



CCSSSP CHURCH BULLETIN

JULY 25, 2021

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Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

July 25, 2021

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To be announced

Please contact the rectory to make arrangements.

From Our Pastor:

Brothers and sisters:

In today's Gospel from St. John we begin a few weeks of concentration on Jesus' teaching on the Eucharist, our greatest everlasting gift from God. This section is often called the "Eucharistic Discourse."

This gift is so central to our salvation that it deserves an extended meditation by us as to what we need and enjoy. In the saving act of Christ. This meditation comes at a much needed time, when we have recently experienced a forced denial of the Eucharist because of the pandemic and now are moving into an opening up of Eucharistic celebrations.

Christ gave us the Eucharist as He prepared to depart from His disciples at the Last Supper. However, more importantly, it is the actual redemptive act itself, His suffering and death on the Cross of Calvary. Each time we celebrate the Eucharist, we are present at the Cross and receive the grace of our Salvation! The Eucharist is the reality of the Cross, present to us in Time and Space...here and now! It is not another Calvary, it is Christ's Calvary, the one Cross at Calvary, through which our Salvation is given!

Listen carefully to the gospels these next few weeks, it's the story of Eternal Life!

May God bless us and may Mary keep us always in His Love!

Fr. Corey



World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly Today, July 25th - Pope Francis has formally established a World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly to be celebrated annually throughout the Church on the fourth Sunday in July, close to the feast of Saints Joachim and Anne who, as the grandparents of Jesus, are beautiful examples for all grandparents. *"Grand" parents Day*
This celebration reminds us that advanced age is a blessing—a gift that should be both cherished and freely shared, most especially in passing on the Faith. We can cherish our grandparents and elderly by calling them, stopping by, or offering our prayers. Take a moment to pause in gratitude for the gift of caring for our grandparents and the elderly. They are lessons in love.

Weekly Stewardship Report: Last Sunday, July 18, 2021



Regular Collection: Envs: \$2,593. Loose: \$517. Electronic: \$140.**Total Regular Collection: \$3,250.**

Other Income: Hosp-\$145. *Because of your contributions, we were able to pay the following bills this week:*

Altar: \$186. MoDioAssess: \$1,482. Office: \$12. Util: \$130. Salaries: \$1,700.Bills Paid This Week: \$3,510.
Your continued generosity keeps our bills paid in a timely manner. Thank you! Bills to be paid next week: \$3,156.

Boxed Contribution Envelopes Users: First, there are still some boxed envelopes at each church for this year that have not been picked up. If you're attending Mass please check if you haven't taken them yet. Secondly, orders for 2022 envelopes will be submitted in August. If anyone has any changes, wants to receive envelopes or not receive them anymore please call our parish office by August 4th. Thank you!

Please Take Note:

The Whitney Point's Ecumenical Food Pantry and Clothing Bank will be closed July 26th through August 1st, while the county fair is here in Whitney Point.

Did you know? The 50/50 Drawing pink envelope is in our envelope box once a month. The drawing is done at the end of the month. 50% goes to the individual winner and 50% to the Capital Building Fund.

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Picks of the Week: Watch: Saint Ignatius of Loyola: Soldier for Christ

At the end of this week, we celebrate the feast of St. Ignatius of Loyola, the "Soldier for Christ." While Martin Luther's interior troubles plunged Europe into a maelstrom of controversy, Ignatius of Loyola set out on an extraordinary interior pilgrimage of grace. Taught directly by God, Ignatius offered the Church a new spirituality of devoted service to Christ and founded a religious order dedicated to evangelization, the Jesuits.

<https://watch.formed.org/truereformers-with-christopher-blum/season:1/videos/saint-ignatius-of-loyola-soldier-for-christ>

Learn: FORMED Now! Does Faith Take a Vacation?

As many of us embark on sunny vacations, it's important to make sure our faith remains front and center in our lives. Since it's easy for us to be distracted by the excitement of the summer rhythm, Dr. Ben Akers and Dr. Scott Hefelfinger discuss what we can do to make sure we don't let the spiritual life take a back seat.

