

MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday, July 17, 2010

4:30 pm—Vigil Mass: Sacred Heart Church
Carmella Donofrio, req. Cathie Weredyk
Joseph Nicastri, req. M/M F. Basile

Sunday, July 18, 2010

9:00 am—Mass: St. Philip Neri Church
Bill Mather, req. M/M S. Weredyk
11:00 am—Mass: Sacred Heart Church
Peter Songdale, req. John & Pat Gibbons
Betty Triolo/Millie Donofrio,
req. Gary & Kathy Triolo-Knapp
Special intention for Dorothy Winberry,
req. Kerry McCracken

Monday thru Friday, July 19-23, 2010

No Masses Scheduled These Days!

Saturday, July 24, 2010

4:30 pm—Vigil Mass: Sacred Heart Church
Carmine & Anna Donofrio, req. Donofrio Family
Loretta Stock, req. Family

Sunday, July 25, 2010

9:00 am—Mass: St. Philip Neri Church
Francis L. Govern & Family, req. Estate
11:00 am—Mass: Sacred Heart Church
Marilyn Tully, req. John & Pat Gibbons
Carmella Donofrio, req. M/M R. Popp

Daily Readings for July 19-25, 2010

Monday, July 19, 2010

Micah 6:1-4, 6-8; Matthew 12:38-42

Tuesday, July 20, 2010—St. Apollinaris

Micah 7:14-15, 18-20; Matthew 12:46-50

Wednesday, July 21, 2010—St. Lawrence of Brindisi

Jeremiah 1:1, 4-10; Matthew 13:1-9

Thursday, July 22, 2010—St. Mary Magdalene

Jeremiah 2:1-3, 7-8, 12-13; John 20:1-2, 11-18

Friday, July 23, 2010—St. Bridget of Sweden

Jeremiah 3:14-17; Matthew 13:18-23

Saturday, July 24, 2010

Jeremiah 7:1-11; Matthew 13:24-30

Sunday, July 25, 2010—Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Genesis 18:20-32; Colossians 2:12-14; Luke 11:1-13



PASTORAL SHARINGS

Blurring the Boundaries

This week, Jesus again goes against all Jewish expectations. Jewish women were not permitted to study the Scriptures with a rabbi. Women could listen to the public reading of the scriptures, but "There are no known examples of women reading in the synagogue during Jesus' time." (*Witherington, 1990*)

Yet, Jesus affirms Mary's decision to stay listening and learning at his feet, like any other disciple, instead of doing women's work. This, again, is Jesus' way of wiping out artificial boundaries, and declaring that God's kingdom has no divisions, even within the Jewish family itself.

God sees differently, because God allows the lines to blur. We can learn to see differently, too. Blurring the typical, expected images we have of life and people and events enables us to see deeper into God's reality. St. Paul did this when he said, "There is no longer male or female, Jew or Gentile, rich or poor..."

Do you know how desperately people need us Christians to bring this deeper vision to the issues in our world today? If we say, "There is no longer disabled or able-bodied, gay or straight, young or old...", we are teaching the world to blur the old lines of rejection, prejudice, condemnation and abuse. DO IT!

Leave the judgments up to God! By allowing nothing but God's love to reign supreme, by trusting in God's timing and God's deeper wisdom, we are bringing the light of Jesus Christ into the dark corners of those precious lives for whom Jesus died.

I will be thinking about you today. I will try to call from India and inform you what is going on. Let us pray for one another. Thank you very much for everything.

Last Week's
 Collection

July 10/11, 2010

4:30 PM	9:00 AM	11:00 AM
\$996.00	\$1,464.00	\$946.00

Total: \$3,406.00

Scholarship Fund: \$40.00



SECOND
COLLECTION

Next weekend, July 24/25, 2010, our diocese will take up the Peter's Pence Collection, which provides the Holy Father with the assistance he needs to carry out his most important charitable works. The proceeds benefit the most disadvantaged: victims of war, oppression, and disasters. Through your generosity, with Pope Benedict we can cast the love of Christ upon the world.

