



15TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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Sunday, July 11, 2021

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Weekend Mass Times

Saturday: 4:30 pm
Sunday: 8:00 am, 10:00 am, 12:00 pm Masses

Daily Mass Schedule

6:30 am - Monday, Wednesday, Thursday
8:15 am - Tuesday, Friday

Eucharistic Adoration

After morning Mass, Monday through Friday, until 7 pm
ABVM Adoration Chapel
No Adoration on public holidays or snow days.

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Sacraments and Devotions

Baptism: Sundays at 1:15 pm in Church (bimonthly)

Matrimony: Engaged couples are asked to meet with the parish priest at least six months prior to the wedding and enroll in a marriage-prep program.

Reconciliation: (Church) Saturdays, 11:00 am-12:15 pm

Rosary: Wednesdays, 6:30 pm - 7:00 pm

Patriotic Rosary: 2nd Wednesday of the month, 6:30 pm

Flame of Love Rosary and Divine Mercy Chaplet:
Thursdays, 6:00 pm -7:00 pm

Bulletin: Submit articles by 8:00 am on Thursday for publication the following week. Submit to the Parish Office or email DonnaABVM@comcast.net.

Hearing Assist Devices are available for use at Mass.
Please see an usher for details.

UNMERITED SUFFERING

The collapse of a condominium building on June 24 in Surfside, Florida, which could end up resulting in over 100 confirmed deaths, was a shock to the nation. As with all such events, the news coverage was exhaustive. At first, it was centered on the rescue of victims, but it soon became apparent that the brave rescuers were not going to find many survivors in the rubble. Reporters then started speculating on the possible causes of the collapse. Meanwhile, the nation mourns for the victims and their families, and we join our prayers to theirs.

One can't help but wonder why such a thing should happen to those victims, whose only crime was to be sleeping in their beds at the moment of the collapse. It makes no sense. In another tragedy which gained national coverage a mother was killed by a stray bullet in Annapolis, MD outside the hotel where she and her family were staying. They were there to celebrate with her son who in a couple of days was to be inducted into the Naval Academy. After his mom's murder the son tweeted out the question that confronts all of us in our lives, at one time or another: Why?

Can we blame God for these evils? Thinking rationally, we know that God is not at fault. The building collapsed, apparently, due to faulty construction – the result of human, not divine, error. It was the shooters that killed the proud mother of an Annapolis inductee, not God. And yet, God could have prevented these evils. We know that He is all just and all powerful. Did He decide that the victims deserved to die?

There are passages in the Old Testament that seem to claim that all misfortune is the direct result of personal sin. However, the Book of Job is dedicated to contradicting this error. It presents Job as a man who feared God. Despite his righteousness, disaster suddenly fell upon him and his family. He first lost his property and then his children. Finally, he was afflicted with painful sores. Job's friends come to console him, but when Job claims his innocence, they argue that since God is just, Job surely must have committed grave sins and merited his suffering. This is faulty reasoning, and eventually God exonerates Job in front of his friends and restores Job's health and prosperity, making him twice as rich as he used to be and blessing him with seven sons and three daughters. Before he restores him, however, God reminds Job of his humble condition, for in his anguish Job had challenged God to appear to him and defend his ways. Who is Job to question God? Yet, in his mercy, God responds.

"Who is this who darkens counsel with words of ignorance? Gird up your loins, now, like a man; I will question you, and you tell me the answers! Where were you when I founded the earth? Tell me, if you have understanding. Who determined its size? Surely you know? Who stretched out the measuring line for it?" (Job 38:1-6). Job acknowledges his inability to answer, and makes a profession of faith: "I know that you can do all things, and no purpose of yours can be hindered...I have spoken but did not understand; things too marvelous for me, which I did not know...By hearsay I had heard of you, but now my eye has seen you. Therefore I disown what I have said, and repent in dust and ashes" (Job 42:1-6).

Our faith gives orientation to our thinking about unmerited suffering, even if it does not satisfy our desire for complete understanding. As Christians we know that evil and suffering entered into the world when Adam sinned against God. Pope Saint John Paul II explains in his encyclical "On the Christian Meaning of Suffering" that "Evil remains bound to sin and death. And even if we must use great caution in judging man's suffering as a consequence of concrete sins (this is shown precisely by the example of the just man Job), nevertheless suffering cannot be divorced from the sin of the beginnings, from what Saint John calls 'the sin of the world' (John 1:29). Though it is not licit to apply here the narrow criterion of direct dependance (as Job's three friends did), it is equally true that one cannot reject the criterion that, at the basis of human suffering, there is a complex involvement with sin." Pain and suffering exist because we live in a world which has been corrupted by man's rebellion against God. The preternatural state of perfection in which the world was created was lost when Adam ate of the forbidden fruit.

