MASS SCHEDULE

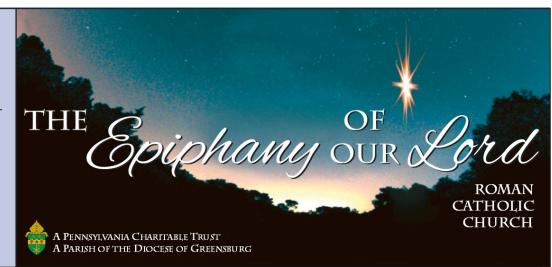
Saturday: 4:00 p.m. Sunday:

8:30 a.m.; 10:30 a.m.

Monday, & Thursday 8:00 a.m.

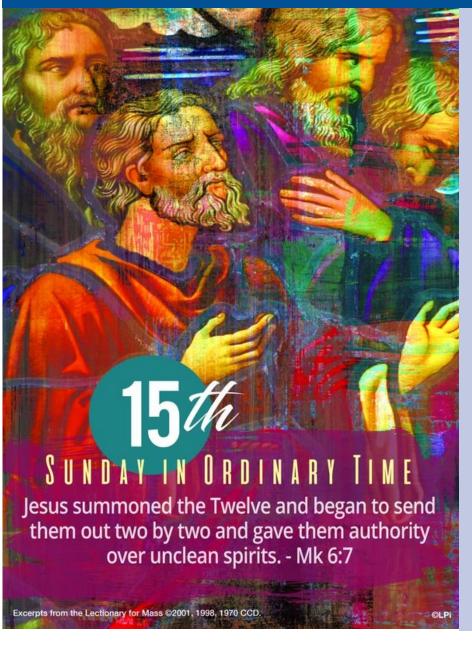
Tuesday, Wed., Friday NO MASS

July 11, 2021



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RECONCILIATION

Tuesday at 5:00 p.m. or you may call the office to make an appointment.

BAPTISM

We baptize during all Masses. Parents are required to attend a Pre-Baptism session prior to the Baptism. Please call the office for more information.

MARRIAGE

Arrangements must be made at least six months in advance.

MINISTRY OF THE SICK

If you know of anyone who is sick and cannot get to Mass, and they wish to receive the Eucharist, please call the office so arrangements can be made.

PARISH STAFF

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BULLETIN DEADLINE

Any article for the bulletin must be in the office by Monday noon.

LITURGIES FOR THE WEEK

Saturday, July 10 —Vigil

4:00 PM † Eleanor Mehalic by Dzurik & Lucas Families

Sunday, July 11 — 15th Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:30 AM † Dorothy Vizza by Gary, Doreen & Abigail Smith 10:30 AM † Josephine & Quirino & Rosetta Ciccarelli by Family

Monday, July 12

8:00 AM † Mary & Sil Garofalo by Kathy, Becky & Burt

Tuesday, July 13

No Mass

Wednesday, July 14

No Mass

Thursday, July 15

8:00 AM † Herman Alvarez by Wife, Children & Grandchildren

Friday, July 16

No Mass

Saturday, July 17 — Vigil

4:00 PM † Ronald Valdiserri by Mr & Mrs John Cattaneo & daughter

Sunday, July 18 — 16th Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:30 AM † John Masaino by Mother, Ann

10:30 AM † Chris Salotti by Aunt Mona & Family

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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 — July 17 & 18

	Lector	Eucharistic Minister	Altar Server
4:00 p.m	S. Surdyn	L. Henry	M. Guiliford
8:30 a.m.	F. Petrosky	A. Pastella	Z. Tokar
10:30 a.m.	J. Sacco	K. Imbrescia	S. Punturiero

Money Counters Monday, July 12—Team #2— W. Anders

With Deepest Sympathy — Condolences are extended to the family of MARY STINOGLE. May God grant her eternal rest, and comfort to her family. We commend her soul to rest in the peace of Christ.

We Have All Been Called

Whenever you think about your vocation, your job or whatever you do in life, do you ever imagine that what you do has some kind of cosmic significance? If you are like most of us, you probably do not. Most of us feel that what we do is small and insignifi-



cant compared to any cosmic reality. We tend to minimize our importance in life and there we just kind of hide. Nelson Mandela in one of his speeches tells us: "Our deepest fear is not that we are inadequate. Our deepest fear is that we are powerful beyond measure. It is our light, not our darkness, that most frightens us."

Why can't we see that what we are and what we do is directly connected to God and therefore a part of the cosmic plan? Everything we do or think in some way has an effect on our world. We are not small, in fact we are very powerful and because of that, we shy away from it. If we were to admit that we have power in this universe then we would be responsible and that is something we do not like to embrace.

We build our own little worlds and feel in control, and there we find comfort. We create our own environments and just hide out. Our homes get bigger and bigger our possessions become greater and still we are unsettled. We always want more. The more we get, the more we want and this is how we live our lives. We isolate ourselves from people in life by keeping ourselves busy doing what we feel is necessary and important. This is how we fill our days.

We are being asked to reflect on what God has called us to do in life and how God is asking us to live our lives. In the first reading the prophet Amos uses strong language to speak out against disobedient and exploitive leaders and people with power. He denounces materialism and the hollow way people were living their lives, not caring about one another but just interested in their own issues and concerns. Amos was a humble, simple man. His speech was plain spoken and down to earth. He was not trying to impress anyone. All Amos did was live his life as God asked him to. He was not encumbered with material possessions; he was free to move about as he wished carrying the message of God. Jesus in the Gospel is asking the disciples to do the same thing; to go into the world with nothing to hinder their task.

