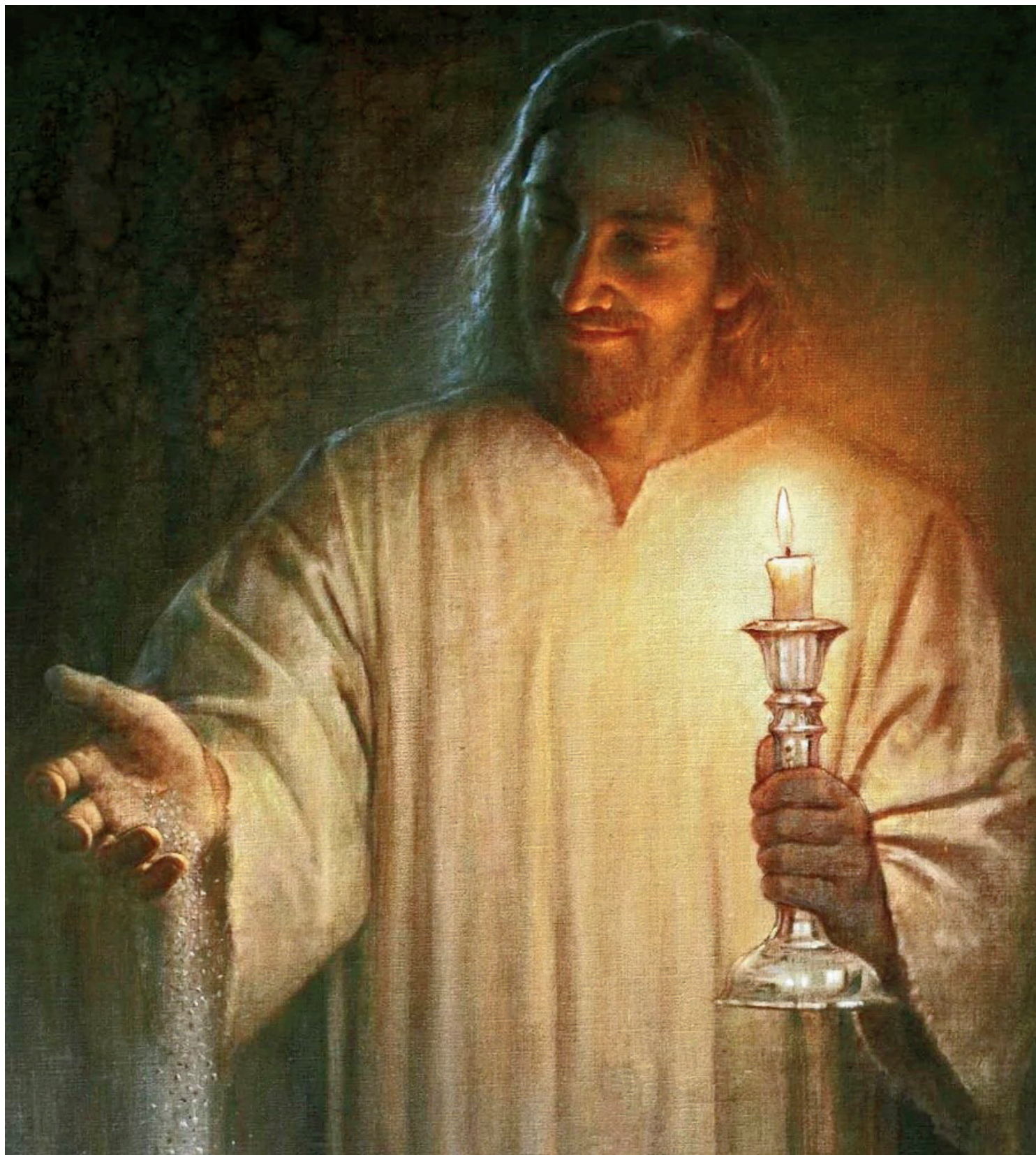


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Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time | February 5, 2023

Daily Mass Intentions

Sunday, February 5 Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 AM **Patricia DellaCava**
r/o Mike & Linda Liccardi

10:00 AM **Paul Pompa, Jr.**
r/o His Son Paul Pompa III

11:30 AM **Josephine "Jo" Morales**
r/o Kathy Dalton

Monday, February 6 St. Paul Miki and Companions, Martyrs

9:15 AM **Jane Bartol**
r/o The Coyne Family

Tuesday, February 7

9:15 AM **Doug Humphrey**
r/o The Family

Wednesday, February 8 St. Jerome Emiliani; St. Josephine Bakhita, Virgin

9:15 AM **Susan Schlichting Lynch**
r/o Bill & Sylvia Smalley

Thursday, February 9

9:15 AM **Howard "Church" Blazier**
r/o John & Kate Nordstrom

Friday, February 10 St. Scholastica, Virgin

9:15 AM **Dick Birmingham**
r/o Bob Sanger

Saturday, February 11 Our Lady of Lourdes; BVM

9:15 AM **Frank Skryznairz**
r/o John & Kat Nordstrom

5:00 PM **Maria Minervini**
r/o Anna Campo

Sunday, February 12 Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 AM **Rocco Pelligrino**
r/o Elizabeth Biro

10:00 AM **Mary DeAngelis**
r/o John & Bernadette Truglio

11:30 AM **Wilma LoBiondo**
r/o Alison Morrison

Please remember in your prayers the sick, homebound and disabled of our parish family, all those listed in the parish book of intentions, and all the men and women of the Armed Forces.



