

ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST CATHOLIC CHURCH



LITURGY-August 28 – September 5

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| <u>SATURDAY</u> 5:30 PM | August 28 Chan Cho by James Whisker |
| <u>SUNDAY</u> 9:00 AM | August 29 Donald Conklin by Mr. & Mrs. John Purpura |
| 5:00 PM | All Members of the Parish |
| <u>MONDAY</u> 8:30 AM | August 30 J. Wyatt Mearkle by Carol Mearkle |
| <u>TUESDAY</u> 8:30 AM | August 31 NO MASS |
| <u>WEDNESDAY</u> 8:30 AM | September 1 Robert Harclerode by Rudy & Judy Plummer |
| <u>THURSDAY</u> 8:30 AM | September 2 Don Weaverling by Mary Jeanne, Kathy, George & Susan |
| <u>FRIDAY</u> 8:30 AM | September 3 David Temple by James Whisker |
| 3:00 PM | EUCCHARISTIC HOLY HOUR |
| <u>SATURDAY</u> 5:30 PM | September 4 All Members of the Parish |
| <u>SUNDAY</u> 9:00 AM | September 5 All deceased members of the Bulic Family by Bryan, Pam & Matt Wilt |

From Fr. Fairman:

My thanks to everyone who participated in the days of celebration and prayer to Mary from the Assumption and Coronation. We had 77 candles. We had 60 originally, then I bought 10 more, and then I had to buy even more! Thanks to our youngest parishioners for the carnations. It was wonderful to see so many at the Mass last Thursday, and I thank Fr. Michael Pleva and my brother priests for their help. I pray that our days of celebration and prayer will be bigger and better next year.



Well, here we are at the 50th Anniversary. This is a time to give thanks for so many blessings that God has given us over these fifty years. There are many memories that go back a long way, and this is the time to thank the Lord for all the joys that He has given us.

My thanks to everyone who helped make the church look nice and special, and everyone who had a part in planning the Mass and dinner.

Many thanks to National Pen Company, who provided us with the pens, and with IDGraphics who helped with the banner, magnets, booklets, and mugs. Thanks to all those who were part of the process of making everything happen.

Please be sure of my prayers for each and every parishioner, especially those who have made the parish a part of their family from the very beginning.

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.)

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.

STEWARDSHIP REFLECTION: There is a potential opportunity every Sunday for us to increase our understanding and wisdom in what it means to live a stewardship way of life. Our focus as Catholics should be on eternal life, not on the particulars of the life we experience on earth.

That does not mean that we do not strive to live holy lives and we do not commit ourselves to lives of service and love. Just as Moses addresses the hypocrites and their practice of faith, James, too, reminds us that what we do is more important than merely giving a show of faith: "Be doers of the Word, and not hearers only." Jesus calls the elders hypocrites and points out to them how their priorities are out of order and that they need (and we do, also) to be more concerned about cleansing their hearts than their hands. One of the adages associated with stewardship is that we need to "possess loosely." That includes some of the traditions to which we may cling. (Stewardship Reflection, Catholic Stewardship Consultants, Inc. 2015/08/12)

A Family Perspective **by Bud Ozar**
 In today's gospel Jesus warns "what comes from within can defile" a person. Families need to worry about "outside influences" but also about "inside influences." The values our children carry for a life time are learned at home. Habits of the Hearth are the most powerful influences on a child. That's the good news! That can also be the bad news!

SUNDAY OFFERING

August 22, 2021

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| Weekly: | \$1,407.00 |
| Assumption: | \$60.75 |
| Local Needs: | \$20.00 |

Thank you!

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**.

ST. VINCENT DEPAUL: The gospel today hits home closer than we may think. What traditions do we blindly cling to? Perhaps it is enough for us just to go to Mass on Sunday? Do we keep the letter of the law and miss entirely the spirit of the law. Interior righteousness means a heart turned to God. Purity of heart is expressed in righteous living: self - giving for the sake of others.

As you give your gift to the poor through the Society of St. Vincent de Paul, in your heart you also will find the good news of God's love. For more information call 814 979-0272.

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.

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

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.

