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JULY 24, 2022

17th Sunday in Ordinary Time

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MASS SCHEDULE

Weekends: Saturday - 4 p.m. Sunday - 8 a.m., 10 a.m. Weekdays: Monday - Friday 8 a.m. Holy Days: 8 a.m., 7 p.m.

Confessions: Saturdays at 3:30 p.m. or upon request.

Marriage: By appointment. Contact the office at least six months before the date of the marriage. Pre-Cana instruction is required.

Baptism: By appointment. The diocese requires instructions for parents or quardians.

Religious Education (PSR): Sundays during school term 9 - 9:50 a.m. Grades

MEDITATION: WHAT PRAYER CHANGES

The theme that leaps off the page from this weekend's readings is persistence in prayer. To the modern world, that's perhaps a curious idea. If God is omnipotent, why does He need to be asked to do anything? And isn't that a paradox anyway — trusting in God's providence, but daring to ask again and again for what you need? And then there's the inescapable truth: so often, the very things we request never materialize.

We pray for peace and plenty, and in return we are treated to an endless

barrage of headlines announcing violence, recession, and disunity. What's the use of praying, we might ask, when our hearts will continue to break?

Return to this phrase in the readings: Abraham drew nearer. Think of a child having a meltdown, trying to keep it together, little fists clenched around his tear-streaked face, as his father stretches out his arms to bring him into a reassuring embrace that says, "See how I am here. See how I love you. See how I will take care of you."

God desires relationship with us, and relationship requires conversation. Persistent prayer is really just good communication. It's letting someone know your feelings and your needs and allowing them to be there for you. The world is broken, it will always be broken, and we along with it. There is only one who can piece us back together and only if we ask. Some will say thoughts and prayers are not enough to combat the great evils of the world. To them say this: Prayer changes things because it changes people.

Excerpted/edited: Colleen Jurkiewicz Dorman



SATURDAY, JULY 23

4:00 p.m. Intentions of Bob &

Margaret Shutler

Denny & Denise

SUNDAY, JULY 24

8:00 a.m. Robert Shutler

Matt & Monica Miller

10:00 a.m. Darrell & Barbara

Myers family, living

& deceased

Cindy Myers-Neisen

MONDAY, JULY 25

8:00 a.m.

TUESDAY, JULY 26

8:00 a.m.

WEDNESDAY, JULY 27

8:00 a.m.

THURSDAY, JULY 28

8:00 a.m. B.F.

B.F. Rodriguez†

Doug & Helen

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FRIDAY, JULY 29

8:00 a.m. Martha Hitt†

Mark Hitt

SATURDAY, JULY 30

4:00 p.m. Bob Shutler†

Annie & Kenny

Smertneck

SUNDAY, JULY 31

8:00 a.m. John Michael

Lennon†

Deborah Shaffer-

Palmer & Jeff Palmer

10:00 a.m. Bob Yeater†

& Chuck Freeman†

Cindy Gunto

USUAL MASS STIPENDS

Weekdays - \$10 per Mass

Weekends - \$20 per Mass Sanctuary Candle - \$10 a week

Fall Bible Study Will Illuminate Conversion

Our belief in Jesus and our relationship with him is what makes us who we are as Catholics and as Christians. In our six-week Fall bible study Conversion, Bishop Barron illuminates six biblical stories of conversion, demonstrating how six ordinary people were met by Jesus and called to a better life through him. St Francis Xavier will begin the Conversion study on Wednesday, Aug. 31, at 9 a.m. OR Thursday, Sept. 1, at 6:30 p.m. Participants will meet for three

weeks, take a break, and reconvene in November for the final three weeks of the study. Each 90-minute class will offer a discussion followed by the video presentation. A registration form will be available in the parish office, the front of church, and on the parish website. The cost of the workbook is \$10 and the deadline for registration is set for Aug. 8.

For more information, contact Mary at 304-810-4380. We hope you can join us!



Work of Dominican Sisters Will Be Shared



Our parish will welcome Sr. Mary Kay Homan, OP the weekend of July 30 to ask for prayers and

Adrian Dominican Sisters in the Dominican Republic and the Philippines. The Adrian Dominican Sisters are an international Congregation numbering 450 vowed members who minister in 21 states and three foreign countries. The work of the Sisters addresses the critical needs of society by ministering in professions that flow from their traditional works of education, health care and social work.

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Sr. Homan has been a Dominican for 62 years and has spent most of them working in Catholic education, including five years as principal of Notre Dame High School in Clarksburg.

More about their ministry here:

www.adriandominicans.org

Prayer_____REQUESTS

Homebound: Rachel Kerekes, Doris Murphy, Phyllis Prado.

