



MASS INTENTIONS

August 23, 2020

TWENTY-FIRST 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:	\$3,855.00
Assumption:	\$ 670.00
Last Year:	\$3,034.00

The above are bank deposit amounts

First Reading: Isaiah 22:19-23

This passage refers to the use of authority and indicates the Key as the symbol of authority. The words "open" and "shut" refer to the power that will eventually be given to Peter.

Second Reading: Romans 11:33-36

Paul writes ecstatic and praise-filled words about God's plan for his people. In him, he writes, "all things are."

Gospel: Matthew 16:13-20

When Jesus asks his disciples, "Who do you say that I am?" Peter exclaims, "You are the Messiah!" Christ then declares that Peter is the "Rock" upon which he will build his Church, promising him the power "to bind" and "to loose."

Second Collections

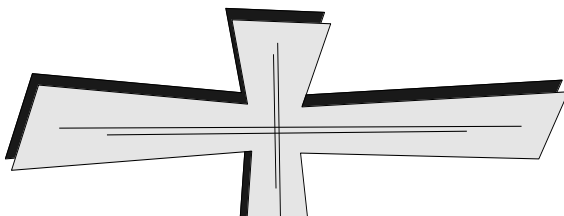
September 6-Our Faith Our Future

September 13- Peter's Pence

September 20-Repair & Maint.

September 27-Education Collect

- Sat. Aug. 22nd** *The Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary*
4:00 PM Tony Kaminski
 (Sister, Rita)
- Sun. Aug. 23rd** **TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY
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10:00 AM Special Intentions for Scott
 Zerrenner
 (Aunt Geri)
- Mon. Aug. 24th** *St. Bartholomew*
9:00 AM Ed Wilhour
 (John & Lola Benoit)
- Tues. Aug. 25th** *St. Louis & St. Joseph
 Calasanz*
9:00 AM Donna Konyar
- Wed. Aug. 26th** Eugene Caicco
9:00 AM (Carolyn Caicco)
- Thurs. Aug. 27th** *St. Monica*
9:00 AM Larry Amino
 (Mark & Renee Dickerman)
- Fri. Aug. 28th** *St. Augustine*
9:00 AM Bea Gharett
- Sat. Aug. 29th** *The Passion of St. John*
4:00 PM Giuseppe Bua
 (Vincenzo Verterbo)
- Sun. Aug. 30th** Harold Prentiss
10:00 AM (Rita)



Your Love is eternal

PROJECTOR OPERATORS NEEDED: 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.

Congratulations, Alyssa! Please welcome Alyssa Collen Marth Williams who received the sacrament of confirmation on August 16th.

From our pastor,

This Sunday's lesson from Holy Scripture is a welcomed message for our very hectic, violent, confused and uncertain times. Who is in charge, who will show us the way to come together and to work out our differences? It is the one to whom Simon Peter calls the 'Messiah, the Son of the living God'. As Simon gives Jesus a new title, so does the Messiah give Simon a new name, 'Peter'. Jesus is the savior we need at this time, He has blessed the Church with and incredible gift of a solid rock upon which Christ's Church is built.

These are difficult times, but the scriptures have told us that Christ's Church, built upon Peter, the Rock will never be destroyed. The gates of death shall not prevail against it. This is not so much a trophy for Peter or for the Hierarchy, it is a gift for the faithful that they not be confused or disturbed by false teachings and to have the security of knowing that they do know the truth as revealed by the Holy Spirit to the successors of Peter, the Bishop of Rome, the Holy Father. It is only when the pope teaches from the Chair of St. Peter, officially and for the whole church that the teachings are infallible and binding upon all Catholics. But since Pope Francis is the Papa of the church universal, we give him respect and our attention, even if we disagree with a particular pronouncements or announcements that are not infallible. There are statements and appointments made by Pope Francis that I find very hard to understand. But I know if there is anything not of God, then the Holy Spirit will work through the whole Church throughout the years to come to make clear and acceptable the way of the Lord. But thank God we have a solid rock to cling to in the storms that have destroyed other righteous Christian communities, blowing them apart and pulling them away from orthodoxy. Let us pray for Pope Francis.

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.

REMEMBER THOSE WHO ARE SICK IN YOUR PRAYERS ESPECIALLY: Bridget Emery, Residents and Staff 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.**

**THE CHANGE OF MASS TIMES AS OF
SUNDAY SEPTEMBER 6th,
LABOR DAY WEEKEND**

The three Masses for the Sunday Vigil and the Lord's Day, will be at the Parish Center: Saturday 4:00 p.m., Sunday 0800 a.m. and 11:00 a.m.

The last Mass of the day, the 11:00 a.m. will the live-stream on our Facebook.

Please, remember that Fr. Michael Rothan has asked that only Bucknell students will be welcomed to the campus Rook Chapel for the Sunday afternoon Masses. They can only allow 70 worshippers.

We will wait and see how this works out, if need be there will be other changes as we go along.

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.