

Savoring and Sharing Life If summertime isn't the best time to share life with one another, it's surely the easiest. In the summer, we seem to have the time or make the time to enjoy life and to enjoy it with those we love—at the beach, in the park, dangling a fishing line over the side of a boat, peddling a bike, or just basking in the sunshine. Summertime is a good time to remember that all our time, all our life, is a gift, a sharing in the time and life of God. And, thank God, our God encourages us to savor the gift of life by sharing it with others.

The French words that have been reduced to the initials RSVP remind us that the host or hostess awaits our response. Jesus' invitation to share in his life and to assume the responsibilities of his self-giving life await our response—if we please.

1. Think of the times and places where you are called to be Eucharist for another, to be the self-giving, Christ-like presence.
2. Who has been that presence for you?
3. If a teenager asked you why you go to Mass every Sunday, how would you convince him or her that it was more than the same old, same old?

PARISH NEWS

Saturday Mass: All Masses in August will be held at St. Joseph's. Please continue to watch the bulletin for further notices.

(SJP & SMP) If you see Father is short on help at Mass, please step up and help. It will be greatly appreciated.

(SJP) Religious Ed Registration: The 2018-19 registration will be mailed out shortly to those families who are currently enrolled in St. Joseph's program. Registration forms can be found in the literature rack in the vestibule for new students. Parent meeting will be held on Sept. 9th following the 7:30a liturgy, in the social hall. Questions, contact Judy & Norm Wolbert 226-8399 or stjoercd@yahoo.com. Everyone is encouraged to join the Facebook group, St. Joseph Faith Formation, Lucinda.

(SJP) Rosary Society Meeting will be held Aug. 21st @ 7p in the hall. This meeting is for ALL members and solicitors.

(SJP & SMP) RCIA: Right of Christian Initiation for Adults: Anyone interested in the RCIA:

- Never has been baptized
 - Never Catechized (no instruction/never received sacraments)
 - Never baptized in another faith
 - Interested in the Catholic Faith
- Please contact the Rectory at 814-226-7288

****There is a Right of Christian Initiation for children, too****

(SJP) The church is in need of someone to clean it each week. It would be approx. 4-5 hours each week. Call 226-7288 if you're interested. Thank you!

(SJP) St. Joseph's School will hold their Back to School Open House on Thurs., Aug. 23rd from 6:30p-7:30p; "Come Grow with Us."



PARISH NEWS

Office: Contact the office at St. Joseph with any questions or concerns you may have from either Parish. (814)226-7288. Thank you!

(SMP) Clean-up days to get ready for the Labor Day Picnic are as follows Aug. 20th & 27th; rain dates Aug. 21st & 28th.

(SMP) Labor Day Picnic- On August 29th @ 6p we will be setting up the tables for the picnic. The more help, the better. We hope to see you there. Thanks!

(SMP) Booth captains for the Labor Day Picnic, please make sure to arrange volunteers to work in your area.

(SJP & SMP) If you are interested in helping Father by being on a committee such as Baptismal, RCIA, Bereavement Committee, etc., please attend the meeting on the date and time of your committee.

(SJP & SMP) Bereavement Committee: 8/20/18 @ 6:30p

(SMP) Religious Education classes will resume here at St. Michael on Aug. 26, 2018 at 8:20a with dismissal at 9:50a. All parents of Religious Ed. Students in grades kindergarten through 10th are asked to attend a meeting in the multi-purpose room of the school at 8:30a. This meeting is required by the Erie Diocese.

-Confirmation classes will resume on Aug. 26, 2018 @ 8:20a. There will be a meeting in the multi-purpose room of the school for Confirmation parents and students at 9:10a. This meeting is required by the Erie Diocese.

Upcoming Events

First Day of School: Aug. 29 Blood Drive: Aug. 29

Labor Day Picnic: Sept. 3 Farmington Dinner: Sept. 8

K of C Horse Race: Sept. 15 Duck Drop: Sept. 29 Oktoberfest: Oct. 20

(SJP) Please join us in the social hall after 7:30a mass on Aug. 26th. We will provide coffee and donuts. At this mass, Father will bless all the school children and their families for the upcoming school year.

Liturgy Schedule Aug. 25th & 26th

5:00 p.m.

