


St. Cornelius Parish

SUNDAY BULLETIN

July 9, 2023



Come to me, all you who labor and are
burdened, and I will give you rest.
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St. Cornelius Parish Summer Office Hours

Monday thru Thursday 8:00 am to 2:00 pm

Friday 8:00 pm to 12:00 pm Noon

closed for Lunch 12:00 pm to 1:00 pm

Saturday: Confessions 2:30 - 3:30 Vigil Mass 4:00 pm

Sunday: 7:30 am, 9:00 am, 11:00 am, 4:00 pm

Weekday Mass: 7:30 am

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament: will return after Labor Day

LiveStream www.livestream.com/saintcornelius

Thoughts from the Second Floor Front

XIV Sunday in Ordinary Time

July 9, 2023

How do you enter a room? Not when you open the door to a room you know is empty. How do you enter a room when there are other people in it? The Italians have a phrase they use on arrival: “Ecco mi!” Literally: Behold me! Is that how you arrive?

How do you enter into a conversation? Do you dominate the interaction? Speak louder than others? Are you an over talker, someone who continues to speak while another is making an assertion? Hold forth on your opinion without any regard for what others may think? If these character traits are not yours you may know someone who has them.

Contrast them to the description of the entrance of the Messiah in the first reading from the prophet Zechariah and the directive that Jesus gives in the gospel. The characteristic or trait that is apparent in both of these passage is meekness; a certain level of unassuming modesty. Our culture does not readily embrace meekness or modesty. Meekness is equated with weakness and modesty is somehow perceived as an indication of a lack of assertiveness; neither of which have much support in the culture.

The Prophet indicates that the Promised One would arrive in an understated manner marked by meekness. He will not be on a charging stallion, sword in hand; ready to discharge the oppressors of the people. In Jesus’ day there was a hope among some that the Messiah would arrive to overthrow the Roman occupiers and do away with their onerous presence, rule and taxes. The gospels present a different image and a gentler approach that Jesus has given to His followers.

Read the gospel passage this week. Notice to whom it is that Jesus sends out his message. His limitless love beckons “...all who labor and are burdened....” The Lord knows the human condition very well. He calls all who labor and are burdened because all of us do labor and are burdened. It seems to be part of the human condition. In Jesus we are called beyond our humanity. We are ultimately called to his divinity. That is not something that should only come at the end of time. We are called to be Jesus for others. Our way is not to hammer other people with scripture quotes to demonstrate the need for conversion. We are not all called to apologetics and missionary like evangelization. Our way is to quietly, modestly and gently imitate the good Lord in the daily and, many times, challenging activities of daily life. It is a challenge to be a faithful Catholic in our contemporary culture. Our society does not embrace the gospel values that we have embraced and cling to in a world marked more by assertiveness, if not violence, rather than the meekness of the Savior.

I have read and heard it asserted that the last socially acceptable form of prejudice in our country is anti-Catholicism. Think back just a few days ago with the blasphemous and disgraceful display of anti-Catholicism for which the Los Angeles Dodgers are responsible. Would the Jewish community tolerated such blatantly bigoted behavior? Would Muslims be patient if the insults flew about their faith practices as it has ours?

Just last week we celebrated Independence Day in our nation, and the freedom we enjoy. Sadly all too often in our contemporary culture freedom is confused with licentiousness. As you go about your daily tasks this week, do so with confidence in God who has called you to be a witness, His witness in our world. A world that on occasion seems to be spinning helplessly and hopelessly further and further away from the center. The insight of Edmund Burke, the 18th century British Parliamentarian still rings true: The only thing necessary for the triumph of evil is for good [people] to do nothing. The good we do may not make headlines. Nevertheless we are charged to do that which is good, despite the opposition.

Faithfully,

Msgr. Diamond

The St. Cornelius Literary Society

My Father's House - Joseph O'Connor

This was the third place winner when last I polled the membership. A few have already begun and finished it.

