

HAPPY INDEPENDENCE DAY

Happy
the nation
whose God
is the Lord,
the people
chosen as his
very own.

PSALM 33:12



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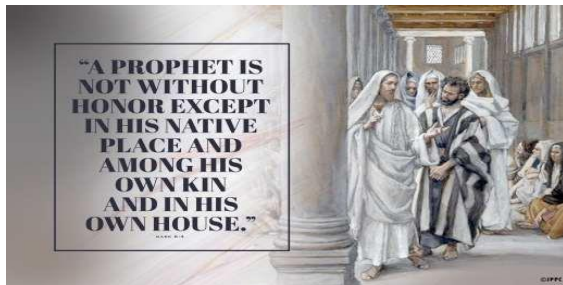
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FOURTEENTH SUNDAY in ORDINARY TIME

~ July 4, 2021 ~

God's Love and Justice... Your merciful love, O God, we have received in the midst of your temple. Your praise, O God, like your name, reaches the ends of the earth; your right hand is filled with saving justice. Ps 48(47): 10-11

Sunday (4)

- 8:00 AM Anne Meilinger by Jean and Jack Kalata
- 10:00 AM Don Gaylor by Betty Rutledge

Monday (5)

- 9:00 AM Joseph and Sue Sculac by daughter Joann Turocy

Tuesday (6)

- 7:30 AM In Loving Memory of Priscilla Keretz by Deb and Bob Boyer

Wednesday (7)

- 7:30 AM Ralph Negrete by Doreen and Fred Baranowski

Thursday (8)

- 7:30 AM Suzanne Harold by husband Family

Friday (9)

- 7:30 AM In Loving Memory of Carol Kalata Jacob

Saturday (10)

- 8:00 AM Betty Warjas by Friends of Sacred Heart Parish
- 5:00 PM In Loving Memory of Mike by Mom, Mar and Dave

Sunday (11)

- 8:00 AM Isabelle Suborits by son Paul and Family
- 10:00 AM Ralph Negrete by Family

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Sunday, July 4, Readings:

➤ **First Reading:** Ez 2: 2-5... (God's Prophet)
Ezekiel is selected by God to be a prophet and messenger to the Israelites. When resisted, Ezeikiel is to say: "Thus says the Lord God!" in this way they shall see that he is a prophet.

➤ **Responsorial Psalm:** Ps 123... (Eyes on God)
"Our eyes are fixed on the Lord, pleading for his mercy."

➤ **Second Reading:** 2 Cor 12: 7-10... (Suffering for Christ)
Paul is given a "thorn in the flesh." He asks God for relief and God replies that his grace is sufficient.

➤ **Gospel:** Mk 6: 1-6... (Spreading the Good News)
Jesus began to teach in his home synagogue. The people, knowing Mary and Joseph, cannot understand the wisdom Jesus shows and Jesus tells them: "A prophet is not without honor except in his native place."



In observance of the Civic Holiday, July 4th, (that fell on a Sunday this year) a Mass will be celebrated on Monday, July 5th, at 9:00 AM.