<https://watch.formed.org/formed-now-1/season:1/videos/formed-now-does-faith-take-a-vacation>

Listen Marriage and Family: Love Unveiled by Dr. Scott Hahn

Strong relationships and marriages are of vital importance to individuals, the Church, and society as a whole. In this focused presentation, Dr. Scott Hahn shares key principles that he has lived out in his own life. His advice is practical, challenging, and sometimes requires sacrifice, but it is sure to bear fruit and bring forth many blessings in your family. In honor of Sts. Joachim and Anne, please enjoy this powerful talk!

<https://watch.formed.org/marriageand-family-love-unveiled-by-dr-scott-hahn/videos/marriage-and-family-love-unveiled-by-dr-scott-hahn>

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Vocation View: "Ask and you shall receive. Seek and you shall find.

Knock and it will be opened to you." Ask in prayer to know your vocation!

Seek and find ways to serve! Knock on the doors of those who can help guide you! Do you think God may be offering you the grace of a vocation to the priesthood or consecrated life? Call Fr. Jason Hage (315) 470-1468, or vocations@syrdio.org.

Mass Intentions - If you would like to

have a Mass said in memory of a loved one, please call our parish office. Donation is \$10.00 and if by check it should be made payable to CC of St. Stephen-St. Patrick Church.



Year of Vocations Celebration Imagine a culture of Vocation, where there is a radical openness to God, where all desire to seek Holiness and endeavor to use their unique gifts to share the Gospel in the world and lead others to Christ! In this Year of Vocations, we are all called... clergy, consecrated, and laity... to recognize and respond to God's call.

All are invited to participate in the Year of Vocations Celebration

that will be hosted at Christ the King Retreat House in Syracuse on Tuesday, August 3rd, from 3 PM until 8 PM.

This event which marks the half-way point in the Year of Vocation, will be a collaboration between the Office of Vocation, the Office of Pastoral Leadership, the Office of Formation for Ministry and the Office of Evangelization. All are welcome to take advantage of this mini-retreat for adult lay Catholics. Please register by Friday, July 30th. →

The 10th Hour: Bishop's Vocation Picnic-Please save the date for the Bishop's Vocations Picnic that will take place at Christ the King Retreat House in Syracuse on Wednesday,

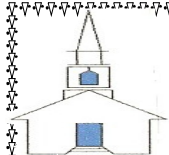
August 4th, from 4 PM to 8 PM. The Tenth Hour is an evening of dinner, conversation, prayer, and discernment with our bishops, priests, seminarians, and religious sisters from the Diocese of Syracuse. Jeremy Bobak will be leading us in Praise and Worship! This Steubenville-like event would be perfect for the young people involved in youth and young adult ministry programs. Pre-registration Required by Monday, August 2nd. Contact Fr Jason Hage, Director of the Office of Vocation Promotion at 315-824-2164



To access our 8:30am Sunday Mass: <https://www.youtube.com/c/CatholicCommunityofStStephenStPatrick>

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FOR OUR MILITARY

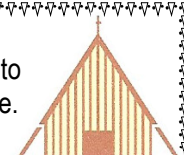
Please Pray For Our Following Friends and Family in the Military: 2ndLt. Trevor Jones, PVT2 Averi Hull, Major Corrine Miller, Sgt Megan Ballard, Joshua Lilley, PV2 James McGill, Brett Hayes, A2C Derek Lescord, LCpl John Larkin, Jr., USMC, SSG Jacob Rau, Devon McGill, SSgt Michael Hetzler, Major Caleb Miller, Major John Thomas, Sgt Heather Fox, Daniel Morehouse USMC, Sgt Nicholas Stone, LCDR Paul McDonald, Major Joy Thomas, USMC SSgt Dan Votra, SSG Steven Gross, SSgt Justin Blaisdell, LCDR Maria Lescord, LCDR Marvin Joel Scott III, A1C Brendan Schneider, OS3 Jonathan Schneider, 2ndLt. Emily Steele USAF & Sgt Zachary Reardon USMC If you have a friend or family member serving our country and would like their name mentioned weekly in our bulletin, to be kept in our prayers, please contact our parish office.



Mission Statement for The Catholic Community of St. Stephen - St. Patrick

We are a Roman Catholic Community of faith, welcoming the strength found in diversity. We are committed to using our time, talent, and treasure in proclaiming the Kingdom of God through prayer, fellowship, and service.

We experience our unity at the Eucharistic Table of the Lord, and our direction from the Word of God.



