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Dear Parishioners,

July is designated especially as the Month of the Precious Blood of Jesus, a special time to honor the Blood of Jesus.

Devotion to the Precious Blood is connected to devotion to the Passion and death of Our Lord, since through the shedding of His Blood, mankind was redeemed. Consequently, one can say the Church has always honored the Blood of Jesus Christ.

According to the Traditional Catholic Calendars of 1962 and previous, is the Feast of the Most Precious Blood of Our Lord Jesus Christ. This Feast, like so many others, has fallen victim to the post-Vatican II Church's novelties. After Vatican II, this Feast was combined with Corpus Christi. The official name of the Feast in Latin remains Corpus Christi, and not "Corpus et Sanguis Christi."

Traditional Catholics of course still celebrate this Feast. Today we remember His blood spilt not only on the Cross but also in the Circumcision, Agony in the Garden of Gethsemane, Scourging at the Pillar of Flagellation, and the Crowning with Thorns.

We are reminded of the scene of Calvary and of the blow from the lance which pierced our Savior's side. The liturgy today is at pains to emphasize the meaning and tremendous significance of this fact in relation with our salvation. The Gospel and the Epistle are concerned with our Redemption, effected by the Blood and the love of our Savior.

He comes to us the living Christ (Body, Blood, Soul and Divinity). He comes to us in a manner that will not frighten or shock us, hidden under the appearance of bread and wine.

This is the most precious time — the time of Communion. The all-powerful and all merciful God becomes the guest of our very bodies and souls. Here is the point where Heaven and earth meet, and all that is in disorder is easily righted.

Christ is truly our guest, but we are the beneficiaries of His benevolence. He wishes for us to receive Him so that He may give to us. The words of St. Francis ring most truly in Holy Communion: "It is in giving that we receive."

Have a blessed Sunday and a wonderful week.

Father Gorka



Year of St. Joseph

Saint Joseph Will Increase Your Patience



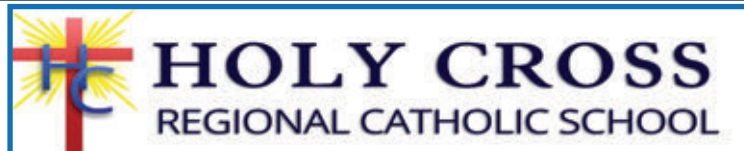
Patience is a virtue that many people find hard to practice. There are countless things in life that will test your patience. If you want to be like St. Joseph, you must learn patience.

Life was not easy for St. Joseph. He experienced many trials of patience that must have been extremely challenging. Yet he used them as an opportunity to grow in patience and holiness. In every situation, St. Joseph was always peaceful, kind, calm, and abandoned to Divine Providence.

You, too, are going to experience many trials in life, trials that will test your love and your patience. God allows such trials because he wants us to grow in virtue.

A concrete area in your life where you can exercise the virtue of patience is by being merciful to others, especially when you know their faults. You will experience unpleasant people in life. In such instances, imitate the patience of St. Joseph. Ask God for the grace to love your neighbor. Be kind, peaceful, and merciful. Offer forgiveness for offenses. Be patient and courteous. Be pleasant and merciful. Exercising patience and mercy always brings about good. The lovingly patient and merciful person is always victorious, in this life or the next!

Source: Consecration to St. Joseph, The Wonders of Our Spiritual Father, Donald H. Calloway, MIC



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Safe and Happy
Summer to all!

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that we thank all who
made this school year
possible, through all of
its challenges:

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God Bless you all!

Prayer for a Summer Day

Long warm days...
The pace of life slows...
A time for picnics and rest in the shade...

Lord,
help me to rest a while in the cooling shade of
your presence.

Slow down my restless heart and fill me with
gentle compassion for all your people.

Amen.

- Author Unknown

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Savor A Saintly Summer

The slower pace of summer offers opportunities to nurture faith in creative ways not feasible in hectic times. Consider these ideas:

Visit A Shrine. Holy places where relics are preserved, an apparition has taken place, or one that encourages a particular belief or devotion offer opportunities for prayer and pilgrimage. Look for directories of shrines in the U.S., including www.catholicshrines.net or from the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops (USCC) <http://ow.ly/OYvJ30bAayl>

Attend Daily Mass. Meeting God in the Eucharist begins a summer day with grace. Daily mass is a full Catholic immersion in Christ, in the Sacraments, and the saints, all at once.

