

**SUNDAY JULY 18, 2021**  
**SIXTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**  
**Readings: Jer 23:1-6; Ps 23: 1-6; Eph 2:13-18; Mk 6:30-34**  
**“The Lord is My Shepherd”**

MASS SCHEDULE				
Sat	July	17	5:30PM	Erin E. Faber (special intent.) By The Faber Family
Sun	July	18	9:00AM	Michael Beecher + By John & Jane Miller
Tue	July	20	12:00PM ~Latin~	Suzanne Monica Schroeder + By The Sledge Family
Thu	July	22	9:00AM	Available
Fri	July	23	12:00PM (Noon)	Tom Sweet (birthday) By The Sweet Family
Sat	July	24	5:30PM	Christy Galmish + By John & Jane Miller
Sun	July	25	9:00AM	Andrew J. Rauner + By The Wannamaker Family

**To Schedule a Mass Intention**

Please contact the Church Office  
828-743-5717

**St. Jude - Offertory**

(Weekend of July 10 & 11, 2021)

Offertory: \$5878.00 Attendance: 353



**The Ladies of St. Jude**

The Ladies of St. Jude meet from March-November on the 2nd Tuesday of the month in the Parish Hall at 10:00am. They support the Parish in their spiritual growth & outreach programs, assist with funerals, care for the sick and organize social and fellowship programs. For more information, please contact the Church Office at 828-743-5717.

**Prayer Blanket Ministry**

The Prayer Blanket Ministry's - Summer Schedule (June - Oct.) meets on the 1st & 3rd Tuesday of the month. They gather at 10:00am for a meeting in the upstairs classroom. You don't have to know how to sew, crochet or knit. If you need a prayer blanket, please contact the Church Office at 828-743-5717.

**PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS**

Jim Barton, Patricia Blasi, Lane Bolmer, Marian Michel Boyd, Karen Cameron, Carpenter Family, Daniel Coffey, Dottie Collier, John Thomas Crouch, Kenneth Crowe, Margaret Daniel, Christopher Day, Gloria Delgardio, Katherine DeLage, Pat Delaney, John DeMange, Linda Denny, Mike Ezzell, Tom Faleskie, Sandra Fischel, Gretchen Giesey, Mikey Goodwin, Jerry Gordon, Laura Gregory, Walt Green, Bill Hatch, Joan Hatch, Donald Haug, Matthew Hite, Daniel Jacobs, Pennae Johnsen, Dakota Johnson, Derrick Johnson, Treba Johnson, Suzanne Keenan, Kristen Kitts, Joe Knauff, George Lee, Randy Luffman, Marinka, Camerron Martin, Jerry Miglino, Deanna Maust, Kathleen McBride, Janet McClory-Presley, Betsy McCloskey, Karie McClure, Ron Nelson, Lyla Ruby Newton & Coen Michael Newton & The Newton Family, Laura Plush, Sheila Rinker, Michael Robinson, Belinda Rudzik, Sherman Runions, Russell Sands, Peter Sarrat, Brendan Scallon, Jr., Allie Schiele, Elaine Schmid, Noel J. Sickles, Bonnie Jean Small, Ava Snyder, Nan Stowell, Dr. Stefan Stoyanov, Leonardo Suarez, Beth Sumpter, Alex Sweet, Rosemarie Thompson, Charlene Varni, Kim Wagland, Cassie Watts, Meredith Worth.

**Military Prayer List**

Lt. Col. Fred Dufault (Afghanistan)  
Captain Evan Shawler (Air Force Flight Surgeon)

**St. Jude Prayer Group**

The St. Jude Prayer Group meets on Mondays at 3:00pm in the Sanctuary. We pray the Rosary, the Chaplet of Divine Mercy, spend some silent time in Adoration, and pray for the needs of our Church and world. Please contact Donna Quinlivan or the Church Office for information at 828-743-5717.

**Emaus Prayer Group**

Emaus Prayer is a spiritual movement of faith that is called to prayer, obedience and adoration of the Holy Sacrament. They meet at 6:00pm on Thursday evenings in the Sanctuary. For more information contact Yuliana Vargas, Efrain Morales, Alejandro (Alex) Valerio or the Church Office at 743-5717.

**Knights of Columbus**

The St. Jude Knights of Columbus Meet at 7:00pm on the 2nd Thursday of the month. Please contact **Luis Aparicio (Grand Knight)** or Church Office at 828-743-5717 for information.