HE WHO DOES JUSTICE
◆◆◆◆◆ WILL LIVE ◆◆◆◆◆
IN THE PRESENCE OF THE LORD.

Vacation Bible School

Vacation Bible School for 2010 for *ages 5 to 11*, is the week of *August 9th thru the 13th from 9 am to 12 noon* at the parish hall. If your child is interested in attending, please fill our VBS registration form which are located on the table at the front entrance of church.



Registration Forms for the upcoming Faith Formation school year are located on the table at the entrance of church. Please register EARLY! There will be a \$5.00 extra charge added to the fee this year if you register after classes have resumed.



Attention ALL STUDENTS grades 6-8th: There will be a youth rally sponsored by the Diocesan Office of Evangelization, Catechesis, & Family Life on August 4, 2010 from 10 am to 6 pm. I would love to have good amount of students experience such an amazing event! For more information please contact Ellen Marando, Faith Formation Coordinator at (518) 391-5788.

Please Save the Date! There will be a Diocesan Youth Rally on November 12th and 13th, 2010. The title is "God is Love." The rally is for all high school age youth and their parents. For more information please contact Ellen Marando, Faith Formation Coordinator at (518) 391-5788.

THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH

Monday, July 19, 2010: Prayer & Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament at **5 pm** at Sacred Heart Church.

Tuesday, July 20, 2010: Rosary at **1 pm** at Sacred Heart Church.

Wednesday, July 21, 2010: "Tai Chi" at **7 pm** at Sacred Heart Parish Hall. *Beginners welcome—come for fun and improve your health!*

Thursday, July 22, 2010: Knights of Columbus meeting at **7 pm** at Sacred Heart Parish Hall.

Saturday & Sunday, July 24/25, 2010: "New Parishioner Recognition" at all of our weekend liturgies.

50/50 Raffle

Each week at St. Philip Neri Church—9 am Mass they will be selling 50/50 raffle tickets to benefit their handicap ramp project. They are .25 cents each or 5 for a \$1.00 per ticket. Drawing will be weekend of September 5, 2010.

On July 24th at the Prattsville Days Festival from 9 am to ?, the SPN Handicap Access Fund Group will have a booth selling their raffle tickets.

56th Annual Bishop's Appeal

The 56th Annual Bishop's Appeal is ongoing throughout our Diocese. Our parish has pledged **\$21,003.00** so far from our parishioners and visitors.

As you can see we are still **\$8,904.00** SHORT of our Diocesan assessment of **\$29,907.00**. Your gift to Our Bishop's Appeal benefits not only our parish but the Diocese as a whole. It's an extremely valuable gift to both!

Thank you to everyone who has responded to the Bishop's Appeal.

IF YOU HAVE ALREADY FILLED OUT A PLEDGE ENVELOPE, PLEASE DO NOT FILL OUT ANOTHER ENVELOPE OR SEND MONEY TO THE PARISH, the diocese will bill you through the mail during this coming year. **THANK YOU!**

Mass Intention—Gift Bearers

Those who have requested an intention for a weekend Mass are invited to present the offertory gifts at that Mass. Family and friends of the person(s) remembered at Mass may also present the gifts. If you would like to do this, please inform the usher/greeters before Mass begins.



CHURCH MINISTRIES

We are in need of "GREETERS" for all the masses at both Sacred Heart Church and St. Philip Neri Church. The goal of this ministry is to provide a warm and welcoming atmosphere for all of our visitors and our own faith community members.

Greeters play a vital role in the unfolding of the liturgical action of the Eucharist. They set the tone for the celebration. If you are an outgoing person and would like to serve the Lord, please contact the parish office at 652-7170.



CONGRATULATIONS to Spain for their victory over Germany to win the World Cup!



I would like to thank Fr. Joe, all the parishioners and all our friends for your prayers and support during my recent surgery.

Josie Macaluso

Women's Guild News

On Monday, July 12th the Women's Guild had the drawing for the raffle tickets they sold: **Winners were: Jerry DePalma/Handmade Quilt; Mary Wellington/Painting; and Lisa German/Crèche.** Congratulations!