Christ addresses the question of innocent suffering when he is told about the slaughter of some Galileans by Pilate's soldiers. "Do you think that because these Galileans suffered in this way they were greater sinners than all other Galileans? By no means! But I tell you, if you do not repent, you will all perish as they did! Or those eighteen people who were killed when the tower at Siloam fell on them – do you think they were more guilty than everyone else who lived in Jerusalem? By no means! But I tell you, if you do not repent, you will all perish as they did!" (Luke 13:1-5). Jesus does not clear up the mystery of the suffering of the innocent, but uses the occasion to call his listeners to life, which is a call to repentance.

The experience of evil is meant to move us to seek union with God, who himself experienced suffering as we do, only with an infinitely greater intensity. Job's sufferings opened him to God's revelation, so that he no longer knew God only by "hearsay" but by personal encounter. Jesus had a personal encounter with suffering so that we might have a personal encounter with him. I believe that this truth is more consoling and fruitful, and more necessary for us, than the solving of a mystery. Christ entered our world of suffering to be one with us in it. When we suffer, we join him in his Passion. "For if we have died with Christ, we believe that we will also live with him" (Romans 6:8).

- Father Scott





ORDER of WORSHIP

Fifteenth Sunday of Ordinary Time - Sunday, July 11, 2021

ENTRANCE HYMN

FOR THE HEALING

ST. THOMAS



1. For the healing of the na-tions, Lord, we pray with one ac-cord;
2. Lead us now, Lord, in - to free-dom, From de - spair your world re-lease;
3. You, cre - a - tor God, have writ-ten Your great name on hu-man-kind;



1. For a just and e - qual shar-ing Of the things that earth af-fords.
2. That re-deemed from war and ha-tred, All may come and go in peace.
3. For our grow - ing in your like-ness Bring the life of Christ to mind:



1. To a life of love and ac - tion Help us rise and pledge our word.
2. Show us how through care and good-ness Fear will die and hope in-crease.
3. That by our re - sponse and ser - vice Earth its des - ti - ny may find.

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Music: *Tantum Ergo*; John F. Wade, 1711-1786.

GLORIA

Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace to people of good will. We praise you, we bless you, we adore you, we glorify you, we give you thanks for your great glory, Lord God, heavenly King, O God, almighty Father. Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son, Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us; you take away the sins of the world, receive our prayer; you are seated at the right hand of the Father, have mercy on us. For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

FIRST READING AM 7:12-15

Amaziah, priest of Bethel, said to Amos, "Off with you, visionary, flee to the land of Judah! There earn your bread by prophesying, but never again prophesy in Bethel; for it is the king's sanctuary and a royal temple." Amos answered Amaziah, "I was no prophet, nor have I belonged to a company of prophets; I was a shepherd and a dresser of sycamores. The LORD took me from following the flock, and said to me, Go, prophesy to my people Israel."

**RESPONSORIAL
PSALM**

PSALM 85: 15TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME, YEAR B



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SECOND READING EPH 1:3-14

Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us in Christ with every spiritual blessing in the heavens, as he chose us in him, before the foundation of the world, to be holy and without blemish before him. In love he destined us for adoption to himself through Jesus Christ, in accord with the favor of his will, for the praise of the glory of his grace that he granted us in the beloved. In him we have redemption by his blood, the forgiveness of transgressions, in accord with the riches of his grace that he lavished upon us. In all wisdom and insight, he has made known to us the mystery of his will in accord with his favor that he set forth in him as a plan for the fullness of times, to sum up all things in Christ, in heaven and on earth. In him we were also chosen, destined in accord with the purpose of the One who accomplishes all things according to the intention of his will, so that we might exist for the praise of his glory, we who first hoped in Christ. In him you also, who have heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation, and have believed in him, were sealed with the promised Holy Spirit, which is the first installment of our inheritance toward redemption as God's possession, to the praise of his glory.

**GOSPEL
ACCLAMATION**

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: ALLELUIA No. VI



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GOSPEL MK 6:7-13

Jesus summoned the Twelve and began to send them out two by two and gave them authority over unclean spirits. He instructed them to take nothing for the journey but a walking stick—no food, no sack, no money in their belts. They were, however, to wear sandals but not a second tunic. He said to them, "Wherever you enter a house, stay there until you leave. Whatever place does not welcome you or listen to you, leave there and shake the dust off your feet in testimony against them." So they went off and preached repentance. The Twelve drove out many demons, and they anointed with oil many who were sick and cured them.

