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**MASS SCHEDULE:**

**Mass Schedule:**

Daily Mass (Mon.-Sat.)	8:00 AM
Saturday Vigil Mass	5:00 PM
Sunday Masses	7:30 AM
	9:30 AM
	& 11:30 AM

Holy Day Masses 5:30 PM (eve of Holy Day)  
8:00 AM, 10:00 AM & 7:00 PM

(Christmas and New Year's have special schedules)

**CONFessions:** Saturdays: 3:30 PM to 4:30 PM

**MASS FOR SHUT-INS:**

TV - Sunday, 5:30 a.m. WPVI Channel 6,  
Radio – Sunday, 9:00 a.m. 89.3 FM

**BAPTISMS:** Parents should make arrangements with the Pastor at least one month before the date wanted. Baptism is celebrated on the FIRST and THIRD Sundays of the month at 12:30 PM. Preparation is held on the SECOND TUESDAY of each month, 7:30 PM, in Room 18 of the Church Building. Godparents must be practicing the faith and present a Letter of Eligibility from their parish. No date can be set for baptism until parents have fulfilled these responsibilities.

**MATRIMONY:** To set a date for a wedding, couples must make an appointment at the Rectory at least 6 months prior to the wedding date. Weddings can be scheduled for most Saturdays, at 12:00 Noon or 2:00 PM, or on Friday afternoons.

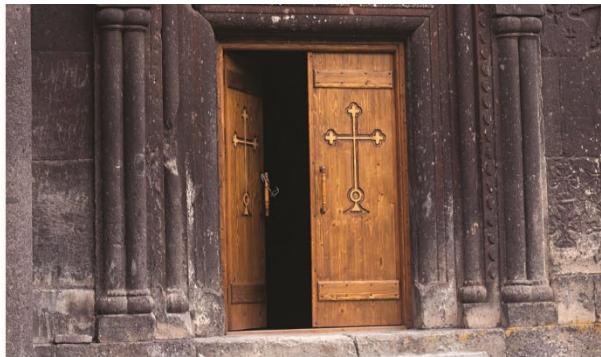
**SICK CALLS:** Phone the Rectory,  
215-672-3020.

**REGISTRATION:** All Catholics who live within the parish boundaries should register. Boundaries: South of Street Road from Lower State Rd., to Norristown Rd., to County Line, to Blair Mill Rd., to Moreland Rd., to Maple Ave., to Horsham Rd., to Limekiln Pike, to Lower State Rd. & back to Street Road. If you are not registered, we cannot serve you in ways which require us to know you. Please call the Rectory (215-672-3020.) We will welcome you as part of our community of faith.

**PARISH ACTIVITIES:** Catholic Youth Organization, CCD School of Religion, Choir (Adult and Children's), Home & School Association, Men's Group, Miraculous Medal Novena and Rosary, Respect Life Committee, Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults, Senior Citizens, and Women's Group. (Notices for these groups are posted inside this bulletin.)

"AND I TELL YOU,  
ASK AND YOU WILL RECEIVE;  
SEEK AND YOU WILL FIND;  
KNOCK AND THE DOOR  
WILL BE OPENED TO YOU."

LUKE 11:9



JULY  
**24**  
2022

Seventeenth  
Sunday in  
Ordinary Time

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## PRAY LIKE JESUS

Have you ever watched a master chef at work or a professional musician or athlete and wondered "How do they do that? They make it look so easy." We are naturally attracted to someone who excels at something, a person whose heart is obviously in their work, and we can't help but wonder if we are capable of anything like that. This was likely true for the disciples as well. They had seen Jesus at prayer on many occasions (this is especially true in Luke's Gospel) and it was obvious that someone, somehow was shaping/transforming the life of their teacher. Abraham, too, gives us an example of a conversation with God that goes beyond the ordinary approach to divine petitioning. Meanwhile, Psalm 138 assures us that when we cry for help God will answer—for Christ has become our mediator and we are one with him in baptism.