How many of us could live our lives without all of the material traps that we feel are so important? Can you imagine a journey without taking anything with you? Sometimes it takes us as long to pact as is the journey to our destination. Yes, it takes a strong stretch of imagination to step into the shoes of those disciples.

Today, Jesus is simply asking us to look at our lives and see just how we live, how we fill our days. He is reminding us of what is important: trust, working together, communal sharing, faith and the courage to go on despite setbacks. Regardless of whether we're rich or poor, these are the values we must nourish and cherish. This week, try to imagine what your life would be like if you were totally free of all encumbrances, and then make adjustments where you are able and realize that you are not small. Everything you do, say or think does matter. You do have an effect on the world.

Across the River

St. Andrew the Apostle Summerfest will be on Saturday, July 17 from Noon until 10 p.m. at St. Andrew Parish Park, 1st & Main St. (behind Dierken's Pharmacy), Monongahela. Live bands from 5 p.m.—10 p.m. Mass in the park at 4 p.m.

Faith

Online Giving

Stewardship

Unlike last year, many people are on the move this summer and are not in town for Sunday Mass. If you want to make sure your contribution is counted, consider giving online. You can do it one time, for the summer, or however long you wish. It can be stopped at any time. Online giving can also be found on the app.

Because of the bulletin deadline, last week's collection will be listed next week.

Lottery Tickets for Basket Auction

We are still accepting lottery tickets for our Lottery basket. If you could donate a new lottery ticket of any denomination by Sunday, July 18 we could 'up the ante' on our basket. Drop the ticket in the collection basket in an envelope marked 'Lottery Ticket' Thank you in advance.

Parish Festival

In less than three weeks we will celebrate our Parish Festival. In getting ready for this event, we need your help. There are many ways that you can share your time to make this year's festival a real success. If you are able to be of



assistance, there are sign-up sheets in the back of the Church. Also, two weeks ago we mailed out the tickets for this year's festival. If you did not receive any, please let us know. Not only is the festival an im-

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part of the financial picture here at the parish, but it is also an excellent way to get together and simply share who we are with one another. I hope that you will be able come and be a part of it this year!



Lanterns

For the past few years we have released Chinese Sky Lanterns on Saturday evening at the festival. For those of you who have



witnessed this, it is a beautiful sight. Once again this year we will be releasing the lanterns, if you would like to pre-purchase your lantern, you can do so on the website between July 7 and July 25. You will find the link under the Festival tab, or you can put the information in an envelope and drop it in the collection basket, or stop in the office. They will still cost \$5.00 per lantern.

Coffee & Doughnuts



We started our coffee and doughnuts last week! Come and join us after 8:30 Mass or before 10:30. I'm sure we all have a lot of catching up to do! As in the past, with the coffee and doughnuts we do need some help. If you are interested, please let me know or call the office.

Receiving sacraments is not simply a matter of showing up. If you are planning a wedding or a baptism preparation is necessary. **Baptism**Preparation takes place the 3rd Wednesday of the month at 6:30 p.m. with Scott Martin, Director of Religious Education (DRE).

Classes are held at St. Sebastian. Marriage

Preparation takes place twice a year: once in February and once in October. This year's October dates are October 8, from 6:30 p.m.—9 p.m. and October 9 from 9 a.m.—2 p.m. Marriage Prep is held at St. John the Baptist Church in Perryopolis. For more information on these or preparation for any of the sacraments, contact Scott Martin at the Faith Formation Office at St. Sebastian at 724-929-9300.

Volunteering

Pennsylvania Child Protective Clearances

As the Church slowly begins to start up our programs, I need to remind you that if you are a volunteer in anyway at the parish you need to obtain your clearances. One of the clearances that you will need is Virtus which is a Church requirement. This clearance may be obtained online or you can come to a session which will be held on July 12 at 6:00 p.m. at Epiphany of Our Lord Parish Hall. This session is only for those who have never taken it. If you are updating your Virtus certificate you must do it online.

Another certificate that we will offer is for **Mandated Reporter** which will be on **July 19** also at 6:00 p.m.at Epiphany of Our Lord Parish Hall. If you have any questions about any of the clearances you will need, please give us a call and we will help you.

Outdoor Rosary

Monessen CDA Court #776 will host its 33rd Annual Outdoor

Rosary at Mary's Garden on Tuesday, July 13, at 8:00 p.m. A SUN-SET ROSARY will be prayed. Must bring your own lawn chair. Social will follow. All are welcome to attend. For information, contact Regent Debbie Genemore at 724-708-8335.



Sausage Sale

HOMEMADE SAUSAGE SALE

Epiphany Church will hold a sausage sale on July 27 & July 28. All orders must be in by **Saturday**, **July 17**. Put in your order now to make sure you get it! The **sausage will be sold at \$4.50** / **lb. Minimum order is 2 lb. per item.**

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Orders may be placed by filling out the order form above, placing it in an envelope marked "Sausage Order" and depositing it in the collection basket. To call in your order, or for info, contact Kenny at 724-929-3464. Please make checks payable to **Epiphany of Our Lord Church.**