



## Mass Intentions

15<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time  
July 15, 2017

**Saturday – July 15<sup>th</sup> –**

**Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

Sat Vigil: 4:00PM – Joseph Kroboth (B)  
by Family

7:00PM – Mary Ann Faust  
by Bernard O’Hawk

**Sunday – July 16<sup>th</sup> –**

8:30AM – Paul Houghton

by Mary T. Molchany

10:30AM – Memorial Fund Members  
by The Memorial Fund

**Monday – July 17<sup>th</sup> – BI Martyrs of Compiegne**

8:00AM – Donald N. Knarr (A)  
by Naomi Serensits

**Tuesday – July 18<sup>th</sup> – St Camillus de Lellis**

8:00AM – Rev. James Joseph Morgan  
by Rev. Eric J. Gruber

***Miraculous Medal Novena after Mass***

**Wednesday – July 19<sup>th</sup> – St Arsenius**

6:00PM – David J. Sweeney  
by Kim McCloskey

**Thursday – July 20<sup>th</sup> – St Apollinaris**

8:00AM – Michael and Helen Kish  
by Kathy Kish and Family

**Friday – July 21<sup>st</sup> – St Lawrence of Brindisi**

8:00AM – Vincent Rivetti (B)  
by Sister, Marie Jacoby

**Saturday – July 22<sup>nd</sup> – St Mary Magdalene**

8:00AM – All St. John Fisher Parishioners

**Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

Sat Vigil: 4:00PM – William J. Molchany, Sr.  
by Fred and Carol Hutterer

7:00PM – Jerry Sullivan  
by Nancy and John McCarty

**Sunday – July 23<sup>rd</sup> –**

8:30AM – Donna Roman

by Nin Snyder and Family

10:30AM – Margaret C. O’Donnell

by McCloskey Family

# PASTOR’S CORNER

## The New Evangelization: Share Your Love for Jesus [Part One]

Since Pope Paul VI concluded the Second Vatican Council in 1965, he and subsequent popes have been increasingly calling the baptized to a new evangelization. That’s all well and good, of course, but what exactly is evangelization from a Catholic perspective, and what’s different about the “new” kind?

According to the glossary of the Catechism of the Catholic Church, evangelization is simply “the proclamation of Christ and his Gospel by word and the testimony of life, in fulfillment of Christ’s command.”

The presumption I grew up with about proclaiming Christ and preaching the Gospel (based on going to Sunday Mass), was that such proclamation was the specialty of a few – namely, Fr. Whomever and Sr. Whozeewatsis, and their associates. Besides this presumption, it was fairly clear that our protestant brothers and sisters, as well as Jehovah Witnesses and Mormons, did that sort of thing, and the Catholic way surely wasn’t the same thing, or was it?!

Well, paragraphs #904 through #907 of the CCC state,

Lay people also fulfill their prophetic mission by evangelization, “that is, the proclamation of Christ by word and the testimony of life.” “This witness of life, however, is not the sole element in the apostolate; the true apostle is on the lookout for occasions of announcing Christ by word, either to unbelievers...or to the faithful.”

Lay people who are capable and trained may also collaborate in catechetical formation, in teaching the sacred

sciences, and in use of the communications media.

“In accord with the knowledge, competence, and preeminence which they possess, [lay people] have the right and even at times a duty to manifest to the sacred pastors their opinion on matters which pertain to the good of the Church, and they have the right to make their opinion known to the other Christian faithful, with due regard to the integrity of faith and morals and reverence toward their pastors, and with consideration for the common good and the dignity of persons.”

What exactly does this mean for you and me? We'll begin to explore the answer to that question next weekend. Until then, share your love for Jesus.

Fr. Eric.

## OFFERTORY COLLECTION



Plate Collection \$3,977.00

The **Second Collection** this weekend, **July 15<sup>th</sup>** and **16<sup>th</sup>**, is the **Eastern and Central Europe Collection**.



## NEXT WEEK'S SCHEDULE

	Servers	Lectors	E.Ministers
<b>4:00PM</b>	A.Gorr D.Gorr	J.Englert	Deacon Jack
<b>7:00PM</b>	J.Shaul M.Hosni	J.Yanek	Deacon Jack
<b>8:30AM</b>	L.Ruda N.Ruda	E.Snyder	M.Druckenmiller
<b>10:30AM</b>	C.Gair D.Gair	K.McCloskey	J.Heffner



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



## BAPTISM

We welcome **Sebastian Joseph Miller**, son of **Jordan Robert and Autumn Marie (McAfee) Miller**, and great-grandson of **Carl and Yvonne Rieker, Jr.**, who was baptized recently, and is the newest member of our family of God at St John Fisher Parish.