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- ▶ (5) **Monday: Weekday; St. Anthony Zaccaria, Priest, St. Elizabeth of Portugal (USA)**
 - Gn 28: 10-22a... Jacob had a dream: a stairway rested on the ground and God's messengers were going up and down on it and the Lord was speaking.
 - Ps 91: 1-4, 14-15b... In you, my God, I place my trust.
 - Mt 9: 18-26... My daughter has just died, but come and she will live.
- ▶ (6) **Tuesday: Weekday; St. Maria Goretti, Virgin, Martyr**
 - Gn 32: 23-33... You shall be spoken of as Israel, because you have contended with God and have prevailed.
 - Ps 17: 1b, 2-3, 6-8b, 15... In justice, I shall behold your face, O Lord.
 - Mt 9: 32-38... The harvest is abundant but the laborers are few.
- ▶ (7) **Wednesday: Weekday**
 - Gn 41: 55-57; 42: 5-7a, 17-24a... Alas, we are being punished because of our brother.
 - Ps 33: 2-3, 10-11, 18-19... Lord, let your mercy be on us, as we place our trust in you.
 - Mt 10: 1-7... Go rather to the lost sheep of the house of Israel.
- ▶ (8) **Thursday: Weekday**
 - Gn 44: 18-21, 23b-29; 45: 1-5... It was really for the sake of saving lives that God sent me here ahead of you.
 - Ps 105: 16-21... Remember the marvels the Lord has done.
 - Mt 10: 7-15... Without cost you have received; without cost you are to give.
- ▶ (9) **Friday: Weekday; St. Augustine Zhao Rong, Priest, and Companions, Martyrs**
 - Gn 46: 1-7, 28-30... At last I can die, now that I have seen for myself that Joseph is still alive.
 - Ps 37: 3-4, 18-19, 27-28, 39-40... The salvation of the just comes from the Lord.
 - Mt 10: 16-23... For it will not be you who speak, but the Spirit of your Father speaking through you.
- ▶ (10) **Saturday: Weekday; BVM on Saturday**
 - Gn 49: 29-32; 50: 15-26a... God will surely take care of you and lead you out of this land.
 - Ps 105: 1-4, 6-7... Be glad you lowly ones; may your hearts be glad!
 - Mt 10: 24-33... Do not be afraid of those who kill the body.

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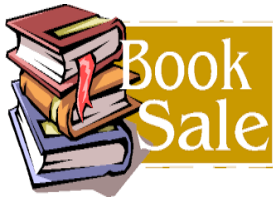


Sacred Heart Parish Office Hours:

- Monday-Tuesday- Wednesday:
9:15 AM – 3:15 PM
- Thursday:
9:15 AM – 1:15 PM
- Friday:
9:15 AM – 3:15 PM
- Saturday – Sunday:
Closed

- Phone: 610-865-5042 ext. 2
- Email: sacredheartrectory1936@gmail.com

~ **Parish Office Closed Monday, July 5th** ~



Knights of Columbus Gently Used/New Book Sale will be held **TODAY, Sunday, July 4th**, from 8:00 AM to 12:00 PM, in the Father Gilly Hall (in the Church lower parking lot). Your donations help to support local charities!

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Mercy School for Special Learning- Allentown, PA...

► Over 21 Program Full time (w/Benefits) and Part time positions. IMMEDIATE OPENINGS! Working with adults with disabilities in a group or 1:1 setting.

► **Job Coach:** 2 Positions available, Part-Time 29 hours per week, 10- month position.

A job coach is an individual employed to help students (1:1 or small group) with disabilities learn, accommodate, and perform their work duties. A job coach also helps with interpersonal skills necessary in the workplace. The coach will assess the worker's strengths and needs through observation or assessment.

► **Teacher's Aides:** Part-Time 29 hours per week, 10-month position. If you are passionate about working with students with special needs, Mercy School wants you. Teacher Assistants will work under the direction of the classroom teacher.

► **Bookkeeper:** Part-Time Position, 29 hours per week, 12-month position. Responsibilities include, but are not limited to, processing a bi-weekly payroll, processing payment for requisitions and purchase orders, overseeing tuition collection process and assisting in the development of the school budget.

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Sacred Heart Knights of Columbus is partnering with Miller-Keystone Blood Center to host an *Adopt-a-Week Blood Drive!*

► Make your appointment to donate blood anytime during the week of Monday, July 26th through Saturday, July 31st at the Bethlehem Donor Site and use our Group ID #7392, Sacred Heart K of C.

To make an appointment call 800-B-A-DONOR (223-6667) or go online www.GIVEaPINT.org. Be sure to use our Group ID #7392.

For additional information contact Bernie Mikulski at 610-691-6054.

Each donor will receive a Miller-Keystone T-Shirt!