If you know of parishioners that have not been able to come to Mass because they are ill, hospitalized or homebound, please let the Parish Office know so our Hospitality Groups can provide contact with them through visits and cards, or any spiritual needs such as communion, and perhaps they would like to receive a copy of our bulletin.



If you know someone that is ill, facing surgery, or some other kind of difficulty, and needs our prayers, please call Dottie Angel at 656-9230 or Pat Canfield at 849-6978. They will lead the Prayer Chain we have at The CC of St. Stephen-St. Patrick Church. Supporting each other with the Power of Prayer is the best medicine. If you are not on our Prayer Chain and would like to be, please call our Parish Office, 692-3911.



Our bulletin & OLPH's can be viewed online at www.ccsssp.com



Our face book page: www.facebook.com/ccsssp

Parish Council

Chairperson - Dan Burke, dburke1114@gmail.com

Secretary - Justin VanTassel, jvantassel@gmail.com

Trustees - Kathy Cusick, Ron Orzel

Maintenance - (Please call parish office w/maintenance concerns)

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PARISH STAFF

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Church Organist/Music Director - Jennifer Cafferty

Daily Mass Schedule & Intentions

Sunday, July 25	8:30 AM Whitney Point...for Elsie Zelsnack ...by Elsie Poyer
	10:30 AM Marathon...for Comfort/Confidence for Jennifer Alexyby Mom & Dad
	12:00 PM OLPH...for The People Of Our Parish
Tuesday, July 27	8:30 AM Whitney Point...for The People Of Our Parish
Thursday, July 29	8:30 AM Marathon...for The People Of Our Parish
Sunday, Aug. 01	8:30 AM Whitney Point...for Prayer in Thanksgiving to St. Jude ...The Bates Family
	10:30 AM Marathon...for Marge Carroll ...by John Carroll
	12:00 PM OLPH...for Bernie Massar ...by Sharon Massar

Please check website, face book and answering machine for any changes

Readings for the Week of July 25 through August 1, 2021:

Today: 2 Kgs 4:42-44; **Eph** 4:1-6; **Jn** 6:1-15

Monday: Ex 32:15-24,30-34; **Mt** 13:31-35

Tuesday: Ex 33:7-11;34:5b-9,28; **Mt** 13:36-43

Wednesday: Ex 34:29-35; **Mt** 13:44-46



Thursday: Ex 40:16-21,34-38; **Jn** 11:19-27

Friday: Lv 23:1,4-11,15-16,27,34b-37; **Mt** 13:54-58

Saturday: Lv 25:1,8-17; **Mt** 14:1-12

Sunday: Ex 16:2-4,12-15; **Eph** 4:17,20-24; **Jn** 6:24-35



WP Ecumenical Food Pantry: M-Th & Sat, 10am-Noon, Closed Fridays, Holidays, & when school is closed for inclement weather.

Food Pantry Chairperson: Roger Calice **August's Pantry Need:** Spaghetti Sauce **WPClothing Bank:** M,T & Sat, 10am-Noon

The Mobile Food Truck is at Fairgrounds the **2nd Wednesday of each month**. Registration is required (begins the day before the truck) and is on line or by calling the Southern Tier Mobile Food Truck Food Bank of the Southern Tier - NY (foodbankst.org) 607.796.6061



**SERVING
THIS
WEEK**



Whitney Point

Lector: Justin VanTassel

Next Sunday: John Mihalko

Eucharistic Ministers: Emily Jordan, Ingrid Wennerod

Next Sunday: Kathy Bensley, Peg Orzel



Marathon

Brandon Tyrrell

Shelley Warnow

Don Barry, Shelley Warnow

Cindy Barry, Karen Standish



July Ushers: Bob Barry, Don Atwood/Aug: W. Niggli, T. Zelsnack

If you would like to be on the ministry schedule and have received training or would like to receive training, please contact Justin VanTassel at jvantassel@gmail.com or 607-343-9577.

➔If anyone notices any kind of church maintenance need from needing a bulb or battery for something, if something has fallen or is broken, to any major need, please call our parish office, 692-3911, so it can be taken care of asap.

