

THIRTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME.

“Please come, lay your hands on my daughter and she may get well”.

“If I but touch His clothes, I shall be cured.”

Who in the world today doesn't want or need healing? Every single human being is in need of healing: physically, emotionally, spiritually, psychologically, physiologically, etc... To touch Jesus or be touched by Jesus is the wish of all, even those who don't know Him (He is the Healer par excellence, and all need healing).

Today's gospel is also about the Resurrection (the resurrection of the little girl is the prefigure of Jesus' resurrection).

Even in this case, we still see the power of the healing touch of Jesus. Jesus touched people or people touched Him in order to be healed. We can still do the same in the sacraments. This is where faith comes into action, to believe that we touch Jesus when we receive the sacraments.

“Do not be afraid, just have faith”. Jesus.

**DEANERY MENTAL HEALTH
SUPPORT GROUP**

The Clarks Summit Deanery's Mental Health Ministry is supporting a Spiritual Support Group for people over 18 years old living with mental illness. It provides a safe, supportive space for individuals and gives them the opportunity to speak in a confidential, non-judgmental environment, where isolation and stigma dissipate, and a supportive community is created. Meetings will be ongoing every first & third Wednesday of the month starting on July 3, 2024, at 6:30pm at the Church of St Gregory, 330 N. Abington Rd., Clarks Green. Each meeting will last about 90 minutes.

DIOCESE OF SCRANTON

UP & OVER MIDDLE SCHOOL RETREAT

Students in 6th to 8th grades for the 2023-2024 school year are welcome to come to the retreat on July 12th to 14th at Holy Transfiguration Retreat Center for a weekend of fun, faith, and new friends! Throughout the weekend students will spend time outdoors, meet new friends and learn how your God-given gifts can be used when you work with others as a team! There will also be a number of fun activities and events, including a movie, free time and an outdoor obstacle course. Registration fee of \$170 includes lodging, delicious home cooked meals, a t-shirt and unforgettable memories! For more info email Tommy at youthmin@dioceseofscranton.org. Register today at www.dioceseofscranton.org.

MARIAN MINISTRY ROSARY

Save the date. Come to Jesus through Mary in the beautiful prayer of the rosary with Ernie Pappa as he leads us in praying the Fatima Rosary at 6pm on Monday July 8 at Our Lady of the Abingtons Church.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS COUNCIL #6611

POTLUCK BARBEQUE

On Saturday, July 13 after the 4pm Mass at Our Lady of the Abingtons, the KOC members will host a barbeque of burgers and hotdogs along with cold refreshments for our parishioners of our three parishes. There is no charge, but attendees are encouraged to bring a side dish or desert to share. Please join us after the Mass for fellowship and vittles!

A PRAYER FOR OUR NATION

Almighty Father,

Through the Intercession of the Immaculate Conception, Patron Saint of our nation, we entrust her and all who dwell in it to You. We are the fruits of Your hands. By the power of the Holy Spirit, make those who believe in You show their faith. Make those who don't believe in You start to use their reasoning for common sense, which is a gift from You. Make that nothing we do be the result of our choice, but from Your desire. Give to all the love, respect and understanding for each human being as the masterpiece of Your creation. Bless our Nation.

Grant this through Christ our Lord. Amen

HAPPY FOURTH OF JULY

LITURGICAL MINISTERS / LECTORS SCHEDULE

July 6 & 7

Eucharistic Ministers

4 pm (OLA) Barbara Williamson

9:00am (SML) Sean Pieretti

11 am (SP) Mary Ann Mulfino

Musicians

4 pm (OLA) Maria Fay

9:00am (SML) Danny Williams

11 am (SP) Maria Fay

Lectors

4 pm (OLA) Judy Zipay

9 am (SML) Seb Naro

11 am (SP) Maria Perez

UPCOMING MEETINGS & EVENTS

July 2 – Legion of Mary at OLA, 9:00am

July 3 - Choir Practice at SML, 6:30 pm

July 3 – SP Clothes Closet, open 5 to 7pm

July 4 – NO Prayer Shawl Ministry SML

July 4 – NO Bingo SP

July 8 – Fatima Rosary at OLA, 6pm

SIGHT & SOUND THEATER TRIP

The Nativity BVM Altar & Rosary Society will be having a one-day trip to Sight & Sound Theater in Lancaster on July 31 to see the biblical story of Daniel brought to the stage. The day's agenda includes a visit to Kettle Country Village, the story of Daniel show, and meal at Miller's Smorgasbord. The cost of \$200.00 that includes the bus, the show, the meal and the bus driver's tip. Please call Tiki for further details and to make a reservation 570-406-3506. Only 9 seats left.

MAY THEY REST IN PEACE

St. Mary of the Lake lost two of our parishioners, Ronald Gorko and Ellen Wengen. Please pray for the repose of their souls and consolation of their loved ones.

CLOTHES CLOSET NEWS

The clothes closet is in full swing now. It is open every Wednesday from 5 to 7pm till the end of August. There are 5 rooms of clothing and 3 rooms of miscellaneous household items as well as linens. Jane welcomes all parishioners who can help at the clothes closet. Call Jane at 570-942-6078 with any questions.

MASS INTENTIONS

Tuesday (July 2) Weekday

8:00 am (OLA) Susan Blockus

By Mike & Barbara Williamson

Wednesday (July 3) St. Thomas, Apostle

8:00 am (SP) Ben Janssen

By Lucy Ziman

Thursday (July 4) INDEPENDENCE DAY

8:00 am (SML) Teresa Wall

By Pat Wall

Saturday (July 6) Vigil of The Fourteenth

Sunday in Ordinary time

4:00 pm (OLA) Stanley Rysz Jr.

By Mr. & Mrs. Leonard Kruczek

Sunday (July 7) The Fourteenth Sunday in

Ordinary Time

9:00 am (SML) Santiago & Angela Perez

By The Perez Family

11:00 am (SP) John Lynch

By Bernice Lynch Family

The Sanctuary Candle at SML

Burning this week for Teresa Wall by Dorothy & Russell Trauger.

SP Weekly \$ 1,997.00 Loose \$ 170.00

OLA Weekly \$ 1,374.00 Loose \$ 73.00

SML Weekly \$ 1,375.00 Loose \$ 108.00

May the Lord reward your generosity.

PLEASE REMEMBER

I AM HERE..... EVEN WHEN HIDDEN IN THE TABERNACLE. Visit, spend time with me after Mass. Bow, kneel (and if possible prostrate) and foster sacred silence in my Presence, Jesus.

If you have no time after the weekend Mass, Saint Pio chapel is open every day from 8am to 8pm.

“When there are two roads which will bring me where I am going, I take the one with more churches so as to be nearer the Blessed Sacrament. When I see a place where my Jesus is, I could not be happier, and I say, ‘You are here, my God and my All’.

Venerable J.J. Olier