



## Mass Intentions

The Most Holy Trinity  
May 26, 2018

**Saturday – May 26<sup>th</sup> –**

**The Most Holy Trinity**

Sat Vigil: 4:00PM – Joseph and Catherine Holena  
by Patti Danko and Kevin Fraser

7:00PM – Michael E. Voice  
by Eugene Koncz

**Sunday – May 27<sup>th</sup> –**

8:30AM – Angeline Burda (A)  
by Family

10:30AM – Kathleen A. McCloskey  
by Mary T. Molchany

**Monday – May 28<sup>th</sup> – St Germanus**

8:00AM – Deceased Veterans  
by Catholic War Vets Post 454

**Tuesday – May 29<sup>th</sup> – St Maximinus of Trier**

8:00AM – Robert and Jean Strohl (L – 58<sup>th</sup> WA)  
by Family

**Miraculous Medal Novena after Mass**

**Wednesday – May 30<sup>th</sup> – St Joan of Arc**

6:00PM – Lawrence E. Hodge  
by McCloskey Family

**Thursday – May 31<sup>st</sup> –**

**The Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary**

8:00AM – Rev. Msgr. Joseph P. Dooley  
by Rev. Eric J. Gruber

**Friday – June 1<sup>st</sup> – St Justin**

8:00AM – Bob Spengler and Bernardine Wehr  
by Ann and Dale

**Sacred Heart Novena after Mass**

**Saturday – June 2<sup>nd</sup> – Ss Marcellinus and Peter**

8:00AM – All St. John Fisher Parishioners

**The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ**

Sat Vigil: 4:00PM – James Cerulli  
by Daughter, Rosemary Barna

7:00PM – Veronica Ann Heckman  
by Deacon Jack O’Connell

**Sunday – June 3<sup>rd</sup> –**

8:30AM – Agnes M. Collis  
by Michael and Mary Ann Figura

10:30AM – Richard and Martina Lloyd (A)  
by Colleen McCloskey



**Sundays**

8:15AM and 10:15AM

# PASTOR’S CORNER

## Common? Sense? [updated from 2015]

For years we have warned about the dangers of xenophobia, that is fear of the stranger, foreigner or immigrant, with some substantial reasons. This past week, a think-tank consultant summed up the proponents of wide-open borders in the US as xenomaniacs, that is those who actively devote themselves to the stranger or immigrant over and above their fellow citizens. As usual, a disciple’s “position” is a compassionate, thoughtful response to both citizen and immigrant.

Fred and Frieda Tuttle put their three children to bed, and settled into a favorite TV show and a bit of the news before going to sleep themselves. Before they turned off the TV, they heard the alarming news that a couple of escaped prisoners from a high-security correctional facility nearby had escaped and were still on the loose. Fred and Frieda checked the doors and windows, as usual, before going upstairs to bed.

Three hours later, the Tuttle’s were startled awake by their front-door bell ringing repeatedly. Orienting themselves they made their way downstairs cautiously and rubbed their eyes to look through the peephole. There Fred saw two men, sweating and dirty, looking about as they continued to ring the bell. Fred shouted through the door, “What do you want? Who are you?”

A low restrained voice responded, “I’m sorry to disturb you sir, but our car broke down, we can’t get cell signal anywhere here and there’s no other house around, ...can I come in to make a phone call for help? Please?”

Their eldest child, Rosemarie, aged 12, startled them from behind, “Daddy, let him in; he needs our help. Miss Priedu taught us just today how important it is to be good like Jesus. Let him in, Daddy.”

For Fred, it was an easy call, he said, “I’m dialing 911 right now. Help will be on the way very soon. Just wait in your car, they’ll be here in a minute, I’m sure.” Frieda was already talking to the police dispatch on the handheld in the kitchen. The men, looked at each other for a split second, then took off across the road into fields opposite the Tuttle’s farm. Hours later the two escapees were back in custody and Fred and Frieda held their littlest ones in their arms at

the kitchen table. Rosemarie, sitting between her parents queried, “Daddy, why did Miss Priedu teach us that, if it’s not true?” Frieda answered, “Honey, it is true. We ought to be kind to those in need, and helpful to those whom we can help. But Daddy and I know that not all those in need are honest, not all those in need are innocent victims, not all those in need (even when legitimate), are more important than your safety and our safety. When you are older and you have your own family, you’ll understand that if we don’t protect ourselves, we’ll no longer be here to help *anyone* in need.” They were all too tired save to sit together and lean on one another.

We do not do compassionate things in order to justify ourselves or make ourselves feel good, we do them because they are right. And the right must honor the *whole* truth, not just part. We are to love our neighbor, yes, but not *instead* of loving ourselves. Rather, we are to love our neighbor *as we love ourselves*. Keeping the door locked when our own lives’ safety is in question is *exactly* in accord with our Catholic/Christian values.

