

From the Pastor's Desk

Dear Friends,

Greetings. How are you? Hope you all are fine. This Sunday is going to be a very special day because 9 candidates, 6 from St. Joseph's, Holland and 3 from St. Mary's, Arcade are going to make their Sacrament of Confirmation. So, let us keep them all in our prayers as they are going to receive the seven gifts of the Holy Spirit.

Now let us look into the readings of today. In the first reading we come across Solomon, the king of Israel, who is said to be a man of wisdom ask the Lord for an understanding heart so that he could know in his heart what is right. God then gives him "a heart so wise and understanding" that he gains the wisdom to distinguish right from wrong and make just judgements.

Jesus in the Gospel today uses the parables to describe the kingdom of heaven. The act of buying a field in which a treasure is buried was not uncommon in the time of Jesus. The parable's point is that the finder gives everything he has to gain that treasure. Wisdom teaches us to recognize true treasure which may be overlooked by most people, buried deep inside someone, hidden away from those who see superficially. It is wisdom that gives the finder an understanding heart to make the right judgement and value the treasure for its true worth. The true treasure is God himself who should be rediscovered and owned by us. This will make our lives more meaningful & joyful.

God Bless

Fr. Benjamin



Weekly Scripture Passage for Next Weekend

August 1st & August 2nd, 2020

18th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Isaiah 55:1-3 (112A)

Psalm 145:8-9, 15-16, 17-18

Romans 8:35, 37-39

Matthew 14:13-21

Scripture readings are held each **Wednesday after 8am Mass in the Rectory.** These readings help us to prepare for the upcoming Sunday's Gospel.

Prayers of the Faithful

"Rosebud" Bouquets,
Julie (Kerber) Cardella
(Marge & Joe Kerber's daughter)
Mike Lester



Hailey Marie Schwab
Daughter of
Matthew & Allison (Bracikowski) Schwab



There will be a Finance Meeting on
Monday, July 27th
at 7:00pm in the Parish Hall.

CURRENT JOB OPENINGS

We are looking to fill one position:
 ~**Building & Maintenance** Position

If interested in either position,
 please see Fr. Benjamin or contact
 the Parish Office at 537-9434.

For more information regarding these
 positions please call (716) 537-9434 or
 email Cathy at CathyL@catholicweb.com



First Holy Communion Rehearsal
 will be held on Friday, August 21st,
 at 7:00pm in the Parish Hall.

First Holy Communion
 will be celebrated on
 Sunday, August 23rd at the
 10:30am Mass

Gift to God:

Collection Week Of: 07/12/2020

\$ 3,433 Regular Collection,
 \$ 40 Religious Education,
 \$106 Peter's Pence

Collection Week Of: 07/19/2020

\$2,608 Regular Collection,
 \$ 224 Religious Education,
 \$10 Easter,
 \$10 Catholic Home Mission,
 \$10 Holy Land, \$10 Peter's Pence

Attendance Week Of:

Saturday Mass 5pm -
 Sunday Mass 8am -
 Sunday Mass 10:30am -
 Total =

Counters for August 2nd ~
 September-June

YTD Collections	\$112,936
YTD Budget	\$127,769
YTD Variance	(\$14,833)



Mass Schedule & Intentions for the Week

M – Memorial A – Anniversary L –Living
Monday, July 27th

8am Parishioners of the Cathedral of
 St. John the Evangelist*

Tuesday, July 28th

8am Parishioners of St. Philips*

Wednesday, July 29th

8am All Souls*

Thursday, July 30th

8am Rick Martin – **L**
 (Bill & Kathleen Gray)

Friday, July 31st

8am For All Parishioners

Saturday, August 1st

5pm Jim Tomczyk – **M**
 (Dorothy Tomczyk)

Sunday, August 2nd

8am Mother's Day Intentions*
 10:30am John Rickettson – **M**
 (Eileen & Family)

ALTAR SERVER SCHEDULE	
Saturday, August 1st	5pm
Sunday, August 2nd	8am 10:30am
EUCCHARISTIC MINISTER SCHEDULE	
Saturday, August 1st	5pm
Sunday, August 2nd	8am 10:30am
LECTOR SCHEDULE	
Saturday, August 1st	5pm Pam Turner
Sunday, August 2nd	8am John Hilton 10:30am Katie McMicken
SACRISTAN SCHEDULE	
Sat/Sun August 1st – August 2nd	
•5pm A Howes • 8am A Antholzner • 10:30am S Jackson	