

APPOINTMENTS

ACOLYTES:

Sat. July 22 - 4:00 PM - David & Alexandria Auerbeck
 Sun. July 22 - 8:00 AM - Mai Linh Do, NOT FILLED
 Sun. July 23 - 10:00 AM - Nate Rudolph, Amber Yasolsky

LECTORS:

Sat. July 22 - 4:00 PM - John Lloyd, Jack Donoughe
 Sun. July 22 - 8:00 AM - Daniel Turcovsky, Diane Turcovsky
 Sun. July 23 - 10:00 AM - Susanna Tomlinson, Donna Moyer

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS:

Sat. July 22 - 4:00 PM - Joseph Klobuka, Pam Klobuka
 Sun. July 22 - 8:00 AM - Danielle Miller, Darlene Scarpaci
 Sun. July 23 - 10:00 AM - Barbara Bundy, Dolores Capriotti,
 Debbie Dougherty, Bob Olson

MINISTERS OF HOSPITALITY:

Sat. July 22 - 4:00 PM - Coleen Langguth, David Langguth,
 Betsy Lloyd, Judy Sneath
 Sun. July 22 - 8:00 AM - Charlie Moore, Mike O'Neill, Ed Stoltz,
 Mary Truesdale
 Sun. July 23 - 10:00 AM - Barb Aubrey, Walter Bloom,
 Wendy Campbell, Mary Grace Horton

SACRISTAN:

Sat. July 22 - 4:00 PM - Joyce Cunningham
 Sun. July 22 - 8:00 AM - Billy Sweet
 Sun. July 23 - 10:00 AM - Marilyn Bevan

UPCOMING PARISH EVENTS

July 23 - Parish Picnic at Legion Park beginning with
 11:00 Mass / **NO 10:00 MASS AT THE CHURCH**
August 13 - Second Sunday Food Collection
August 15 - Holy Day of Obligation: Assumption of
 the Blessed Virgin Mary

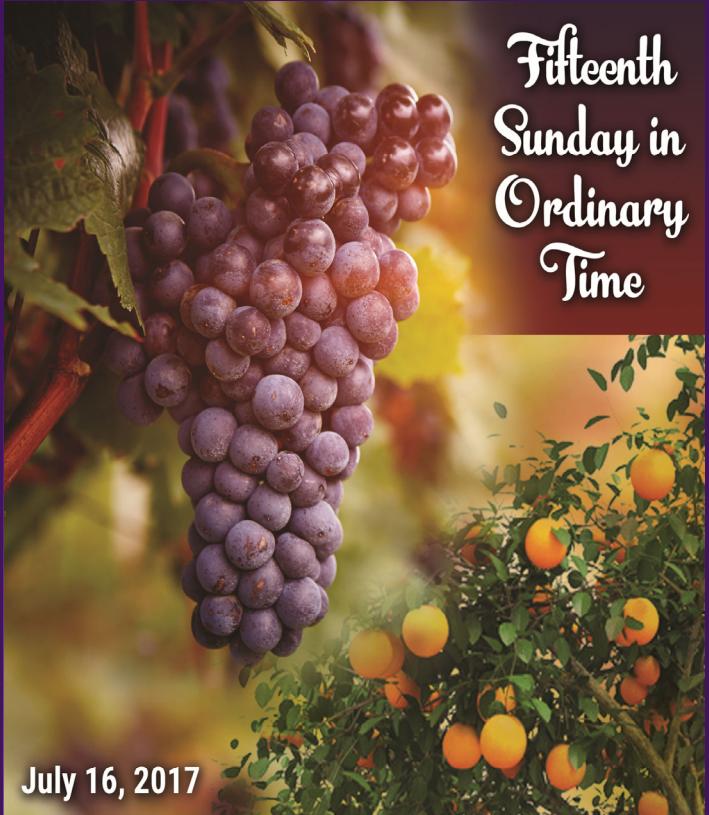
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WEEKLY MASS SCHEDULE

MONDAY • TUESDAY • THURSDAY • FRIDAY - 8:30AM
WEDNESDAY - 6:00 PM
SATURDAY - 4:00PM • SUNDAY - 8:00AM • 10:00AM

**Fifteenth
Sunday in
Ordinary
Time**



July 16, 2017

A sower went out to sow.
 Some seed fell on the path . . . some fell on rocky ground.
 . . . Some seed fell among thorns.
 . . . But some fell on rich soil, and produced fruit.

Matthew 13:3, 4, 5, 7, 8

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JULY 16, 2017
15TH SUNDAY IN
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A Few Words from the Pastor:

Father Dennis Arrives! – Back in April, Father Dennis Mullen and I began planning for his summer visit. Of course, we needed to work it around the Curve schedule! He will be arriving on Wednesday, July 12, and will be staying for about 2 weeks. He is most gracious in covering the parish while I and a brother priest go on vacation. I know how very much he feels at home here at St. John's.