So this will be the next book the Society takes on for the month of July.

September 1943: German forces occupy Rome. Gestapo boss Obersturmbannführer Paul Hauptmann rules with terror. Hunger is widespread. Rumors fester. The war's outcome is far from certain.

Diplomats, refugees, and escaped Allied prisoners flee for protection into Vatican City; at one fifth of a square mile, it's the world's smallest state, a neutral, independent country within Rome. A small band of unlikely friends led by a courageous Irish priest is drawn into deadly danger as they seek to help those seeking refuge. A deadly high-stakes battle of wits ensues in this astonishing and unforgettable story of love, faith, and sacrifice that explores what it means to be truly human in the most extreme circumstances.

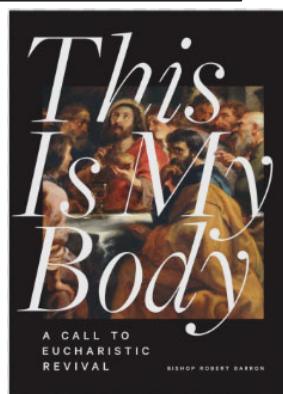
The first book in the *Rome Escape Line Trilogy*, this powerful, heartbreaking literary thriller is based on the true story of Monsignor Hugh O'Flaherty, a man who risked his life to smuggle thousands of Jews and escaped Allied prisoners out of Italy under the nose of his Nazi nemesis.

A specific date to gather and discuss will be announced at a later date.



If you were fortunate enough to pick up Bishop Robert Barron's Book *This is my Body*, I hope you have found it insightful and inspirational.

If you have finished reading the book and would like to pass it along, please feel free to return your copy to the church. You will find a basket beneath the large monitor in the vestibule where you can leave it for someone else to enjoy.



Mysteries of the Rosary aims to facilitate an experience where participants can encounter, contemplate and discuss the key mysteries in the life of Jesus Christ as contained within the Rosary. The Rosary is simultaneously a contemplative prayer, a spiritual weapon and a catechetical tool. The goal is for each participant to encounter the person of Jesus Christ in the episodes, discussions and in their personal prayer. In doing so, Our Lord will teach them the art of Christian living as well as the art of Christian prayer.

Dates: Each Thursday, July 13 - August 24, 2023 (7 sessions of "R&R: Rosary and Reflection")

Time: 7:00 - 8:30 pm

Location: Parish Life Center (PLC)

Weekly Agenda:

- 7:00 pm Gathering, Food and Fellowship
- 7:30 pm Video
- 8:00 pm Discussion and Prayer
- 8:30 pm Closing

This is a free event. Come for just one session, or come for all seven. Bring a friend! All are welcome for these evenings of fellowship, learning, discussion and prayer. To RSVP or if you have questions, please contact Kevin Shaw at 703-405-7579 (cell/text).

The Rosary Series: Mysteries of the Rosary Official Trailer
youtu.be/JA0Rr0aoduc

The Rosary Series: Session Sign-up / RSVP
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Watch the video



Session sign up



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Matthew XXV Garden



Welcome to the Matthew XXV Garden Season 3

Thank you for your support with the Matthew XXV Garden.

Our trellises for the tomato plants are now installed and soon we will see the tomato plants begin their ascent up the strings. This effort will aid in keeping the plants off the ground.

See the garden sign-up genius on the parish website for weekly support with mowing the lawn, weeding, edging, and checking on the water.

Otherwise look for updates in the Bulletin and via Monsignor Diamond's Thursday email.

Children working on volunteer projects / hours are welcome.



It can be difficult to find a Catholic Church while traveling and vacationing in unfamiliar locations. WWW.MassTimes.org is a convenient way to locate a church so you can continue to receive Holy Eucharist and celebrate Mass.



Helping Hands and Hearts

This ministry offers temporary help (meals, errands, etc.) to individuals and families in need! If you are aware of someone in need or would like to be a volunteer helper, please contact Marilyn Gustin at mgustin05@gmail.com (484) 732-8842.