## SNAKES AND SCORPIONS AND PRAYERS? OH, MY!

How often do we hear about snakes and scorpions at Mass? Well, today we do! Jesus uses these frightful (to most of us!) images for their shock value in order to emphasize how graciously and unfailingly our Father in heaven cares for us. The first reading sets the stage for our reflection. Who can hear the story of Abraham negotiating with God in the first reading and not smile at his audacity? The middle Eastern custom of bartering likely honed Abraham's skills in that arena. He even appeals to God's sense of honor, saying, "Far be it from you to do such a thing" [as to wipe out the innocent with the guilty]. Have we not all bargained with God at one time or another when we were desperately in need?

## YOU HAVE HEARD THE WORDS OF MY MOUTH

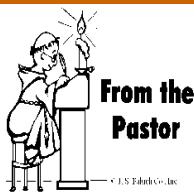
Notice that the very first words of today's Gospel are "Jesus was praying." Of course, the disciples would be curious about a practice that was so central to Jesus' daily life. He was obviously good at it. Perhaps they wanted to know how they could more easily "influence" God themselves! They wanted to know what would work. Luke's version of the beloved Lord's Prayer (one of two found in the Gospels) is highlighted today in response to the disciples' request.

The two parables following the Lord's Prayer teach us about prayer both from the point of view of the one who prays and from God's point of view. The parable of the friend who knocks on the door at midnight illustrates prayer from the point of view someone who urgently needs something. Persistence is the key. The last section of the Gospel offers us a glimpse of prayer from God's point of view. If you seek, you will find; if you knock, the door will be opened. With Jesus as our mediator, we are assured of a hearing before our Father in heaven who is waiting to give good gifts to his children.

## TODAY'S READINGS

Genesis 18:20–32  
Psalm 138:1–2, 2–3, 6–7, 7–8  
Colossians 2:12–14  
Luke 11:1–13

## A Note From The Pastor



My Dear Parishioners,

Next week we will welcome Fr. Idelphonse Mapara to speak to us about the missions in Tanzania. His community is based in the Benedictine Monastery, St. Maura's Abbey in Hanga, Tanzania. Here is some information from their website.

Hanga Abbey was founded as a Monastery on January 15, 1957 as the first "all native" monastery in Africa. Hanga Abbey belongs to the Saint Ottilien Congregation based in Germany. Hanga Monastery was elevated to the status of Abbey on December 13, 1993. There are currently 144 professed members in the community.

Hanga Abbey provides many services to the surrounding village including medical treatment through the monastery dispensary, daily transportation to the regional capital of Songea through the monastery's bus company-Amani Express, a clean water project pumping water to the village from twelve kilometers away, and education through the two secondary schools, one primary school, and one trade school that the monastery operates.

I am also including information from a flyer that Fr. Ildephonce sent me. The Mission Co-op will be taken up next weekend as our second collection. It is the aqua colored envelope in your packet.

God Bless you. Fr. Bordonaro

## A NEED FOR SAFE DRINKING WATER IN SOUTHERN TANZANIA

The need for safe drinking water in the world is huge. In Tanzania the situation is as bad as many other countries in the world. Many children under the age of five die of complications due to drinking water from contaminated sources. Research shows that 70% of the world population does not have access to safe drinking water. Another research shows that 80% of diseases that the world population suffers is due to contaminated water for drinking. **St. Maurus Hanga Abbey** in southern Tanzania is serving people to have safe drinking water. Several villages have been helped but many more are in need of the service.



A few people have access to safe drinking water, but many still use water from contaminated sources.