## Father's Column

### **October 13, 1917: The Miracle of the Sun**

**Lucia:** What does Your Grace wish of me?

**Our Lady:** I wish to tell you that I want a chapel built here in my honor. I am the Lady of the Rosary. Continue to pray the rosary every day. The war is going to end, and the soldiers will soon return to their homes.

**Lucia:** I have many things to ask you: if you would cure some sick persons, and if you would convert some sinners...

**Our Lady:** Some yes, others no. They must amend their lives and ask forgiveness for their sins.

Becoming sadder, she added, "Let them offend Our Lord no more for He is already much offended."

Then, opening her hands, Our Lady shone the light issuing from them onto the sun, and as she rose, her own radiance continued to be cast onto the sun. At that moment, Lucia cried, "Look at the sun!"

Once Our Lady had disappeared in the expanse of the firmament, three scenes followed in succession, symbolizing first the joyful mysteries of the rosary, then the sorrowful mysteries, and, finally, the glorious mysteries. Lucia alone saw the three scenes; Francisco and Jacinta saw only the first.

**The first scene:** Saint Joseph appeared beside the sun with the Child Jesus and Our Lady of the Rosary. It was the Holy Family. The Virgin was dressed in white with a blue mantle. Saint Joseph was also dressed in white, and the Child Jesus in light red. Saint Joseph blessed the crowd, making the Sign of the Cross three times. The Child Jesus did the same.

**The second scene:** A vision of Our Lady of Sorrows, without the sword in her breast, and of Our Lord overwhelmed with sorrow on the way to Calvary. Our Lord made the Sign of the Cross to bless the people.

**The third scene:** Finally, Our Lady of Mount Carmel, crowned queen of heaven and earth, appeared in a glorious vision holding the Child Jesus near her heart.

While these scenes took place, the great throng of 70,000 spectators witnessed the miracle of the sun. It had rained all during the apparition. At the end of the conversation between Our Lady and Lucia – when the Blessed Virgin rose and Lucia shouted, "Look at the sun!" – the clouds parted, revealing the sun as an immense silver disk shining with an intensity never before seen – though not blinding. This lasted only an instant. Then the immense disk began to "dance."

The sun spun rapidly like a gigantic circle of fire. Then it stopped momentarily, only to begin spinning vertiginously again. Its rim became scarlet; whirling, it scattered red flames across the sky. Their light was reflected on the ground, on the trees, on the bushes, and on the faces and clothing of the people, which took on brilliant hues and changing colors. After performing this bizarre pattern three times, the globe of fire seemed to tremble, shake, and then plunge in a zigzag toward the terrified crowd.

All this lasted about ten minutes. Finally, the sun zigzagged back to its original place and once again became still and brilliant, shining with its normal brightness. The cycle of the apparitions had ended. Many people noticed that their clothes, soaking wet from the rain, had suddenly dried. The miracle of the sun was also seen by numerous witnesses up to twenty-five miles away from the place of the apparition.

## Today's Readings

**First Reading:** I shall gather the remnant of my flock and bring them back to their meadow .... Behold, the days are coming, says the Lord, when I will raise up a righteous shoot to David; as king he shall reign and govern wisely, he shall do what is just and right in the land ....(Jeremiah 23:1-6).

**Psalm:** The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want... (Ps 23:1-6)



**Second Reading:** In Christ Jesus, you who were once far off, have become near by the blood of Christ .... (Ephesians 2:13-18).

**Gospel:** When Jesus saw the vast crowd, his heart was moved with pity for them, for they were like sheep without a shepherd; and he began to teach them many things .... (Mark 6:30-34).

## Outreach Coordinator -Volunteer Needed

1. Communicate & coordinate with local charities.
2. Scheduling of 2<sup>nd</sup> Collections.
3. Coordinate with City on a Hill / Christmas Angel Tree Project and local area churches the annual Local Children's Christmas Gift Distribution.
4. Further develop outreach in our community.