Let us truly give thanks for God’s many blessings, and remember those who have sacrificed their lives, so that we could have our country.

Fr. Eric

## OFFERTORY COLLECTION



Plate Collection

\$3,421.00

## NEXT WEEK’S SCHEDULE



	<b>Servers</b>	<b>Lectors</b>	<b>E.Ministers</b>
<b>4:00PM</b>	L.Ruda N.Ruda	J.McAllister	J.Druckenmiller M.Druckenmiller
<b>7:00PM</b>	K.Segan A.Banoza	J.Englert	P.McCarty J. Ottinger
<b>8:30AM</b>	D.Popovic M.Popovic	B.Petro	C. Reily C. Hetzel
<b>10:30AM</b>	D.Sullivan K.Gair	J.DeLong	J.Marhefka L.Bolmer



## FIRST FRIDAY ADORATION

Friday, June 1<sup>st</sup>

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

7:00PM - HOLY HOUR

*“A thousand years of enjoying human glory is not worth even an hour spent sweetly communing with Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament.” ~ St. Padre Pio*



## ATTENTION GRADUATES

We will be having our Graduation Mass for all graduates from high school and college **on Sunday, June 3<sup>rd</sup>, at the 8:30am Mass**, with light refreshments to follow in the church hall. If you will be graduating, please contact Annette Englert at 610-264-4758.



Please remember in your prayers **Lawrence E. Hodge** who passed away and was buried this past week. We pray his soul, and all the souls of the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.



## CHURCH RAFFLE RETURNS

Returns should be made either via the collection basket or mailed to the church. **All returns are due by Sunday, June 10<sup>th</sup>.**



## Serra Club of Allentown News

Congratulations to the three transitional deacons that were ordained last **Saturday, May 19<sup>th</sup>.**

The Ordination Mass for Rev. John Hutta is next **Saturday, June 2<sup>nd</sup>, at 10:30am at the Cathedral of St. Catharine of Siena in Allentown.** The Serra Clubs in the Diocese of Allentown are holding a celebration dinner on **Monday, June 18<sup>th</sup>, at St. Mary’s Church in Hamburg. Tickets are \$40.00. The reception is at 5:30pm and the dinner is at 6:30pm.** For tickets or to be a sponsor in the program book, call Mark or Paulette Roth at 610-820-5958. The Serra Club’s mission is to foster, promote and affirm vocations to ministry in the Catholic Church.



## ST ELIZABETH'S CHURCH VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

Join us at: "Shipwrecked" where you are "Rescued by Jesus!" Daily adventures are **Monday to Friday, June 25<sup>th</sup> to June 29<sup>th</sup>, and start at 8:45am and end at 12:00pm.** Registration forms are available at [www.sercc.org](http://www.sercc.org), or email at [dirreled@sercc.org](mailto:dirreled@sercc.org). All children from 4 years old to 5<sup>th</sup> grade are welcome. Cost is only \$20.00 per child or \$35.00 for families.



## UPCOMING EVENTS! Flea Market

Salem UCC, 615 Third Street in Catty is having a Flea Market on **Saturday, June 2<sup>nd</sup>, from 9:00am to 1:00pm.** There will be a bake sale, basket raffle and lots of good food!

### Saint Elizabeth Church, Fullerton

**Friday, June 8<sup>th</sup>, from 6:00pm to 10:00pm, and  
Saturday, June 9<sup>th</sup>, from 5:00pm to 10:00pm**

There will be delicious ethnic and festival foods, drinks, games, music, clowns, balloons and fun. Friday's special is Halupkie Dinner, and Saturday's is Steamed Clams. We welcome all our neighboring parishes.

## IN THE WORDS OF ...

"There is no sin nor wrong that gives a man such a foretaste of hell in this life as anger and impatience."

~ St. Catherine of Siena

"Prayer ought to be humble, fervent, resigned, persevering, and accompanied with great reverence. One should consider that he stands in the presence of a God, and speaks with a Lord before whom the angels tremble from awe and fear."

~ St. Mary Magdalen de Pazzi

## NORTH CATASAUQUA BETTERMENT COMMITTEE GOLF OUTING

The 12<sup>th</sup> Annual North Catasauqua Small Town USA Golf Tournament will be held on **Sunday, June 10<sup>th</sup>**, at **Willow Brook Golf Course.** Tournament is four person scramble with shotgun start at **8:30am.** The \$85.00 pre-registration fee is due by **Friday, June 1<sup>st</sup>.** After this date, it is \$90.00. For more information, to be a sponsor, or to register, call 610-264-1504, or [NCataCentennial@aol.com](mailto:NCataCentennial@aol.com).



*May our eternal gratitude for the sacrifice these men and women made, bring us peace and hope for a better tomorrow.*

**GOD BLESS THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA**