



Mass Intentions

Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time
July 30, 2016

Saturday – July 30th –

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Sat Vigil: 4:00PM – Catherine L. Ford
by Kim McCloskey

7:00PM – Mary Janice Montgomery
by Raymond and Sallyann Bieak

Sunday – July 31st

8:30AM – Joseph Tomasic (A)
by Wife and Children

10:30AM – Irene McAuliffe
by Barbara and Charlie Hoffert

Monday – Aug 1st – St Alphonsus Liguori

8:00AM – Rev. James R. Brady
by Rev. Eric J. Gruber

Tuesday – Aug 2nd – St Peter Julian Eymard

8:00AM – Brother Paul, and Sister Helen
by Sister, Agnes Chabak

Miraculous Medal Novena after Mass

Wednesday – Aug 3rd – Wednesday of Week 18

6:00PM – Living Patterson and Vomero Families
by Irene Vomero

Thursday – Aug 4th – St John Vianney

8:00AM – Stephen “Tippy” Slahta
by Cindy Staffieri Workman

Friday – Aug 5th –

Dedication of the Basilica of St Mary Major

8:00AM – Patricia A. Beichey
by Gloria and Joseph Yurasits

Sacred Heart Novena after Mass

Saturday – Aug 6th – Transfiguration of our Lord

8:00AM – All St John Fisher Parishioners

Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sat Vigil: 4:00PM – Mary Rose Mahon (A)
by Barbara Knarr

7:00PM – Henry Wendland
by Ann Spengler and Family

Sunday – Aug 7th

8:30AM – Francis J. Broderick
by Family

10:30AM – Elsie McCloskey (A)
by Family

PASTOR'S CORNER

A Warning from a Virtuous Man

Nearing the end of his second term as president of the United States, George Washington declined to seek a third term (being a man of his word) and allowed in his humility a true Republic to emerge. In his “Farewell Address” he advises his fellow American citizens about the dangers that will threaten the existence of a democratic republic. Among these warnings is a caution regarding a “party” system in a nation founded on personal liberty.

In light of the party conventions of these last two weeks, Washington’s warning seems all the more necessary. He wrote,

I have already intimated to you the danger of parties in the State, with particular reference to the founding of them on geographical discriminations. Let me now take a more comprehensive view, and warn you in the most solemn manner against the baneful effects of the spirit of party generally.

This spirit, unfortunately, is inseparable from our nature, having its root in the strongest passions of the human mind. It exists under different shapes in all governments, more or less stifled, controlled, or repressed; but, in those of the popular form, it is seen in its greatest rankness, and is truly their worst enemy.

The alternate domination of one faction over another, sharpened by the spirit of revenge, natural to party dissension, which in different ages and countries has perpetrated the most horrid enormities, is itself a frightful despotism. But this leads at length to a more formal and permanent despotism. The disorders and miseries which result gradually incline the minds of men to seek security and repose in the absolute power of an individual; and sooner or later the chief of some prevailing faction, more able or more fortunate than his competitors, turns this disposition to the purposes of his own elevation, on the ruins of public liberty.

Without looking forward to an extremity of this kind (which nevertheless ought not to be entirely out of sight), the common and continual mischiefs of the spirit of party are sufficient to make it the interest and duty of a wise people to discourage and restrain it.

It serves always to distract the public councils and enfeeble the public administration. It agitates the community with ill-founded jealousies and false alarms, kindles the animosity of one part against another, foment occasionally riot and insurrection. It opens the door to foreign influence and corruption, which finds a facilitated access to the government itself through the channels of party passions. Thus the policy and the will of one country are subjected to the policy and will of another.

There is an opinion that parties in free countries are useful checks upon the administration of the government and serve to keep alive the spirit of liberty. This within certain limits is probably true; and in governments of a monarchical cast, patriotism may look with indulgence, if not with favor, upon the spirit of party. But in those of the popular character, in governments purely elective, it is a spirit not to be encouraged. From their natural tendency, it is certain there will always be enough of that spirit for every salutary purpose. And there being constant danger of excess, the effort ought to be by force of public opinion, to mitigate and assuage it. A fire not to be quenched, it demands a uniform vigilance to prevent its bursting into a flame, lest, instead of warming, it should consume.

