



Mass Intentions

Pentecost Sunday
June 9, 2019

Saturday– June 8th –

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Sat Vigil: 4:00PM – Andrew J. Hutnik (A)
 by Daughter, Jean Strohl
 7:00PM – Helen Sidor
 by Ron and Nancy Motsko

Sunday – June 9th –

8:30AM – Janice Montgomery (B)
 by Theresa and Dennis Bieak
 10:30AM – Rosa Cunningham
 by Joe and Judy Behum

**Monday – June 10th – Blessed Virgin Mary,
 Mother of the Church**

8:00AM – Margaret Kuchera
 by James and Deb Ferenchak/Family

Tuesday – June 11th – St Barnabas

8:00AM – Living/Dec'd Members Seng Family
 by Mike and Louise Seng

Wednesday – June 12th – St John of Sahagun

6:00PM – Carol Gallagher
 by Barbara Petro

Thursday – June 13th – St Anthony of Padua

8:00AM – Helen Cassidy
 by James and Sharon Maida

Friday – June 14th – St Methodius

8:00AM – Margaret and Charles McCarty
 by Kathleen and Peggy

Saturday– June 15th – St Germaine Cousin

8:00AM – All St. John Fisher Parishioners

The Most Holy Trinity

Sat Vigil: 4:00PM – All Father's Day Intentions
 7:00PM – All Father's Day Intentions

Sunday – June 16th –

8:30AM – All Father's Day Intentions
 10:30AM – All Father's Day Intentions



Pray the Rosary Sundays
 8:15AM and 10:15AM

PASTOR'S CORNER

How We See the Wind

In John's gospel, chapter 3, a Pharisee named Nicodemus comes to Jesus under the cover of darkness – because he doesn't want to be seen and because he is on the precipice of faith in Jesus, but is still “in the dark” of unbelief. Jesus tries to lead Nicodemus to a deeper faith in Him, telling him he must be born again. Nicodemus takes Jesus' words literally, at first, pressing Jesus to explain what He means. Jesus, however, leaves the Pharisee on the edge of faith as He says, “The wind blows where it wills, and you can hear the sound it makes, but you do not know where it comes from or where it goes; so it is with everyone who is born of the Spirit.” [Jn 3:8] Jesus assures Nicodemus that in order to have faith in Him, he needs to make a choice for Jesus even before he has all his questions answered. Nicodemus needs to see the *effects* of the wind without seeing the wind itself, that is to say, to see the *movements* of the Holy Spirit, to know that the Holy Spirit is really present.

Bishop Robert Barron writes in The Strangest Way,

Dorothy Day once said that everything a baptized person does should be, directly or indirectly, related to the corporal and spiritual works of mercy: feed the hungry, give drink to the thirsty, clothe the naked, shelter the homeless, visit the imprisoned, visit the sick, bury the dead (the corporal works); counsel the doubtful, instruct the ignorant, admonish sinners, bear patiently the troublesome, comfort the afflicted, forgive offenses, pray for the living and the dead (the spiritual works). What Dorothy Day proposes here is an extremely “thick” description of the Christian life. Following Jesus is not, for her, a matter of inner states or private convictions, still less an embrace of gassy abstractions such as “peace and justice.” Rather it is a set of very definite, embodied practices, things that one does on behalf of another. The scriptural warrant for

the corporal works is, of course, the twenty-fifth chapter of Matthew's gospel: "Lord, when was it that we say you hungry and gave you food, or thirsty and gave you something to drink? And when was it that we saw you a stranger and welcomed you or naked and gave you clothing? ...And the king will answer them, 'Truly I tell you, just as you did it to one of the least of these who are members of my family, you did it to me.'" [Mt 25:37-40]

Feeding *this* particular hungry person and visiting *these* lonely prisoners and taking care of *this* homeless man with one's own resources – that is the form of the Christian life. Day was uneasy with the Roosevelt-era New Deal reforms, not because she lacked compassion, but because she feared that they allowed Christians to abdicate responsibility for caring directly for the needy. Applying the Catholic principle of subsidiarity, she insisted that towns, communities, families, and villages should support the brothers and sisters that they could see with their own eyes and reach with their own hands – and not pass the buck to the far more abstract care of the government. When starry-eyed young idealists would come to her Catholic Worker House, hoping to have a romantic experience "with the poor," Dorothy Day would tell them, "There are two things you need to know about the poor: they are ungrateful and they smell." The poor, she was telling them, are not a quaint abstraction, and working with them is not a holiday; their plight is frighteningly real, and the work is dangerously direct.

What we see in both the corporal and spiritual works is a practical antidote to Augustine's *curvatus in se*. [the self-involved position of every sinner] All of them compel a self-regarding ego outward in the direction of mission and connection, and, as such, they constitute a distinctively Christian social theory, radically out of step with modern social arrangements, but well-suited to the walking of the path of holiness. It is remarkably difficult to cling to the illusion that your life is about you when you are focused, body and soul, on the needs of another.

