



Saint Joseph Cathedral Parish is called to spread the Gospel of Jesus Christ as a community. We are committed: to our urban neighborhoods, to being the Cathedral of the Diocese, and to fellowship, formation, sacrament, and prayer.



July 2 - 9, 2023

SUN 2

Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

6:00 pm (Sat) Mass for Jayne Schmitt 8:00 am Mass for Dr. William and Mrs. Dorothy Grubler

10:30 am

Mass for the Parishioners

MON

Feast of St. Thomas

12:05 pm Mass for Fred & Clara Shutler

TUE 4

Independence Day

9:00 am Mass for Our Nation

WED 5

Optional Memorials of St. Anthony Zaccaria; St. Elizabeth of Portugal

Mass for Jane Campbell 12:05 pm

THU 6

Optional Memorial of St. Maria Goretti

12:05 pm Mass for Rita DiCarlo

Weekday in Ordinary Time First Friday

11:15 am Confessions

Mass for Most Rev. Richard V. Whelan 12:05 pm

- Anniversary of Death (1874)

12:45 pm **Eucharistic Adoration Begins**

5:00 pm Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament

Optional Memorial of the Blessed Virgin Mary

9:00 am Mass for Pat Oglinsky

9:30 am Rosary 5:00 pm Confessions

6:00 pm Mass for the Parishioners

SUN 9

Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 am 10:30 am Mass for Helen Pasden Mass for Bob & Brenda Braido (45th Wedding Anniversary)





"Hospitality Is Rewarded"

Today's liturgy centers on the theme of hospitality. Hospitality, as a virtue, is still practiced. We still visit people, and most people make us feel welcome in their homes. In the first reading we see Elisha is welcomed by an elderly woman in Shunem, who urges him to eat some food. He



is touched by the welcome hospitality and by the fact that whenever he passes that way, he is offered a meal.

In the second reading, St. Paul suggests that baptism transcends mere symbolism. In our baptism, we share in Jesus' death and resurrection—we personally experience death and resurrection. However, unlike Jesus ours is not a physical death and resurrection - our liberation is the liberating freedom from sin. Sin no longer has power over a dead person—so it makes no sense that we would give sin dominion over us after dying with Christ and being freed from sin. The purpose of our death and resurrection is to "walk in newness of life". This "newness" began with our baptism, but the renewal process continues throughout life.

In today's Gospel, Jesus instructs his disciples about how they have to be hospitable and welcoming even though they themselves may not be welcomed and may sometimes be rejected as they preach the Good News. They also experience the warm hospitality of some who will welcome them. He also reminds them that even a small gesture of offering a glass of water given in hospitality will be rewarded. The practice of receiving a guest or a stranger was common to many social groups at that time. It was a sacred duty practiced by many. The guest was treated with respect and honor and was provided with shelter. A significant feature of hospitality was Israel's deep sense of God as its host. Israel treasured its identity as a pilgrim people. They remembered that their home belonged to God and that they, like their ancestors, remained pilgrims and passing guests in God's house.

We normally believe that people are good and friendly and hence we do not generally fear or suspect them. However, we see and read of robberies and of people assaulted that we tend to fear strangers and are on our guard against them. But the stranger could turn out to be a friend we had never met. The Jews prized hospitality. Could not God come in the garb of a stranger? Can we welcome him? May we move from hostility to hospitality! Have a welcoming weekend!



4TH OF JULY MASS

Join us for a special 4th of July Mass in Celebration of our Independence!

July 4th | 9 AM

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A Prayer for Our Government

by Archbishop John Carroll

We pray, O almighty and eternal God, who through Jesus Christ has revealed thy glory to all nations, to preserve the works of your mercy, that your Church, being spread through the whole world, may continue with unchanging faith in the confession of your name.

We pray O God of might, wisdom and justice, through whom authority is rightly administered, laws are enacted, and judgment decreed, assist with your Holy Spirit of counsel and fortitude the president of these United States, that his administration may be conducted in righteousness and be eminently useful to your people over whom he presides; by encouraging due respect for virtue and religion; by a faithful execution of the laws in justice and mercy; and by restraining vice and immorality.

Let the light of your divine wisdom direct the deliberations of Congress, and shine forth in all the proceedings and laws framed for our rule and government, so that they may tend to the preservation of peace, the promotion of national happiness, the increase of industry, sobriety and useful knowledge; and may perpetuate to us the blessing of equal liberty.