PROFESSION OF FAITH

I believe in one God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible. I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ, the Only Begotten Son of God, born of the Father before all ages. God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father; through him all things were made. For us men and for our salvation he came down from heaven, and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin Mary, and became man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate, he suffered death and was buried, and rose again on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead and his kingdom will have no end. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the Giver of Life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is adored and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. I believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church. I confess one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

**Offertory
Hymn**

HERE I AM, LORD

Dan Schutte

Verses

1. I, the Lord of sea and sky, I have heard my peo - ple cry.
2. I, the Lord of snow and rain, I have borne my peo-ple's pain.
3. I, the Lord of wind and flame, I will tend the poor and lame.

1. All who dwell in dark and sin My hand will save. I, who
2. I have wept for love of them. They turn a - way. I will
3. I will set a feast for them. My hand will save. Fin-est

1. made the stars of night, I will make their dark-ness bright.
2. break their hearts of stone, Give them hearts for love a - lone.
3. bread I will pro-vide Till their hearts be sat - is - fied.

1. Who will bear my light to them? Whom shall I send?
2. I will speak my word to them. Whom shall I send?
3. I will give my life to them. Whom shall I send?

Refrain

Here I am, Lord. Is it I, Lord? I have heard you
call-ing in the night. I will go, Lord, if you lead me.
I will hold your peo-ple in my heart. 3

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**Communion
Hymn**

LORD, LET US SEE YOUR KINDNESS (PSALM: 85)

Scott Soper

Refrain

Lord, let us see your kind-ness; Lord, let us see your kind-ness.

Your kind - ness and sal - va - tion grant us, O Lord.

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**Recessional
Hymn**

GO MAKE OF ALL DISCIPLES

ELLACOMBE

1. "Go make of all dis - ci - ples:" We hear the
2. "Go make of all dis - ci - ples:" Bap - tiz - ing
3. "Go make of all dis - ci - ples:" We at your
4. "Go make of all dis - ci - ples:" We wel - come

1. call, O Lord, That comes from you, our Fa - ther, In
2. in the name Of Fa - ther, Son, and Spir - it— From
3. feet would stay Un - till each life's vo - ca - tion Ac -
4. your com-mand; "Lo, I am with you al - ways:" We

1. your e - ter - nal Word. In - spire our ways of
2. age to age the same. We call each new dis -
3. cents your ho - ly way. We cul - ti - vate the
4. take your guid - ing hand. The task looms large be -

1. learn - ing Through earn-est, fer-vent prayer, And let our
2. ci - ple To fol - low you, O Lord, Re - deem - ing
3. na - ture God plants in ev - 'ry heart, Re - veal - ing
4. fore us— We fol - low with-out fear. In heav'n and

1. dai - ly liv - ing Re - veal you ev - 'ry - where.
2. soul and bod - y By wa - ter and the Word.
3. in our wit - ness The Mas - ter Teach-er's art.
4. earth your pow - er Shall bring God's king-dom here.

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Prayer to Saint Michael

Saint Michael the Archangel, defend us in battle.
Be our protection 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, cast into hell Satan
and all the evil spirits who prowl about
the world seeking the ruin of souls.
Amen.

MASSES FOR THE WEEK

Saturday, July 10, 2021

4:30 pm Mass - Ascanio DeCamillo, req. by Millie Devonshire
Deacon: Deacon Hannan, EMofHC: E. Barron, L. Lanciano, M. Wharton
Readers: T. Harrison, E. Sigda
Servers: 3 servers needed
Sacristan: S. Gempp Music: N. Boysen, M. Blaschke

Sunday, July 11, 2021

8 am Mass - William Haid, req. by Peter MacEwen
Deacon: Deacon Hannan, EMofHC: D. Brumbaugh, B. Michalski, M. Petrarca
Readers: C. Foy, M. Debes
Servers: A., L., & R. Hamilton
Sacristan: K. Kelleher Music: N. Boysen, K. Evangelista

10 am Mass - Stefanie and Myron Pastock, req. by The Schill Family

Deacon: Deacon Lewis, EMofHC: J. Chapman, D. Lauletta, R. Schill
Readers: M.A. Schill, G. Charlton
Servers: E. & H. Char, J. Stumpf
Sacristan: F. Buoni Music: Anthem

12 pm Mass - Quirk and Choppy Families, req. by Marian Choppy

Deacon: Deacon Lewis, EMofHC: A. Barr, TF Caruso, D. Shannon
Readers: M. Clark, J. Colgan
Servers: E. & M. Stemerman
Sacristan: J. Lyons Music: C. Clancy, M.J. Morris