Sunday July 16 12:00 Noon



Join our Parish Pro-Life Group in the church on Sunday, July 16, at noon, as we pray a Rosary and the Litany of Loreto for the unborn and an end to abortion. It is a perfect way to perform a spiritual work of mercy for the most vulnerable.

This event is scheduled every 3rd Sunday so please mark your calendar now. Bring a friend..



When: Saturday, July 15, 4:00 PM Mass and Sunday, July 16, 11:00 AM Mass.

Where: Please sit in the 6 front pews all around the front of the church. You may have one other person with you if you wish.

Who: Please let us know if you wish to receive this Sacrament by emailing the PLC at stcorn1@comcast.net or by calling the PLC at (610) 459-2502. This will give us an idea of how many people wish to participate and help us to record who has received the Sacrament.

Why: When the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick is given, the hoped-for effect is that, if it be God's will, the person be physically healed of illness. But even if there is no physical healing, the primary effect of the Sacrament is a spiritual healing by which the sick person receives the Holy Spirit's gift of peace and courage to deal with the difficulties that accompany serious illness or the frailty of old age. A person should not wait until they are at the point of death to receive this Sacrament.

Updating Our Prayer List

We are attempting to update our prayer list as it has grown over the years. If you know of a loved one listed whom you feel has been helped by our prayers and are now recovered, please email the office at stcorn1@comcast.net so we can remove their name.



The Sunday collection is very important for us to maintain our fiscal responsibilities. So, if you are away on a Sunday, *ENJOY*; but remember *YOUR* church.

July 2, 2023



Due to the eqarly submission of the bulletin over the July 4th Holiday, the offertory was not available at the time of printing



St. Cornelius Early Learning Center

Saint Cornelius Early Learning Center Job Opportunity

Assistant Teacher

Saint Cornelius Early Learning Center is now accepting applications for part time assistant teachers for the upcoming 2023-2024 school year. We are looking for candidates, who are enthusiastic, energetic, and flexible. We are looking to hire individuals who are available Monday through Friday from 8 AM to 3 PM. Hours can be made flexible.

For more information about the position and necessary qualifications, please contact: Abigail McCusker at akohlbrener@scornelius.org or call 610-459-8663

*Let us pray for our Men and Women
serving in the Armed Forces. Especially for:*

SSG Ana Brunal
SPC Mike Canfield
Cpl Michael Castle
Lt. Connor Cleary
Fr. Joseph Coffey (Chaplain)
Maj Robert B. Cusick, Jr.
Capt Joshua deFreitas
SSGT Michael DiVernieri
Cadet Emily Fanning
Ens Ryan Gallagher
SSG. Eric Gardner
Capt Matthew Gibbons
Ens Patrick Gibbons
Ens John Paul Gibbons
Maj Rachel Gonzalez
SPC Logan Hannum
Sgt Andrew Hart
Devin J. Hunt
PO1 Nathan R. Keller
Lt Lauren Kinnee
Capt Daniel Kohli
Capt Chris Love
Capt Megan Love
Sgt Jason Lyons

2nd Lt. Kevin Malone
Sgt Alexander Marlow
Pfc Zachary Marlow
LT. Cmdr Daniel McCadden
CSM Sean McGlensey
Capt Jonathan McGrath
LT Molly K. McGuckin
LCDR Ryan A. McGuckin
Maj. Sean P. Noll
Lt. Col Brian J. O'Shea
Lt. Cmdr Inga O'Shea
Maj James O'Shea
PFC L Roland
LTJG Christian Samulewicz
2nd LT Olivia Samulewicz
Capt. Neal F. Schubert
HM3 Charles Schwartz
Ens Nicholas Spadaccini
MSG Thomas Stone
Cpl Mark Truex
Lt. Christopher Vish
1st Lt Aidan Walsh
Capt Jennifer Wynn



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In a world that can be void of meaning and leave young adults restless and dissatisfied, Young Catholic Professionals Philadelphia brings together young professionals in their 20s and 30s into a community of belonging, support, and encouragement at all stages of your faith journey. Young Catholic Professionals empowers and equips you to live your Catholic faith through everyday work and to perform all work with excellence for the glory of God.