Some warnings are always to be heeded – like when someone yells, “FIRE!” or “SHARK!” or “TYRRANY!” or “Vote for your PARTY!”

Fr. Eric.



Pray the Rosary each Sunday
8:15AM and 10:15AM



FIRST FRIDAY ADORATION

FRIDAY, AUGUST 5TH

ADORATION begins after morning Mass, and continues throughout the day.

7:00PM ~ HOLY HOUR

OFFERTORY COLLECTION



Plate Collection

\$3,620.00

The **Mission Co-Op Collection**, scheduled for the weekend of **August 6th and 7th**, will be taken up on the weekend of **August 20th and 21st**.



NEXT WEEK'S SCHEDULE

	Servers	Lectors	E.Ministers
4:00PM	D.Sullivan N.Ruda	J.McAllister	C.Molchany Deacon Jack
7:00PM	A.Muschko K.Segan	J.Yanek	M.Druckenmiller Deacon Jack
8:30AM	D.Popovic M.Popovic	E.Snyder	C.Reily Deacon Jack
10:30AM	C.Ritter M.Ritter	J.DeLong	J.Heffner Deacon Jack



The Divine Mercy

HOLY HOUR

There will be a Holy Hour and recitation of the Divine Mercy Chaplet at Queenship of Mary Church on **Sunday, August 14th, at 3:00pm**. Msgr. Yenushovsky, pastor of Holy Trinity Church, Egypt, will give the reflection. The Sacrament of Reconciliation will be available. All are welcome.



ST LAWRENCE

The Feast Day of St Lawrence the Martyr will be observed on **Wednesday, August 10th, at the 6:00pm Mass.** Evening Mass will be held at the former site of St. Lawrence Church.



CCD Registration

Registrations have been sent out for the 2016 – 2017 C.C.D. year. If your child attends public school, or is home-schooled, and you have not received a registration form, please call the Rectory, 610-264-1972, and one will be sent to you.

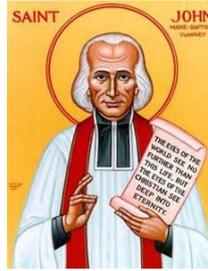


MALVERN RETREAT WEEKEND

August 26th, 27th and 28th

Our annual Malvern Retreat this year will be held on August 26th, 27th & 28th. All men of the parish are invited to attend this weekend of spiritual renewal. This weekend gives men time to reflect on their personal and spiritual lives and time to get away to be with Our Lord. This year there will be no freewill offering for high school students and only a \$100.00 freewill offering for college students. If you are interested, please contact Joe Yanek at 610-261-2656, Paul Albert at 610-264-3473, or Deacon Jack at 610-266-0689.

Saint John Vianney



A man of “average intelligence”, John passed his seminary exams with difficulty, and was ordained at the age of twenty-nine. He was assigned to the tiny parish of Ars. “Lord, grant me the conversion of my parish; I am willing to suffer whatever you wish, for my entire life!” was his ardent prayer. With little sleep and less food, he catechized, preached, provided for the poor, and heard confessions. Up to sixteen hours a day were spent reconciling sinners to God. Pope Benedict XVI described this audacious “pastoral plan” as “the complete identification of the man with his ministry.” John Vianney died in 1859 at the age of seventy-three.

Magnificat, August 2016

PARISH PICNICS

QUEENSHIP OF MARY



Their annual Garage Sale will be held on **Saturday, August 6th, from 8:00am to 4:00pm** in the Church Social Hall. The entrance to the hall is in the rear of the church. Food is available for purchase.

St Peter's Church in Coplay

will hold their 62nd Annual Parish Picnic and Homecoming on **Sunday, August 7th, from 12:00noon to 10:00pm** on the Church grounds on 5th and Coplay Streets. The “Schanta Band” will play from 1:00PM to 5:00PM and “Flirting With The Mob Band” will play from 5:30PM to 9:30PM. Homemade foods including our famous pierogies are available.