



# ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST CATHOLIC CHURCH

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**Mass Times:** M, W, Th, F 8:30 a.m.

**Saturday:** 5:30 p.m.

**Sunday:** 9:00 a.m.

Holy Days: 8:30 a.m., 7:00 p.m.

Eucharistic Holy Hour: Friday: 3:00 p.m.

\*We pray the Divine Mercy Chaplet and Rosary before Mass at 5:00 PM Saturday and 8:25 AM Sunday. The Rosary and Chaplet is also prayed after weekday Masses.

**Confessions:** Saturday: 12:00 noon, Sunday: 8:00 a.m., after Holy Hour, after Mass, or any time by appointment.

**Religious Education:** grades 1-11 on Sunday: 10:00 – 10:45 a.m. –Contact Fr. Fairman

**Catholic Charities:** (814) 944-9388, call Monday through Friday, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

August 22, 2021

Twenty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time



## LITURGY-August 21 - 29

**SATURDAY**

**5:30 PM**

**August 21**

Ben Braman by Family

**SUNDAY**

**9:00 AM**

**August 22**

All Members of the Parish

**MONDAY**

**8:30 AM**

**August 23**

Bob Harclerode  
by Carol Harclerode

**TUESDAY**

**8:30 AM**

**August 24**

**NO MASS**

**WEDNESDAY**

**8:30 AM**

**August 25**

**NO MASS**

**THURSDAY**

**8:30 AM**

**August 26**

Don Weaverling by Mary Jeanne,  
Kathy, George & Susan

**FRIDAY**

**8:30 AM**

**August 27**

Ross Torres  
by Dr. Robin & Dr. Flora Torres

**3:00 PM**

**EUCHARISTIC HOLY HOUR**

**SATURDAY**

**5:30 PM**

**August 28**

Chan Cho by James Whisker

**SUNDAY**

**9:00 AM**

**August 29**

Donald Conklin  
by Mr. & Mrs. John Purpura

**5:00 PM**

All Members of the Parish

**PRAYER LIST:** Duane Bollman, Judy Boland, Melinda Stone, Jane Cunard, Gary Daniels, Peggy Scritchfield, Mickey McCahan, Bob Will, Kathleen Yingling, Gloria Mellott, Tony Dagostino, Shirley Hoffman, Gary Schetrompf, Tara Musselman, Krista Besselman, River Troutman, Jean Wilt, Sue Durr, Richard Koontz, Layla Grace Smith, Anne Majcher, Joette and Brent Reid, Terry Young, Declan McCahan, Ryan Wigfield, Pat Waltman, Hope Burkett, J.B. Whisker, Jackie Verdiglione, Pat Young, Rose and Ben Feight, Helen Snyder, Kathleen Tomkosky, Nancy Stolarski and Fr. John Ellias

(Please call to add or remove a name once the person is recovered or no longer in need of special prayer. If you are placing someone other than a family member on the list, please be sure to have their permission first.)

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**LADIES OF ST. JOHN:** The Ladies of St. John will be meeting September 8, at 7 PM in the social hall. All are welcome to attend. Masks and social distancing will be followed.

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**STEWARDSHIP REFLECTION:** In today's Gospel, we hear that many of Jesus' disciples cannot accept his teachings and instead return to their former way of life, abandoning Him altogether. Jesus asks the Apostles, "Do you want to leave too?" Peter speaks up for the twelve responding "Master, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life."

Peter came to the realization (to paraphrase), "I don't really see any better options, Lord. I've tried life with you and it's hard. But I've tried life without you and it's harder. It doesn't satisfy me. Where else am I going to? I choose You, Lord." And, so he humbly chooses to rely on God.

How can we keep going when it gets tough? Peter's honest answer to the choice Jesus poses shows us a way to stay true to a stewardship way life. The demands of a stewardship way of life can be difficult. And the teachings of Christ can be hard to accept. Remembering blessings and relying on Him are two keys to this beautiful way of life. (Stewardship Reflection, Catholic Stewardship Consultants, Inc. 2018/08/09)

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**A Family Perspective by Bud Ozar**

Even though many found the teachings of Jesus "difficult", He did not back down. In our families it is important to say what is difficult to hear, to speak the truth with kindness, to correct with love and guide with understanding.

<b>SUNDAY OFFERING</b>	
<b>August 15, 2021</b>	
Weekly:	\$1,661.00
Assumption :	\$435.00
Local Needs:	\$160.00
<b>Thank you!</b>	

**CMD- BE A DISCIPLE OF HOPE:** The annual Catholic Ministries Drive supports 14 ministries through which people are accompanied in their journey. The year 2021 is a time for everyone to **BE A DISCIPLE OF HOPE!**

All contributions received beyond **our parish target, \$8,657.00**, will be used for our parish's project, *an upgrade to our sound system*. Thank you for supporting these vital ministries with sacrificial gifts of prayer and treasure. 100% of your gift goes directly to these ministries.

As of **Aug 10** we have received **\$8,490.00** in donations and pledges from 18 households; **plus \$2,170.00** for our project from 8 households as of **Aug 15**.

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**ST. VINCENT DEPAUL:** In today's Gospel, Jesus asks "Do you also want to leave?" We must ask ourselves if we really want to hear the good news of his love for us and for others. Is the word of God able to break into our consciousness, change us and call us to hear the cries of the poor?

Through your gifts to the Society of St. Vincent de Paul you are hearing the cries of the poor enabling us to provide comfort to the needy. **For more information call 814 979-0272.**

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**ALUMINUM CAN RECYCLE:** Please drop off rinsed, crushed aluminum beverage cans **ONLY** for recycling, near the garage doors. Aluminum foil and plates are **NOT** recyclable. The proceeds are sent to the Haiti Missions.

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**BOXTOPS FOR EDUCATION:** For Everett Elementary School. See box on table by the statue of the Blessed Virgin.

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Some prayers:



***Our Lady of Guadalupe (From the USCCB):***

Holy Virgin of Guadalupe,  
Queen of the Angels and Mother of the Americas.  
We fly to you today as your beloved children.  
We ask you to intercede for us with your Son,  
as you did at the wedding in Cana.  
Pray for us, loving Mother,  
and gain for our nation and world,  
and for all our families and loved ones,  
the protection of your holy angels,  
that we may be spared the worst of this illness.  
For those already afflicted,  
we ask you to obtain the grace of healing and  
deliverance.  
Hear the cries of those who are vulnerable and  
fearful,  
wipe away their tears and help them to trust.  
In this time of trial and testing,  
teach all of us in the Church to love one another and  
to be patient and kind.  
Help us to bring the peace of Jesus to our land and  
to our hearts.  
We come to you with confidence,  
knowing that you truly are our compassionate  
mother,  
health of the sick and cause of our joy.  
Shelter us under the mantle of your protection,  
keep us in the embrace of your arms,  
help us always to know the love of your Son, Jesus.  
Amen.



***Also: An Act of Spiritual Communion:***

My Jesus,  
I believe that You  
are present in the Most Holy Sacrament.  
I love You above all things,  
and I desire to receive You into my soul.  
Since I cannot at this moment  
receive You sacramentally,  
come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace  
You as if You were already there and unite myself  
wholly to You. Never permit me to be separated  
from You.  
Amen.