SAINT JOSEPH CHURCH

Altar Servers: Madison Schill
Euch Min: Doc & Marge Bauer, Anne Ochs
Lector: Connie Dausch
Ushers: Norm Wolbert, Jim Harvey, Ed Carroll, Al Lander
Rosary: Jody Guth

7:30 a.m.

SAINT JOSEPH CHURCH

Altar Servers: Braden Ochs
Euch Min: Roger & Patti Bauer, Linda Ida
Lector: Ted Schmader
Ushers: Nick Ochs, Rick Best, Ethan Skrzypek

10:00 a.m.

SAINT MICHAEL CHURCH

Sacristan: Jody Guth
Altar Servers: Owen Kerle
Euch Min: David Nasky, Jody Guth, Jane Schmader
Lector: David Nasky
Ushers: Matt Gilara, Daniel Brooker, Todd & Tyler Beichner
Rosary: William Ditz
R.S. Cleaner:

Mass Schedule Aug. 20th - 26th

Monday, Aug. 20th

7:45 a.m. - (SJP) Alice & Jerome Schill by Doug & Dakota Bauer

Tuesday, Aug. 21st

7:45 a.m. - (SJP) Maurice & Leona Rapp by the family

Wednesday, Aug. 22nd

8:00 a.m. - (SMP) Henry & Adeline Karg by the family
8:30 a.m. - (SMP) LAUDS

Thursday, Aug. 23rd

No Early Mass

Friday, Aug. 24th

8:00 a.m. - (SMP) Sally & Duane Hartle by Sally Hockman & family
8:30 a.m. - (SMP) LAUDS

21st Sunday in Ordinary Time

Saturday, Aug. 25th

Confession is at St. Joseph's, 4:00 p.m.
5:00 p.m. - (SJP) Ann Judy by the family

Sunday, Aug. 26th

7:30 a.m. - (SJP) Dave Wolbert by Mike Lauer
10:00 a.m. - (SMP) Parish Family

Collection Counters Aug. 25th & 26th

SJP: Bridget Collett, Ed Carroll, Steve Hoover
SMP: Mary Dechant, Andrew Gilara, Nicholas Banner

THE SANCTUARY CANDLE burning in memory of

SJP: Delmar Lauer by Rusty & Karen Bauer
SMP: Barbara Jean Schill by the Gilara Family

PRAYERS ARE REQUESTED FOR:

Parish Family, All Special Intentions

Service People on Active Duty

Jayleigh Ochs, Jim Sherbine, Tim Nicewonger, Brendan & Edward George, Punkie Griebel, Jim Pfaff, Jake Siegel, Melissa Johnson, Deacon Mike, and a special intention

All victims of disasters and violence

If you'd like to add someone, call the office or drop a note in the collection basket.

School News (814) 226-8018

—Open House: "Come Grow with Us", Aug. 23rd

from 6:30p-7:30p

—First Day of School: August 29th

—You can register your children now. Call the school for more information. (814)226-8018.

—Needed for school: low odor colored dry erase markers, copy paper.

PARISH STEWARDSHIP

Special Thanks to all who sacrifice to support St. Joseph's
Aug. 12th

Sunday Collection \$4,181

Loose Collection \$422

Special Thanks to all who sacrifice to support St. Michael's
Aug. 12th

Sunday Collection \$2,951

Loose Collection \$489

CSA: St. Joseph assessment to Diocese: \$31,342

Parishioners Pledged: \$44,901

Parishioners Paid to Date: \$37,981

Balance Due to Diocese of Erie: \$0

Money towards Steps & Chimney: \$6,639

CSA: St. Michael's assessment to Diocese: \$33,808

Parishioners Pledged: \$47,493

Parishioners Paid to Date: \$43,053

Balance Due to Diocese of Erie: \$0

Money towards Steeple: \$9,245

August 18

EXPECT TO ENCOUNTER ADVERSITY in your life, remembering that you live in a deeply fallen world. Stop trying to find a way that circumvents difficulties. The main problem with an easy life is that it masks your need for Me. When you became Christian, I infused My very Life into you, empowering you to live on a supernatural plane by depending on Me.