## Literacy Council

(Local Outreach — 2nd Collection — July 17 & 18)

**The Literacy Council of Cashiers** is a 503b non-profit organization who's mission is to improve literacy in the Cashiers area. **Contact:** Nancy West ... 828-743-6929

- Dolly Parton's Imagination Library
- Book Give Away 4x per school yr \*Blue Ridge & Summit
- StoryWalk in the Village Green
- Summer Reading Program .....+ more programs

## Church Calendar

Monday, July 19, **St. Jude Prayer Group**, 3:00pm

Tues., July 20, **Prayer Blanket Ministry**, 10:00am

Thursday, July 22, **Adult Catechesis**, 9:30-10:30am

Thursday, July 22, **Emaus**, 6:00pm

Friday, July 23, **Adoration**, 12:30-3:00pm

# **Literacy Council of Cashiers Information - June 2021**

## **Dolly Parton Imagination Library:**

- Reason for project: Research shows children who come to Kindergarten with book skills are more ready to learn to read.
- Children from birth to 5 years old receive quality, age appropriate book / month
- Free to all who register and live in Cashiers, Sapphire, Glenville, Tuckaseegee, or Cullohwee zip codes. Registration cards found in Cashiers library and other places
- Council sponsors each child for \$30/month
- Presently have 215 children in program as of June, 2021
- Have had 355 children graduate the program
- Literacy Council has sponsored program since April, 2010

## **Book Giveaway Program at both Blue Ridge School and Summit Charter School**

- Reason for project: Children must practice reading to become proficient and to become proficient, children must have books. Children who are proficient readers and like to read are more successful in school.
- To facilitate this the Literacy Council began book giveaway programs at both schools in March, 2014. Books are given to all students in Pre-Kindergarten through 6th grade at Blue Ridge and K-8 grade at Summit Charter School for a total of about 500 area children.
- Giveaways are in October, December, March, and May.
- Books are chosen by the classroom teachers, ordered from Scholastic Book Club, and are taken home to keep at home. Some teachers use the books as teaching tools before sending them home.
- Since 2014 the Literacy Council has given away about 14,000 books as of the end of the school year in June, 2021.

## **Special One Time Donations:**

- Hampton Preschool, Cashiers Valley Preschool, United Methodist Church's Mother's Morning Out, Pre-K class at Blue Ridge all received money to purchase books for children and teachers.
- Blue Ridge High School received money they used to purchase music and art reference books for classes, and bilingual classroom sets of books were also purchased.
- Summit Charter School received money they are using to purchase classroom books and teaching materials

## **Summer Reading Program**

- Since 2013, Literacy Council has donated \$1000/year toward giving 5 books for Blue Ridge students grades K-6 to take home and keep to read over the summer. This comes to about 8000 books since program began.

### **Augustine Literacy Project:**

- Now have 7 volunteers trained in teaching reading using Orton Gillingham/Wilson reading materials-they commit to 60 hours of tutoring in Blue Ridge in a one on one relationship each year.

### **Literacy Council of Cashiers helping to sponsor StoryWalk at Village Green**

- StoryWalk is a safe way to read a book with a family outside and then do an activity that accompanies the book.
- This will be a series of 15-18 stations-each showing a page from a book to read together with your family. At the end of each page will be activities to complete as families walk to the next station to continue reading the book.
- All books will be in English and Spanish so everyone in the community can enjoy them.
- This will go from the Village Playground and meander over to the Post Office.
- The first book dedication will be June 19-“Cashiers, Come Play with Me” by Ann Self, illustrated by Kat Ford, translated by Ana Crespo. This book is about the true story of how the playground in Village Green came to be built.

### **City on the Hill-Summer Backpack Program July, 2021**

- In conjunction with area churches, the Literacy Council is going to donate about 225 books to go into the 75 children’s backpacks.
- Kids and adults will choose the books from the table’s selection.
- Books will be in both Spanish and English.
- This will hopefully encourage families to read to get ready for the next school year.
- The Literacy Council would like to do this on an annual basis.

### **Free After School Tutoring Program for children in grades K-5 at the library**

- Currently 12 children are being served weekly
- 45 minute one on one session

### **Other programs were temporarily cancelled due to Covid:**

- Story times at the library, preschools, and Mother’s Morning Out-this will begin again during July.
- 5 week Summer Reading Tutoring Program in conjunction with Boys and Girls Club- This will come back in 2022.
- Lunch for Literacy annual fundraiser in conjunction with area restaurants-hopefully this will be resumed in 2022.

### **Literacy Council of Cashiers -donations**

- Donations are tax deductible -Literacy Council is a 503 b non-profit organization.
- Board is comprised of all volunteers.
- All donations go to programs and are always appreciated.
- Contact: Nancy West at 828-743-6929 or at the Library-828-743-0215
- Mail donations to: Literacy Council of Cashiers, PO Box 1398, Cashiers, NC 28717



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