This Week In Our Parish

Today, July 25th

8:30am Mass at Whitney Point Church
10:30am Mass at Marathon Church
12:00pm Mass at Our Lady of Perpetual Help Church, Cincinnati
Elara Barry Baptism postponed

Monday, July 26th

1:00pm - Jennifer Alexy Funeral - Marathon Church

Tuesday, July 27th

8:30am Mass - Whitney Point Church
7:00pm - CCSS-SP's Parish Council Meeting - Marathon Church Hall

Thursday, July 29th

8:30am Mass - Marathon Church
7:00pm - Adoration - Whitney Point Church

Sunday, Aug. 1st

8:30am Mass at Whitney Point Church
10:30am Mass at Marathon Church
12:00pm Mass at Our Lady of Perpetual Help Church, Cincinnati



Annual Picnic



Whole Community Catechesis Readings and Questions for Discussion

Reading 1 - 2 Kings 4:42-44

Elisha the prophet feeds 100 people with 20 barley loaves.

Reading 2 - Ephesians 4:1-6

The Ephesians are encouraged to live the unity of their Baptism.

Gospel - John 6:1-15

Jesus feeds the crowd of more than five thousand people with five barley loaves and two fish

Adults: When has a generous gift from someone offered me hope?

Children: What loving gift can I share with someone this week?



A Family Perspective

In today's gospel, Phillip worried about "enough food" for the crowd. What is ENOUGH? When does our ENOUGH deprive another family of their fair share?

Jesus performed today's miracle because one child was willing to share and risk living with less.

Can your family live more simply so that other families can simply live?

Our Annual Parish Picnic Is On!

This year our parish picnic will be on Sunday, September 12th. Father Corey will celebrate Mass at 11AM, indoors, at Whitney Point for all three congregations, followed by a picnic at Dorchester Park at the North Pavilion. You are asked to sign up at your parish or call Peg Orzel, 607 372 7036 so

we have an accurate number. Peg will be working with the Hospitality Group which will provide BBQ, paper goods and drinks.

You are asked to bring a dish to share, a lawn chair if you wish to relax after our picnic, and any games that we might play. We look forward to seeing everyone now that we are fully opened and this will give us an opportunity to welcome and socialize with our new Pastor, Fr. Corey VanKuren.



The Sanctuary Candle Burning for the month of July in our Marathon Church is In Memory Of:

Ben & Betty Kriger

by Linda Caminiti

In Memory of...



We are in need of altar servers.

If you notice no one is present to serve, please feel free to 'step forward' and assist Fr. Corey during the Mass. Thank you!



WELCOMED HOME

Please kindly pray for
the repose of the soul
of **Jennifer Alexy**

Don & Cynthia's daughter

who has entered into the Kingdom of
Heaven. May she rest in peace.

Calling hours this evening, 6-8pm, at
Marathon Memorial Chapel.
Funeral Monday, July 26th, 1pm, at our
Marathon Church.

Please notice additional announcements
on our church bulletin boards.

WEEKLY JUSTICE CHALLENGE: Most of us want to be part of a winning team or be part of something that works or is doing really well! We love to give to organizations that reach lots of people and do the most good. This week the readings include accounts of people who did things differently. The first was the story of Jesus feeding the five thousand. This account in John includes the little boy who shared his fish and barley loaves. From that, Jesus and the disciples fed five thousand and had food left over. The disciples wanted to do the normal thing... send everyone out for takeout or a drive-through. But Jesus used the faith of the little boy to do things differently. That boy might have felt a little foolish looking around at all the people and then looking at his own little basket. However, he had faith. He just had to do what he was called to do...share his food. Another encounter in Scripture has Jesus preaching in Nazareth where he is booted out of town. People couldn't take him seriously; he had grown up in their midst. They knew his story. Jesus wanted to share what he had with them, but they didn't want it. He chose to leave and to use it as a lesson for the disciples. If you are not welcome, just shake the dust from your sandals and move on... their loss. What a great challenge for us, to follow our heart and do God's will even if it looks foolish or we are rejected. This week, pray for God to show you where your presence and gifts are needed. Make a list of people, places, and causes that you might be called to serve. Choose one and take a step out in faith to make a difference.



The Good Shepherd Ecumenical Peace Garden

The first order of engraved bricks has been placed in the garden. The second order will be sent in sometime in August. Applications are available at the entrances of both our churches. If you have any questions, please call Ken or Sylvia Bates at 607-743-6317 or 607-743-0170.