

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 17, 2017 TWENTY- FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Masses for the Week

Monday, September 18th

7:30 a.m. +Mary J. Smigel [Family]

Tuesday, September 19th

9:00 a.m. +Anne Durisko [Husband, John]

Wednesday, September 20th

7:30 a.m. +Joseph Kocis [Joan Andrusky]

Thursday, September 21st

9:00 a.m. +Florence Pleban [Clara Wilson]

Friday, September 22nd

9:00 a.m. +Tracey Lynn Goga [Family]

Saturday, September 23rd

9:00 a.m. +Stella Kelly [M/M Arthur Aaron]

Sunday, September 24th

Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

5:30 p.m. (Sat.) +John Piatek [Phil & Marianne Picciotto]

8:15 a.m. *Mass for the People

11:00 a.m. + Ramon Marquez [M/M James Donak]

5:30 p.m. Vigil, September 23rd	
Lectors	N Gaines, R Mondak
Eucharistic Ministers	E & R Beal, A Costar, B & A Evans, S Goclano, J Miller
Altar Servers	S. Osborne, E Spielvogle, A Stephenson, A Volkay
8:15 a.m. September 24th	
Lectors	J Feeney, G Leonard
Eucharistic Ministers	R Antos, B & G Beaulieu, T Brandenstein, P Clark, T Daigneault, F Fornelli
Altar Servers	F Cindric, K Gilliland, P & W Stigliano
11 a.m. September 24th	
Lectors	K Wagner, K Higgins
Eucharistic Ministers	M Ballish, D & D Boller, P Clemenza P Dinger, D Sterling, R Supel, O Yoursh
Altar Servers	A & G Coates, L Villegas, M Winslow

DAILY SCRIPTURE READINGS

Monday, September 18th, 1Tim 1: 1-8/Lk 7: 1-10

Tuesday, September 19th, 1Tim 3: 1-13/ Lk 7: 11-17

Wednesday, September 20th, 1Tim 3: 14-16/ Lk 7: 31-35

Thursday, September 21st, Eph 4: 1-13/ Mt 9: 9-13

Friday, September 22nd, 1 Tim 6:2c-12/ Lk 8: 1-3

Saturday, September 23rd, 1Tim 6: 13-16/Lk 8: 4-15

Sunday, September 24th, Is 55: 6-9/ Phi 1: 20c-24/Mt 20: 1-16a

CATECHETICAL SUNDAY

Today our Church celebrates Catechetical Sunday, with the theme "Living as Missionary Disciples." We recognize and bless all the members of our parish who have been called to the ministry of handing on the faith and being a witness to the Gospel of God's love and concern for others through catechesis to children, youth and adults. At Notre Dame, we acknowledge our people involved in specific ministries: catechists, helpers and staff in religious education; teachers and staff at Kennedy Catholic Family of schools; our adults working with Pre-Canas, the Rite of Christian Initiation and sacramental preparation programs; facilitators and members of Small faith sharing groups and facilitators of the Liturgy of the Word with children.

Catechetical Sunday is an opportunity for all of us to rededicate ourselves to this mission as a community of faith.

MISSION WEEKEND/MINISTRY FAIR FOLLOW-UP

Many of you who attended the Ministry Fair/Mission earlier in the week signed up to participate in one or more ministries! Thank you very much! You will be hearing from the ministry leader soon.

It is not too late for YOU to decide to become an active part of the life of the parish of Notre Dame. We were blessed by the presence of Fr. Michael DeMartinis who energized us and challenged us to participate in the mission of Jesus by becoming actively involved ourselves.

If you are hesitant, that is okay – we all were/are. Someone will be happy to help you and guide you to the ministry right for you. Please call the Parish Office at 724 981-5566 for any information you might need.

PASTORAL COUNCIL

Pastoral Council meets this Wednesday, September 20th, at 6:30 p.m. in the Conference Room.

CHURCH OFFICE HOURS

Beginning September 19th, the church office hours will change temporarily. They will be from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. This will take place until October 16th.

CATHOLIC EDUCATION

This weekend all parishes in the Diocese of Erie will be taking up a special collection in support of Catholic Education. Please be sure to give. Your generosity makes a difference. **Half of the money given by Notre Dame Parishioners will remain in our parish to assist with our educational programs.** Please remember in your prayers all who are involved in educational ministries in our parish and throughout our diocese.

KINDNESS

Too often we underestimate the power of a touch, a smile, a kind word, a listening ear, an honest compliment, or the smallest act of caring, all of which have the potential to turn a life around.

