

## SCRIPTURE READINGS

### THIRTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

#### First Reading: 1 Kings 19:16b, 19-21

Elijah the prophet followed God's instruction to appoint a man named Elisha as his successor. Elijah threw his cloak over Elisha, who went and said good-bye to his family, then followed Elijah without question.



#### Second Reading: Galatians 5:1, 13-18

Paul reminds us that people were freed from the old law through Christ. But he makes it clear that this freedom does not mean giving in to evil desires. Instead, we must be guided by the Spirit and most importantly love our neighbor as ourselves.

#### Gospel: Luke 9:51-62

Jesus set out for Jerusalem, and passed through a town where he was not welcomed. He reprimanded his disciples for desiring vengeance against the town. One man wanted to follow Jesus when he had finished his duties at home. Jesus expressed that a man who begins a task, but constantly looks back is unfit for the reign of God.



For the Week of June 30<sup>th</sup> through  
July 7<sup>th</sup>

#### Sunday

1 Kgs 19:16b, 19-21; Gal 5:1, 13-18; Lk 9:51-62

#### Monday

Gn 18:16-33; Mt 8:18-22

#### Tuesday

Gn 19:15-29; Mt 8:23-27

#### Wednesday

Eph 2:19-22; Jn 20:24-29

#### Thursday

Gn 22:1b-19; Mt 9:1-8 or, for Independence Day, any readings from the *Lectionary for Mass* (vol. IV), the Mass "For the Country or a City," nos. 882-886, or "For Peace and Justice," nos. 887-891

#### First Friday

Gn 23:1-4, 19, 24:1-8, 62-67; Mt 9:9-13

#### First Saturday

Gn 27:1-5, 15-29; Mt 9:14-17

#### Sunday

Is 66:10-14c; Gal 6:14-18; Lk 10:1-12, 17-20 or 10:1-9

The US Council of Catholic Bishops (USCCB) provides a full listing of the Sunday and Daily Readings, in print and audio format, on its website, <http://www.usccb.org/bible/readings>.



## MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, June 29<sup>th</sup>

4:00 p.m.

Sheron Sappington

6:00 p.m.

Marie Gruber

Sunday, June 30<sup>th</sup>

8:00 a.m.

Marilyn Kader

10:00 a.m.

Rocco Fizzano

Monday, July 1<sup>st</sup>

8:30 a.m.

Tuesday, July 2<sup>nd</sup>

8:30 a.m.

For Our Parishioners,  
Living and Deceased

Wednesday, July 3<sup>rd</sup>

8:30 a.m.

Charlie and Doris Moloney

Thursday, July 4<sup>th</sup>

8:30 a.m.

Communion Service

Friday, July 5<sup>th</sup>

8:30 a.m.

Communion Service

Saturday, July 6<sup>th</sup>

4:00 p.m.

Dennis Coleman

6:00 p.m.

Dennis Coleman

Sunday, July 7<sup>th</sup>

8:00 a.m.

Lillian Kuntz

10:00 a.m.

Bonnie Basener

### REMEMBERING THE SICK OF THE PARISH: Remember in your

prayers the sick of the parish:

*John Troffo, Valerie Lindyberg,*

*Patricia Dana, Angela Wilmer,*

*Faith King, Rosemary Keating,*

*Eugenia Brooks, Alicia Bourne, Gerald Peterson,*

and all those whose names appear in the PARISH

BOOK OF INTENTIONS.

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**NEW TO THE PARISH:** Please be sure to register with the Parish Office and introduce yourself to Father Grasing after Mass. Registration forms are available at the doors of the Church, the Parish Office, or online. For additional information, please call 410-778-3160, or go to [sacredparish.org](http://sacredparish.org).



Ordinary  
Time



## PREP

### Parish Religious Education Program



## Bringing the Gospel Home

13<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time –  
Luke 9:51-62

### Reflection for Parents

Discipleship is all about commitment and few people understand commitment better than parents. We may give up on a number of things in our lives including hobbies, jobs and even some long-standing relationships; but one thing we rarely give up on is our children. It may very well be because of our commitment to our children that we make other changes in our lives, so we really do

know something about commitment. When we think of our commitment to our children, we don't really think of sacrifice. We really aren't giving up something because we have to parent them; we don't do some of the things we used to do because we want to parent them. That is what following Jesus is like. We follow Jesus because we want to not because we have to.

### Bringing the Gospel into Your Family

Ask each member of the family to help trace one another's footprints on construction paper then cut them out. On their own footprint have each member either draw or write down what they must do in order to better follow Jesus. When you are finished, put the footprints in a prominent place to remind yourselves and each other what it means to follow Jesus. Perhaps you can place the footprints at your prayer table and pray for each other as you strive to walk with Jesus.

### Discussion Starters

1. One thing that makes it difficult for me to follow Jesus is ...
2. The one person I most admire as a follower of Jesus is ... because ...
3. I know how James and John felt about wanting to call fire down on someone. I've felt that way myself, but Jesus guided me from those feelings, too, by ...



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“You were called for freedom. But do not use this freedom as an opportunity for the flesh; rather, serve one another through love.”

### **Sheepish Question:**

What WORTHY rewards of the Holy Spirit do I seek?

## JUNE SAINTS



## JOHN THE BAPTIST – JUNE 24

John the Baptist was Jesus' older cousin. He was a prophet sent by God to prepare people for the coming of Christ into the world.

John's parents were Elizabeth and Zechariah. They were an elderly couple who had nearly given up hope that their marriage would be blessed with a child. Then the angel Gabriel appeared to Zechariah in the temple and told him that Elizabeth would give birth to a son. Gabriel said they should name the child John.

