



MASS INTENTIONS

August 16, 2020
TWENTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

ST. JOSEPH IS A TITHING PARISH God's Plan for Giving

In return for the Lord's generosity, our people returned to God the following:

Sunday Offerings:	\$4,698.12
Repairs & Maint.:	\$ 862.00
Last Year:	\$3,807.00

The above are bank deposit amounts

Sat. Aug. 15th

12 PM

Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary at Church

4:00 PM

Paul Emery
(Mom and Dad)

Sun. Aug. 16th

**TWENTIETH SUNDAY
IN ORDINARY TIME**

10:00 AM

Joseph Poponiak
(Wife, Eleanor)

Mon. Aug. 17th

9:00 AM

Clare Wendt

Tues. Aug. 18th

9:00 AM

Elizabeth Muscarella
(Mary Aliotta Family)

Wed. Aug. 19th

9:00 AM

St. John Eudes
Sally Bogdan
(Bob & Joann Bender)

Thurs. Aug. 20th

9:00 AM

St. Bernard
Sara Loftus

Fri. Aug. 21st

9:00 AM

St. Pius
Mary Umstead

Sat. Aug. 22nd

4:00 PM

The Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Tony Kaminski
(Sister, Rita)

Sun. Aug. 23rd

10:00 AM

Special Intentions for Scott
Zerrenner
(Aunt Geri)

First Reading: Isaiah 56:1, 6-7

The Lord wants all people to love and honor his name. He says that those who honor him by obeying all of his laws will be "made joyful in my house of prayer."

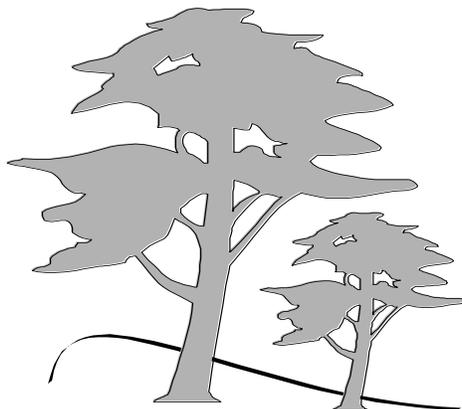
Second Reading: Romans 11:13-15, 29-32

Paul describes his hopes that his fellow Jews will follow the example of the Gentiles he has been preaching to. He claims that just as God has mercy for their disobedience, he wishes to show mercy to the Jews as well.

Gospel: Matthew 15:21-28

A Canaanite woman begged Jesus to help her daughter, who was being plagued by a demon. Jesus at first refused her and said that "My mission is only to the lost sheep of the house of Israel." The woman was so persistent that Jesus said she had great faith and then he healed her daughter.

Sunday Mass Update: Beginning on the first Sunday, September 6, 2020 we will resume our normal Mass times at 8AM and 11AM. If you are concerned with social distancing a row can be reserved for you. Please contact the church office to reserve a space. If 8AM Mass is not well attended, we may return to one mass time on Sundays. At this time all weekend Masses will continue to be held at the Parish Center.



From your pastor,

Behold how very un- politically minded the Lord Jesus is, as He refers to a mother's daughter as a 'dog'. The derogatory term was a part of their culture of the day. To this very day many in the Middle East, speaking poorly of someone will give him or her the status of a dog. Now that would not work in our culture, as dogs have a pretty good life, even better than some humans. But the point of the incident was to stress 'never take a 'no' from Jesus, insist that He blessed you in His mercy. Never give up on prayer for your loved ones.

St. Paul has the same heartbreak that many of us have regarding our family members, those who have left the Catholic Church, who no longer attend Holy Mass or believe in the sacraments. St. Paul is heartbroken that his own Jewish people have failed to come to Christ, but in his broken heartedness, he reveals several theological truth, that in the end the Jews will convert, then Jesus will come in glory. So all though it seems like the end times, the end will not come before the Jews convert, someday Jerusalem will be a Catholic City filled with love for Jesus. When this happens the Lord will come.

Don't give up on your family; make extra effort at prayer and devotions; the rosary, daily Mass, or regular Sunday Mass to pray for their conversion. This is a time of testing of the faith of the few who will not abandon the faith of the apostles. How blessed are you to have your faith, exercise it by praying for your loved ones. If not in this life in the next life you will see the fruit of your prayers.



REMEMBER THOSE WHO ARE SICK IN YOUR PRAYERS ESPECIALLY: Residents at Milton Rehab., Dolores Caicco, Marilyn Vargo, Matt Mousley, Carole Schrader, Emily Myerson, Jane Woodcock, Allen Treibley, Scott Zerrenner, Nathan Young, Mary Ann Carter, David Carter, Kathleen Jones, John Zerrenner, Mike Azinger, Evelyn Young, Tresha Sudol, George Sudol, Ed Arndt, Kirsten Koons, Andrea Rea Young, Mike Walters, Dr. Weisner, Rita Patynski, Anna Lee Fagnano, Abram Koons Jr., James Tomedi, Lisa Ressler, George Baran, Christine Koons, Bernice Yocum, Keith Robenolt, George Sarfine, Abram Koons Sr., Tom Robenolt, Theresa Folk, Rita Prentiss, Aiden Barsis, Connie Buehler, Mason Reeder, Maria Harper, Matthew Rosboschil, Charlotte Farrell and Jackie Rando. **PRAYER IS OUR WAY TO CALL UPON GOD.** . We pray for those who are ill or need special intentions. If you would like to add someone to the Parish Prayer List or Parish Shut-in List, please contact the parish office. Thank You.

CCD will begin on Sunday, September 13, 2020. If you have not returned your child's registration form, please get it into the CCD CRE, Anne Rocktashel as soon as possible. Forms are available on the entry table, near the weekly bulletins and the CCD office, located at the Parish Center.

PROJECTOR OPERATORS NEEDED: We need several more people who are willing to learn how to press the forward button on the slide projector during Mass. Now that sounds silly, but the point is, that is all you need do. We just require that you show up on your scheduled time about 10-15 minutes before Mass begins. We need people for all three weekend Masses, 4pm, 8am and 11am. If we have enough it will be just once per month, lasting until we return to the main church. Please contact Phil Krepps at psk01@ptd.net or 570-898-1074.

Employment Opportunity: The Newman house at Bucknell University is hiring for the position Housekeeper. The hours are 8AM-3PM and they would like cleaning once every other week, twice a month. Previous experience is required. If interested, please contact Tracey Bobb, Program Coordinator at 484-645-3714 to discuss.