Our patron saint is Saint Joseph the Worker. Our mission calls upon the intercession of Saint Joseph the Worker, a simple carpenter who reminds us of the importance of stillness, reflection, and prayer.

Young Catholic Professionals mission is to challenge, train, and inspire young adults working in various professional careers to work in witness for Christ. For more information go to our local Philadelphia website at

www.ycppphiladelphia.org/cpages/home



We are happy to announce there is a new, easy way to help support St. Cornelius Early Learning Center! The new and improved app uses technology to scan your store receipt, find participating products and instantly add Box Tops to your school's earnings online. 1.To participate in the new digital program simply, download and use the Box Tops App! 2.Find St. Cornelius and connect your box tops app to our school. 3.Start scanning your paper or digital receipts and earn money for our school



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Camp Cornelius

We continue having a blast at summer camp at Camp Cornelius! There is so much going on each week at camp. The children are making new friends, creating beautiful crafts and making absolutely delicious treats all while having fun! We can't wait to continue our weeks at camp and making memories!



**Caring
for Friends™**

"Help provide home cooked meals to neighbors in need! Caring for Friends (formerly Aid for Friends) is collecting frozen meals and soups for homebound seniors and food insecure individuals. Meal trays and soup containers can be found in the utility closet on the right of the side door of the narthex. Consider putting aside an extra dinner or soup portion, freeze it and then bring it to the freezer also located in the utility closet. PLEASE sign the meals and soup in on the list attached to the shelves next to the freezer. The food is distributed all over the Greater Philadelphia Area. This effort is on-going at our parish. We invite you to contribute what you can." If you have questions, please contact Nancy Todor 609-234-119



Monsignor's Thursday Email

Msgr. Diamond's weekly Thursday Email is a popular weekly news letter for our parishioners. Currently there are **over 1049** people who receive his email each Thursday afternoon. If you would like to be on our distribution list, please call the office at (610) 459-2502 or send your request to be added to our distribution at

Stcorn1@comcast.net.



A Good Neighbor to the Homeless Opportunity to help a homeless family!

Saint Cornelius has four families who are serving as a support team for a local family experiencing homelessness. They have received training with Bridge of Hope and have been assigned a family to serve as good neighbors. Bridge of Hope provides case management for the vulnerable family and guidance for the volunteers, who meet with the family regularly.

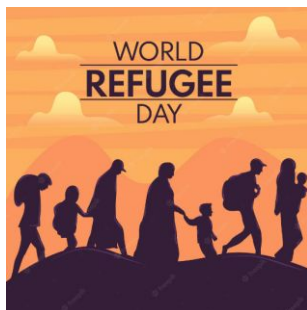
Our family had a new addition in January! We continue to deliver meals to the tired mom and to search for needed baby items for the family. We received a donation of a requested double baby stroller from one of our parishioners. Thank you so much - our family is so grateful and appreciative!!

For more information email colleenmz@hotmail.com or call 610-361-9412.

Please keep our family in your prayers.

CRS NATIONAL SPOTLIGHT

The theme for World Refugee Day was "Hope Away from Home." CRS Egypt celebrated the day with refugees from several countries. Among them was a young woman from Sudan who arrived as an unaccompanied minor. She offered these thoughts on what the theme means to her:



"We all know that there is a war in our country now. However, we should not wait until things are resolved, we should not forget about ourselves, we should not forget that we are still alive. We have to start to work and improve ourselves to go back to our country ready to rebuild it." ~ Manahel, Egypt.

Visit www.crs.org for more information and to see how you can help!