Gather With Other Catholics. As we emerge from pandemic conditions, spending time with other Catholic friends can provide a community of faith-filled companions. Attend Mass together, socialize together, brainstorm Gospel-centered life solutions together.

Look For Signs Of God's Love. Find a park or green space near you where you can center your heart and mind on Jesus. Observe His creation and become more aware of His presence.

Source: *Growing in Faith*



SOLIDARITY IN FREEDOM Religious Freedom Week 2021



“Solidarity means much more than engaging in sporadic acts of generosity. It means thinking and acting in terms of community” (*Fratelli tutti*, 116). Religious freedom allows the Church and all religious communities to live out their faith in public and to serve the good of all.

Religious Freedom Week is observed from June 22 through June 29. Thus, the week begins with the Memorial of Saints John Fisher and Thomas More and ends with the Solemnity of Saints Peter and Paul.

A great variety of resources for Religious Freedom Week 2021 can be found on the website of the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops: www.usccb.org/ReligiousFreedomWeek

Sidewalk Servant Training



You can make a difference! You can save lives! Join The Pro-Life Union and The Sisters of Life on Wednesday, June 30th, 7:00 p.m., at Saint Katherine of Siena Church in Wayne (104 S. Aberdeen Avenue, Wayne, PA 19087) for a Sidewalk Servants Training Session.

Be trained to effectively pray, witness, and offer alternatives to women outside of abortion centers ... and save lives! This is an outstanding training program that you won't want to miss. Do it for the women and do it for the babies in the womb. Please RSVP by emailing cpinto@prolifeunion.org

Congratulations
to the Stawecki family
on the Baptism of their daughter,
Sophia Grace Stawecki



The Church has a rich tradition of intercessory prayer, encouraging us to pray for the needs of others. Today's readings remind me that we can share our faith by praying for others who are sick, dying, grieving, or struggling in some way. Likewise, we can ask others to pray for us, trusting that God will hear our prayers. When we pray or ask for God's healing, we can't know the outcome. But we can pray for the gifts of faith and courage, placing our lives in God's loving hands.

By: *The Faithful Disciple*



Please Pray For Those Serving In The Military

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June's prayer intentions are for Father Gorka



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To be added to our distribution list, please send an e-mail to:
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We will make sure to add your name to our list!



*"I am the light of the world;
he who follows me will not walk in
darkness, but will have the light of life."
(John 8:12)*

Keeping a light burning in remembrance signifies that the memory still lives on and burns bright. It is a ritual that promotes reflection and signifies remembrance. We have three vigil candles located in the Church - Blessed Mary, St. Joseph and Divine Mercy.

To request a vigil candle please contact Susan in the Parish Office.

A candle burns this week
next to the
Blessed Virgin Mary statue
for
Joanna Edleman
Requested by,
Her Husband, Hank



Saint of the Day

June 28 - Saint Irenaeus - One of the greatest theologians of the second century, his theology is based on Scripture and Tradition. Irenaeus was a Greek born between the years 120 and 140. He had the great privilege of being taught by St. Polycarp. He studied in Rome and later became a priest and then Bishop of Lyons in Gaul. Through his preaching he converted many to the Faith, and his writings did much to combat the heresies that were rampant, especially those of the Gnostics. His principal works are: *Against Heresies* and *The Proof of the Apostolic Preaching*. He died a martyr in 202 during the persecution of Septimus Severus.

June 29 - Saints Peter and Paul - Both are the principal patrons of Rome and are mentioned in the Roman Canon.

Saint Peter was a simple, hardworking fisherman from Bethsaida near the Sea of Galilee and one of the first whom Jesus called to follow him. He was our first Pope and guided the Church after Jesus' Ascension. He went to Rome to bring the Gospel to the whole world and to build up the Church. He was filled with a passion for Christ, for the gospel and for life. He wrote two Epistles. He was crucified upside down about the year 64 by the Emperor Nero and buried on Vatican Hill. The Gospels speak about Peter more than any other Apostle.

