

Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time
July 29, 2018



Monday, July 30

8:15 a.m. Jean Marchetta (Anna Fana)
6:30 p.m. Jack Carruthers (Family)

Tuesday, July 31, St. Ignatius of Loyola

8:15 a.m. Carmela Spina
(Spina and Smioldo Family)
6:30 p.m. James Helms (Family)

Wednesday, August 1, St. Alphonsus Liguori

8:15 a.m. Jim & Mary Alice Dickey (Bill & Jo Dickey)

Thursday, August 2, St. Peter Julian Eymard

8:15 a.m. Stephen J. Halaiko (Family)
6:30 p.m. The Gambaccini Family
(The Tietz Family)

Friday, August 3

8:15 a.m. Gerald Boudreaux (Bill & Syl Davis)
6:30 p.m. Rosemary Pipoly (Bev Krizay)

Saturday, August 4, St. John Vianney

8:15 a.m. Jeannette Hengle
(Helen Carruthers & Family)
5:00 p.m. Our Seminarians
(St. Francis de Sales Parish)

August 5, 2018

Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:30 am, 9:00 am - Pro Populo, 11:00 am

Scripture Readings for the Week:

Monday
Tuesday
Wednesday
Thursday
Friday
Saturday



"Gather the fragments left over, so that nothing will be wasted." (Jn 6:12)

When it seems there isn't enough, when there is no way out of this, when it feels like what you need most is taken away...Jesus gathers what is left over and you will not be wasted! This past week my Mom took my sister Debbie and I to see the remnants of the Bethel Children's Home (a Christian orphanage in Smithfield) where my six year old Grandma and four of her seven siblings grew up after her mother died. It was devastating, to be sure, for such little ones to not only lose their mother so early, but to have their beloved father realize he could not take care of them by himself as he worked the B&O Railroad in Dennison. But, the Metcalf children grew up knowing something more than just feeling like a "fragment." Because of the consistent love of their father (who took the train and then walked three miles to the Home every Sunday just to play with them and always bring them an orange playfully hidden in his pocket) and what they knew about Jesus' promise in today's Gospel, they knew they were not "wasted" and they knew "they had more than they could eat." This week it is about such a promise given to each of us...you are more than a fragment, you are The Father's beloved. St. Ignatius of Loyola (feast day July 31st) left our Church amazing writings and a profound spirituality to help lead the Christian heart into awareness of The Father's love, know how to discern spirits/make right choices and embrace consolation even during times of desolation. Please consider praying with some of his writings or spiritual exercises. There are many resources on-line, books via stores, and even local spiritual directors or retreats to help (anything from Fr. Timothy Gallagher is great too). Pray for children in orphanages and especially those who are seeking a home to grow up in and know The Father's love...maybe even your home. Pax, Fr. Bline

(This week join me in offering a prayer for those in our parish who celebrate their birth or vows...like my nephew Rory and Sue Smith, Fr. Thomas' mother Sun Hui, our secretary Susan Undercoffer, Mother Gabriella, Bob Scalise, Jim Eckman, Jacob Salamon, Diane Salamon, The Gaebels, The Comphers, The Kieffers, & The Zushins to name a few.)

+ALSO DON'T FORGET TO PRAY ON AUGUST 4th, ST. JOHN VIANNEY DAY, patron of Diocesan Priests!)

Here's What's Happening Around the Parish This Week...

Sunday, July 29

-Boy Scouts, 5-6:30 p.m. (Pavilion)

Sunday, August 4

-Boy Scouts, 5-6:30 p.m. (Pavilion)

COLLECTION INFORMATION

July 22

\$20,413.00

Our parish is blessed by your generosity!



HELPERS NEEDED AT THE OZANAM CENTER

The St. Vincent de Paul Society of our parish is in need of helpers at the Ozanam Center on Wednesday, August 4, 2018. We will team up with Mother of Sorrows Parish. Please come if you can – we'll meet at 9:00 at the center, located behind Visitation of Mary Parish, at 93 Kent Street, Akron 44305



**SFDS Youth Group cordially invites you
to...**

Outdoor Movie Night

Friday, August 17

SAVE THE DATE!

SFDS YOUTH GROUP:



Game Night/ Pavs

Sunday, July 29, 7-9pm

Bring a friend!

Canal Park/ Rubber Ducks

7:05 pm game, Tuesday, July 31

Meet at St. Francis at 6 pm.

We will carpool to Canal Park

RSVP a MUST by 7/29



Questions? Contact Shirley Clark 330-439-4502

sclark.sfds@gmail.com



The parish can always use more volunteers to receive the Vocation Crucifix. Even if you've received it before, you may receive it again. There's no limit! Vocation prayers are always needed and appreciated! Please call the parish office at 330-644-2225 to have your name added to the list.