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NOTRE DAME FAMILY – Please pray for those who are hospitalized, ill, homebound, and in nursing facilities, as well as those who care for them. Please pray, too, for those in the military and those who serve us in various service careers.

PRINCE OF PEACE CENTER

Next Sunday's "Pantry Shower" items are quart & gallon storage bags. Thank you all for your care and concern for God's poor.

MEMORIAL DONATIONS were made in memory of **Msgr. Zeitler** by Ron & Marge Petroski, George & Dolores Houk, The Cirillo Family, Joyce Kurpe, Robert & Joan Peters, Robert & Cathy Liptak & Family, Bernadette Toskin & Family and Dale & Charlyne Dresch,

PRAYERS AND SYMPATHY of the parish is extended to the family of **Ruth Hedderick**. May her soul and the souls of all the faithful departed though the mercy of God rest in peace.

FRIENDSHIP CLUB

The Friendship Club monthly meeting will be held at Perkins Restaurant at Noon, Thursday, September 21st. All parishioners are welcome. Please come and enjoy lunch and friendship.

BAPTISM PREPARATION SESSION

There will be a Baptism Preparation Session at St. Joseph Church on Monday, September 25th, in the Choir Room at 7 p.m. Call 724-981-3232 to pre-register.

NOTRE DAME BOOK CLUB

The Notre Dame Book Club will meet Thursday, September 21st at 6:30 p.m. in the Conference Room. We will be reading *Loving Frank* by Nancy Horan. Copies are available in the parish office. Please join us!

A FAMILY PERSPECTIVE

Unable to forgive another means we are holding on to a past wrong and hoping for a better past. That is not going to happen. We must move on with our life by accepting we were unjustly treated and it will not be corrected. We aren't condoning the injustice. We just don't let it control our lives any longer. Forgiveness is critical to living a healthy life in the present.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

The Knights of Columbus are seeking a candidate for a career opportunity representing their Insurance program. They offer a complete benefits package with this full-time position. In order to qualify, one must be eligible for membership in the Knights of Columbus. Please contact Arthur Ardire, FICE CSA, General Agent at 814-375-1205 or Arthur.ardire@kofc.org.

PRO-LIFE PERSPECTIVE

Two days in American history that will live in infamy are December 7, 1941 and September 11, 2001. Another infamous date in which a war was launched, a war against the unborn is January 22, 1973. As we remember the countless men and women who have given their lives to defend us, let us pledge again to defend the right to life, of the unborn and remember the more than 60 million nameless children who have died since 1973.

2017-2018 RELIGIOUS EDUCATION FORMATION

One Session for all Grades (Pre K -11)
9:20 a.m. -10:45 a.m.

Use Grotto Entrance for arrival and dismissal.

September 17: Class

September 24: Class

October 1: Class

October 8: Class

October 15: Class

October 22: Class

October 29: No Class

SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION

Confirmation Parent/Candidate Meeting

Sunday, October 8, 2017 following 11 a.m. Mass in the Church
October 9-13: Individual Interviews #1

NOTRE DAME PRE-CANA

Notre Dame will host Pre-Cana, the first step in the Marriage Preparation Process on Sunday, November 5th. Any couple from the area planning the Sacrament of Marriage in 2018 is encouraged to attend. Please pre-register by calling 724-981-5566.

HAPPENINGS ELSEWHERE.

"Understand the Entire Bible!" A 24-Part study featuring Jeff Cavins will be held at St. Stanislaus Church Hall. The sessions will begin on September 26th and will run every Tuesday through November 14th. The cost is \$35 for the book. Deadline to register is Monday, September 15th. For more information call the parish office at 724-342-7391.

Bring your card playing friends for a day of fun on Sunday, October 1st from 1-5 p.m. in the St. Bartholomew Parish Center. Cost for admission will be \$6 per person. A Salad, sandwich, dessert and refreshments will be provided along with a table prize for the high-scorer. Please call the St. Bartholomew Parish Office for tickets at 724-962-7130. We want to have enough food for everyone!

St. Joseph is having a Fall Raffle and only 500 tickets will be sold. The drawing will be held on October 7th. First Prize is \$10,000, 2nd Prize is \$2,000 and 3rd Prize is \$1,000. The cost per ticket is \$100 each. To purchase tickets stop by St. Joseph Church office Monday thru Friday from 8:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. or 1:30 p.m. – 4 p.m. Or you can mail ticket payment along with your address and phone number to: St. Joseph Church, 79 Case Ave., Sharon, Pa. 16146 and your ticket stub will be returned to you by mail.

PARISHIONER REGISTRATION FORM

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STREET _____

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Please check one:

I am new in the parish & wish to register

Change of Address

Moving out of Parish