Monday, July 12, 2021, 6:30 am Mass

Terry Boesenhofer and Epsy Alvarado, req. by the Parish Office

Tuesday, July 13, 2021, 8:15 am Mass

Wilson Barnes, req. by His Family

Wednesday, July 14, 2021, 6:30 am Mass

People of the Parish

Thursday, July 15, 2021, 6:30 am Mass

John and Diane Quinn, req. by The Quinn Family

Friday, July 16, 2021, 8:15 am Mass

Tollie and Frances Fudge, req. by Their Family

Saturday, July 17, 2021

4:30 pm Mass - Dan Welch, req. by Sheila Connolly
Deacon: No Deacon, EMofHC: L. Lanciano, M. Petrarca, R. Schill, 1 minister needed
Readers: E. Sigda, MA. Schill, Servers: E. & M. Stemerman, 1 server needed
Sacristan: S. Gempp Music: N. Boysen, M. Blaschke

Sunday, July 18, 2021

8 am Mass - Rose Brumbaugh, req. by Paul and Sue Zuk Family
Deacon: Deacon Hannan, EMofHC: M. Bruecks, B. Michalski, P. Wengloski
Readers: K. Hamill-Clark, M. Debes
Servers: L. & T. Wilson, 1 server needed
Sacristan: K. Kelleher Music: N. Boysen, K. Evangelista

10 am Mass - Gerald Serchio, req. by The Powell Family

Deacon: Deacon Hannan, EMofHC: S. Hannan, D. Lauletta, D. Shannon
Readers: H. Leinhauser, D. Buoni
Servers: J. & S. Calabretta, J. Stumpf
Sacristan: F. Buoni Music: Anthem

12 pm Mass - Michael Marino, req. by Jeff and Caroline Lyons

Deacon: No Deacon, EMofHC: E. Barron, TF Caruso, M. Wharton, 1 minister needed, Readers: J. Colgan, J. Battinieri
Servers: 3 servers needed
Sacristan: J. Lyons Music: C. Clancy, M.J. Morris

PRAYER REQUESTS



Sharon DeNapoli, Marilyn DePhillips, Dawn Farrugia, Neil Patel, Coz Daiello, Bill Sauerwine, Stephen Felicetti, Frankie Knowles, Jose Gonzalez, Cheryl Sedlak, Victor & Dee Beirger, Joseph & Philip Caruso, Pam Davidson, D'Ambrosia Family, Peter Haggerty, Hilde Varglien, Marianne Boyd, Lois Witmeyer, McFillin Family, Logan Moyer, Terry Pia, Kathy & Michele Moro, Lori Gaffney, Lorraine Moulder, Daniel Hill, Cathy McKeaney, Virginia Morneau, Marie & Carl Nardi, Mary Martini, George Timer, Aimee Gallick, Bishop Francis Malooly, Terry Neale, Joe Bruecks, Lauren G., Reynolds Family, Jose Gonzalez, Robert DiStefano, Margie Nason, Judith Hasson, Dorothy Verna, Ryan Coyle, BJ Budzynski, David Powell, Patrick Mahan, Bill Norman, Visitation Prayer Intentions

Requests will be printed in the bulletin for one month and military prayers for six months. You may renew as often as you wish by calling the Assumption BVM Parish Office at 610-869-2722 or email DonnaABVM@comcast.net.

PRAY FOR OUR MILITARY

Let us continue to pray for our Armed Forces. We thank God for their sacrifices they make to ensure our freedom.

◆LT Ryan Hoffman	◆AB Michael Connelly &
◆HM1 Matthew Rosenberg	FLT277, Lackland AFB
◆SGT Meghan Guerrera	◆SPC Thomas Wolfe
◆SGT Michael Guerrera	◆SGM Nicolas Relacion
◆SGT James Francis	◆CPL Charles M. Griffith
◆2 LT Nicholas J. Caruso	◆SSGT Michael Kauffman
◆SGT Andrew Wolfe	◆Service Members &
◆SSGT James McWilliams	Coalition

Military Plaque to honor those who are currently serving in the U.S. Military is on display in the Church Vestibule. If you would like to have your loved one's picture displayed, contact Dave Besselman at 484-667-0267 or dbesselman1@gmail.com.



We would like to welcome the following new members to our Parish Family:

Brian and Nichole Cunningham Family

Are you new to our Parish and would like to register? We would love to have you!! Please call the ABVM Parish Office, weekdays, or visit our parish website. for a registration form.

Parish Finances

Thank you for your support and generosity!

Collection for July 4, 2021	\$14,400
Includes \$6,500 estimated E-Giving	
-47% participation	
Budgeted Weekly Collection 2022	\$13,846
Actual Average Weekly Collection 2022	\$14,400

We have budgeted \$720,000 for our Offertory income for the 2022 budget year. This is less than what we need to balance the overall parish budget. We will make-up this deficit from the Annual Parish Appeal. This week about eighty percent of our regular weekly donors contributed. As a result, our Offertory financial support for July was \$554 more than the budgeted Offertory income. Please keep up your good work until all our weekly donors return to Mass.