Do we want to know the Holy Spirit is moving and working through us, and that we

are living the life of the Spirit? We have only to look for the effects of His Holy Wind coursing through us to and for others.
Fr. Eric.

OFFERTORY COLLECTION



Plate Collection

\$3,754.00

The **Second** Collection this weekend, **June 8th and 9th**, is for the **Father's Day Remembrances**.



NEXT WEEK'S SCHEDULE

	Servers	Lectors	E.Ministers
4:00PM	J.Drummer D.Gorr	J.McAllister	J.Druckenmiller
7:00PM	L.Ruda N.Ruda	J.Englert	J.Behum
8:30AM	D.Popovic M.Popovic	B.Molchany	Deacon Jack
10:30AM	M.Ritter L.McGinley	B.Petro	Deacon Jack

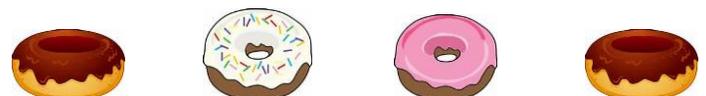


Congratulations Graduates!

We would like to congratulate **Devon Troxell** who graduated from **Catty High School**, **Jessica Lynn Englert**, from **DeSales University**, and **Nicholas Orrien Shelak**, from **Pennsylvania College of Technology**, who took part in our Graduation Mass last weekend. We wish them luck on their future endeavors!



Flowers were placed on the altar last weekend by the Marian Guild in honor of our graduates, **Devon Troxell, Jessica Lynn Englert and Nicholas Orrien Shelak**.



DONUT SUNDAY

Next Sunday, June 16th, is Donut Sunday. Thank you to the **Snyder Family**, who is sponsoring this month's event in thanksgiving for God's Blessings. Please stop by after the **8:30AM and 10:30AM Masses** for some coffee, tea, and some donuts!



SANTA'S WISH-LIST

HO! HO! HO! Christmas has started! We would like to thank **an anonymous neighbor** for their gift of **\$1,500.00**. Any Santa gift is greatly appreciated!

REDNER'S TAPES

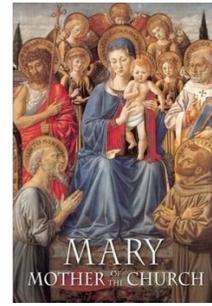
We thank all our parishioners who faithfully do their food shopping at Redner's. By placing your tapes in the collection basket, we have received a check from Redner's in the amount of **\$115.01**. Thank you!

ST MARY'S CHURCH, CATTY BLOCK PARTY

**Thursday and Friday, June 20th and 21st,
from 6:00pm to 10:00pm**

Saturday, June 22nd, from 5:00pm to 10:00pm

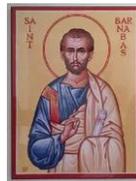
There will be fabulous homemade foods, like halupkies, halushki, tacos, turkey and pork BBQ, and sausage and steak sandwiches. Enjoy bingo in our air conditioned hall, along with our bake sale, basket and money raffle, plus games for adults and children. Come by Friday night and enjoy our Children's Lip-Sync Contest, there's still time to enter, just email or call the parish office by June 10th, and on Saturday night stop by for a chance to play our hourly games of "Minute to Win it". Also on Saturday, be here for "*Faye's Food Fly Outta Here Pricing*" starting between 8:00pm and 9:00pm. Any food and soda remaining is sold off at the end of the night at discounted prices!! DJ entertainment is provided by D.H. Production. For more information, email kim.stmarys122@gmail.com.



The Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of Our Church

Jesus' most solemn words are spoken from the cross. In entrusting his Mother Mary to the Beloved Disciple, our Lord is concerned for much more than her practical living arrangements: He establishes a relationship between his Holy Mother and all who are united to him, that is, the Church. We, too, behold our Mother, for she is the Mother of all who live the new life of grace. We turn to her, especially, when we experience the cross, knowing she is "standing by."
~ Magnificat, June, 2019

Saint Barnabas



Although not one of the Twelve, Barnabas has since ancient times been accorded the title "Apostle" for his labors alongside Paul. After he recruited Paul for the mission to Antioch, the two preached in cities in Asia Minor and Cyprus. In each town, they began their preaching in the synagogue. They were repeatedly attacked and stoned by the Jews – once so severely that Paul almost died. Yet their preaching was not in vain. Returning to Antioch, they "reported what God had with them and how he had opened the door of faith to the Gentiles" (Acts 14:27). Barnabas was martyred in Cyprus sometime before the year 63.
~ Magnificat, June, 2019