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We look forward to hearing from you!



In Loving Memory

Please pray for the families and loved ones of the departed who now enjoy everlasting life:

Genevieve Bartol

*Mother of Eileen Rust, Mother-in-law of Paul Rust,
and Grandmother of Genevieve Rust*

Shirley Ann Martin

*Mother of Lisa Anzelone and
Mother-in-law of Bill Anzelone*

*Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let
perpetual light shine upon them. May their souls and
the souls of all the faithful departed through the mercy
of God rest in peace. Amen.*



The Sanctuary Lamp in the Chapel
burns this week in loving memory of

Martina Schmalz Palmer

at the request of
Mom & Dad



We Welcome Our Newly Baptized



Keira Madison Sweeney

Daughter of Liam and Molly



February 5, 2023
- 5th Sunday in Ordinary Time

*"Let your light shine before others, that they may see
your good works and give glory to your Father who
is in heaven." MATTHEW 5:16*

The generosity of being a good steward of your gifts
has a positive effect on people and it is contagious!
Good works encourage more good works. Generosity
is a by-product of a grateful lifestyle. The more
we recognize God's gifts, the more we want to share
them. Good stewards recognize that God is working
through them and they don't put themselves above
the people they have been called to help.

From the Office of Faith Formation

The 7th & 8th grade sponsored joint project to collect winter clothing and coats was kicked off with Mass celebrated by Bishop Checchio. We received an outpouring of donations from parishioners as well as our local senior residents. Donations will be distributed to men's and women's shelters, and the Knights of Columbus project. Thank you to all who donated.



Rosary Workshop

Longtime parishioner, Margaret Szombath, taught Rosary making to a few of our catechists this past Tuesday, in preparation for a parish activity in October. We hope this upcoming activity will inspire everyone to celebrate the month of the Rosary!



Our 7th grade students, along with some parents, thoroughly enjoyed a Chastity talk facilitated by Omar Fernandez from LifeNet. LifeNet is a non-profit educational organization. This presentation is based on scriptural teaching on true love and on how living a life of chastity leads us to love authentically.

Religious Education

We offer religious education for children of registered parishioners who attend public school grades Kindergarten through 8th. Preparation for the Sacraments of First Penance, First Holy Communion, and Confirmation is also provided for students who attend Catholic Schools. The Confirmation Program is two-year preparation program. Students may not enroll into 8th grade unless they complete our 7th grade program or attend a Catholic School. Please check our website or contact the Office of Faith Formation at 908-647-1075 ext. 112 for more information.





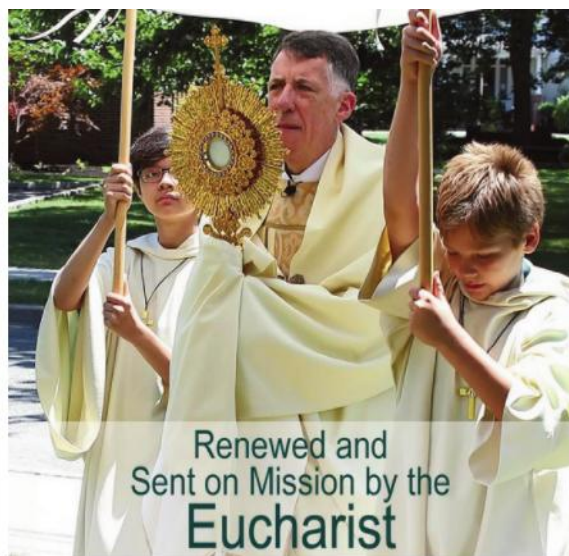
The **OLM Women's Ministry** series on Mary "Queen of Heaven, Mary's Battle for You" just completed Session 2. It's not too late to join us for the remaining 6 sessions. If interested, visit the OLM Women's Ministry webpage to register.



Baby Bottle Blessings!

Weekend of February 26th, 2023

Our Lady of the Mount will host a **Baby Bottle Blessings** Campaign benefitting **INSPIRE Family Life Center**; a pregnancy help center located on Mt. Bethel Road in Warren. Inspire offers free ultrasounds, life-skills and parenting education, material aid and resources to those who are facing challenging and unexpected pregnancies; inspiring them to be open to new life while courageously embracing the beautiful vision of God's will for them. To learn more visit: www.InspireFamilyLifeCenter.com. Bottles will be available at all entrances and should be returned to the Church by the weekend of March 12th. Thank you and God bless you!



