

July 31, 2022  
18th Sunday in Ordinary Time



**Catch the Island Vibe!**

*Epiphany of Our Lord*  
**Parish Festival**

**August 6 & 7**

44 Pennsylvania Blvd., Monessen

**Complete menu & band details at [www.eolparish.com](http://www.eolparish.com)**

**Pierogis, Halupki, Stuffed Shells, Sausage & more**

**Uptown Band** 🎵 **Dave Kroskie** 🎵 **American Pie oldies**

**Saturday, August 6**

**5:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m.**

**Sunday, August 7**

**11:30 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.**

**Saturday, August 6** (weather permitting)

**Fireworks 9:30 p.m.**

**Outdoor Mass 10:00 p.m.**



## LITURGIES FOR THE WEEK

### Saturday, July 30 —Vigil

4:00 PM † Gloria Sala, Jesse Balogh, Casmir & Amerlia Zawicki by John Zawicki

### Sunday, July 31 — 18th Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:30 AM † Damien Luti by Ken & Linda

10:30 AM † Romaine Kerestes by Marge Talarico & Angela DeRose

### Monday, August 1

8:00 AM † Ron Danko by Bea & Bernie Sara

### Tuesday, August 2

No Mass

### Wednesday, August 3

No Mass

### Thursday, August 4

8:00 AM † Frank “Moe” Vizza  
by Dom & Shirley Vaccaro & Family

### Friday, August 5

No Mass

### Saturday, August 6 —Vigil

4:00 PM † Lena & Pete Salotti  
by Michael & Donna Apostolakis

### Sunday, August 7 — 19th Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:30 AM † Joe & Stella Reda & Russell & Adeline  
Sherrd by Children

10:30 AM † Sam Dalfonso by Ida & Family

### Parish Office:

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[youtube.com/EpiphanyofOurLordCatholicChurch](https://www.youtube.com/EpiphanyofOurLordCatholicChurch)

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### OFFICE HOURS

**Monday –Thursday: 8:30 a.m. –12; 1 p.m.– 3 p.m.**

**Friday: 8:30 a.m.—12:00 p.m.**

### Ministry Schedule — August 6 & 7

	Lector	Eucharistic Minister	Altar Server
4:00 p.m.	D. Harkins	J. Dudas	M. smith J. Smith
8:30 a.m.	B. Sherrd	E. Yatchyshyn	E. Yatchyshyn S. Yatchyshyn
10:30 a.m.	R. Kozar	Volunteer	M. Guiliford

### Money Counters

**Monday, August 1—Team #6 — M. Smith**

## What is your Treasure?

This week our liturgy is asking us to look at how much greed is a part of our lives.

We are a lot more like the farmer who built bigger barns to hold a bumper crop and then didn't live long enough to in enjoy it than we would care to think or admit! “Maxed out” credit cards, multiple bridal registries, working to own bigger homes and newer cars, latest computer gadgetry, proliferating use of cell phones, big screen TVs, home theaters, low or nonexistent savings accounts...the list goes on and on. We have created a culture which sys having things – more and bigger and fancier – makes us happy.

The gospel is going far beyond “you can't take it with you.” In this gospel Jesus challenges the crowd to “guard against all greed.” The “rich man” evaluates his life in terms of possessions and believes he is secure. On God's scale of values, this man is foolish because these things are fleeting. According to Qoheleth, laboring for wealth and possessions is not only foolish but results in sorrow, grief, and anxiety.

Today Jesus teaches us that the only wealth worth acquiring is to become “rich in what matters to God.” The question the gospel raises then is “what matters to God”? As St. Paul tells us in the second reading the only things worth anything at all are those things which are from above. Thus, what really matters to God is that we learn a new set of priorities.

Luke reminds his readers that none of us is able to control the circumstances of life. We may pile up riches and hope they guarantee us happiness, but they can disappear at any moment. Riches are transitory. Greed can be the root of all evil. Stingy, greedy and possessive people cannot align their thoughts to God and reach outward to others. Greedy people lose a sense of what is important in life. Possessions create an illusion that we have control over our destiny. Not so, says Jesus. Tonight you might have a heart attack and all your possessions will be left behind. So beware: stash away your blessings rather than your wealth!

Greed in all of its form is intrinsically evil. Most of the political and financial scandals of our day are because of greed. Wars are started for oil, corrupt politicians in poor African countries steal food aid and sell it rather than distributing it to the poor, CEOs of huge corporations manipulate the stock market, leaving millions of people without pensions or medical care, while the guilty ones still keep their multimillion dollar pensions.