Parish Appeal Update

The 2021 Parish Appeal is doing well thanks to you. In the first thirty-six weeks of the campaign, we have commitments from two hundred and seventy-five families for more than \$153,000 with \$142,528 received. The first \$125,000 will go toward parish expenses; the remainder will go to the emergency fund for unbudgeted, major expenses for the church; e.g., the ultimate replacement of the church roof.



The Finance Council and Father Scott thank you for your generosity to the parish. There are multiple ways to donate to the Offertory and Parish Appeal:

- *Place your Offertory and/or Parish Appeal envelope in the collection basket
- *Mail the Offertory and/or Parish Appeal envelope to the Parish Office
- *Text 610-810-5080 from your smart phone or click on this link: <https://membership.faithdirect.net/PA832>.



My Catholic Will

Consider a gift to ABVM Parish in our will, estate plan or life insurance. Your gift ensures the vitality of the parish for years to come.

Patriotic Rosary



**Wednesday, July 14th
ABVM Main Church ~ 6:30 PM**

Our Parish is praying a perpetual **Patriotic Rosary Novena** for our country on the second Wednesday of each month at 6:30 pm. Please join us as we ask God's continued guidance and blessings upon our nation. AN APPEAL TO HEAVEN ~ JOIN US!

Rest in Peace

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

Patti Brown
Joseph Falcone
Emma Marie Kovach
Robert Ricci
Sister Janice Yust, M.S.C.



On Sunday, July 4, 2021, the following child was welcomed into the Assumption BVM Parish Family:

Elaina Jayne Searls

Eucharistic Adoration

MONDAY THRU FRIDAY
After Morning Mass until 7 pm

ABVM ADORATION CHAPEL



Each hour you spend with Jesus will deepen His Divine Peace in your heart!

One of the most powerful things we can do on this earth with our time is to spend it in Eucharistic Adoration. Let us thank God for the manifold blessings He will bestow upon us. Consider using this very privileged time to unite in prayer before Jesus in the Most Blessed Sacrament. If you able to sign up for a specific Holy Hour or be a substitute over the summer months, contact Mary at 302-388-3752 (Prayer@assumptionbvmwestgrove.org).



Catholic Youth Faith Formation

Registration 2021-22

At Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary Parish, we enthusiastically offer a leading On-Site and Home-Based Faith Formation Program, structured to meet the various needs of our students. Ongoing registration is now available on our website with further details and information. We welcome all children, levels 1-7, to grow closer to Christ and journey in faith and Sacramental preparation with us! For questions, please contact Janine Kramer at 610-869-8575, email abvmfaithformation@gmail.com, or visit <https://assumptionbvmwestgrove.org/catholic-youth-faith-formation>.

Unbaptized Youth

Baptism is the gateway to the sacraments and to Christian life. If your child is between the ages of 7 and 17 and has not been baptized in the Catholic faith, we welcome them to begin their journey with us to receive the Sacraments of Initiation: Baptism, First Eucharist and Confirmation. Parents are encouraged to contact our Office of Religious Education at abvmfaithformation@gmail.com or call 610-869-8575.



***Feeling blessed and want to give back?
Feeling called to share the Good News?***

Parishioners are invited to support our Catholic Youth Faith Formation!

**On-Site and/or Home-based Catechists
are especially needed!**

Training, lesson plans and materials are provided for you. Please contact Janine Kramer, Office of Religious Education, at 610-869-8575 or email abvmfaithformation@gmail.com, and inquire about becoming involved in the faith formation life of our youth!



ABVM CYO Sports Corner

Registration is now open for Volleyball.

Registration deadline: August 15th

VOLLEYBALL: Grades 5 thru 8

For Varsity Volleyball we do not have a coach. Please consider volunteering so that we may have a Varsity Team.

If you are interested in coaching, reach out to Neil O'Donnell at cyo@assumptionbvmwestgrove.org)

Our registration site is:

<http://assumptionbvmwestgrove.website.sportssignup.com/>

Live the Gospel of Life



Congress is trying to force Americans to pay for abortion.

The Hyde Amendment and similar laws have protected taxpayers from funding elective abortion for 45 years. Now, powerful members of Congress want to take away these laws that both Democrats and Republicans have supported for nearly half a century. Billions of taxpayer dollars could be used to pay for abortion. **It is critically important for Catholics to send a strong message** before Congress moves forward to impose taxpayer-funded abortion. To sign the petition, visit NoTaxpayerAbortion.com. For information, visit the USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities at www.respectlife.org/no-taxpayer-abortion.



