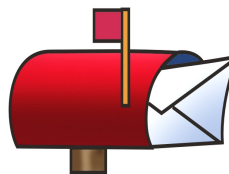


FIFTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

JULY 15, 2018



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| Monday, | 7/16 | | |
| 6:45 AM | | | |
| 8:00 AM | | | |
| Tuesday, | 7/17 | | |
| 6:45 AM | | | |
| 8:00 AM | | JAMES GAMGORT, JR. | WIFE |
| Wednesday, | 7/18 | | |
| 6:45 AM | | | |
| 8:00 AM | | | |
| Thursday, | 7/19 | | |
| 6:45 AM | | | |
| 8:00 AM | | | |
| Friday, | 7/20 | | |
| 6:45 AM | | | |
| 8:00 AM | | | |
| Saturday, | 7/21 | | |
| 6:45 AM | | ROSE DI FRANCESCO | FAMILY |
| 5:30 PM | | CAMILLA A. SANTUCCI | NEIL & TERRY ROWLEY |
| Sunday, | 7/22 | | |
| 7:00 AM | | PARISHIONERS | |
| 9:00 AM | | ANNE PAVONI MATZ | CHILDREN |
| 11:00 AM | | GIUSEPPE IACONO | FAMILY |



FROM THE
PASTOR'S DESK

And, so it is....

By now, most of you have heard that I will be the new pastor of St. Anthony's. While the wait may have seemed confusing, the time has really been short.

With the election of Father Fiorelli, the ball was able to start rolling. He could make a nomination to Bishop Malooly and, in time, the Bishop was free to make the appointment.

I am very happy to be your pastor.

I must confess though, that I am not Italian! According to Ancestry DNA, I am 61% Celt, 24% British, 6% Scandinavian, 4% from the Iberian Peninsula, 3% Western European, and ...2% South Asian! Closer to home, I was born and raised in Wilmington, as were both my parents. My grandparents reveal a different story: my maternal grandmother was born and raised in Wilmington, yet she married a man from Dover; my paternal grandmother was born and raised in Clarksburg, West Virginia, and she married a man from Cambridge, MD. My welcome into the Christian family occurred in the baptistry here at St. Anthony's in February of 1957!

Most of us can claim similar melting pot stories. But the common denominator is that we share a common journey: a journey alongside the Christ who saves us. As we make this journey together, let us give thanks to who we are, and set our hand to the plow to work to who we can become.

Father Mark

"God's Plan for Giving"

OFFERTORY COLLECTION FOR 06/24/18

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| TOTAL OFFERTORY COLLECTION: | \$10,212.99 |
| Budget: | \$11,361.51 |
| Actual vs. Budget This Week: | -\$1,148.52 |
| Percent Difference This Week: | - 10.1% |
| Total Difference Fiscal Year to Date: | -\$17,908.03 |

OFFERTORY COLLECTION FOR 07/01/18

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| TOTAL OFFERTORY COLLECTION: | \$ 9,098.00 |
| Avg. Collection Last Fiscal Year: | \$11,017.12 |
| Actual vs. Last F/Y: | -\$1,919.12 |
| Percent Difference This Week: | - 17.4% |
| Total Difference Fiscal Year to Date: | -\$1,919.12 |

OFFERTORY COLLECTION FOR 07/08/18

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| TOTAL OFFERTORY COLLECTION: | \$10,550.62 |
| Avg. Collection Last Fiscal Year: | \$11,017.12 |
| Actual vs. Last F/Y: | -\$ 466.50 |
| Percent Difference This Week: | - 4.2% |
| Total Difference Fiscal Year to Date: | -\$2,385.62 |

Thank you for your sacrifice of tithing!



"I found Him, whom my soul loves. I held him and would not let him go."

St. Francis de Sales



In your charity, please pray for

Elizabeth Curran Connor

Carl Ferrara

Joseph Labella

and all the deceased of St. Anthony's.



Next Sunday's Readings

1st Reading:

Jeremiah 23:1-6

Responsorial Psalm:

Psalms 23:1-3, 3-4, 5, 6

2nd Reading:

Ephesians 2:13-18

Gospel:

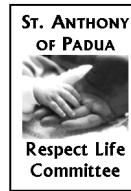
Mark 6:30-34

Your Prayers and Support Requested

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| Mateo Ahumada | Kenyon Blough | Nancy Brown |
| Marianne Calvarese | Roger Chao | Tori Daniello |
| Mary T. DiBiaso | Judi DiFrancesco | Thomas DiGuglielmo |
| Tommy DiVirgilio | Christopher Ganey | James Ganey |
| Mark Johnson | William J. Nardo, Jr. | Kelly Panella |
| Jack Pipa | Charles Rosenberg, Sr. | Jimmy Silicato |
| Larry Silvestri | Eileen Swindel | Albert Vietri |
| Robert Walton | Anmarie White | |

...and all the sick of St. Anthony's Parish.

Respect Life: Fact of Life



"Catholics must never abandon the moral requirement to seek full protection for all human life from the moment of conception until natural death."

Forming Consciences for Faithful Citizenship, USCCB

St. Joseph Parish Carnival -Middletown

July 17 thru July 21. Exciting rides, games and nightly entertainment under the big top! FREE admission and parking. More information, call Parish Office at 302-378-5800 or www.stjosephmiddletown.com.