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► **Commission for Men Monthly Rosary: July 21st**

As we enter into this new year, the *Commission for Men* will be hosting a monthly rosary for men and their families every 3rd Wednesday at 7:00 PM. Join us to pray for peace in our nation and in our world, for an end to the coronavirus pandemic, and also for an increase in vocations to religious life and priesthood – in our Diocese and throughout the Church. For more information and to pray the next rosary on Wednesday, July 21st, at 7:00 PM, check out the website: <https://www.menaliveinchrist.org/mens-rosary/>

Men and their families are welcome!



"For where there are two or three gathered together in my name, there I am in the midst of them." Mt 18: 20

Our prayers are strongest when we say them together!

~ Every Tuesday ~

Holy Hour... 6:00-7:00 PM

Rosary

Praying the Angelus

6:15-6:45 PM... Confessions

Benediction

St. Francis Retreat House, Summer and Fall Retreats:

● Friday, July 30–Sunday, August 1: *"Love Endures All Things: Seven Stages of a Healthy Marriage"* with Jeanne Hunt, MA

Weekend Retreat... Arrival: 4 pm Friday; Departure: after lunch on Sunday. Suggested onsite donations: \$390 for couples, \$215 for an individual; and \$75 per virtual viewer. PRICING INCLUDES: Private room with bath, all meals, and materials. Please notify us with any accessibility needs or special dietary requirements.

TO REGISTER: 610-258-3053 x 10, or on our SFRH WEBSITE: www.stfrancisretreathouse.org. Please register 14 days prior to the retreat. Thank you. ADDRESS: 3918 CHIPMAN ROAD, EASTON, PA 18045.

NOTE: Scholarship money for those needing assistance to make a retreat is available. Please contact Fr. Henry

● *"You are my Beloved Son: Discovering the Heart of the Father"* with Fr. Keith Laskowski **Men's Weekend Retreat** Friday, August 27th through Sunday, 29th, 2021.

On this *Men's Weekend Retreat*, we will take up the invitation of Jesus Christ to *"Come away by yourselves ... and rest a while."* Reflecting on the inspired Word of God, we desire to experience a renewed encounter with the Living God. We will invite the Holy Spirit to illuminate, to heal, and to renew our hearts so we can return to live out our vocations as disciples of Jesus Christ.

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Sacred Heart Knights of Columbus will soon be taking orders for **Zook's delicious Pot Pies and Apple Dumplings**, from August 21/22 thru September 12. Order sheets will soon be available.



Please pray for our sick, for all those homebound, in the hospital or nursing homes and especially those who care for them. We also ask prayers for those not listed and those we are not aware of that are ill.

Donna Miller, Joan Szemenyei, Joseph Ludrof, Susan G. Tinschmidt, David Cap, Lisa Dreher, A.J. Shuck, M. and D. Shuck, J.A. Rutkowski, Anthony Viera, Bev Russell, Hank Straub, Albina DaSilva, Andrew Filbert, Christopher Brennan, Selena Chaikowsky, Bill White, Jessica Hewitt, Joan Raymond, John and Charlotte Rzepiela, Lori Watts, Jacob Jarvis, James and Janet DeVaney, Beth Coleman, Mary Saraceno-Wright, Dorothea Saraceno-Atherholt, Mary Lou Schuler, Joe Field, Louis A. Gray, Gail Schneider, Molly Weidemoyer, James Lankford, Karen Hegedus, Patrick McBride, Jane Schreiber, Ron Rutkowski, Jamie Heston, Terry Macripo, Patrice Schwartzman, Leona Oberholtzer, Colleen Pinzon, Sanford Kravett, Jack Herczeg, Grandson, Sheri Radzelovage, Janet Zambo, Theresa Mitchell, Emerson Davenport, Gina Teel, Nonna Frances, Charlotte Gazzana, Russell Gazzana, Rebecca Wasniewski, Larry Muzyka, Teresa Yatko, Pat Warminsky, Carmela Azzolina, JoAnn Connors, Frank Donchez, Manny Martinez, Ann Lester, Dorothy Fekula, Irene Nagy, Jackie Swartley, Bobby Ricks, George Treisner, Paul Micci, Janice Mitchell, John Witmer, Neal McNulty, Marion Gombocz, William Balliet, Lorraine Parton, Michael Stern, III, Eileen J. Kokosky, T. & E. Moskella, Julius Balogh, Kevin Jung, Al Nuckols, Gloria Negrete, Anna Mae Stern, Josephine Snow, Tom Gazzana