Jesus is not saying that discipleship means we must give up all possessions. That is neither practical nor necessary. There is nothing wrong with possessions in themselves and there is everything wrong with destitution, no matter what the reason. All of us deserve whatever material things we need in order to pursue a wholesome life. A problem arises when concern for our possessions or the drive to have more and more is our highest priority. Jesus is simply reminding us that our riches are to be shared, not hoarded. Wealth is not being addressed here. Rather, the appropriate use of wealth always remains a challenge. “Where your treasure is, there is your heart,” it's all about values. God has charged us all to be generous with the gifts and treasures entrusted to us.

### Weekly Collection July 24

Votive Candles:	144
Utility & Energy:	124
Accent:	5
Children & Adult Collection:	3,155
Online Collection:	678
<b>Total Collection:</b>	<b>\$4,109</b>



**With Deepest Sympathy** — Condolences are extended to the family of ROBERT F. KOTCH. May God grant him eternal rest, and comfort to his family. We commend his soul to rest in the peace of Christ.

**There will be no coffee and doughnuts next week!**

## Marriage

### Retrouvaille: Lifeline for Married Couples.

Retrouvaille offers help to **couples experiencing trouble in their marriage**. The weekend and post sessions focus on rebuilding marriage through better communication, listening, and understanding. Call today to begin the healing process beginning with a weekend on September 30, 2022. Contact Retrouvaille at 412-277-3434. E-mail [3041R@helpourmarriage.org](mailto:3041R@helpourmarriage.org). More information is available at [helpourmarriage.org](http://helpourmarriage.org).

### Get Well Wishes

As I mentioned at Masses last week, Father Leon fell and broke a few bones and has had surgery. We all wish him a speedy recovery. Should you wish to send him a card, the address is: Fr. Leon Hont, St. Vincent Archabbey, 300 Fraser Purchase Rd., Latrobe Pa. 15650-2690

### Tuition Assistance

#### Catholic School Tuition Assistance

The Diocese of Greensburg Catholic schools now have millions of dollars in tuition assistance available! Visit [www.CatholicSchoolsGuide.org](http://www.CatholicSchoolsGuide.org) or call 724-552-2565.

## Faith

### The Importance of Ministries



It seems like September is the month when we get back into a routine with life. The laid back schedules of summer will soon be behind us, and now we deal with the business of life and the hectic schedules that lie ahead. In the church, September has become the month when we look at our obligations to ministry. Ministry is a lot more than just volunteering your time or your talents. It is a way of living our lives with the commitments our faith asks of us. **Throughout August** I will be speaking at the liturgies about how we all can work at becoming **good stewards** of our Time, Talent and Treasure. Giving of ourselves means being good Stewards with the resources God gives to us. We do not often enough stop to think about how blessed we are. We may be grateful for the “things” that we have but we do not often think about the many other treasures that God has bestowed on us. If we do not appreciate the many ways that God has blessed us, how can we even begin to share with others? This month I am asking all of you to look at your life and become aware of just how blessed you really are. By recognizing our talents and how we can utilize our time, we can all work together in building a stronger Kingdom of God and become Good Stewards at the same time.

## Epiphany Parish Festival

It's hard to believe, but after many weeks of hard work — it's **time to celebrate!** Our festival is next week but we still need much help to ensure a successful time. There are signup sheets available in the vestibule of the Church. If you are able to give a few hours of your time, simply sign up and let us know when you will be available. hope to see you at the Festival!!!

### Bake Sale

We're asking for contributions of baked goods. Our bake sales are always a highlight of any event. You can drop the items off on Saturday or Sunday.



### Special Menu Item

This year we're offering Pat's **Dumpster Fire Barbecued Chicken & beans** for \$15.



### Inside Menu

Cheese Shells .....	\$1.50 / each
Meatball .....	\$2.00
Sausage (w/ sauce, onion, pepper) .....	\$6.00
(Hot or Sweet)	
Kielbassa (w/ sauerkraut) .....	\$6.00
Halupki .....	\$5.00 /each
Haluski .....	\$3.00
Mac & Cheese .....	\$3.00
Pierogis .....	\$1.00 each
Toppings .....	\$0.50 / each
Cole Slaw .....	\$1.00
Green Beans (butter, bacon, onions) .....	\$1.00
Sandwiches .....	\$7.00 / each
Sausage (hot or sweet)	
w/ sauce, peppers, onions	
Kilbassa (w/ sauerkraut)	
Pulled Pork w/ coleslaw	
Meatball (3) w/ cheese & sauce	



### Outside Menu

Pizza .....	\$4.00
Pepperoni Pizza.....	\$5.00
Pizza Burger .....	\$8.00
Hot Dog	
(w/ or w/out sauerkraut).....	\$2.00
Hamburger.....	\$4.00
Cheeseburger .....	\$5.00
French Fries.....	\$3.00
w/ Cheese .....	\$4.00
Walking Taco .....	\$5.00
Chicken Tenders w/ Fries .....	\$10.00
Italian Ice.....	\$1.00
Freeze Pop.....	\$0.50
Pop / Water .....	\$1.00