The Undercoffer Family received the Vocation Crucifix this weekend.



Please remember in your prayers the soul of parishioner **Linda Smiroldo** and **Joan Aubel** sister of Marcia Cummins. May perpetual light shine upon them.



Evening of Prayer

St. Francis de Sales will be holding an Evening of Prayer and Praise before the Blessed Sacrament on Saturday, September 8th from 8:00-9:30 PM. This will be a time to gather as a parish family in thanksgiving for our parish. We will be outside and under a tent. Bring your lawn chairs and invite friends and family for a beautiful time to praise the Creator of the stars under the night sky. See you and your friends there!



BARE NECESSITIES TREASURE CHEST

With summertime and vacations coming up very soon, it also means we ask you to start saving sample-size or travel-size toothpaste, soaps, shampoos, and lotions. The Social Action Committee of our Parish Pastoral Council will be collecting these items the weekend of the Parish Picnic, September 8-9. All items for the Bare Necessities Treasure Chest from last year were donated to the victims of Hurricanes Harvey, Irma, and Maria. Thank you for keeping this ministry in your thoughts and prayers as you shop and vacation this summer! Any and all donations will be directed to a worthwhile cause, yet to be determined.



2018-19 PSR Registration

PSR families, you must complete a registration form annually for **every** 1st through 8th-grade student attending the St. Francis de Sales PSR program.

Registration forms for the 2018-19 school year are due a.s.a.p., but no later than August 1st.

If you are new to the program or in need of a registration form, they are available in the rectory during business hours, by email (knott@stfparishschool.org), or by calling Kathleen Ott at 330-644-2225.

Our first night of PSR will be Monday, September 10, 2018

Have you been thinking about becoming a Catholic?

Do you know of someone who might be interested in becoming Catholic?

Were you baptized Catholic but never received your 1st Holy Communion or Confirmation?

Join us for prayer, reflection, and learning on Tuesday evenings, starting September 11, 2018, from 7:15-8:30 pm in the Upper Room

If you would like to register or have questions, please call Kathleen Ott at (330) 644-2225



Are you a practicing Catholic who loves children? Can you make a weekly commitment? Is God calling you?

If you answered yes to any of these questions, you would make a great PSR teacher!

PSR catechists are special people, called by the Holy Spirit to share their faith. They come from many different backgrounds, united in love for children and Jesus Christ.

Experience is not required! We will train you and walk with you as you start this amazing adventure, passing on the Catholic faith to our children.

Interested? contact Kathleen Ott knott@stfparishschool.org or 330-644-2225

“Pray, hope, and don’t worry.”

-Padre Pio



LAST CHANCE to be part of our 70th Anniversary Photo Directory. Sign up now to have your photo taken!

Sign up online: (website closed on weekends)

Go to WWW.UCDIR.COM

CODE: oh2111

PASSWORD: sfd

Click "schedule your photography"

FINAL PHOTOGRAPHY SESSION DATES: **August 9th, 10th, 11th, & 13th, 2018**

- Weekdays 2 pm – 8:30 pm & Saturday 10:30 am – 4 pm
- All Photos will be taken in the Upper Room at St. Francis de Sales
- Every family that is photographed will receive a complimentary 8 x 10 portrait & a free directory
- Please feel free to bring a beloved pet if you'd like to have them in the photo with you

Questions or help with signing up please contact:

Susie Naragon 330-329-1937, ms4e@aol.com

Michele Steurer 330-618-5545, shellbell601@gmail.com

Joy Kopcha 765-760-9517, joy.kopcha@gmail.com

GOOD SAMARITAN HUNGER CENTER

Thank you for your generous support over the years. We strive to be good stewards of your donations. Last year, due to need, the Good Samaritan Hunger Center tripled the number of meals provided through the hot meal and grocery distribution programs. We need your help, as we are struggling now and do not wish to cut programs. No donation is too small. You may visit our web page to make a donation at:

www.goodsamaritanhungercenter.org

or you may mail a donation to Good Samaritan Hunger Center:
PO Box 5753,
Akron OH 44372

Thank you in advance for your support!

The FEST – An Amazing Family Day

Are you looking for an opportunity for your family to grow in faith this summer – for FREE? Join us for a family retreat day on Sunday, August 5th at the 18th Annual FEST, beginning at noon at the Center for Pastoral Leadership in Wickliffe. Outdoor Mass, Adoration, praise, and worship (with *We are Messengers*, *Mandisa*, *Big Daddy Weave*, and *TobyMac*)... and more... it will inspire and engage the whole family! Moms, don't forget to sign up for the mom's giveaway bag, thanks to our friends at Marc's.