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▶▶▶ *Reminder... "Annual Bottles for Babies Campaign"* (sponsored by Sacred Heart Parish Knights of Columbus Chapter). If you haven't already done so, please return all bottles as soon as possible. If donating by check, please make check payable to: **Cay Galgon Center** and put in an envelope marked "Knights of Columbus" and place it in the Collection Basket. Thank You for your support of this worthy cause!

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St. Theresa currently needs a DRE/CRE to assist with the Religious Education of our parish members. This opening will be a full-time position with benefits and salary. Contact the rectory for a job description. It will be necessary to submit clearance documentation, a resume and

participate in an interview. 610-838-7045.

•*St. Theresa Preschool Secretary...* We are looking for someone to join our preschool family! This part time position is Mon-Fri 8:00 am-1:00pm during the school year. Summer hours are flexible. Full job description is available at the school. Please call the preschool 610-838-8161 for more information or secretary@sttheresaotcj.org

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Refuge in God... Come to me, all who labor and are burdened, and I will refresh you, says the Lord.

Mt 11: 28

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Morning Prayer

Dear Lord, So far today I've done alright. I haven't gossiped, haven't lost my temper, haven't been greedy, grumpy, nasty, selfish, nor over-indulgent. And I'm very thankful to you for that. But... ..In a few minutes, Lord, I'm probably going to need a lot more help because I'm going to get out of bed!!!!



A time of war, and a time of peace: We pray for those that serve in our military: Michael O'Donnell; Jarrett Buchanan; Blair Holva; Nick Massari; John

Flannigan; Joe Owens; Rob McGuire; Joseph Salmento; David Principato; David Colarusso, Jr.; Paul K. Browne, II; Anthony T. Browne; LCpl Timothy F. Cassidy; Mark McNulty, Jr.; Josh Brueningesen; Sgt. Jared Steirer; Senior Chief Ian Hudak

Lord, we stand today as our forefathers have stood before you in times gone by. Celebrating our history and reveling in all the great things that our country has achieved. On this day we rejoice in the favor you have graciously given us. We thank you for the blessings of liberty, for this generation and for the generations to come.

We thank you for our independence, peace, and for all those who have bravely given their lives in the defense of freedom and justice.

We thank you for your gracious and provident hand that has given us so much. Yet as a nation and people we have not always chosen the right way. We ask you to forgive us for these times.

On this day we commit ourselves to wholeheartedly honoring and serving you. With everything that we are, we lay our lives before you. Make us a generous people, a holy nation. A people set aside to love you forever. For the sake of the land of the brave and free, and the peoples and nations of this world.

Today, we do not presume your grace for our country. Our land is in need of you, our people are in need of you, our industry and business is in need of you. May we look only to you this Independence Day, dependent on you.

Please come now by your glorious Holy Spirit, breathe new life into the strengths of this nation. May justice flow like rivers. And righteousness like a never failing stream, until the whole of our country is covered with your glory, as the waters cover the sea.

We ask all this in the wonderful name of Jesus, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for all eternity. Amen

Land of the Free—Because of the Brave. Thank you!

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To you I lift up my eyes who are enthroned in heaven— as the eyes of servants are on the hands of their masters.