We recommend likewise,
to your unbounded mercy,
all our brethren and fellow citizens
throughout the United States,
that they may be blessed in the knowledge
and sanctified in the observance
of your most holy law;
that they may be preserved in union,
and in that peace
which the world cannot give;
and after enjoying the blessings of this life,
be admitted to those which are eternal.

Through Jesus Christ, Our Lord and Savior.
Amen.





A very special thank you to all who have already supported this year's Catholic Sharing Appeal! Your generosity extends the gift of our Catholic faith to others and provides the light and love of Christ to those in need throughout our community. Your participation also ensures our shared ministries have the resources needed to enliven parishes, such as ours; support students in all 24 of our Catholic Schools; expand outreach efforts to every corner of our state; and so much more!

If you have not already donated to this year's Catholic Sharing Appeal, we invite you to prayerfully consider doing so! When you give to the Catholic Sharing Appeal, you directly impact the lives of those around you. At the parish level, we are in the midst of a major renovation project on our Baptismal Font, which due to its age, has developed a serious leak and is in great need of repair. It is through the funds from this year's Catholic Sharing Appeal that help us to cover a large portion of the costs for the Baptismal Font repair.

Thank you for all you do for our parish! May God continue to bless us, guide us, and unite us in faith, hope, and love!



To make a secure online donation in support of the Catholic Sharing Appeal, please scan the QR code using the camera on your smartphone or device.

Collection

June 25, 2023

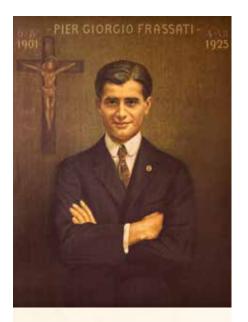
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Blessed Pier Giorgio Feast Day: July 4

"With all the strength of my soul I urge you to approach Holy Communion as often as you can. Feed on this bread of angels whence you will draw all the energy you need to fight inner battles. Because true happiness, dear friends, does not consist in the pleasures of the world or in earthly things, but in peace of conscience, which we have only if we are pure in heart and mind."

Born in 1901 in Turin, Italy into a wealthy family, Pier Giorgio Frassati enjoyed close friends, hiking and skiing, museums and music. But above all else, he loved Jesus and especially the Eucharist. At age 12, he began to receive daily Communion. His devotion was obvious to everyone, with one person noting, "Every time I saw him going to the altar to receive Communion, the thought occurred to me that one day I would like to attain his purity of spirit, so that I could receive the Sacrament with the same enthusiasm and intensity." He received Holy Communion for the final time on July 3, 1925, the day before his death at age 24. He was beatified on May 20, 1990 by St. John Paul II.

Blessed Pier Giorgio shows us that holiness is possible for everyone by living our friendships, studies, and service to the poor in constant relationship with God.

LITURGICAL LIFE

Why Do You Come to Mass? (Part II)

By Fr. Jonathan Meyer

The night before Jesus died on Mount Calvary, less than 24 hours before, He instituted the Last Supper in the Upper Room for one reason. And that's so everyone would have access to Calvary for the rest of their lives. Jesus took in His hands bread and He said "This is My Body given up for you. He took simple table wine and said "This is a cup of My Blood." He said that in the Upper Room and

the next day, within 24 hours on the Cross, He said with His Body, "This is My Body given up for you. This is My Blood poured out for you." This is my life poured out for you. So that every single time a priest takes a piece of ordinary bread in his hands and says "This is My Body given up for you. This is My Blood poured out for you," and he offers that to the Eternal Father, we are at Calvary. Christ died once but Christ gave us access into the one sacrifice to the Eternal Father through the Holy Mass.

The reality is that music, preaching, the reception of Our Lord and Holy Communion, community, beauty and giving to the Lord can all happen outside of Mass. I have had some of my most powerful prayer experiences with music outside of the context of Mass. Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament with music brings me to tears and I can just feel the presence of Jesus in amazing ways. I've heard people preach outside of the context of Mass. I've heard lay people that make priests look terrible and horrible as preachers outside of the context of Mass that have converted my heart. I've had experiences of community outside of Mass and I, on a regular basis every single week, give people Jesus' Body, Blood, Soul, and Divinity



in Holy Communion outside of Mass in hospitals, in their homes. I walk into beautiful churches all the time while I'm not celebrating Mass.