The Faith Community Nurse Holistic Health Ministry

On request, Faith Community Nurses are making home visits to families who may be experiencing medical or social difficulties. The nurses confidentially address the needs holistically through bringing with them prayers from the parish, a knowledge of the medical field and process for providing support. If you know of anyone in the parish or beyond who would benefit from these services, please email: stfcfn@gmail.com. Contact person is Joan Holliday, RN/FCN at (610) 717-2180.



CHOSEN FATHERS *A ministry of Mutual Support for Fathers of Children with Special Needs*

Being a good dad day-in and day-out is not an easy task. Yet raising children with special needs can make fatherhood even more challenging.

We invite fathers of children with physical, mental, sensory, or emotional challenges to our monthly meetings aimed at enabling dads to follow Christ's example of love, patience, mercy and service in raising and supporting their children.

**3rd Tuesday of every month
7:30 - 8:45 pm**

Please call the gentlemen below with questions about meeting location as it can change from month to month depending on group size.

Joe Howard (610) 458-7831; jchoward72@aol.com
or Liam Dempsey (610) 390-9076; liam@LBdesigns.tv



Baptisms

Baptized in Christ

Aubrey Kate Lewis

Daughter of Brian and Anna Lewis

Let us pray for our newly baptized Christian.

PRAY FOR THOSE WHO ARE ILL AND THOSE WHO CARE FOR THEM

Thomas Drane, Kara Ulatowski, Harold Von Brockdorff, Jeff Behm, Mary Harmes, Mary Helen Arthur, Charles Foster, Anne Spetzer, Pete Petroll, Ginger Casey, Carolyn Duffy, Carleen Peters, Marian Short, Matthew Hess, Bryan Thompson, Cindy Ficca, Paul Lucas, Carla Santoleri, Richard Meccarielli, Edward Field, Judy Field, Joyce Monaco, Matthew Hurst, Leonard Smith, Jr., Jim Waters, Kathie Buckley, Bernice & Arthur Hindle, Sean Mulvey, George Butler, Margaret Butler, Patricia Wells, Kathy Williams, Michael Gibbons, William Grant, Shirley Masse, Ellen Brisgone, Laura O'Brien-Black, Elizabeth Kephart, Tina Landis, Bill & Theresa Sherwin, Michelle Dillione, Chris Roe, Frank Kuders, Kylee Dougherty, Dave and Ronnie Pryce, Rosemary Brennan, Ellie May McGrath, Vicki Wojdak, Andrea Bateman, Brandon Heacock, Brittany Lott, Nancy Young, Peyton Lott, Billy Lott, Nanci Ehmer, Peggy Peters, Paul McEneaney, Ken Rudert, Ed Shell, Ellie McCreight, Ellie Griem, Gregory Varacchi, Michael McKinnen, Connie Carney, Luke Post, Jim Buckley, Jerome Lienhard, Mary Rose Salisbury, Margery Butler, Charlotte Kensicki, Jim Barr, Jerome Lichard, Lisa Winkleblech, Aaron Winkleblech, Patricia Butler



The Ministry of Consolation

A St. Cornelius community response to the needs of people grieving the death of a significant person/persons in their lives, the ministry honors the words and example of the Lord Jesus:

"Blessed are they who mourn; they shall be consoled"

(Matthew 5:4).

A team of four St. Cornelius church members have been trained to set up and facilitate a Support Group for the Consolation Ministry.

On **July 15, 2023**, the Consolation Group will meet at the **Parish Life Center, Fr. Simon Room** from **2:30pm to 3:30pm**.

Contact Joan Holliday for any questions
dochollisv@aol.com or call (610) 717-2180.

Assisted Hearing Devices

We have 4 assisted hearing devices, which connect directly to the sound system that are available for use at each Mass. They are located on the table by the Sacristy entrance.

Easy to operate: put 2 batteries in and you are good to HEAR!

Comments from satisfied users:

Wow - That is the first time in a long Time that I have heard everything at Mass.