## Masses For The Week

Saturday	<u>July 23, 2022</u>	5:00 p.m.	Patricia Devlin
Sunday	<u>July 24, 2022</u>	7:30 a.m. 9:30 a.m. 11:30 a.m.	People of the Parish The Fiumara Family Jo Thomas
Monday		8:00 a.m.	Mary Vincelli
Tuesday		8:00 a.m.	For the Intentions of Michael Pham
Wednesday		8:00 a.m.	Mary Vincelli
Thursday		8:00 a.m.	Mary Vincelli
Friday		8:00 a.m.	Mary Vincelli
Saturday		8:00 a.m.	Michael H. Lynagh
Saturday	<u>July 30, 2022</u>	5:00 p.m.	Dec'd. members of the DiTore Family
Sunday	<u>July 31, 2022</u>	7:30 a.m. 9:30 a.m. 11:30 a.m.	People of the Parish Rev. James J. F. Stillwell Jo Thomas

## Please Pray For



Those who are ill: John Merritt, Bruce Jackson, Anna Quartucci, Iris Grace, Barbara Maye Martin, Annabelle Long, Joseph Cataldi, Emily Ristine, Ita McErlean, Melissa Sichler, Joy Cataldi, Stanley Travis, III, Nancy Angelino, James Martin, Baby Jordan Evans, Fran Mirabella, Michael DiTore, Theresa Romaniello, Gino Romaniello, Sarah Sutton, Michael Pham, Brian Stec, Thomas Henderson, Michael McCarthy, Louis Cerritelli, Gianna Farris, Kim Bell, Frances Bungard, Russel Heim, David Jones, Ralph Lawson, Laura Lippincott, Mary Lishman, Dave McKay, Daniel McKinny, Rod Nordlin, Ronan Power, Marie Trotter Rickman, Joanne Slouskey, Jack Streisky, Jack Wilhelm.

## This Week In Our Parish

### Monday, July 25

\*Adoration – 8:30 a.m.

\*Rosary – 7:30 p.m.

\*Men's Group – 7:45 p.m.

## Bulletin Submittals

Requests may be emailed to [sjc18976@verizon.net](mailto:sjc18976@verizon.net). All requests are subject to Pastor's approval and space availability.

**Readings For The Week**

**Monday:** 2 Cor 4:7-15; Ps 126:1bc-6; Mt 20:20-28  
**Tuesday:** Jer 14:17-22; Ps 79:8, 9, 11, 13; Mt 13:36-43  
**Wednesday:** Jer 15:10, 16-21; Ps 59:2-4, 10-11, 17-18;  
                  Mt 13:44-46  
**Thursday:** Jer 18:1-6; Ps 146:1b-6ab; Mt 13:47-53  
**Friday:** Jer 26:1-9; Ps 69:5, 8-10, 14; Jn 11:19-27  
                  or Lk 10:38-42  
**Saturday:** Jer 26:11-16, 24; Ps 69:15-16, 30-31, 33-34;  
                  Mt 14:1-12  
**Sunday:** Eccl 1:2; 2:21-23; Ps 90:3-6, 12-14, 17;  
                  Col 3:1-5, 9-11; Lk 12:13-21

**Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

You were buried with him in baptism,  
      in which you were also raised with him  
      through faith in the power of God,  
      who raised him from the dead.

— Colossians 2:12



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**Envelope Collections**

2022	July 3	\$6,239	July 10	\$6,478
2021	July 4	\$8,853	July 11	\$6,231

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**The Story of Saint Philomena: Peace Be with You**

Saint Pio held Saint Philomena in great esteem and never doubted her intercessory powers. Join us for an inspiring presentation on her life and spiritual legacy and learn the reasons why Padre Pio cherished her.

Our guest presenter will be Father Jason Kulcynski, United States National Director of the Universal Archconfraternity of Saint Philomena and Pastor of Holy Martyrs Church in Oreland, PA. For further information or to register for this presentation, contact [angela@padrepio.org](mailto:angela@padrepio.org).