The Mass, my brothers and sisters, is Calvary. The reason we come to Mass is because we want to go to Calvary. If there was a time machine and you could set the date and time of that machine to any day or time in the history of our world, Good Friday at three o'clock would be the first date and time that I would put in, because I would want to stand on Mount Calvary with our Blessed Mother and with Saint John the beloved apostle. And that's what every Mass is. That's why many of us go to Mass every single day because we want to know, we want to see, we want to be there, we want to participate. We come to Mass when there's no music, when there's no preaching, we come to Mass when there's bad preaching or bad music. We come to Mass even when we can't receive Holy Communion because it is Calvary and it matters.

To be continued next week...

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FIRE UP YOUR FAITH

Summer Rest in the Lord

During a busy school year or the gray days of winter, we dream about long, warm summer days. Now that they have arrived, let the slower pace of summer invite you to seek God in stillness. Here are some tips to help:

SLOW DOWN AND LOOK AT YOUR LIFE

Center your summer prayer on these words: "Come to me, all you who labor and are burdened, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you and learn from me, for I am meek and humble of heart." (Mt 11: 28-29) What burdens do you need to lay aside? Should you slow down a busy schedule to better hear Jesus' voice? What can you learn from Jesus' meekness and humility?

PRAY POOLSIDE

Is there an aspect of the faith that you would like to learn more about? Find a book on it and take it to the pool or to a park this summer. If someone asks you what you're reading, seize the opportunity to share about the faith.

FOSTER FAITH-BASED FELLOW-SHIP

Ask friends to come over for a barbecue and to discuss a Scripture passage or pray the Rosary. Host a backyard family movie night to watch an episode of The Chosen. Form a "gratitude group" with friends, meeting regularly at a park to talk about your blessings and how you see God working in your life.

INVITE GOD INTO YOUR TRAVEL PLANS

If you're going on vacation with family or friends this summer, seek God in your travels. Marvel at the beauty of a mountain, a beach, or even the smile on a family member's face. Thank God for it. Attend Mass and explore a new church in a different city. Ask God what He wants to teach you by showing you a different part of the world.

GIVE GOD YOUR UNREST

Is there an area of your life where you feel deep anxiety? Maybe you're worried about a loved one, a medical diagnosis, or a financial situation. Through the summer, work to give your unrest to God. Ask Him to replace it with deep rest and trust in Him. Don't pray for a perfect situation, but for perfect peace in your situation.





Month of the Precious Blood

"As we now approach the month devoted to honoring Christ's Blood - the price of our redemption, the pledge of salvation and life eternalmay Christians meditate on it more fervently, may they savor its fruits more frequently in sacramental communion." So wrote Pope Saint John XXIII, in his apostolic letter *Inde a Primus*, encouraging this devotion.

The month of July is traditionally dedicated to the Most Precious Blood of Jesus. The feast of the Precious Blood of our Lord was instituted in 1849 by Pius IX, but the devotion is as old as Christianity. The early Fathers say that the Church was born from the pierced side of Christ, and that the sacraments were brought forth through His Blood.

Ways to Honor the Precious Blood

- Pray the Litany of the Precious Blood
- Spend some time in Eucharistic Adoration
- Pray the Divine Mercy Chaplet

STEWARDSHIP REFLECTION

Live & Give in Gratitude

Sacrifice links today's Scripture readings. In the Second Book of Kings, the prophet Elisha sacrifices time to visit the woman of influence and her husband. Because of his kindness, they provide him with hospitality. In turn, he promises them a son. St. Paul, in his Letter to the Romans, acknowledges Christ's sacrifice for sin: He died to sin once and for all. In St. Matthew's Gospel, Jesus proclaims, Whoever finds his life will lose it, and whoever loses his life for my sake will find it. Jesus is asking His disciples to sacrifice themselves for the Kingdom — to abandon themselves to His will. We all have at least one talent to offer to our parishes, which are always in need of lectors, Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist, catechists, or committee and council members. Your dedicated prayer, service, and generosity will be appreciated and blessed.