Lending Library



You may not be aware of the Lending Library that exists in our ambulatory, near the large stain glass windows overlooking the family portico. The cart pictured to the left contains a variety of reading material that you are welcome to take with you. You may also find a variety of holy cards, prayer pamphlets and novenas. Please feel free to take what you like.

Prayer Shawl Ministry... Come, Join US!

Did you know that each baby baptized at St Cornelius receives a hand-made blanket made by our Prayer Shawl Ministry? You are welcome to join us in this rewarding ministry. We also make shawls, blankets, scarves, hats, mittens etc. for elderly homes, the Giving Tree and anyone looking for a comforting gift.

**Every 4th Monday of each month
1:30pm to 3:00pm**

We find ourselves in need of white acrylic yarn or funding to help continue this wonderful ministry. Please prayerfully consider donating to our ministry or purchasing a "Pound of Love" or "Caron Pound" of white acrylic yarn. We have a basket set up in the narthex, below the large TV monitor, to offer our works and for your donations. Also, you are welcome to drop off any yarn donations to the Parish Life Center. Donations are greatly appreciated.

Shawls and blankets are available in the Bethany Room. If you have any questions, please contact

Mary Jo Shell, (610) 361-8198
or Joanne Fonash, (610) 299-9694



Eucharistic Adoration

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament flows from the sacrifice of the Mass and serves to deepen our hunger for Communion with Christ and the rest of the Church.

Adoration will return Friday, September 8, after Labor Day.

The church will remain open for quiet reflection during the summer months from 8:00 am to 2:00 pm



PARISH RELIGIOUS EDUCATION PROGRAM (PREP)

Saint Cornelius Parish

You can contact Mrs. Sullivan at stcornprep@scornelius.org or by calling the PREP office (610) 459-7723

PREP

Our PREP registration for the 2023-24 year is open. If you have a 1st through 7th grader who has not yet registered, please contact Julie Sullivan at stcornprep@scornelius.org for more information.

Call for Volunteers! The success of our programs depends heavily on the generosity of our volunteers. If you are interested in teaching in our program, please contact Julie Sullivan at

stcornprep@scornelius.org.

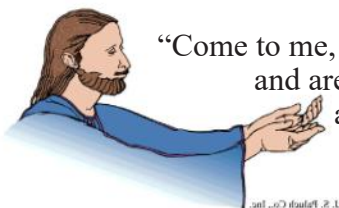
YOUTH GROUP

Our Youth Group has wrapped up for the year, we will still have volunteer opportunities available throughout the summer and will share them via email or on our webpage. If you would like to be added to our distribution list, please contact Julie Sullivan at

stcornprep@scornelius.org.

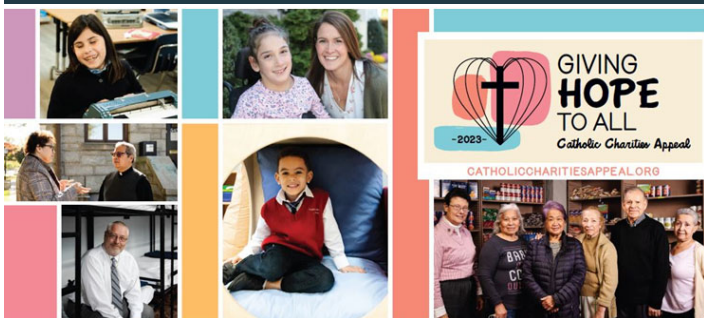


Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time July 9, 2023



"Come to me, all you who labor and are burdened, and I will give you rest."

— Matthew 11:28



Our Lady of Confidence

As an accredited Catholic, premier special education school of the Archdiocese of Philadelphia, Our Lady of Confidence's mission is to facilitate the complete development of the students with intellectual disabilities. Each child is embraced and cherished for their own uniqueness. Parents of students at Our Lady of Confidence are thankful that their children are given the ability to reach their fullest potential spiritually, intellectually, mentally, physically, and emotionally. Our Lady of Confidence and all the Schools of Special Education provide all students with the tools they need to be independent. Please consider your gift today to Our Lady of Confidence and all the Schools of Special Education.