Anticipate coming face to face with impossibilities: situations totally beyond your ability to handle. This awareness of your inadequacy is not something you should try to evade. It is precisely where I want you—the best place to encounter Me in My glory and power. When you see armies of problems marching toward you, cry out to Me! Allow Me to fight for you. Watch Me working on your behalf, as you rest in the shadow of My Almighty Presence.

After this I heard what sounded like the roar of a great multitude in heaven shouting: "Hallelujah! Salvation and glory and power belong to our God."—Revelation 19:1

August 19

I CONTINUALLY CALL YOU to closeness with Me. I know the depth and breadth of your need for Me. I can read the emptiness of your thoughts when they wander away from ME. I offer rest for your soul, as well as refreshment for your mind and body. As you increasingly find fulfillment in Me, other pleasures become less important. Knowing Me intimately is like having a private wellspring of Joy within you. The spring flows freely from My throne of grace, so your Joy is independent of circumstances.

Waiting in My Presence keeps you connected to Me, aware of all that I offer you. If you feel any deficiency, you need to refocus your attention on Me. This is how you trust Me in the moments of your life.

Surely you have granted him eternal blessings and made him glad with the joy of your presence.—Psalm 21:6

—From Jesus Calling: Enjoying Peace in His Presence, by Sarah Young

St. Michael's Labor Day Picnic

St. Michael Church of Fryburg's Annual Labor Day Picnic will be held on Mon., Sept. 3, 2018, on the Parish grounds.

Schedule of events: **10a-** Dinner ticket sales will open. Advanced tickets are available to purchase at the St. Mike's School building office between 8a and 1p Mon.-Thurs. or at the St. Joe's Office between 9a and 12p Mon.-Fri.

11a-3p - All you can eat chicken & ham dinners will be served; the dinner features homemade noodle soup, breads, and desserts. Take-outs available. Dinner prices- \$9 for adults, \$4.50 for children, preschool is free.

11a- Grounds open and will feature games for all ages. Booth includes Chinese auction, baked goods, candy, and great prizes for children. Handmade quilts will be awarded in drawings held throughout the day. A concession stand will also be open for lighter foods, including hot dogs and beverages.

12p- Number games will begin on the upper floor of the social hall and will continue through the afternoon.

4p-5p- Labor Day grand prizes will be drawn. 5 cash prizes of \$1,000, Lay-Z Boy recliner, \$500 Cash prize, \$400 cash prize, 1 overnight stay at *Wildflower Meadow B&B*, porch swing from Lander's, 2 \$100 savings accounts from the FUN Bank of Fryburg, \$100 Certificate to Comet Warehouse

***Labor Day** tickets will be available on the grounds or in advance at the church or at various local businesses.

***Separate Livestock Ticket Raffle**; prizes are as follows: live calf, a piglet, ½ of a hog, and ¼ of a beef.

***The event will be held rain or shine.** Plenty of outdoor seating will be available on the grounds for visiting. Call the office for more details. 226-7288

21st Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sunday, August 26, 2018

(Lec. 122)

- I. Joshua 24:1-2a, 15-17, 18b
- II. Ephesians 5:21-32 or 5:2a, 25-32
- III. John 6:60-69

Liturgy of the Word:

At Shechem, the newly established tribes of Israel make a solemn covenant with the Lord. They cannot reject the one who led them to freedom. In the second reading, we hear that just as Christ gave himself up for the Church, so a married couple should do for each other in marriage. In the Gospel, Peter declares his loyalty to Jesus, for there is no one else to go to.

AROUND THE DIOCESE

Catholic Rural Ministry (814) 677-2032 ~ 7 Pulaski St., 16301
Sister Tina Geiger, RSM ~ Sister Marian Wehler, OSB
srfinag@gmail.com or marianwehler@yahoo.com

24 Hour Emergency

Pregnancy (814) 459-3103
Community Counseling (814) 793-6602

From the Diocese of Erie: We are happy to inform you that the Diocese of Erie Endowments Board recently awarded St. Joseph School funds to purchase a new website for the school. These funds are made available through the Catholic Foundation of Northwest PA. This is the result of the generosity of the faithful people of our Diocese who contributed to the diocesan campaign and who regularly support the annual Catholic Education Collection.

SPONSOR OF THE WEEK

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