

From the Pastor

Dear Parishioners,

Now that summer is here, many of us will be taking little trips to get away and relax for a while. As you prepare for your summer trips, consider making a mini "pilgrimage." Frequently parishes will organize pilgrimages to exotic destinations: Rome, Lourdes, the Holy Land etc. Such trips make it seem as if we need to cross an ocean to visit a holy site. There could be nothing further from the truth! There are plenty of holy sites here in America which are absolutely worth visiting. Many such places are within a short drive, and can add a strong element of faith to a summer vacation. I'd like to share just a few of those sites:

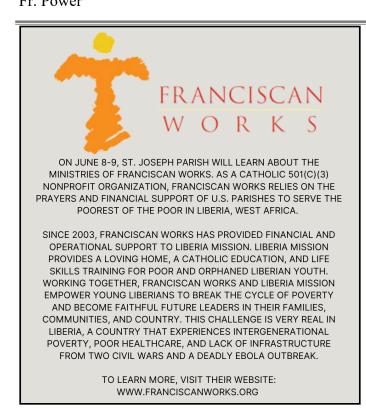
1) Rhoda Wise Shrine, Canton, OH. Rhoda Wise was born in 1888 and died in 1948. She converted to the Catholic Church in 1939. Beginning in 1939 she was regularly visited by St. Thérèse of Lisieux and Our Lord Jesus Christ in her Canton home. On Good Friday 1942 she was given the spiritual gift of the stigmata. During her life many miracles and healings were attributed to her prayers. Her cause for canonization was begun in 2016 and a shrine has been built at her house. I have personally heard of two different miraculous healings that occurred during a visit to her shrine.

2) Solanus Casey Shrine, Detroit, MI. Father Solanus Casey was born in 1870 and died in 1957. At a young age he wanted to be a diocesan priest, but was told that he wasn't smart enough. Rather, he joined the Capuchin Franciscans in 1897 in Detroit and was ordained a priest in 1904 - though his grades in seminary had been dismal. He had, however a deep love for Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament and soon became renowned as an inspiring speaker and wise spiritual counselor. He was known for his simplicity and joyfulness. People would come from far and wide to request his prayers and seek his counsel. His shrine in Detroit is truly a place where one can feel the presence of the Holy Spirit.

3) St. Anthony Chapel, Pittsburgh, PA. St. Anthony Chapel is situated in the Troy Hill neighborhood of Pittsburgh. It is the largest collection of saints' relics outside of the Vatican. The founding priest, Fr. Suitbert Mollinger (who had once been pastor of Immaculate Conception in Brookville) was particularly devoted to Bible verse Acts 19:2 in which we hear that the handkerchiefs of the apostles were used to bring about healings. Fr. Mollinger dedicated his life to collecting this vast collection of relics and holding healing services across the country. Those who visit the shrine truly feel surrounded by the prayers and support of all the angels and saints.

These are just three of the dozens of Catholic shrines that are within a short drive of our area. I would encourage you to visit <u>https://thecatholictravelguide.com/destinations/u-s-a/</u> to see if there are any shrines near your summer vacation destinations.

In Christ, Fr. Power



FUNERAL Our sympathy and prayers to the family of Margaret and James Campbell. May their souls and the souls of all the faithful departed through the mercy of God rest in peace.

<u>Maintenance/Custodial Opening at St. Joseph Church</u> St. Joseph Church is looking for a new maintenance/custodial person. Position is part time in the mornings. Inquire by calling Fr. James at 724-981-3232.



Featured Item of the Week

"Mac-n-Cheese"

Please place your donation in the shopping cart located in the Gathering Space or at the Clepper's entrance.

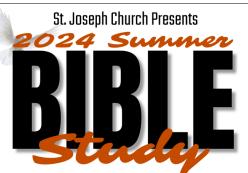
Upcoming Featured Items

Pasta and Sauce * Canned Fruit * Cereal

For qualified individuals, upcoming June Food Pantry distribution dates are Friday, June 7th and 21st from 9:30-11:00 A.M.