Flame of Love of the Immaculate Heart of Mary

The Flame of Love devotion is held each Thursday evening from 6 pm to 7 pm, in the Assumption BVM Adoration Chapel. The Holy Hour consists of praying the Flame of Love Rosary, meditating on the writings of mystic, Elizabeth Kindelmann, and praying the Divine Mercy Chaplet. The Blessed Mother speaks to us through Elizabeth Kindelmann, "I have never given such a great movement as the Flame of Love that comes to you now. Until now, there has been nothing that so blinds Satan. Do not refuse this gift. To do so would bring great ruin." Please answer the Blessed Mother's call and come and be renewed by the Holy Spirit. For more information about this Church approved devotion, please contact Mary at 302-388-3752 or visit <https://flameoflove.us>.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Pray the Rosary for Life (7/11-7/17/21)

Sun. C. Bruecks	Thu. M. Kennard
Mon. C. Sedlak	Fri. R. Gaffney/T. Harrison
Tue. J. Lyons	Sat. G. Bryson
Wed. M. Tarkington	(Sign-up to pray in the vestibule.)
*HopeAfterAbortion.com; afterabortion.org; RachelsVineyard.org 610-354-0555,	
*Pregnant? Need Help? Call 1-800-CARE-002.	
*Birthright: 610-436-0773.	
*Annulment Proceeding: Metropolitan Tribunal, Archdiocese of Philadelphia (215) 587-3750.	
*Al-Anon: Email Mondaydat@gmail.com or visit https://al-non.org .	

*Lions Club Hospital Equipment Loan Program:

Contact 484-883-0515; www.aglions.com.

***Courage:** Courage ministers to those with same-sex attractions and their loved ones. A weekly peer support group is offered to homosexual men and women who wish to live according to the teaching of the Catholic Church. Call 215-587-4505. Confidentiality assured.

***Disabilities & Autism Help-Line:** Need help accessing services and support for someone with an intellectual disability or autism? Call 484-472-5041.

***Catholic Men's Pornography Addiction Group:** Call confidentially at 215-490-4660.

*** Suicide Prevention Hotline:** 800-273-8255.

***Hope in Christ:** Spiritual Support for Addiction: visit archphila.org/hope.

***STRIVE 21 Day Detox from Pornography.**
Register at cardinalstudios.org.



Children's Liturgy of the Word

Children's Liturgy of the Word will resume on Sunday, September 12th at the 10 am Mass. This is an opportunity for young children, ages 4 to 7, who have not yet made the Sacrament of Holy Communion, to listen to, discuss, and understand the Mass Readings on an age-appropriate level, so that they too may *Know Jesus, Love Jesus, and Serve Jesus*. No registration is required. For participation in this program, please bring your children or grandchildren to the Adoration chapel prior to the start of Mass. As the Entrance Hymn begins, the Children's Liturgy of the Word leaders will walk your children downstairs to the St. Cecelia Room, where they will gather to hear God's Word. Please watch the bulletin as more details are shared later in the summer. Safe environment clearances are required for all those working with our children. If you feel called to volunteer for this beautiful ministry, please contact Lisa Goldstein at KidsMass@assumptionbvmwestgrove.org

BLAZE

BLAZE is the Walking with Purpose ministry for **7th and 8th grade girls**. The mission of **BLAZE** is to use Scripture to speak truth into the hearts of young girls who are bombarded by lies about their true worth and beauty. **BLAZE** is coming to ABVM! The first of twenty weekly sessions will begin on Friday, October 8th at 6 pm in the ABVM Parish Life Center. Each week, participants will be led through an ice breaker activity and a short lesson based on a lie found in the world and a truth found in Scripture. The girls will also leave with a small take-home gift which corresponds with the lesson. Cost: \$25. Registration forms are available on the parish website or by contacting Tina Sgroi at Blaze@assumptionbvmwestgrove.org. Registration deadline is August 20th. To learn more, visit walkingwithpurpose.com/blaze.

Safe Environment Clearances

The safety of our children is a priority at Assumption BVM Church. Offering your time and talents is invaluable, and we are so grateful for your help. Safe Environment Clearances are need prior to volunteering for School, CYFF, CYO, Scouts, and anything that involves children. A list of clearances can be found on our website at www.assumptionbvmwestgrove.org, select *About Us*, then select *Safe Environment Clearances*. Once clearances and training are completed, certificates need to be sent to the Parish Office. For questions, call the Parish Office at 610-869-2722 or email DonnaABVM@comcast.net.