SCRIPTURE READINGS Week of July 2

THIS SUNDAY

2 Kings 4:8-11, 14-16 Ps 89:2-3, 16-17, 18-19 Romans 6:3-4, 8-11 Matthew 10:37-42

MONDAY

Ephesians 2:19-22 Ps 117:1, 2 John 20:24-29

TUESDAY

Genesis 19:15-29 Ps 26:2-3, 9-10, 11-12 Matthew 8:23-27

WEDNESDAY

Genesis 21:5, 8-20 Ps 34:7-8, 10-11, 12-13 Matthew 8:28-34

THURSDAY

Genesis 22:1-19 Ps 115:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 8-9 Matthew 9:1-8

FRIDAY

Genesis 23:1-4, 19; 24:1-8, 62-67 Ps 106:1-2, 3-4, 4-5 Matthew 9:9-13

SATURDAY

Genesis 27:1-5, 15-29 Ps 135:1-2, 3-4, 5-6 Matthew 9:14-17

NEXT SUNDAY

Zechariah 9:9-10 Ps 145:1-2, 8-9, 10-11, 13-14 Romans 8:9, 11-13 Matthew 11:25-30

The readings are included each week so that those who are unable to join us for daily Mass will be able to consider and pray them in union with the whole Church.

SAINTS OF THE WEEK

July 3 - St. Thomas, apostle (1st century)

St. Thomas, also called "Didymus" or "the Twin" (Jn 11:16), was one of the twelve apostles. He is remembered for doubting the Resurrection of Christ. According to tradition, Thomas is the only apostle who went outside the borders of the Roman Empire to evangelize. Although there is a Gospel account attributed to him, it is not accepted in the canon of Scripture and is, in fact, of Gnostic origin. The people of Kerala in South India fervently believe that it was Thomas who evangelized them. *Patronage:* India, architects, builders, those in doubt

July 5 - Saint Anthony Mary Zaccaria, priest (1502-1539)

St. Anthony Mary Zaccaria was from Italy. He founded three religious orders: the Barnabites or Clerics Regular of St. Paul (the first order named for St. Paul), the Angelic Sisters of St. Paul for nuns, and a lay community. In addition to founding the Barnabites, he popularized the forty-hours devotion of exposition of the Eucharist.

Saint Elizabeth of Portugal (1271-1336)

Unable to bear the corruption and immorality of her husband's kindly court, St. Elizabeth joined the Third Order Franciscans following his death and lived a life of piety and prayer. Throughout her life she was well known for her peacemaking skills and care for the sick and suffering. *Patronage:* Franciscan Tertiaries, charity workers, peace, widows

July 6 - Saint Maria Goretti, virgin, martyr (1890-1902)

St. Maria Goretti was killed while resisting her would-be rapist and has been held up as a model of chastity, but her resistance was also an act of charity and a desire to spare her attacked, Alessandro, from the stain of greater sin. The saint succeeded in redeeming Alessandro's soul after her death, appearing to him in a dream during his imprisonment, offering her forgiveness and urging him to turn to Christ's mercy. *Patronage*: rape victims; girls



EUCHARISTIC MIRACLE OF SANTARÉM

Portugal, 1247

According to the date recorded in the document commissioned by King Alfonso IV in 1346, on February 16, 1266 in Santarém, Portugal, a young woman overcome with jealousy for her husband, consulted a sorceress who told her to go to the church and steal a consecrated Host to use for a love potion. The woman stole the Host and hid the Holy Eucharist in a linen cloth that immediately became stained with Blood. Frightened by this, she ran home and opened the kerchief to see what had happened. To her amazement, she saw that the Blood was gushing from the Host. The confused woman stored the Particle in a drawer in her bedroom. That night the drawer began to emit brilliant rays of light which illuminated the room as if it were daytime. The husband was also aware of the strange phenomenon and questioned his wife, who was obligated to tell him everything.

The next day, the couple informed the pastor, who went to the home to remove the Host and return the Blessed Sacrament to the Church of St. Stephen in solemn procession, accompanied by many religious and lay people. The Host bled for three consecutive days, and was then placed in a beautiful reliquary made of beeswax. In 1340 another miracle occurred. When the priest opened the tabernacle, he found the beeswax vase broken into many pieces: in its place was a crystal vase containing the Blood mixed with the wax. The Sacred Host is now preserved in an 18th century Eucharistic throne above the main altar. The Church of St. Stephen is now known as the Shrine of the Holy Miracle.