Our Parish Picnic! When Father Dennis and I began planning for his visit and my vacation, it just did not occur to me that the time he was coming and the time that I would be away would occur on the Sunday of our parish picnic at Legion Park! When I realized my mistake in scheduling, it was too late to change our travel plans. Knowing Father Dennis, however, and how much he enjoys celebrations, he will delight in representing me at our parish family picnic next Sunday, July 23. I know you will give him a warm St. John's welcome, and will enjoy his company as he presides over our annual parish picnic. Mass will begin at 11:00 AM and lunch will be served at 12:30. You can sign up on the kiosk to help set up, serve or clean up and also to bring a covered dish to share. *Please note that there will be no 10:00 AM mass at the church next Sunday.*

Roof Repairs! - Work began this week on repairing the soffit and fascia around the exterior of the church. We will also be taking a close look at the soffit and fascia surrounding our gym. Your generous weekly contributions enable us to maintain our parish property. The repairs are being done by Eugene Ehredt, who coincidentally was one of my BG students back in the late 70's!!



Mary Magdalene: On Saturday the church remembers this woman who is known as the apostle to the apostles, and who ran from the tomb on Easter morning to declare to the apostles that the Lord had indeed been risen. Though we do not celebrate mass on Saturday mornings, it is important to remember this holy woman who witnesses to the need for all of us to proclaim the risen Christ.

A \$20,000 Matching Grant! We are most grateful to all who have already contributed toward our matching grant! To date we have received \$12,809.42. It is hoped that this "Match" can be met by the end of July. These funds will go to meet the financial challenges which we face with regard to the Diocesan Medical Retirement Plan for Priests, as well as for our parish support of Holy Trinity School. The generosity of St. John's parishioners is always an indication of the faith which is alive in our hearts. Envelopes for your contribution are available in the Gathering Space and there is also a fund option available for those who use Online Giving.

Our Catholic Ministries Drive – We are most appreciative of your support of our Catholic Ministries Drive. Caring for the Poor and Strengthening Families, Nurturing our Youth, and Forming Clergy and Laity, are the needs which your contributions sustain. Our parish goal is \$45,713, toward which we have received \$30,985 (*as of June 30*). Please be generous.





Come hear our own St. John's Adult Choir perform ½ hour of music at the Hollidaysburg Church of the Brethren during their Rockin' The Lot Festival on Saturday, July 29. The choir will perform from 5:45 to 6:15 in the parking lot of the church. Join us for a fun evening of food, music, fun and fellowship. This year's proceeds will benefit American Rescue Workers.

STARTING IN SEPTEMBER!

Children's Liturgy of the Word will be held at EVERY 11:00 AM Mass.

Children grades 5 and under are welcome.

How does it work?

Let the children come to me.



After the initial prayers and before the first reading, a Presider (leader) invites children grades 5 and under to gather at the foot of the altar. Monsignor blesses them and sends them from the church with their leaders. The children will then go to the day chapel to hear the Word of God on a level they can understand and have a homily focused on their age.

STEWARDSHIP CORNER:

By living as good stewards of God's many gifts, we have the capacity to harvest an abundant crop of "faith" that nourishes ourselves and others we encounter.

Stewardship at St. John's

OFFERTORY for July 9, 2017

Envelopes:	\$ 6,112.00
Loose:	\$ 825.00
Children's:	\$ 75.00
Parish Development	\$ 86.00
Catholic Education	\$ 25.00
Catholic Register	\$ 10.00
Subtotal:	\$ 7,133.00
Online Giving:	\$ 2,653.00
TOTAL:	\$ 9,786.00

Second Sunday Food Collection \$770.00



Giving is easy while you are away this summer. Download the Online Giving app on your mobile device, search for our parish and begin giving. Your support during summer months helps sustain our parish. Go to OLGapp.com and click on the app store for your device.

St. John's Prayer List

It is a Spiritual Work of Mercy to pray for the sick. If you know of someone in the parish who is ill or has passed away and in need of prayers, please call Ginny Reeder (695-7671) or email her at ginny.reeder@gmail.com to add their name to the prayer list.