THE AUGUSTINE INSTITUTE SHOW WITH DR. TIM GRAY GUEST DR. MICHAEL BARBER

How do we respond when we are asked, "Are you saved?" In this episode of the Augustine Institute Show, Drs. Tim Gray and Michael Barber discuss what salvation means, and how faith and works aid us in our journey. To learn more, check out Dr. Barber's book, *Salvation: What Every Catholic Should Know!*



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FOOTBALL MANIA 17 Week Game ABVM Parish Fundraiser

Football Mania begins September 9th. Parishioners have been mailed Football Mania tickets this past week. Please send your score card stubs and money to the ABVM Parish Office (300 State Road, West Grove, PA 19390). Make checks payable to *Assumption BVM Church*. Winners will be notified by mail. Participants can also visit: www.charitymania.com to view the winning sweepstakes game card numbers each week to see if they've won. Tickets: \$25 (\$1.47 per week of the Football Mania!) **Additional score cards can be picked up in the Church vestibule.**

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Pack Contacts:

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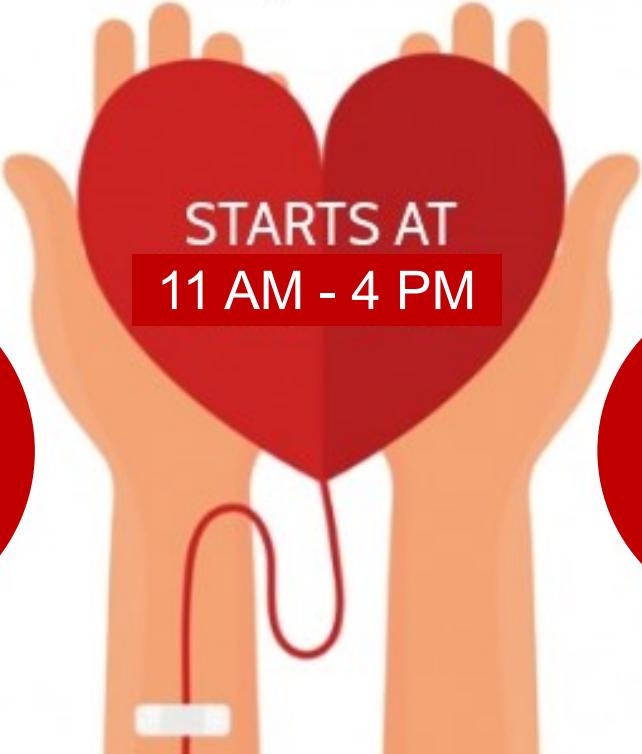
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August 13-15, 2021

"Weekend of Prayer, Hope, and Healing" with Fr. James Blount, S.O.L.T. and guest presenter, Dr. Antone Raymundo

To register, email olme@olme.org or call 610-582-3333. All events are held at Our Lady's Missionaries of the Eucharist, 640 E. Main Street, Birdsboro, PA. For more information, visit www.olme.org.



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- * **COME AND REST AWHILE RETREAT** (July 25-31, 2021, Mother Boniface Spirituality Center, NE Philadelphia, PA) Guests can choose to make a private retreat or guided/directed retreat. For information or to register, call Sr. Sara Butler, MSBT, at 267-350-1833 or email mbcretreat@msbt.org.
- * **MORNING OF REFLECTION FOR GRANDPARENTS** (July 26, 2021, 10 am-12 pm, National Centre of Padre Pio, Barto, PA) Celebrate the blessings and challenges of grandparenting on this feast day of Saints Joachim and Anne. Deacon Anthony Bellitto will be the guest speaker. There is no cost to attend, but registration is required. Email angela@PadrePio.org or call 610-845-3000.
- * **FEAST DAY OF BLESSED SOLANAS CASEY** (July 30, 2021, 11:30 am, National Centre of Padre Pio, Barto, PA) Celebrate the Feast Day of Blessed Solanus Casey with an opportunity to pray the Rosary, venerate his relic, and view an inspirational movie about his life and spirituality. There is no cost to attend, however, register for the movie by contacting Angela@PadrePio.org or call 610-845-3000.
- * **FLAME OF LOVE NATIONAL CONFERENCE** (July 30-August 1, 2021, Malvern Retreat House, Malvern, PA) Join us virtually or on-site for the Flame of Love Retreat with retreat director, Fr. James Blount. To register, call 610-644-0400 or visit malvernretreat.com/register.
- * **WOMEN'S TEA** (August 8, 2021, 2-4pm, Malvern Retreat House, Malvern, PA) We will reflect on the power of surrender and devotion to Mary. Cost \$25 onsite and virtual. Visit malvernretreat.com/register or call 610-644-0400.
- * **MEN OF MALVERN RETREAT-CHESTER COUNTY** (August 13-15, 2021, Malvern Retreat House, Malvern, PA) Chester County men are invited to gather, pray and deepen their relationship with Jesus Christ. For information or to register, visit malvernretreat.com/register or call 610-644-0400.
- * **WEEKEND COUPLES RETREAT** (September 10-12, 2021, Malvern Retreat House, Malvern, PA) Join us for a weekend of renewal and rejoicing in your marriage. Enjoy wonderful meals, conferences, and time together. To register, visit malvernretreat.com/register or call 610-644-0400.
- * **A DAY OF PROMISE GOLF TOURNAMENT** (September 13, 2021, 1 pm Shotgun Start, 5 pm Dinner, Kennett Square Golf & Country Club, Kennett Square, PA) Family Promise of Southern Chester County is sponsoring this Golf Tournament to help support homeless families, because every child deserves a home. Visit www.familypromisesc.org/events.