**Wednesday, August 10, 2022**

Following the 11:30 a.m Rosary and Noon Mass

**National Centre for Padre Pio**

111 Barto Road - Barto, PA  
                  610-845-3000

**Women's Morning of Prayer with Saint Clare**

Morning of Prayer includes refreshments, speaker presentation by Sister Ann Dutrow, OSF, opportunity for the Sacrament of Reconciliation, Rosary, veneration of the relic of Saint Clare, and Mass. **There is no cost to attend this Morning of Prayer; however, it is a ticketed event.** Register at [www.padrepio.org](http://www.padrepio.org) by clicking on the event calendar for August 11<sup>th</sup>. Participants are encouraged to pack a lunch and stay a while longer following this Morning of Prayer to enjoy the grounds and to visit the museum and gift shop. For further information, contact [angela@padrepio.org](mailto:angela@padrepio.org).

**Thursday, August 11, 2022**

9:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

**National Centre for Padre**

111 Barto Road - Barto, PA  
                  610-845-3000

**Catholic Women's Conference 2022**

Join Catholic women from the greater Philadelphia area for a day of fun, friendship, faith formation and prayer at the Catholic Women's Conference. The 2022 theme is "Be Not Afraid: Finding Your Freedom in Christ," in which together we will discover the healing and freedom of heart that Jesus Christ desires to give each of us. Speakers include: Sr. Miriam James Heidland, SOLT, Michelle Benzinger, Regina Boyd, Matt and Jenn Lozano, Katie Weiss and the Sisters of Life. Saturday, October 22, 2022, 9:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. at the National Shrine of Our Lady of Czestochowa in Doylestown, PA. Tracks available in English, Spanish and American Sign Language. *Early sellout is expected.* Register today at: [www.catholicwomensconference.org](http://www.catholicwomensconference.org).

## Treasures from Our Tradition

Apart from the period from Thanksgiving through Christmas, the summer is a favored time for family reunions. We trace family trees and recall our origins. Worship has a family tree as well, and the way we celebrate today has been influenced by various styles and customs through the centuries. We are Western Christians of the Latin Rite. By far, we are the most numerous Western Christians, but there are other ritual families as well. The Archdiocese of Milan in Italy follows the Ambrosian Rite, Toledo in Spain preserves the Mozarabic Rite and the Arab language, and Lyons in France is home to the Gallican Rite. Other liturgical families, such as the Celtic in Ireland and the Sarum in England, faded away after the Reformation. Until recent times, members of some ancient religious orders such as Carmelites and Trappists followed a pattern of Mass that varied slightly from the plan observed in Latin Rite parishes.

Isn't the Catholic Church the same everywhere? Not at all. It never has been! The existence of so many liturgical families in the West reminds us that unity, not uniformity, is what the Church seeks to achieve among her children. We are united in faith, but wonderfully diverse in rituals, ceremonies, languages, customs, and spirituality. —James Field, Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co.

## Men's Malvern Retreat Weekend for St. Joseph Parishioners

Friday, September 9 (5 p.m.) - Sunday September 11 (noon) It could be said, "*The world is a mess.*" Fathers are especially concerned about the situations their families face. We look to our Lord and His Mother Mary as spiritual guides to advise us. There is a quiet place nearby to begin the process – Malvern Retreat House. Consider joining several parish members and me in September. Call Paul Hottinger (215-675-4291) to answer any questions you may have. Register at [malvernretreat.com](http://malvernretreat.com) or call Malvern Retreat House at 610-644-0400 for more information.

## Getting to Stress-Free!

### Mini Retreat to Nourish the Caregiver's Soul

Do you feel like you've hit the limit? Caregivers, you give so much of yourself to care for others, leaving little time to care for you. It's a common challenge and it can lead to burnout. Join this mini-retreat and a community of other caregivers to make time for your emotional and spiritual needs. Discover how stress can be a positive conduit for change, enabling you to thrive and grow.

**Speakers:** Debra Kelsey-Davis and Kelly Johnson, Co-Founders of Nourish for Caregivers

**Location:** St. Robert Bellarmine Parish, Warrington

**Thursday, August 4 – 7:00-8:30 p.m.**

**More info:** No charge to attend, but please register at [phillyevang.org/events](http://phillyevang.org/events)

## Choir News

If anyone would like to join the choir in September or train to be a cantor, please contact our Music Director, Mrs. Maria Lennon at [mariaalennon@comcast.net](mailto:mariaalennon@comcast.net) or call 215-896-9484 for more information. There will be training sessions over the summer.



