

THE 11TH SUNDAY
IN ORDINARY TIME
June 11, 2016



Saturday – June 11th –

Eleventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sat Vigil: 4:00PM – Louise Weisgerber (A)
by Jim and Carmela Meyer
7:00PM – Angelo Vomero (WA)
by Irene Vomero

Sunday – June 12th

8:30AM – Memorial Fund Members
by Memorial Fund
10:30AM – Russell N. Beale, III (B)
by Anna and Joe Furst

Monday – June 13th – St Anthony of Padua

8:00AM – John J. Mikula
by Georgia Brown and Family

Tuesday – June 14th – St Methodius I

8:00AM – Ann Oswald (B)
by Daughter, Louise

Miraculous Medal Novena after Mass

Wednesday – June 15th – St Germaine Cousin

6:00PM – Charles and Sons, Charles and Dennis
by Wife and Mother, Susan Hertz

Thursday – June 16th – St John Francis Regis

8:00AM – Julia Dinbokowitz (B)
by Daughters, Linda, Joan and Donna

Friday – June 17th – St Avitus

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

Saturday – June 18th – St Elizabeth of Schoenau

8:00AM – All St John Fisher Parishioners

Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time

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

Sunday – June 19th

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



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

PASTOR'S CORNER

Why "Giving Up" Is NOT the Answer

The poet Edgar Guest wrote this poem entitled, "Can't."

Can't is the worst word that's written or spoken;
Doing more harm here than slander and lies;
On it is many a strong spirit broken,
And with it many a good purpose dies.
It springs from the lips of the thoughtless each
morning
And robs us of courage we need through the
day:

It rings in our ears like a timely sent warning
And laughs when we falter and fall by the way.

Can't is the father of feeble endeavor,
The parent of terror and halfhearted work;
It weakens the efforts of artisans clever,
And makes of the toiler an indolent shirk.
It poisons the soul of the man with a vision,
It stifles in infancy many a plan;
It greets honest toiling with open derision
And mocks at the hopes and the dreams of a
man.

Can't is a word none should speak without blushing;
To utter it should be a symbol of shame;
Ambition and courage it daily is crushing;
It blights a man's purpose and shortens his aim.
Despise it with all of your hatred of error;
Refuse it the lodgment it seeks in your brain;
Arm against it as a creature of terror,
And all that you dream of you someday shall
gain.

Can't is the word that is foe to ambition,
An enemy ambushed to shatter your will;
Its prey is forever the man with a mission
And bows but to courage and patience and skill.
Hate it, with hatred that's deep and undying,
For once it is welcomed 'twill break any man;
Whatever the goal you are seeking, keep trying
And answer this demon by saying: "I *can*."

The reason we don't give up doing what we are able to do, regardless of the mountainous tasks-at-hand, is not because we are guaranteed victory or given to childish optimism. No. The reason we don't give up is because of the God Who makes ALL THINGS POSSIBLE with Him.

Don't EVER give up, Fr. Eric.

OFFERTORY COLLECTION



Plate Collection **\$4,742.00**

The Second Collection this weekend, **June 11th** and **June 12th**, is for the **Father's Day Remembrances**.

The Second Collection next weekend, **June 18th** and **June 19th**, will be the **Peter's Pence Collection**.



NEXT WEEK'S SCHEDULE

	Servers	Lectors	E.Ministers
4:00PM	A.Gorr D.Gorr	B.Molchany	J.McAllister
7:00PM	S.DeLong N.Ruda	J.Yanek	P.McCarty
8:30AM	S.Popovic D.Popovic	E.Snyder	Deacon Jack
10:30AM	H.Heffner G.Parise	B.Petro	Deacon Jack



Please remember in your prayers **Diane (Davolos) Dickerson**, who was buried this past week.

We pray that her soul and all the souls of the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.



Flowers were placed on the altar last weekend in memory of **Charles H. Albert** by his family.

Young at Heart

The next meeting of St John Fisher's Young at Heart will be held on **Wednesday, June 22nd**, at **1:00pm** in the Parish Hall.

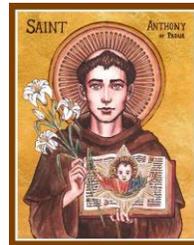
The next Casino trip to the Mohegan Sun will be on **Friday, June 24th**. The bus leaves the Church Parking Lot at 10:00am. The price is \$22.00 per person.

For more information, call Bill Molchany, 610-264-0920.