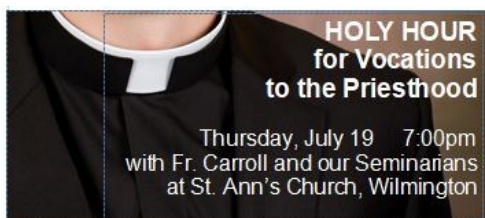
Vocations

The Psalmist writes "I will hear what God proclaims – for He proclaims peace." But how can anyone hear God's proclamation unless some are sent to proclaim it? Priests and deacons have as one of their main tasks the proclamation of God's word. If you are a healthy man between the ages of 18 and 45 and believe that God might be calling you to the priesthood or to the diaconate, please call or write Father Norm Carroll, Diocesan Director of Priestly and Religious Vocations (302-573-3113, vocations@cdow.org). Be sure to visit our website: www.cdow.org/vocations/

Catholic Forum

Listen to Catholic Forum every Sunday morning at 10:05 a.m. on WDEL 101.7 FM, 1150 AM and www.wdel.com. Next Sunday, July 22, 2018, Father Rich Jasper, Associate Pastor at Saint Ann's Church, will look back at his first year of priesthood. For photos, information regarding upcoming guests, podcasts and more, "Like" Catholic Forum on Facebook at www.facebook.com/catholicforum. Listen to past episodes of Catholic Forum online at cdow.org/communications or search "Catholic Forum" on Apple Podcasts or iHeartRadio podcasts.

For two consecutive Sundays, August 5th and 12th, Catholic Forum will honor the anniversary of Father Roberto's passing by airing a 2-part interview with Father recorded in 2006.



Second Collection

Next weekend, July 21st and 22nd, there is no scheduled second collection.

Knights of Columbus

St. Pius X Council #4425

Knight of the Year

This year St. Pius X Council recognizes its outgoing Grand Knight Domenic Verechia as Knight of the Year. Dom has been a strong leader the past four years. He led by example, working hard at almost every Knights event. Dom is truly committed to the advancement of the church, the council and the Order. Congratulate Dominic for this special honor.

Family of the Year

As family of the year we had to go no farther then our church pews. The Council has selected Guy and Terry DiSimplico as Family of the Year. We all know of Guy's and Terry's dedication and hard work helping Anita and Family run The Antonian Stand at the Italian Festival. They are also involved in numerous activities in the parish. Most importantly, they are a model of a Catholic family, attending Mass as a unit. Strong supports of Catholic education. Congratulations and thank you for all you do for the Church.

Belated Recognition

A few weeks ago the parish honored Sir Knight Dr. Herbert T. Casalena as the recipient of the Fr. Roberto Lifetime Achievement Award. St. Pius X Council extends our congratulations to Dr. Casalena PSD on receiving this well-deserved recognition. For many years, Herb worked alongside Fr. Roberto to improve the church and the community. Your council is very proud of you.

Remembering our Pastors

Again this year St. Pius X Council KofC was given permission to hold a Memorial Mass in honor of our deceased Pastors. The Mass will be held on Sat. Aug. 18. At 11:30 in the chapel at Childs MD. A wreath laying will take place after Mass. Please contact Eugene Dzielak 658-0351 or Felix Sptelle 658-2713 if you intend to come to the Mass so that we can give the Oblates a good attendance number by Aug 13.

Come On In; The Water's Fine!

Do you remember a time when you were hesitant to jump into a swimming pool or wade into the waves at the ocean? A friend or family member, already in the water, perhaps called out to you, "Come on in; the water's fine."

Sometimes we approach the liturgy a bit like that body of water. We know that jumping in is the only way to really enjoy it, but we're still hesitant to make the leap. Perhaps we are shy by nature and inclined to play the Wallflower. Perhaps we don't really like to sing or don't think we have a very good singing voice. Perhaps we participate well most Sundays but just got up in a bad mood this morning.

There can be a lot of different reasons we hesitate to jump in, but the only way to fully benefit from the liturgy is to enter into it with our whole selves. We are invited by Christ to share in his worship with every part of ourselves — mind and heart, body and soul, eyes and ears and voices. We need to worship the Lord with both our interior disposition and our external expression.

When the liturgy begins, we are all called to praise God together by joining in the opening song. This song often expresses the theme of the feast or season we are celebrating, helping us to enter into the mood of the celebration. Sometimes it may be more general, speaking simply of beginning our worship. In either case, it calls us to move beyond the limits of our own little world and become part of something much larger.

It is important to realize that the liturgy is a common action of all those gathered. It is not private prayer but communal prayer. The entrance song reminds us of this fact, because the song itself draws us into a communal act of praise. Each of us contributes his or her own

voice to one musical sound. Our voices blend as one, because we each sing the same words on (at least roughly) the same note at the same time.

This is one of the main functions of music in the liturgy. It unites us in a common act of worship. It is a unifying element that recurs again and again throughout the liturgy, continually calling us to worship as one body in Christ.

Music also adds a sense of solemnity to our celebration, lifting it out of the ordinary and expressing our joy and our thanksgiving. Music can lift our minds and our spirits as we lift up our voices to the Lord.

All of this works, of course, only if we join in the singing. It takes all our voices together to give God the praise that God is due. It takes the cooperation of each person in the assembly if our music is to be as grand and glorious as it can be. If you think your voice isn't that great for singing, so what? God gave you that voice; give it back to God! Don't let any fear or hesitation keep you from joining in. Come on in; the water's fine.

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