Saint Paul was born as Saul of Tarsus. He did not believe in Jesus and persecuted the Christians. After being struck from his horse by a light on the road to Damascus he repented of his sins, was baptized, and changed his name to Paul. He preached the Gospel everywhere he went and suffered much for Christ from his enemies, enduring shipwreck, imprisonment, and beatings. Yet he always trusted in God and never stopped preaching. In reward, God gave him great comfort and joy in spite of every suffering. He was put into prison in Rome, where he was beheaded as a martyr around the year 67, during Nero's terrible persecution of the Christians. In his fourteen Epistles he shows himself to be a profound religious thinker, who has had an enduring formative influence in the development of Christianity.

June 30 - The First Martyrs of the Holy Roman Church

- After a raging fire destroyed two-thirds of Rome in 64, Emperor Nero blamed Rome's Christians to divert suspicion from himself. Those acknowledging their Christianity were arrested, suffered cruel deaths and were executed in Nero's gardens on the Vatican Hill. These nameless men and women martyrs represent all who suffered or are suffering religious persecution throughout the world.

July 1 - Saint Junípero Serra

A highly regarded professor of philosophy in Spain, he joined the missionary college of San Fernando in Mexico and then volunteered for mission work among the Native Americans. He was appointed superior of a group of fifteen Franciscans and went on to found the twenty-one California missions. A dedicated religious and missionary, he travelled thousands of miles on foot despite a chronic and painful leg injury and bravely resisted the Enlightenment policies of the secular government. He died peacefully at Mission San Carlos on August 28, 1784, and is buried there.

July 3 - Saint Thomas - One of the twelve apostles of Jesus, all we know for certain about him is derived from the gospel narrative, where the chief episode related of him concerns his unbelief and subsequent profession of faith in Christ's resurrection. His doubting gave way to faith when he saw the risen Lord. It is said he went to India to preach the Gospel. He died a martyr there, after proclaiming the Good News of Jesus to many people.

Mass Intentions

MON, June 28
8:00 AM

Saint Irenaeus, Bishop and Martyr
Joanna Edleman
Requested by her Husband, Hank

TUES, June 29
8:00 AM

Saints Peter and Paul, Apostles
Alfred and Elsie Stumpo
Requested by Dolores Forte

WED, June 30
8:00 AM

The First Martyrs of the Holy Roman Church
Private Intention

THUR, July 1
8:00 AM

Saint Junípero Serra, Priest
Wanda Kramer
Requested by her Family

FRI, July 2
8:00 AM

Private Intention

SAT, July 3
8:00 AM

Saint Thomas, Apostle
Private Intention

4:15 PM

Gail DiMaio
Requested by her Husband, Michael and Children

SUN, July 4
8:00 AM

Dorothy C. Sobotor
Requested by Family

10:00 AM

Pro Populo



Please pray for the sick of our parish and those that care for them.

Kevin Schurr, Steven DiGuseppe, Elizabeth, Caroline and Tommy Cummings, William Good, Garrett Rogers, Brian Szalabofka, Brian Spitko, Dan Dordea, David Hritz, Aria Gessner, Alex Stadelmaier, Kathy Caffarella, Ed and Johanna McLaughlin, Gerald Daskiliewicz, Chris Chrisman, Lauri Ronan, Alice Pitcock, Alyson Layser, Keith Garnett, Nathan Wilgeroth, Orville Otis, John Breslawski, Faye West, Madison D'Annunzio, Nancy McNamara, Patricia Berner, Charles Crowder, Elena Craft, Patricia McMinn, Walt and Pat Kalil, Tara Clarke, John Hoff, the Gonzalez Family, Steve Curll, Colleen Haines, Ed Reynolds, Mary Jimick, Irene Stoffel, Annalies Frisco, Kitty Heebner, Kent Schurr, James McManus, John Sowell, Dex Volpe, Casey Glennon, Helen Gallagher, Taylor O'Neill, Alfred Tarlecki, Rosemary Buchanan, Baby Briana, Jim Bob and Barbara McEwen, Marie and Dave Allabaugh, Marissa and Enzo Fuentes, Susan Kelly, Kevin Spitko and all the sick and suffering of the parish.

We pray that God will bless you all with His healing hand. When your loved one recovers, please notify the Parish Office so we can offer a prayer of thanks!

Father Gorka

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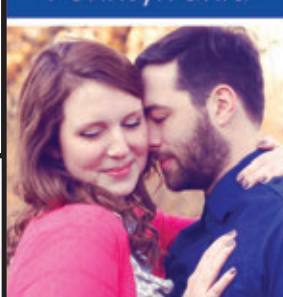
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