PA CATHOLIC CONFERENCE

The Pennsylvania Catholic Conference is asking for your help. This month the State Senate is considering legislation that would change state law to allow survivors of childhood sexual abuse from decades ago to file lawsuits against private institutions like the Catholic Church, parishes like this one, schools and ministries. This legislation will severely damage the ministries of the Catholic community in Pennsylvania. Public institutions, such as public schools, where the vast majority of abuse cases occur, would not face lawsuits from the past, under this law. Sexual abuse is a serious crime that affects every institution and community in Pennsylvania, public and private. Because of its gravity, it needs to be dealt with comprehensively and fairly going forward. To learn more about the legislation and to find out how to contact your State Senator about opposing it, contact www.pacatholic.org.

Saint Anthony of Padua



A popular intercessor for those who seek lost objects, Anthony was declared a Doctor of the Church in 1946. His teachings come down to us in sermons composed for his fellow Franciscans. Considering the crucified Lord, Anthony writes: "Christ, who is your life, is hanging before you, so that you may look at the cross as in a mirror. There you will be able to know how mortal were your wounds, that no medicine other than the Blood of the Son of God could heal... Nowhere other than looking at himself in the mirror of the cross can man better understand how much he is worth." Anthony died in Padua, Italy, in 1231.

Magnificat, June, 2016

Meditation by St Anthony of Padua

"What makes us want to turn the other cheek?"

Confession is also called "the house of God," on account of the reconciliation of the sinner. In confession, the sinner is reconciled to God, like a son to his father when he is received back into his father's house. You can read in Luke how when the elder brother drew near to the house, in which the penitent son was feasting with his father, he heard music, and song. Note the three things that were in the house: feasting, music, and song. Just so there should be three things in the house of confession, where the sinner is received when he returns from the region of deceit: the feasting of contrition, the music of confession, and the song of amendment.

Just as you accuse yourself of your sins, so also you should take care to amend yourself. Hear the sweet music: *I acknowledge my iniquity, and my sin is ever before me* (Ps 51:5). Hear the choir singing in response, *I am ready for scourges, and my sorrow is continually before me* (Ps 38:18). How many people make the sweet music of confession, yet do nothing to amend themselves!

Alternatively: if the music of weeping and bitter compunction resounds in the house of confession, the choir of divine mercy will respond immediately, forgiving the sin.



DONUT SUNDAY

There will be no Donut Sunday for the month of June.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

The **Catasauqua Thrift Shop** is in need of substitute volunteers. If you are interested in volunteering on a substitute basis, please call Sylvia, 610-264-4130. Thank you.

ST ELIZABETH'S CHURCH VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

Bring the whole family to follow Jesus, the Light of the World at our brand new Bible Adventure: CAVE QUEST! Explore the rock-solid foundation of Jesus' love. Daily adventures are **Monday to Friday, June 27th to July 1st**. Daily adventures start at **8:45am and end at 12:00pm**. Go to the parish website: www.sercc.org, or email at dirreled@sercc.org. All children from 4 years old to 5th grade are welcome, and we also welcome volunteers from 6th grade through adult seniors!

HISTORIC CATASAUQUA PRESERVATION ASSOCIATION



HCPA 2016 Historic House and Garden tour will be held on **Sunday, June 26th, from 1:00pm to 5:00pm**. Tickets before June 26th are \$15.00 and on the day of the tour will be \$18.00. For tickets, call 610-266-0255, or 610-231-0603 or visit www.hcpa.org.

Janice Lathrop



JULY 4TH CELEBRATION

The Catasauqua/North Catasauqua J4 Celebration will begin with the opening celebration on **Sunday, July 3rd, at 11:00am**. The day will be filled with music, food, crafts, games and fun for all! Fireworks will take place at dusk at the Catasauqua High School Football Field. If you would be interested in having a food stand or crafts or flea market items at the event please call Barbara Schlegel, 610-264-1466 or stop at Schlegel's Dry Cleaners.



UPCOMING FESTIVALS!

Ss Simon and Jude Fest

730 West Broad Street, Bethlehem

Saturday, June 18th, 12:00pm to 7:00pm

Tenth Annual Treasures and Treats Food Fest: This summer festival consists of craft items, baked goods, raffle baskets, money raffle, parish made noodles, and lots of specialty foods.

St Mary's Church, Catty

Thursday, Friday and Saturday,

June 23rd, 24th, & June 25th - 6:00pm to 10:00pm

There will be fabulous homemade foods, Bingo, a bake sale, basket and money raffle, and games for adults and children. DJ entertainment will be provided by D.H. Production.