

TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY ORDINARY TIME, AUGUST 28, 2022

Announced Masses

August 27, Saturday,

5 PM 1) Joe Krzysik & Family by Anna & Ron Meyer
*2) Celine Hilarion by Joe & Aggy Vallanat

Sunday, Twenty-second Sunday, August 28,

9:00 AM (Pond Ed.) Glenn Joergle by Elisa Joergle
11:15 AM Unity in the Community by Roseann Paolini

Monday, August 29, St. John the Baptist

9:00 AM Louis Zaza by Grace Garufi

Tuesday, August 30,

9:00 AM John & Lucy Krzysik (L) by Ron & Anna Meyer

Wednesday, August 31,

9:00 AM NO MASS

Thursday, September 1,

9:00 AM Anthony Pawlica by Anna & Ron Meyer

Friday, September 2,

9:00 AM Susan Mapes
11:00 AM Mass of Christian Burial for Kurtis Somers

Saturday, September 3,

9:00 AM Mass of Anointing
Joseph Horecky by Florence Horecky
5:00 PM 1) Fr. Anthony Moore, OFM by Ron & Anna Meyer
*2) Andrew Kisela by Lucille Kisela

Sunday, Twenty-third Sunday in Ord. Time, 9/4

9:00 AM (Pond Eddy) Bill Schneider by Pat Newman
11:15AM Michael Kennedy by Ed & Patty Kennedy

PARISH PRAYER LIST

Please pray for: Betty Ford, Jane Fay, Abigail, David, Jennifer, Shane Kelsey, Anne Suppa, Michele Griesbaum, Lisa Donohue, James Valenti, Kathleen Quinn, Vincent Russo, Aliya Rachlin, Tara Byrne, Bob Einterz, Andrea Fedoruk, Nicky Castagna, Michael and Matthew Mclean, and Samantha. For Our Military Personnel: Vaughn Schlott, Ana Lucia Teran-Stasilli, Arianar Severf, Larry Weiss, Martin Kamen, Peggy Connolly, Mary Ann, Kimberly Chatfield, Isabella Marchese, Ira Glickler, Rose Infantino, Cathy Gerrard, Linda Bozza, Stephanie Freer Greyden Freer, Karen Fullone, Carol Scott, Eileen Hoynes Hope Traver, Louise Smith, Stephen Scognamiglio, Pam Kocher, Gabriella Francesca Maria Paolini, Janice Mutia, Rose Ann Donnadio, Steven & Kelly Spencer, Pastor Linda Bohs, Jeanne Boyar Arniery, Lee VanSaaders, Barbara Donnelly and Mary Ann, Grace Garufi, Joe Garufi, Cheryl Novak, Melaina Elms, Neil R. Stasilli III, Michael Sherwood, Michael Jaszczak and Anthony Horecky.

CONTACT THE RECTORY FOR YOUR LOVED ONES NAMES TO BE ADDED TO THE PRAYER LIST

St. Michael, the Archangel, defend us in battle; be our defense against the wickedness and snares of the devil.

May God rebuke him, we humbly pray; and do thou, O Prince of the heavenly host, by the power of God, thrust into hell Satan and the other evil spirits who prowl about the world seeking the ruin of souls. Amen.

THE MEMORARE

Remember, O most gracious Virgin Mary, that never was it known that anyone who fled to thy protection, implored thy help or sought thy intercession was left unaided.

Inspired by this confidence, I fly unto thee, O Virgin of virgins, my mother; to thee do I come, before thee I stand sinful and sorrowful. O Mother of the Word incarnate despise not my petitions, but in thy mercy hear and answer me. Amen.

May we search for ways to counteract all the sorrows we have gone through as a nation and a community these last few years.

May our faith grow stronger and our vision be more focused on the truly important things of life!