WEEKLY PRAYER



YEAR OF ST. JOSEPH

December 8, 2020-December 8, 2021

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Meditation on Saint Joseph

"If Joseph was so engaged, heart and soul, in protecting and providing for that little family at Nazareth, don't you think that now in heaven he is the same loving father and guardian of the whole Church, of all its members, as he was of its Head on earth?" - Venerable Pope Pius XII

For novena prayers, visit www.archphila.org/joseph.

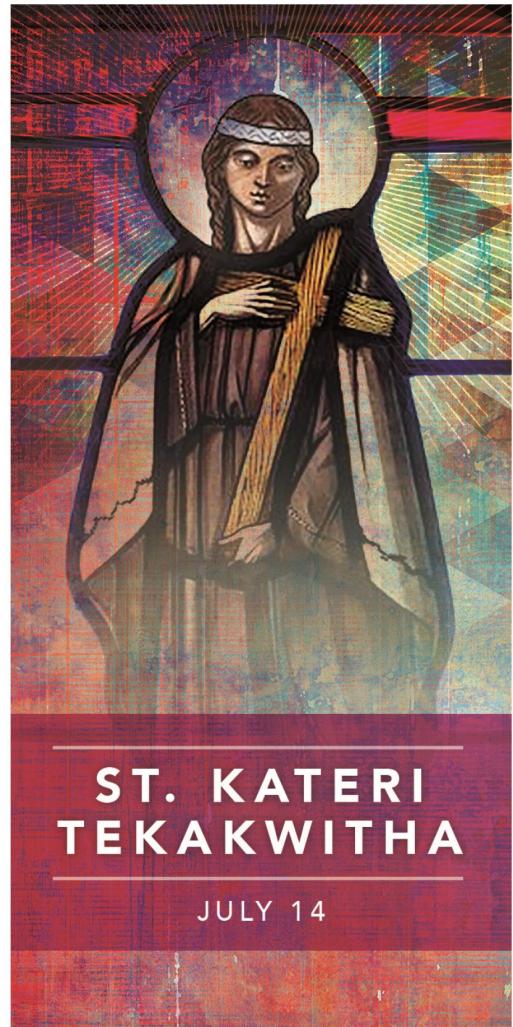
OBSERVANCES FOR THE WEEK OF JULY 11, 2021

- Sunday:** 15th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Tuesday: St. Henry
Wednesday: St. Kateri Tekakwitha, Virgin
Thursday: St. Bonaventure, Bishop and Doctor of the Church
Friday: Our Lady of Mount Carmel
Saturday: BVM
Next Sunday: 16th Sunday in Ordinary Time
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LIVE THE LITURGY

Inspiration for the week

God calls us to bring His Word to all corners of the earth. What does that mean for you and me? We are just simple and humble folks trying to find our way through the Gospel and our world. After all, we are not professional preachers but gentle servants. Jesus summons us to take his message on the road and bring it from the pew to the pavement. We cannot keep the joy of the Gospel to ourselves but must bring it into every aspect of our lives: our families, our schools, our work, our corporations, our politics, our social circles, and our philosophies. We cannot just accept the wisdom of the world as true and conduct our lives as if the Good News is a separate matter. They are one. Jesus never asked his friends to go and construct buildings where people could come to hear the truth. He asked them to go to their homes and meet them one on one, face to face. When the rubber meets the road and the message is challenging, rejection is quite possible. That's the litmus test for whether we're really doing what we have been asked. ©LPI



ST. KATERI TEKAKWITHA

JULY 14

Saint Kateri Tekakwitha was born of a Christian Algonquin woman and a non-Christian Mohawk chief. She led a life of great austerity and love in spite of ridicule and abuse because of her faith. At the age of twenty, she was baptized and took a vow of virginity, offering herself totally to God. The last years of her life were spent in prayer and caring for the sick, even as she herself was dying of tuberculosis. Saint Kateri is called the "Lily of the Mohawks" and is the first native American to be declared "Blessed". She was canonized by Pope Benedict XVI on October 21, 2012.

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