ALTAR FLOWER

Altar flowers are donated in thanksgiving to God and in memory of Joseph C. Manzo by Family



Sessions are held each Wednesdays beginning June 26 at 1:00 or 7:00 pm | Cost \$20

Register by June 16 by calling the office at (724) 981-3232 or by emailing Fr. Power at JPower@ErieRCD.org.

We will be using the book Bible Basics for Catholics, by Dr. John Bergsma. Dr. Bergsma, a convert to the Catholic faith, is professor at Franciscan University Steubenville. He is known throughout the world for his engaging, profound, and humorous style of speaking and writing. His book, Bible Basics for Catholics, which has sold more than 60,000 copies, offers readers an accessible lens thorugh which they car learn to read scripture.

SE	SSIONS
June 26Introduciton	July 31The Covenant w/ David
July 3The Covenant w/ Adam July 10The Covenant w/ Noah	Aug. 7The New Covenant of the Prophets
July 17The Covenant w/ Abraham	Aug. 14The Eucharist Covenant
July 24The Covenant through	Aug. 21The Wedding Feast of the

1-Mile Eucharistic Procession in New Castle, PA June 18th

In anticipation of the National Eucharistic Congress which will be held in Indianapolis, the Eucharist is being processed across the entire United States! It passes through our area on June 18th. The faithful are invited to a 9:00 AM Mass at St. Vitus Church in New Castle followed by a 1-mile procession to St. Mary Church in New Castle. There will be a picnic lunch following the procession.

For more info logon to: <u>https://www.youtube.com/watch?</u> <u>v=w_p8sgnv6eg</u> **PLEASE PRAY FOR**: Ford Bartle, Liam Rueberger, Peggy Heldorfer, Gene Pacsi, William Haroldson, Helen Donnelly, Msgr. Andrew Karg, Lois Trimble, Adele Ontko, Delbert Ontko, Beth Bottenfield, Rich Pannutti, Ed Doughty, Jean Hetrick, Barbara Burdick, Frances Rice, Marie Peterson, Ed Gursky Sr., Ed Gursky Jr., Joe Biro, Chuck H., Mary Ellen Luensman, Lorraine Penhos, Walter Zuhosky, Loretta Krutsch, Chris Samu, Lisa Dawson and Barbara LeMon.

FATHER'S DAY SPIRITUAL BOUQUET

Father's Day is Sunday, June 16. In order to make publication for the bulletin insert, we ask you to please <u>print</u> clearly on the outer envelope of the Father's Day

Spiritual Bouquet card set and return it along with your donation <u>no later than TODAY</u>, Sunday, June 9.

WEEKEND COLLECTION-June 3, 2024

Number of Adult envelopes sent	611
Number of Adult envelopes used	139
Number of <u>unused</u> envelopes	472
Sunday Offertory\$	5,366
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Mass Schedule for Weekend of June 15/16

June 15/16	SATURDAY 5:15 pm	SUNDAY 8:30 am	SUNDAY 11:00 am
Lector	P. Lozano	S. Cleary	M. Joseph
Eucharistic Minister	P. Dach	S. Swogger	Dr. D'Amore
Altar Servers	D. Eller Volunteer	V. Haroldson S. Pass	C. Joseph T. Joseph
Greeter Gathering Space	M. & E. Rodriguez	Volunteer	O. Pacsi



Monday, June 10-1 Kgs 17: 1-6 / Mt 5: 1-12 +8:00 Fr. Christopher Barnes (Fr. Power)

Tuesday, June 11-Acts 11: 21b-26; 3: 1-3 / Mt 5: 13-16

+8:00 St. Joseph School Alumni Class of 1972

<u>Wednesday, June 12</u>-1 Kgs 18: 20-39 / Mt 5: 17-19 +12:10 Fred Tonty (Lucy Spano)

<u>Thursday, June 13</u> - 1 Kgs 18:41-46 / Mt 5: 20-26 +8:00 Fr. William Kuba (Fr. Power)

Friday, June 14-1 Kgs 19: 9a, 11-16 / Mt 5: 27-32 +8:00 Joseph Hayden (Family)

Saturday, June 15-Ez 17: 22-24/2 Cor 5: 6-10/Mk 4: 26-34 **ELEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME** +5:15 All Fathers of the Parish

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