THE ALTAR CANDLES for SEPTEMBER:

In Memory of Andrew Kisela by Lucille Kisela

***Due to the limited number of openings for Weekend Masses, we will sometimes need to share the intentions for the Saturday evening Mass (as is**

200 Club Tickets are still being sold after each Mass

NEW MONTHLY MEMORIALS

Donate altar candles OR hosts & wine for the month

In honor of a deceased friend or loved one

The name will appear in "The Bulletin" for the month

Donation is \$60.00 (Donation goes to Community Outreach)

**BEREAVEMENT GROUP WILL BE STARTING
SUNDAY OCTOBER 2, at the parish hall
See Elisa for details**

TODAY'S READINGS (by Fr. RJB)

FIRST READING

In our first reading from the Book of the Sirach we read about the virtue of humility. Humility is so special that the humble person will be admired by all; and the more he or she excels in humility the greater they will be in the eyes of God. These are very wise words to live by.

SECOND READING

In our second reading from the Letter to the Hebrews, it speaks to those assembled as being members of the new covenant on their journey to heaven, and since we possess the victory already because of Jesus triumph over sin and death, we can see ourselves as already arrived. The author of Hebrews speaks of the angels gathered along with the spirits of the just and Jesus. Do we, as a culture, do enough to imagine heaven to ourselves? We imagine, in all kinds of vivid detail, the terrible things that can hurt us individually (like disease) or things that can destroy our nation (like war). However, why not, as a church, focus on our true destiny? The more real heaven becomes for us the more serene and joyful we will be!

THE GOSPEL

In today's Gospel from St. Luke, we see Jesus as a "master psychologist" using people's pride to teach them about humility. When you think about it, how brilliant is this! He tells the people: Listen, your self-esteem will be hurt if you think yourself so important that you take places of honor at a party, and then have to be told that the seat is reserved for a more important person than you and you have to leave it. It is better, he counsels, to take the lowly seat and be bumped up to a more prominent seat at the request of the host, so all the people there will see how important you are to the host. By using our vanity and our fear of being humiliated, Jesus helps us to act humbly. This is very clever of him, because he knows that when we are introducing a new habit like humility, most people need to be motivated into following it. Eventually, humility will become second nature to us and we will see its many blessings in our lives like those suggested in our first reading today.

SUNDAY COLLECTION: August 21, \$1,529.00

**EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS AVAILABLE
FOR HOME VISITS**

**If someone is homebound and would like to receive
Jesus, please call the rectory to set up an appointment to
have one of our Ministers visit**

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I CAN'T BELIEVE SUMMER IS...

by Fr. Richard J. Breton

I can't believe summer is almost over. It is shopping for school supplies, having people over for a last BBQ, starting to say so long to summer friendships and getting back to the busy mode of life. How blest are we to have these many choices and so many activities that we feel stressed and overwhelmed to try to do it all.

If this is your life now, how blessed are you! It may not always be your life in the future. As we grow older our choices are sometimes fewer, and the comfort of old friends and family members may stop due to diminishment or death. Being the surviving spouse, or the last of a clique, or the couple with an empty house after the kids are raised, has a whole host of challenges. The key challenge is to form community in order to keep our minds and bodies active and our morale high. Some people join senior centers to recreate and "pass time" as my granddad use to say.

However, there is a real role that the church can play to bridge the gap from the active years to the re-orientation that can happen with the challenges of time. We are blest to have these programs staring up in the fall:

- 1- The Mary and Joseph Table where people of the parish are invited for a night out at the parish center with a great home-cooked meal and spiritual-fun activities to follow.
- 2- Our Bereavement Group will meet over many sessions on Sundays beginning October 2nd. This is important, because we can get very disorientated after the loss of a loved one, especially if we made them the center of our lives. In a very supportive and caring environment we get to share their specialness to us and begin the process of gently allowing them (and us) to return to peace.
- 3- For those who find it difficult to get out, you will have the opportunity for our Eucharistic Ministers to come to you for prayer and the reception of Holy Communion.
- 4- I am in the process of building a carport for a 12-Passenger Van I have for Heaven's Embrace, the retreat on Rt. 55. Once it is built, I would like to bring the van here from NYC and make it available to pick up people for church services on Saturday or Sunday.

**In these ways, and maybe many more, we
plan to have our community stay together
because it prays, hopes & shares life together!**