Ps 123



Sanctuary Lights... Candles can be lit for 7 days (Saturday to Saturday) on the High Altar of the Tabernacle, Blessed Mother Altar, St. Joseph Altar, St. Anthony, St. Jude, and Sacred Heart of Jesus. The Sanctuary Candles can be lit for any intention, death remembrance or anniversary, birthday, wedding anniversary, thanksgiving for

blessings from God, for those who are ill or having surgery, or any special intentions which someone would like special prayers for. To have one of these Sanctuary Lights lit, drop a little note in the collection basket marked "Sanctuary Lights". A donation of \$12.00 is asked. The intention will appear in the bulletin, unless directed not to.

Blessed Mother Altar:

➤ **Special Intention**

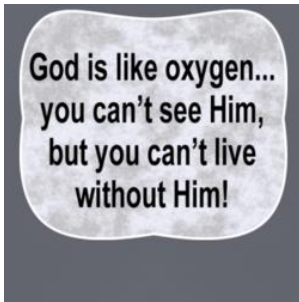
✠ **In Loving Memory of Suzanne Harold and the 5th Year since you Entered the Heavens with Our Lord**
By: husband Richard Harold and Family

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The National Blue Army Shrine of Our Lady of Fatima, 674 Mountain View Rd. E. in Asbury NJ, invites you to join us Tuesday, July 13, in celebrating a *Marython of Prayer* in honor of Mary, Mother of the Eucharist, on the 104th anniversary of the third apparition at Fatima. We welcome Raymond Leo Cardinal Burke, Celebrant, and Rev. Joshua Caswell, SJC, Speaker. Schedule: 10:30am confessions; 12pm Rosary Procession; 12:30 Speaker; 1:15 Holy Mass, followed by Exposition, Eucharistic Procession, Benediction, Divine Mercy Chaplet, blessing of religious articles, Fatima Farewell and enrollment in the Brown Scapular. Events can be viewed online. Visit bluearmy.com/marython for details, or call 908-689-1700, ex. 210.

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Just before His Ascension, Jesus said, "Go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age."
(Mt 28:19-20)

Receiving the Sacrament of Baptism:
Thomas Philip Purple

May God who brought him to this special day, teach him to live his life with a peaceful heart. May he be blessed with a lifetime of Love, Faith, Hope and Happiness.



Sacred Heart Memorial Society...

Those who are enrolled in the Memorial Society will have their names written in a special book. The Memorial Book will be on display by the St. Joseph Altar. An intention will also be included in the Sunday petitions for those enrolled in the Memorial Society. All donations from the Sacred Heart Memorial Society will be used for the purchasing of items needed to celebrate the Sacraments.

Suggested offering: \$20. A contribution has been made to the Sacred Heart Memorial Society:

✠ **In Memory of Carol Kalata Jacob**
By: John and Karen Jacob

Rest in the Lord... Come to me, all you that labor and are burdened, and I will give you rest, says the Lord. Mt 11: 28

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The Voice of An Angel

(Chicken Soup for the Christian Soul ~ James Pruitt)

Among the U. S. Marines who fought the Japanese in World War II was 21-year-old Corporal William Devers, who considered himself an agnostic. No amount of arguing, Bible-quoting or coercion by his fellow Marines or the chaplain could sway him. During the company's first major encounter with the Japanese, a number of the unit were killed and the chaplain was wounded. In great pain, the chaplain called to Devers, "My ... left pocket ... take it ... please ... Last night I had a dream. In the dream an angel appeared and told me that I had to make you take the Bible. Take it, son ... please." Devers shoved the Bible into his shirt pocket to satisfy the wounded man.

Twenty minutes later, Corporal Devers' squad stumbled right into a Japanese patrol, and before he knew what had happened he was on the ground, his mind fading into the darkness, certain he was dying. When he came to, he felt a ripple of pain shoot through his chest, but there was no blood.

The bullet had torn into the Bible he carried in his pocket, ending its journey at the book of Psalms, which read: "A thousand shall fall at thy side, and ten thousand at thy right hand; but it shall not come nigh thee."



God bless America, land that I love
Stand beside her and guide her
Through the night with the light from above
From the mountains to the prairies
To the oceans white with foam
God bless America, my home sweet home