Wielechowski, Kenneth  
Wildauer, Mark  
Zarzycki, Stanley



Prayer list requests can be made only with the knowledge and permission of the person being added. Please do not add anybody without their permission. To add, keep a person on the prayer list, or to remove a name, please call the parish office at (734) 427-1533. Thank you!

## Pray for the First Saturday Memorial Association from July 2025-June 30, 2026

Deceased Members of Ajlouny & Blaty Families  
Living & Deceased Members of Barnes & Digregio Families  
Deceased & live members of the Batherson Family  
In Memory of Bruce Birmingham  
Loving Memory of Aunt Loretta Brandt  
Deceased and Live Members of Butka & Wojtkowiak families  
In Loving Memory of Walter & Mary Burdis  
Loving Memory of Sgt. Bryan K. Burgess  
Loving Memory of Coach Dave Cain  
Deceased Members of Cielma and Niwa Families  
In Loving Memory of Tommy Cockrum  
Deceased Members of the Darnell Family  
Living & Deceased Members of Dooley & Firestone Families  
Living & Deceased Members of Duncan & Williams Families  
Living & Deceased Members of Gizowski & Sovel Families  
Loving Memory of Gorny and Kushnir Families  
In Memory of Donald Grant  
Loving Memory of Jessie & Chester Gugala  
In Loving Memory of Bob and Ann Hoelscher  
In Loving Memory of Robert S. Hoffman  
In Loving Memory of Eugene Josphe Hynek  
My Wife Joanne Who I Love and Miss Very Much  
Deceased Members of the Kattula Family  
Living & Deceased Members of Keiller & Marciniec Families  
Living & Deceased Members of Kwilos & Stecker Families

Deceased Members of LaMar and Dryja Families  
The Malish and Porembiak Families  
In Loving Memory of Margaret Mirabitor  
In Loving Memory of Reynold Mirabitor Sr.  
In Loving Memory of Audrey Mocadlo  
Loving Memory of Jerry Moynahan  
Living & Deceased Members of Mroz & Rutkowski Families  
Angel Dr. Dominic J. Noonan  
In Loving Memory of Ben and Phyllis Ornatowski  
Deceased members of Pattock & Stuecken families  
Angel Danny P. Pepera  
My loving wife of 66 years, Mary J. Pepera  
For the Prouty Family  
Living & Deceased Members of Rand & Vasquez Families  
In loving memory of Frances J. Read  
In Memory of Richard and Eleanore Reed  
Memory of Kathy Rodgers  
In Loving Memory of Edward and Helen Romanowski  
In Loving Memory of Mark Roy  
In Loving Memory of Thomas and Barbara Stempniak  
Deceased Members of the Sturm & Preba Families  
Deceased Members of the Szuba & Balawajder Families  
Martin A. Tofil  
In Loving Memory of Edwin L. Wendrick

## Pray for those Serving in the Military

Ainsworth, Sgt. Raymond  
Angelovic, Adrian  
Angelovic, George  
Ardingier, Stephanie  
Baumgardner, AJ  
Becker, Justin  
Bregand, David  
Brozek, Timothy  
Burris, Peter  
Campbell, Mary  
Canfield, Chaz  
Chokr, Jamel  
Cinka, Jonathan  
Coatsworth, Michael  
Comment, Scott

DiCicco, Bill  
Dwyer, Tyler  
Ellsworth, Justin  
Fisher, Bob  
Gentilia, Anthony  
Hunter, Cassidy  
Julien, Nick  
Kapelanski, Isaac  
Kashou, Christopher  
Laichalk, Robert  
Logan, Jonathon  
Logan, Sean Patrick  
Logan, Jeff  
Lowe, Jonathan  
Masiarak, Luke

McHale, Sgt. Shawn  
McCarville, William E.  
McGahan, Wade  
McGaw, Douglas  
Meadows, Erin  
Moody, Samantha  
Murray, Daniel  
Nguyen, Staff Sgt. Truong  
Ohannesian, Brandon  
Pastula, Michael Thomas  
Porcaro, Jeff  
Preba, Danny  
Rosa, Brian J.  
Rosa, Douglas J.  
Rousseau, Philip