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AROUND THE AREA

Infant of Prague Novena

After thirty years celebrating and hosting the Infant of Prague Novena at St. Mary Church, Martins Ferry, the decision was made no longer to do so. Shirley Moczek, who died in 2020, faithfully and lovingly supported and directed this novena. With no one replacing her commitment and work and for other reasons, attendance has greatly declined. So, for all who had joined us in this prayer over these past thirty years, may the grace and blessings given through the intercession of Christ continue to bless you and keep you in God's peace. Everyone is invited to attend the Infant of Prague Novena at the Cathedral of St. Joseph in Wheeling this year beginning on Monday, September 11 at 7:00 p.m.

Walking With Moms in Need

Walking with Moms in Need is a process through which Catholic parishes and communities "walk in the shoes" of local pregnant and parenting women in need. Everyone should know how to help moms in difficult circumstances. While not trying to turn Catholic parishes into pregnancy centers, we can support local pregnancy centers where they exist, and we can also find and share other resources with pregnant and parenting women. And where there are few local resources, we can create our own, based on the gifts of the parish community! We hope you and your parish will join us in Walking with Moms in Need. For more information contact Kathy Barton, Director of Social Ministry for the Diocese at 304-233-0880, Ext. 289 or Kbarton@dwc.org.



WHY DO WE DO THAT? Catholic Life Explained:

Mass Celebrated Around the World

Question:

Is the Catholic Mass really celebrated the same throughout the whole world?

Answer:

One of the truisms of the Catholic Faith is that "wherever you go in the world, the Mass is the same." In fact, the answer to this question is both "yes" and "no."

On the one hand, the essential elements of the Roman Rite are the same. The structure of the Mass as it is presented in the Roman Missal is consistent and this is one of the beauties of belonging to a liturgical tradition.

On the other hand, however, there are elements of celebrations that can vary depending on the country or even local region you might be in. For example, in certain parts of the world, certain feasts and solemnities are celebrated on different days (even here in the United States the Solemnity of the Ascension of the Lord can be celebrated on Thursday of the Sixth Week of Easter or it may take the place of the Seventh Sunday of Easter, depending on what diocese you are in). Whether it is the use of certain liturgical colors, local celebrations of regional saints, special seasonal blessings of crops or produce, or the use of dance and processions all demonstrate a sort of organic variety that can exist even within our established liturgical tradition. While we always respect what is essential to the rite, such local variations and traditions are very much in keeping with the vision of liturgical renewal and adaption envisioned by the Second Vatican Council's Constitution on the Sacred Liturgy (nos. 37-40).

REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

Andrew Helfer Angela Niehart Archer Hatch Arthur Danehart **Austin Cook** Barb Mazzocca Beth Jochum **Betty Teater** Bill Wilson **Bob Armstrong Bob Jones** Billy Hanasky Brian Hanasky Brogan Gallentine Caleb Hlebiczki Carolyn Lash Carolyn Wiethe Catherine Lanham Charles Heizer Charles DeBeni Children of the Youth Services System Christina Helfer

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Philippa Shores Rachel Wade R. J. Stocke Richard Simon Rick Burgy Ron Hickman Rosanne Gaughan Rosalie Davis Rose Otey Sarah Hanasky Sarah Sargent Shirley DeCaria Stanley Kyrc Susan Graff Susan Mize Susan Schulte Tammy Teresa Helfer Thelma Pearson Tony Helfer Trystan Timmons Victoria Jeskey Zoey Knight

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MASS TIMES

SUNDAYS 6:00 pm (Saturday)

8:00 am 10:30 am

WEEKDAYS 12:05 pm (Monday thru Friday)

9:00 am (Saturday)

HOLY DAYS Please consult the bulletin

CONFESSIONS

FRIDAY 11:15 - 11:45 am

SATURDAY 5:00 - 5:45 pm

or by appointment

SACRAMENTS

BAPTISMS

By appointment. Please contact the parish office.

ANOINTING OF THE SICK / MINISTRY TO THE HOMEBOUND

Please call the parish office to arrange for anointing for someone who is seriously ill or preparing for surgery. If ill, homebound or hospitalized, a visit can be scheduled upon request.

MARRIAGE

Engaged couples who are members of the Cathedral parish should contact the parish office.

PARISH REGISTRATION

Registration forms can be obtained through the parish office.

Please notify the parish of address changes through contacting the parish office or by visiting the website.

Bulletin Articles due by 9am on Monday (5 days prior to publication). Submitted bulletin content is subject to approval.