### **CHOIR NEWS**

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The **contemporary group** will be leading the assembly in song at the 11:30 mass on the following dates:

August 7th  
September 25th  
November 13th  
December 18<sup>th</sup>

## 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Parish Concert/Picnic

### **SAVE THE DATE:**

**Saturday August 13th**

**Rain Date: Sunday August 14**  
6:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m. Concert with Bill Monaghan and the Contemporary Choir along with other choir members of the parish on the Grassy Area. Bring your own picnic food and chairs/blankets/umbrella, etc. Water will be provided. Games for the children and families. Lots of FUN and good times for all!

We are looking for people willing to provide children/family games (bean bag toss, horseshoes, etc.) and anyone willing to do face painting. Contact Rita Roley if you can help with this at 215-872-0499.

## Retrouvaille: Rediscover The Love In Your Marriage

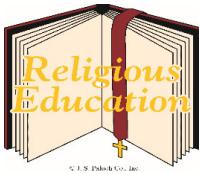
Tens of thousands of couples have healed their marriages through Retrouvaille (pronounced Retro-vy). If you know anyone who could benefit from this program, please pass this on. Couples learn to build communication skills and to increase intimacy. It provides help for marriage problems, difficulties or crises. The next program begins the weekend of August 19 - 21 and October 14 - 16 at the Family Life Center in Malvern, PA. For more information, or to register, visit [www.HelpOurMarriage.org](http://www.HelpOurMarriage.org) or call 215-766-3944 or 800-470-2230. All inquiries are strictly confidential.

## The Mark Of The Maker

If things created are so full of loveliness, how resplendent must be the One who made them! The wisdom of the Worker is apparent in such handiwork. —St. Anthony of Padua

## Reflection Question:

In what ways can I use the good things of this world without clinging to them?

**CCD School Of Religion**

Please call 215-672-9990 or  
215-672-3020 or email  
[stjosephced.warrington@yahoo.com](mailto:stjosephced.warrington@yahoo.com)  
to register for the 2022-2023 School Year.

You must be registered in St. Joseph parish before signing your child up for CCD and a copy of your child's Baptism certificate is required.



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Registration is now open for children entering grades 1 through 7 in the Fall. Our CCD In-house Program is held on Tuesday evenings from 6:00 until 7:15. There is also an opportunity for Family Home Schooling.

**Safe Environment Program**

All people who **volunteer** for the Archdiocese of Philadelphia are **required** to fulfill the following obligations:

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# School News

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It's hard to believe we're moving into the last week of July! It's been a wonderful month of planning and preparation for the new school year. We are so grateful for the work being done by a vast array of cleaners, plumbers, and our own maintenance supervisor, Mr. Jim Crumlish. We're grateful too for the new SMART boards and other technology that we've gotten set up already this summer. With each step and improvement, it's exciting to imagine starting the new school year at the end of August!

We've also had the opportunity this month to begin applying some of the Educational Improvement Tax Credit or EITC money generously supplied by parishioners and other donors to families for tuition assistance. You'll be hearing more about this program, but I just wanted to take this opportunity now to thank those of you who have supported our school and school families in this way.

There are a few positions left for kindergarten and pre-kindergarten students who are in the parish. Please contact the school as soon as possible if you are interested in enrolling your child. We continue to fill staffing positions and are excited to be welcoming Mrs. Maggie Whelihan back into a classroom at SJR as one of the aides in Pre-K! We continue to interview qualified candidates for teaching positions this month if you would like to share that information with the teachers that you know.

Summer is a busy and wonderful time! Hope you are having a lovely summer, too!

God bless you! Mrs. Jennifer Durkin

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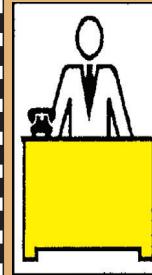
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