Nursing Homes: Hazel Markey, Katie Renshaw, Joan Weekly, Alma VanSyoc, Ron Flading, Barb Meyer, Mary Yanen, Raymond Pennybacker

Recently Sick: Bobby
Kleinedler, Anna Mae Veronis
Holliday, Kathryn Ferrera, Mary
Stees, Judith Harbert, Annalyn
Liette, Sandina Leonard,
Deanne Ferraro, Georgia Pettit,
Lida Schellhase, Carmina
Oakland, Joe Church, Joseph
Grampa, Megan Freeland
Roskovensky, Suzy Lunau,
Jim Barker, Kathryn Helfer,
Loretta Saporito, Phil Remke.

ONE-LINER

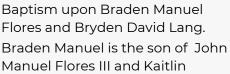
An elderly woman was mailing an old family Bible to her brother in another part of the country.
When she put the heavy package on the counter, the postal clerk asked, "Is there anything breakable in here?" "Just the Ten Commandments." she said.

NEWS & COMMUNITY

Spiritual Journeys Begin

Two children joined the flock Saturday, July 16.

Fr. That Son conferred the Sacrament of





Renee Hair.
Bryden David
is the son of
Clinton Allen
Lang Jr and
Dena Lorraine
Diethorn.

May God's light shine on Braden and Bryden and guide them to

stay true to Him. Congratulations to these boys and these families!

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!

Catholic Charities Neighborhood Center in Wheeling needs route drivers to take meals to shut-ins throughout the Wheeling area. Hot meals are delivered six days a week. Call Jeremy at 304-232-7157, ext. 2006 for details about days and route information.

STELLA AND HER CREW AT



P.L.A.Y.S. CHILD CARE CENTER

Are having a "Mega In-door Garage Sale" in Xavier Hall July 23rd through July 27th to raise funds for a playground structure. This sale truly will be exceptional—new and used items such as tools, fitness equipment, clothing, shoes, and some items you usually just don't see at garage sales like a brand new Schwinn bicycle, an air fryer grill, and an unused wheelchair ramp. See our calendar for times. Photos of items are on the center's public Facebook page. Visit it on the web at: www.facebook.com/ PLAYS-Child-Care-Center

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

JULY 23 THROUGH JULY 27 P.L.A.Y.S. DAYCARE GARAGE SALE XAVIER HALL

Saturday 5 p.m. - 8 p.m./Sunday noon - 8 p.m./Monday & Tuesday 9 a.m. - 8 p.m. | ALL SALES FINAL. NO REFUNDS OR RETURNS. CASH & CARRY ONLY.

MONDAY, JULY 25
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REFLECTION ON 1 CORINTHIANS
7 p.m. | atroiani@csjoseph.org

FRIDAY, JULY 29
SFX YOUTH DAY AT GRAND VUE
| Aerial and glow-in-the dark fun!

SATURDAY, AUGUST 6 ST. ALPHONSUS RUMMAGE SALE 8 a.m. - 1 p.m. | Parish Hall.

FALL BIBLE STUDY - CONVERSION
First three weeks in September starting
Aug. 31 & Sept. 1 - first three weeks in
November. Wednesdays at 9 a.m. OR
Thursdays at 6:30 p.m. Church Hall |
Forms are in the office, front of church,
and our website. Register by Aug. 8.

SUNDAY, AUGUST 28 - PARISH PICNIC Mass @ noon | St. Jude Park. Lunch after Mass. Father hopes to use our vegetables to make Stone Soup!

ONGOING EVENTS

FOURTH MONDAY EACH MONTH 6 p.m. | Bereavement Group. St. John's Church Benwood. Fellowship Hall. Next meeting July 24.

WEDNESDAYS

11:30 a.m. — 1:30 p.m. | Line Dancing With Lottie at the Moundsville VFW.

COMING SEPTEMBER 26 & 27

SPEAKER JASON EVERT
Chastity/Gender, Theology of Your Body.
\$20 per person | St. Michael's Parish.
Contact Diane at 304-242-1560 for
more information and tickets.

REMINDER: RAMP WORK STARTS MONDAY. PARISHIONERS ONLY MAY ENTER THE OFFICE VIA THE RECTORY MONDAYS AND TUESDAYS UNTIL WORK COMPLETES.

SCHEDULES JULY 30 & 31

4:00 p.m. Saturday

Lector: Dave Evans

Eucharistic: Libby Magnone **Servers:** Please Volunteer

8:00 a.m. Sunday

Lector: Loretta Remke Eucharistic: Phil Remke Servers: Please Volunteer

10:00 a.m. Sunday

Lector: Loretta Niemiec Eucharistic: Jane Klug Servers: Please Volunteer

Sacristy

Suzanne Artimez Ellen McCormick

OFFERINGJULY 10, 2022

\$2,712.00 **Envelopes Loose Offering** \$386.00 \$655.00 Church Repair Xavier Hall \$35.00 Diocesan \$5.00 Pennies for God \$18.00 **Memorial Gifts** \$25.00 Online Giving \$65.15 Attendance 234

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