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE FOLLOWING and their caregivers and give thanks for those who have recovered. *Lord we ask for your blessings and care for these and all people in need:*

Baby Adam • Millie Bilski • Vicky Buda

Yolanda Bumann • Vincent Cannizzaro • Robert Cole

Michelle Fasline • Carol Field • JoAnne Gerardine

Judy Hurm • Brian Kopp • Robert Leidy • Bill Loth

Jim McLaren • June Miller • Anne-Marie Norris

Ron Peschock • Dave Petrak • Bob & Mary Rajnish Olga Romerowicz • Justine Wareham Smith • Patty Teufel

Noah Wills • Our Lady Of Lourdes Parish

Lapsed Christians

HOME WITH THE LORD: Your prayers are requested for the repose of the soul of:

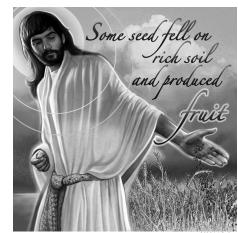
Mark Kopp - son of Louise Kopp

William J. Neff - father of Ed Neff (Barbara)

Matthew Geishauser - son of Bob & Mary Jo

LITURGICAL REFLECTION:

The seed is the word of God. The agricultural metaphors in all of today's readings give richness to the message that the word of God, cultivated in our hearts, bears much fruit in our lives. Creation itself awaits the redemption of all, even as our bodies await the resurrection. Just as we will rejoice in the fulfillment of God's word, so will all of creation sing for joy in the Reign of God. The word of God is effective and holy; it brings about exactly what it says. It is not futile or empty, but rich in meaning for those who hear and are healed. Those who hear the word of God and keep it will, with all creation, bear much fruit and sing for joy.



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LITURGICAL MINISTERS NEEDED: There is a signup sheet on the kiosk for anyone wishing to volunteer to serve as a lector, Eucharistic minister, hospitality minister or sacristan. Please add your name and phone number and we will contact you with training information.

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OUTDOOR MASS HONORING MARRIED COUPLES WITH BISHOP MARK will be held on Sunday evening, July 23, at 7:00 PM at the Shrine of Our Lady of the Alleghenies in Loretto. Bring a lawn chair. The mass will be celebrated indoors if it rains. Bishop Mark is the celebrant and homilist. This is a wonderful way to celebrate, encourage and support married couples!

ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST PARISH FAMILY ALBUM: Check out this beautiful book in the gathering space. It is a wonderful place to record special occasions such as baptisms, graduations, weddings, anniversaries, or to remember and honor those who have passed on. We would like to reinstate the use of this book, and have found a parishioner who is willing to make the entries. If you would like to request an entry, please fill out and return one of the envelopes that are with the album. You may place your completed request envelope back in the album, or drop it in the collection basket. If you have questions, please call Cecelia Bloom at 695-2806.

July Prayer Intention of Pope Francis **LAPSED CHRISTIANS**

That our brothers and sisters who have strayed from the faith, through our prayer and witness to the Gospel, may rediscover the merciful closeness of the Lord and the beauty of the Christian life.



LOOKING AHEAD:

We will be celebrating the 100th Anniversary of St. John the Evangelist Catholic Church, Lakemont, in four years on July 1, 2021. If you have ideas on how we can commemorate this event, email Debbie Johnson at dj219@msn.com.



SCHEDULE FOR THE WEEK

Sunday July 16 - 15th Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00AM-Mass for *Ida Prosperi* requested by John Prosperi
10:00AM-Mass for *People of the Parish*

Monday July 17 - Weekday

7:30AM-Eucharistic Adoration
8:10AM-Morning Prayer
8:30AM-Mass for *the Faithful*

Tuesday July 18 - Weekday

7:30AM-Eucharistic Adoration
8:10AM-Morning Prayer
8:30AM-Mass for *Bud Bloom* requested by Mag Weiland

Wednesday July 19 - Weekday

5:00AM-Eucharistic Adoration/Confessions
6:00PM-Mass for *Connie Stoltz* requested by Ed Stoltz

Thursday July 20 - Weekday

7:30AM-Eucharistic Adoration
8:10AM-Morning Prayer
8:30AM-Mass for *Lynne Schreiber* requested by Connie & Dave McManuels

Friday July 21 - Weekday

7:30AM-Eucharistic Adoration
8:10AM-Morning Prayer
8:30AM-Mass for *the Faithful*

Saturday July 22 - Vigil of the 16th Sunday in Ordinary Time

3:00PM-Confessions
4:00PM-Mass for *the Wedding Anniversary of Tom & Fran Semelsberger*

Sunday July 23 - 16th Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00AM-Mass for *Clara Martens* requested by the Wieland Family
10:00AM-Mass for *People of the Parish*

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Ex 1:8-14, 22; Mt 10:34 -- 11:1
Tuesday: Ex 2:1-15a; Mt 11:20-24
Wednesday: Ex 3:1-6, 9-12; Mt 11:25-27
Thursday: Ex 3:13-20; Mt 11:28-30
Friday: Ex 11:10 -- 12:14; Mt 12:1-8

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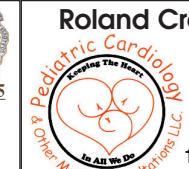
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