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www.catholiccharitiesappeal.org/index.php/ways-give/planned-giving



Sunday Mass Intentions

7:30 AM Jenna Honig
9:00 AM Dolores Algeo
11:00 AM James Albany
4:00 PM Ditto Family

Weekly Mass Schedule (Week of July 10 - July 14)

Saturday Vigil / Sunday Morning

Intention: *Missa pro populo (Mass for the people)*
Reading: Zec 9:9-10; Ps 145:1-2, 8-9, 10-11, 13-14;
Rom 8:9, 11-13; Mt 11:25-30

Monday 7:30 AM

Intention: Colin Brady
Reading: Gn 28:10-22a; Ps 91:1-4, 14-15ab;
Mt 9:18-26

Tuesday 7:30 AM

St. Benedict, Abbot

Intention: Karen Bergmann
Reading: Gn 32:23-33; Ps 17:1b, 2-3, 6-7ab, 8b, 15;
Mt 9:32-38

Wednesday 7:30 AM

Intention: Deceased members of the Scullion family
Reading: Gn 41:55-57; 42:5-7a, 17-24a;
Ps 33:2-3, 10-11, 18-19; Mt 10:1-7

Thursday 7:30 AM

St. Henry

Intention: P. Michael O'Neil
Reading: Gn 44:18-21, 23b-29; 45:1-5; Ps 105:16-21;
Mt 10:7-15

Friday 7:30 AM

St. Kateri Tekakwitha, Virgin

Intention: Phyllis Young
Reading: Gn 46:1-7, 28-30; Ps 37:3-4, 18-19, 27-28,
39-40; Mt 10:16-23

TABERNACLE CANDLES

✠ In memory of James Albany,
Req. by Phyllis Albany

PILGRIM STATUE

07 - 09 - 2023 Carla Santoleri
07 - 16 - 2023 Nancy Melasecca
07 23 - 2023 Lisa Daughen

Dates are available for July to Dec.

Call Carla Santoleri at (610) 361-8447
for more information.



A HUMBLE KING

Like a tonal center in music, the note to which we keep returning in today's readings is humility. We wait in joyful expectation for the coming of our Lord as King. But what we are told to expect and rejoice over is a meek and humble king, riding on an ass. Not horses or chariots of the great and mighty, but a humble beast carries the Ruler whose dominion stretches "from the River to the ends of the earth" (Zechariah 9:10). This King comes to banish the tools of the warrior and bring peace. No wonder that a weary world rejoices and gives thanks to God!

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TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

The premier poet of the English language, Geoffrey Chaucer, introduced one of his most beloved characters, the "Wife of Bath," by this telling remark: "Husbands at church door she had five." Four times widowed, she was setting off on a pilgrimage, notably without number five. The church door is a curious detail, pointing to the fourteenth-century wedding custom of marrying on the porch of the parish church. The goal was to give maximum publicity to the consent of the groom and bride, and so consent was

moved from the bride's home to a public venue. The priest would stand in the doorway and begin by sprinkling the couple with holy water. He needed to make sure they weren't too closely related and give them some instruction. He would direct the groom to pay the bride's family a dowry, and then announce the monetary amounts to the interested passersby. Only then would the guests enter the church for the wedding Mass, during which the bride and groom would hold lighted candles. The gradual move from home to church and the shift from the bride's father to the priest's authority helped to protect the freedom of brides who weren't quite as confident as the Wife of Bath.

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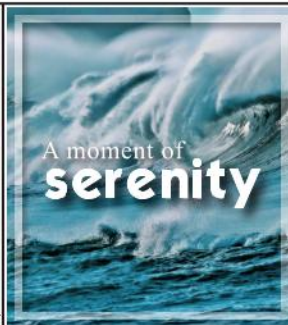
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