Sheko, Destiny  
Smith, David  
Smith, Sgt. Leven  
Smitt, David  
Spiczka, Cathy  
Spiczka, Greg  
Sparrow, Justin  
Spohr, Raymond  
Squires, Zachary  
Szerszen, Michael  
Waldo, Michael  
Waldon, Nathan  
Webb, Brian  
Wiertella, Jonathan  
Witt, Christopher



Missy Taylor

Director of Faith Formation / Coordinator of Youth and Young Adult Ministry

## CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD

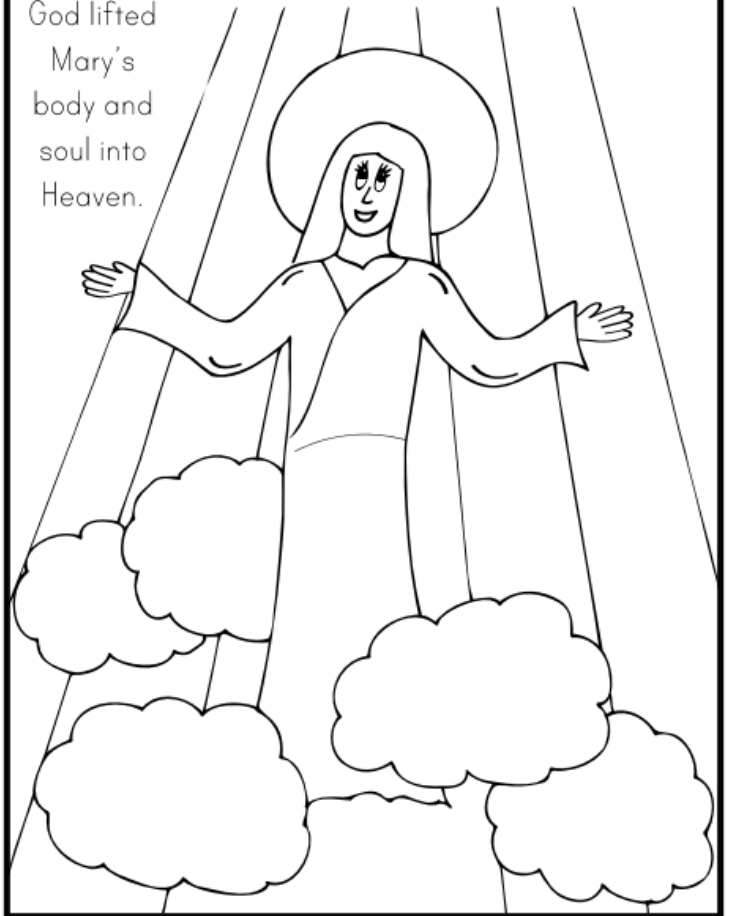


As we inch closer to the beginning of the school year, we inch closer to the return of **Children's Liturgy of the Word**. We are seeking leaders/teams and teen assistants for our program. This program takes place at our Sunday

11am Mass, and begins in late September and runs through Pentecost (late May/early June). Each week, children from ages 4-8 are encouraged to join us to hear the scripture in terms that they can understand. Children will be led to the Father Prus Hall after the opening blessing and introduced to the readings and gospel using projects and creativity while helping them learn about the Catholic faith. It's a great introduction to the message of the mass for our youngest disciples! Materials and guidance are provided. This is a commitment averaging one Sunday a month. **"Let the children come to me, for the kingdom of Heaven belongs to them."** - **Matthew 19:14**

## Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

God lifted  
Mary's  
body and  
soul into  
Heaven.



Year C: Solemnity of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

## Festival Boutique Needs Hand-Crafted Items!

This year, the ladies of the Rosary Altar Sodality will be hosting our FALL FAMILY FESTIVAL Boutique. Although there is great creative talent among our ladies, **WE NEED YOUR HELP!** If you knit, crochet, make jewelry, diamond dot art, wreaths, paintings, floral arrangements, dog sweaters, baskets or any other creative craft, we are asking if you'd be so kind to please donate one of your creations for our boutique. Crafts can be dropped off in the large basket in the Gathering Space of the church or at the parish office. Thank you in advance for your generosity!



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