The Gospel of Luke also tells us about the mission God gave to John. He was called to tell people to repent, or to be sorry for, their sins and to be baptized. Before Christ began his public ministry, John told the people to “Prepare the way of the Lord” (Luke 3:4). He said, “I am baptizing you with water, but one mightier than I is coming. I am not worthy to loosen the thongs on his sandals. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire” (Luke 3:16).

John baptized Jesus in the Jordan River. Luke tells us that the heavens opened at that moment and the Holy Spirit descended upon Jesus. Then the voice of God spoke, saying, “You are my beloved Son; with you I am well pleased” (Luke 3:21-22).

John preached against King Herod, who was married to his brother's wife. This was a great sin because the brother was still living. The wife's name was Herodias. She demanded that Herod arrest John.

Herodias plotted with her daughter, Salome, for revenge against John. At a party, Salome danced for Herod. Her dancing tempted Herod, and he promised Salome that that he would give her anything she wanted. She asked for John the Baptist's head on a platter. John was martyred that night.

Just as John prepared people for the coming of Jesus, his brutal death prepared Jesus' followers for Christ's sacrifice on the cross. We thank God for St. John the Baptist. We can honor him by preparing the way for Jesus by being sorry for our sins and trying to live as loving children of God.

## PARISH NEWS

### Offertory – Week Ending June 23<sup>rd</sup> Week 52

Thank you for your offering. It is with your continued support and the sharing of your time and talent that the ministries, programs and activities at Sacred Heart and St. John's are made possible. "Whatever you give to the Lord, He will return to you a hundred fold."

	Received	ACH	Budgeted	Diff.
<b>Offertory 6/23 Wk. 52</b>	\$5,150	\$525	\$6,346	-\$671
<b>YTD Wk. 52</b>	\$255,767	\$64,948	\$329,992	-\$9,277



**ELECTRONIC GIVING:** It is possible to make your weekly financial

commitment to the Parish using Electronic Funds Transfer. We are encouraging everyone to consider using this contribution method. Contact Mary Jo Frohlich with any questions at 410-778-3160, or [mfrohlich@sacredparish.org](mailto:mfrohlich@sacredparish.org). Sign up forms are available at the doors of the Church.

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**COMMUNITY TABLE:** Each Monday evening residents of Chestertown are invited to gather at the community table. During the summer months, volunteers are needed to assist in serving the meal as well as clean up at the end of the evening. **Sacred Heart has signed up to provide volunteers for July 22<sup>nd</sup> and August 19<sup>th</sup>.**

Please contact the Church Office if you would like to volunteer.

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**OFFERTORY ENVELOPES** are being sent directly to your home, bi-monthly. If you are not receiving envelopes and wish to do so, please contact Becky Davis at 410-778-3160.

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**HELP NEEDED:** Volunteers are needed to assist with the laundering and ironing of the mass linens. There is a rotating schedule and you would only be required to help approximately one week a month. Training can be provided. Please contact the Church Office if you can help at 410-778-3160. Thank you!!

### Mission Trip to San Marcos, Guatemala

From July 17 to July 25, six Sacred Heart parishioners will visit the diocese of San Marcos in Guatemala.

They are Ed Gordon, Jaynce Turner, Dot Mench, Bart Frohlich, Alison Provence and leader Mary Jo Frohlich.

They will visit the people that live in coffee fincas (plantations) and Jane Buellesbach, a Maryknoll sister and doctor at her clinic and later visit rural communities where Sr. Jane has taught residents to do basic medical care. The group will worship at Catholic chapels, visit schools and communities and live at a Franciscan convent. Please pray for our delegates as they experience life and faith in a Latin American third world country.

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**ART & ENVIRONMENT:** The Art & Environment group would like to thank Joan & Richard Updyke and Louise and David Shearer for sharing their garden glories with us. This being Ordinary Time we'll scale back some in scope, but their garden successes hardly make that noticeable. If you too would be able to share your garden flowers please contact Millie Strong (SJ) [overton@hughes.net](mailto:overton@hughes.net), 410-708-1736 or Emily Moseman (SH) [emilymoseman@pobox.com](mailto:emilymoseman@pobox.com) 443-282-0198. We'd be sure to cut only what you designate.

## DIOCESAN NEWS

**RETROUVAILLE:** Tens of thousands of couples have healed their Marriages through Retrouvaille (Retro-VIE). If you know of anyone who could benefit from this program please pass this on. Couples learn to build communication skills and rediscover intimacy. Retrouvaille provides help for marriage problems, difficulties or crises.

**Our next program is coming up at the Family Life Center in Malvern, PA August 9 - 11.** For more information, or to register for one of our weekends, visit our web site at: [www.HelpOurMarriage.org](http://www.HelpOurMarriage.org) or call 215-766-3944 or 800-470-2230. All inquiries are strictly confidential.

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**PILGRIMAGE TO NATIONAL SHRINE:** Please join the Diocesan Vocations Guild and Father Christopher Coffey on **October 12, 2019** as we travel to The National Shrine of Our Lady of Czestochowa in Doylestown, Pa. There will be a tour of the Shrine by one of the Pauline Fathers, a fifteen minute movie about the Shrine, and time on your own to explore the grounds and visit the gift shop, etc. The cost of the pilgrimage is \$30.00 per person for the bus and \$15.00 for lunch. Or, you may brown bag your lunch. Please contact Mary Gaworski @ 302-438-6969 after 3 p.m. or email: [mares7963@aol.com](mailto:mares7963@aol.com) for more information.