## *IN THE WORDS OF...*

“Prayer is the only channel to which God’s great graces and favors flow into the soul; and if this be once closed, I know no other way He can communicate with them.”

~ Saint Teresa



Please remember in your prayers **David J. Sweeney** and **Margaret “Peggy” Barrington**, who passed away this past week. Also, please remember, **Kelly Celine O’Brien** who passed away and was buried recently. May their souls, and all the souls of the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.



## *Flowers for the Altar*

There are still some spaces available to decorate our church each weekend. The **ALTAR FLOWER LIST** is at the parking lot entrance of church. Honor a loved one, or celebrate a special event by placing flowers on the altar. Simply sign up on the list, and call your florist for delivery.



## CCD Registration

Registrations have been sent out for the 2017 – 2018 C.C.D. year. If your child attends public school, or is home-schooled, please call the rectory, 610-264-1972, and a registration form will be sent to you.

## GOOD SHEPHERD SCHOOL

**Office Summer Hours** are Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays from 9:00 am to 1:00 pm. The entire School Building will be **CLOSED** the week of July 24<sup>th</sup>.

**Shepherd Gift Card Sales Summer Hours** are Wednesday evenings between 5:00pm to 7:00pm and Thursdays between 10:00am to 12:00pm.

**C.Y.O. Fall Sports:** Please visit our new website to complete an online registration and payment.

## SAINT CAMILLUS DE LELLIS

After a troubled youth, Camillus was converted to a life of penance through the ministry of a Capuchin friar. Unable to enter the Franciscans because of chronic ulcers on his leg, he sought employment at San Giacomo Hospital in Rome. Camillus considered the nurses at the hospital lazy and inattentive. In August, 1582, he heard a call to found an order dedicated to the care of the sick. In each patient Camillus saw “another Christ,” according to Matthew 25:40: “Amen, I say to you, whatever you did for one of these least brothers of mine, you did for me.” Camillus died in 1614. He is the patron saint of the sick, hospitals and nurses.

~ *Magnificat, July, 2017*

## SAINT APOLLINARIS

Said to have been a disciple of Saint Peter, Apollinaris made bold to preach the Gospel to the natives of the ancient Roman stronghold of Ravenna in the late 1<sup>st</sup> century. Incensed by the many healings that were brought about by his prayers, the pagan priests instigated repeated oppressions. Tradition holds that Apollinaris was of advanced age when he received the martyr's crown. In the 10<sup>th</sup>, century, Romuald, a young native of Ravenna, went to a monastery under Apollinaris' patronage to do penance after his father had killed another man in a duel. Apollinaris appeared to Romuald in a vision, encouraging the youth's monastic vocation. Romuald became a saint and founder of the Camaldolese Order.

~ *Magnificat, July, 2017*

## SAINT MARY MAGDALENE

On his journeys, Jesus is accompanied by “the Twelve and some women who been cured of evil spirits and infirmities,” among them “Mary, called Magdalene, from whom seven demons had gone out” (Lk 8:2).

Following Jesus brings Mary to Golgotha, where she witnesses his death and burial. Three days later, she meets Jesus outside the empty tomb. She hastens to tell the disciples: “I have seen the Lord!” tradition names Mary Magdalene “the apostle to the Apostles” “Just as a woman had announced the words of death to the first man, so also a woman was the first to announce to the Apostles the words of life” (Saint Thomas Aquinas).

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## PILGRIM VIRGIN OF FATIMA



The **Pilgrim Virgin of Fatima Statue** is dedicated to all the people of the North Catasauqua Area in order to foster the worship of the Most Holy Trinity through a true devotion to our Blessed Lady. The Statue “travels” into any homes which wish to host it for a time (usually a week), and is treasured there by a family or group of friends who pray the rosary together. There have been several such traveling statues in our area over the years dating back to the 1960's, blessed by several different pastors who have served in the region. If you wish to participate in this beautiful tradition and devotion and open your home to Our

Lady so concretely, please contact Pauline Albert, 610-264-3473, or Jean Marhefka, 610-264-5038.