Visit www.theFEST.us/volunteer for details.

Exchange Student Housing Needed

Archbishop Hoban High School is excited to have several students from China joining the Hoban community for the 2018-19 academic year and is looking for great families to welcome these students into their home for the school year. Hosting a student can be a rich cultural experience for a family.

Families are provided a \$900 monthly stipend to help with the cost of hosting the student. Host families are only required to provide their visiting student with their own room, all meals outside school lunches, and transportation to/from school (the school bus is ok). Otherwise, host families are asked simply to welcome their exchange student as part of the family and help them experience American culture!

If you are interested, please contact Kileigh Su at hostfamily@iperc.org or (330)703-1643.

The Rock AM1260

Going on vacation? **AM 1260 The Rock** can go anywhere you do! With our new mobile app, Cleveland Catholic Radio is as near as your mobile device. Download our app from the Google Play store or the iPhone app store to stay connected to Rock Solid Truth!

Theology on Top

Theology on Tap Akron will again be at The Harbor Front Grille & Party Center on Wednesday, August 8th at 7:00 pm! Theology on Tap welcomes all young adults to come listen to Rev. Fr. James Mayer O.de M., Pastor of Saint Rocco Catholic Church, speak on "Self-Gift & Sts.

Rocco and Peter Nolasco: Lessons from Medieval Saints for our Modern Times." Admission is \$5 and includes appetizers. The bar will be open for those who would like to purchase beverages. Come experience faith, fellowship, and food with other young adults in their 20's and 30's at Theology on Tap Akron! The Harbor Front Grille & Party Center is located at 562 Portage Lakes Dr., Akron, OH 44319.

Honoring Nurses

Queen of Heaven Church

Nurses of all denominations and all areas and status of service, their families, and the entire community are invited to join in a Mass of thanksgiving honoring nurses on Thursday, August 9, 2018, at 7:00 pm at Queen of Heaven Church. Celebrant will be Rev. William A. Smith, also a nurse, who is the pastor of Our Lady of Grace Catholic Church, in Hinkley, Ohio. Queen of Heaven Pastor, Reverend David R. Durkee will be concelebrating. Peace Together Choir, an interdenominational group of vocalists/musicians, will sing/lead music for the Mass. Social will follow. **More information: Louise Hellwig at 330-603-0385 or Jo Ernst at 330-896-1039.**

Come and See!

Are you restless? Searching for "more"? The Franciscans of the Little Way invite single, Catholic women, 20 and older, to spend a day in prayer and discernment at our Come and See retreat on September 15. Our day begins with Mass at 8 am at St. Hilary Church (2750 W. Market St, Fairlawn), followed by prayer, talks, and adoration.

Register online at www.tinyurl.com/FLW-ComeAndSee or contact Anne Rollick at franciscansofthelittleway@gmail.com or 330-794-7648 with any questions.

Theology on the Rocks

Food, Fellowship, and Faith for Adults, Monday, August 20th. Pope Emeritus Benedict XVI: Last Testament

Fr. Peter Kovacina

Parochial Vicar

St. Anthony of Padua, Parma

D'Agnes's at White Pond Akron

566 White Pond Dr.

7:00 pm Appetizers, 7:30 pm Speaker

\$10.00 Admission includes appetizers – Cash bar

Sponsored by St. Sebastian Parish, Akron

Stop by the parish office this summer to purchase Scrip gift cards for the following:

Acme	Bob Evans	Claire's	Handel's Ice	Lowe's	Panera	Steak 'n'
Aeropostale	Bonefish Grill	Cracker	Cream	Macy's	Pat Catan's	Shake
Amazon	Bravo	Barrel	Home Depot	Marathon	PF Chang's	Subway
Applebee's	Buehler's	CVS	HomeGoods	Marshall's	Pier 1 Import	Sunoco
Arby's	Burger King	Dick's	Honeymoon	Menches	Pizza Hut	Taco Bell
Banana	Carrabba	Dillard's	Grille	Brothers	Red Robin	Target
Republic	Grill	Dunkin	iTunes	Michael's	Red Lobster	TGIFridays
Bath & Body	Chili's Bar &	Donuts	JCPenney	Old Navy	Regal	Tinseltown
Works	Grill	Game Stop	Jo-Ann	Olive	Cinema	Theaters
Bed Bath &	Chipotle	The Gap	Fabrics	Garden	Sam's Club	TJ Maxx
Beyond	Cinemark	GFS	Kohl's	Outback	Sheetz	Walgreen's
Best Buy	Circle K	Giant Eagle	Longhorn	Steakhouse	Speedway	Walmart
			Steakhouse		Starbucks	Wendy's