2023 Bishop's Annual Appeal

Inflation is just one factor bringing more people to our doors, especially struggling, working parents and seniors on a fixed income. With your help, Catholic Charities distributed over 193,000 pounds of food last year and gave \$600,000 in rental assistance. Others are being helped with transitional housing, affordable childcare or counseling services.

Dedicated to upholding the fundamental Catholic Social Teaching principle that all human beings, created in the image and likeness of God, have by their very existence inherent worth, Catholic Charities makes it a priority to treat every person who comes to its doors with dignity and respect. Thanks to your gift to the Bishop's Annual Appeal, Catholic Charities continues to be an effective witness of Christ's love in the world.



2023 Diocesan Youth Day

"I am with you always, to the end of the age"
(Mt 28:20)

March 12, 2023

St. Thomas Aquinas High School, Edison

11:30 AM-5:00 PM

Cost: \$20

Throughout the course of this day, teens will come together to enter into the sacrament of the **Mass celebrated by Bishop Checchio**, have fun with one another, hear a **keynote from CFR, Fr. Malachy**, have the opportunity for **Adoration and Confession**, and enjoy some **live music, good food**, and more!

To register please visit: www.diometuchen.org/yyam

Saint of the Day

Saturday, February 4th, 2023



Saint Joseph of Leonissa

Joseph was born at Leonissa in the Kingdom of Naples. As a boy and as a student in early adulthood, Joseph drew attention for his energy and virtue. Offered a nobleman's daughter in marriage, Joseph refused and joined the Capuchins in his hometown in 1573 instead. Avoiding the safe compromises by which people sometimes undercut the gospel, Joseph denied himself hearty meals and comfortable quarters as he prepared for ordination and a life of preaching.

In 1587, he went to Constantinople to take care of the Christian galley slaves working under Turkish masters. Imprisoned for this work, he was warned not to resume it on his release. He did and was again imprisoned and then condemned to death. Miraculously freed, he returned to Italy where he preached to the poor and reconciled feuding families as well as warring cities which had been at odds for years. He was canonized in 1745.

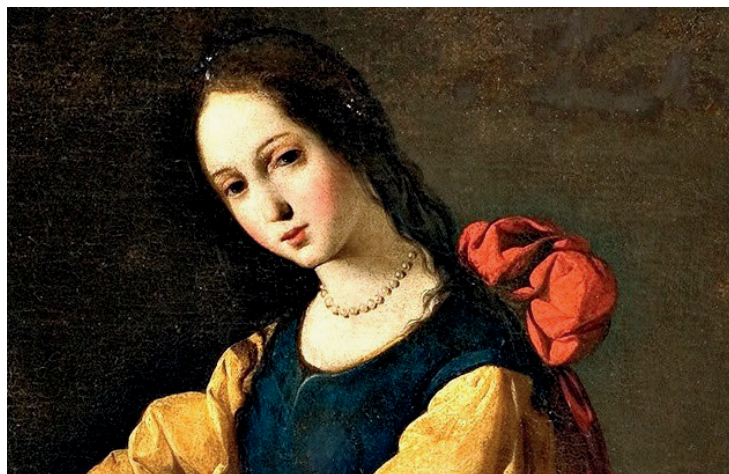
Reflection

Saints often jar us because they challenge our ideas about what we need for "the good life." "I'll be happy when. . .," we may say, wasting an incredible amount of time on the periphery of life. People like Joseph of Leonissa challenge us to face life courageously and get to the heart of it: life with God. Joseph was a compelling preacher because his life was as convincing as his words.

**Source: "Saint of the Day" Franciscan Media*

Saint of the Day

Sunday, February 5th, 2023



Saint Agatha

As in the case of Agnes, another virgin-martyr of the early Church, almost nothing is historically certain about this saint except that she was martyred in Sicily during the persecution of Emperor Decius in 251.

Legend has it that Agatha, like Agnes, was arrested as a Christian, tortured, and sent to a house of prostitution to be mistreated. She was preserved from being violated, and was later put to death.

She is claimed as the patroness of both Palermo and Catania. The year after her death, the stilling of an eruption of Mt. Etna was attributed to her intercession. As a result, apparently, people continued to ask her prayers for protection against fire.

Reflection

The scientific modern mind winces at the thought of a volcano's might being contained by God because of the prayers of a Sicilian girl. Still less welcome, probably, is the notion of that saint being the patroness of such varied professions as those of foundry workers, nurses, miners and Alpine guides. Yet, in our historical precision, have we lost an essential human quality of wonder and poetry, and even our belief that we come to God by helping each other, both in action and prayer?

Saint Agatha is the Patron Saint of:

Healing from Diseases of the Breast
Nurses

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