



**Parish Office Hours**

*Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday  
and Friday 9:30 a.m. - 3:30 p.m.  
Thursday—OFFICE CLOSED*

# Fourteenth Sunday In Ordinary Time

## July 09, 2023

**Our Lady of Lourdes Parish  
Reverend Michael S. McCormick, Pastor**

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Facebook—Our Lady of Lourdes Montoursville**

**Mass Schedule**

*Saturday Vigil ~ 4:00 p.m.  
Sunday ~ 8:00 a.m. & 10:30 a.m.  
Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday,  
Friday ~ 9:00 a.m.  
Thursday ~ No daily Mass*

**Adoration**

*Monday ~ 6:00 p.m. ~ 7:00 p.m.*

**Sacrament of Baptism**

**Baptismal instruction offered at  
6:30 p.m. on the  
third Tuesday of every month.  
Call the office to register.**

**Sacrament of Reconciliation**

*Friday ~ 5:00 ~ 6:00 p.m.  
Saturday ~ 3:00 ~ 3:30 p.m.  
Anytime by appointment.*

**Sacrament of Marriage**

**Arranged at least six months  
in advance**

**Pastoral Care of the Sick**

**Notify the parish office  
whenever someone is ill,  
hospitalized, or homebound  
wishes to receive Communion.**

**RCIA**

*Mondays ~ 7:00 p.m.*

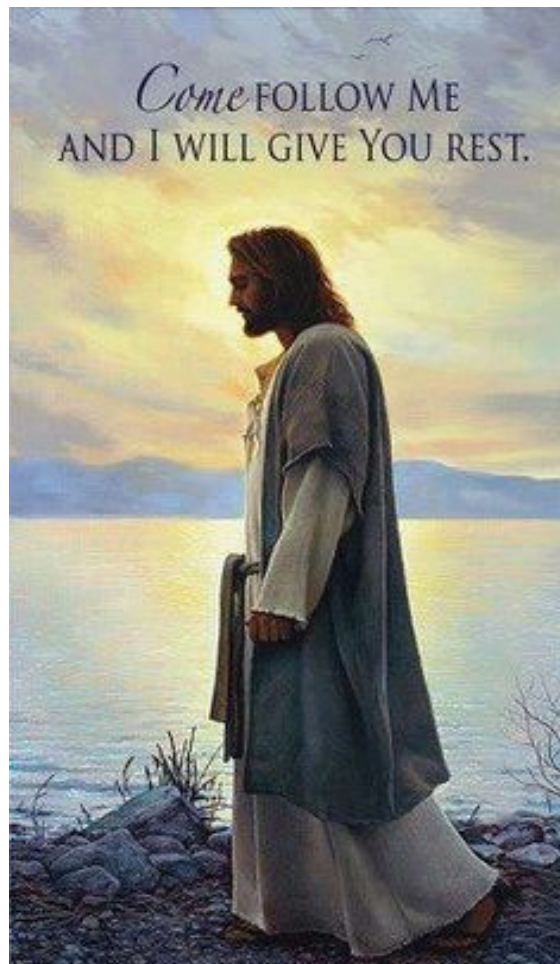
**Parish Membership**

**New parishioners are  
always welcome  
Please call the parish office  
to register.**

**Knights of Columbus  
Council 14329**

**Parish Council**

**Rita Clayton  
Deb Steinbacher  
Paul Moerschbacher  
Jamie Wieder  
Mary Etta Legarski  
Sharon O'Malley  
Keith Kuzio  
Colleen Brown  
Kaycie Gerrity  
Lydia Baylor**

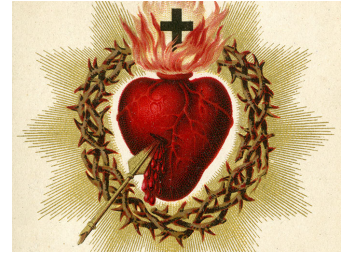


***Mission Statement***

*We are a Christian Community rooted in Word and Sacrament  
striving to fulfill our Baptismal commitment  
by following the example and teaching of Christ.  
Empowered by the Holy Spirit, we endeavor to pass on our faith,  
through the Roman Catholic Tradition, to the next generation  
for the greater glory of God.*

## From the Pastor's Desk

***I am meek and humble of heart.***



Dear Parish Family,

I have often said that I find the most neglected and forgotten characteristic of God is His humility. We all know and often repeat that He is omnipresent, omniscient, and all powerful. We know that He is a God of justice and mercy. And yet He condescends to us. He compassionately bends down very low in order to raise us up. He is great, yet He does not use His greatness to condemn us. Rather in His meekness and humility, He calls us to Himself that we might “learn from Him”.

St. John Chrysostom reminds us that “God is humble, and we are proud! The judge is gentle; the criminal arrogant! The potter speaks in lowered voice; the clay discourses in the tones of a king! Our Master carries a whip not to wound, but to heal us.”

Let us reflect, then, on the incredible humility of our God and His indescribable kindness. He even reaches down from the Cross of His Crucified Son to lift us up. So, I often remind myself, that when He calls us to humility, when He calls us to set aside our human pride, it is in imitation of this basic aspect of His nature. In fact, when we humble ourselves and pray, we are participating in His Divine Nature.

What wonderful words of comfort we hear this weekend from our Lord Jesus. Maybe it is the comfort you need this very moment when much of the world seems to be in turmoil. Perhaps if we view our current difficulties through the eyes of Divine Humility we can set aside not only our pride, but our angst and our despair. For who could not be filled with joy and hope when walking with a Lord so gentle and loving.

Jesus meek and humble of heart, make my heart like unto Thine.

Peacefully And Joyfully Yours,

Fr. Michael

### **DIGGING FOR TREASURE** **Our Lady of Lourdes Vacation Bible School**

July 12-13-14 ~ 6:00—8:30 p.m.  
July 15 ~ 9:00—11:30 a.m.  
Followed by Family picnic at noon!!



**\*\* VOLUNTEERS NEEDED \*\***

We will be having a workday/set-up day for VBS in the Church Hall on July 10th @ 10:00 a.m.

If you have any questions, contact Donna Mothersbaugh at 570-244-8010 or email [religioused@ourladyoflourdesrcc.org](mailto:religioused@ourladyoflourdesrcc.org)

### **Coffee Chat—Women of the Parish**

Please join us for “Coffee Chats” at the home of Lydia James on **July 22** at 10:00 a.m. We will continue our study of St. Therese of Lisieux. To attend, email Lydia at [ldjams25@gmail.com](mailto:ldjams25@gmail.com) or text at 570-419-9744 and she will send you the study chapters, along with other details.



*The month of July is dedicated to **The Precious Blood***

**Mass Intentions**

**To Love and Serve Jesus Christ  
This Week at Our Lady of Lourdes**

- ~ **Monday, July 10**  
VBS Workday/Set-up ~ 10:00 a.m.  
Holy Hour/Confessions ~ 6:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.  
K.O.C. in Hall ~ 7:00 p.m.
- ~ **Tuesday, July 11**  
Vacation Bible School (VBS) ~ 6:00p.m. - 8:30 p.m.
- ~ **Wednesday, July 12**  
VBS ~ 6:00 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.
- ~ **Thursday, June 13**  
VBS ~ 6:00 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.
- ~ **Friday, July 14**  
Confessions ~ 5:00 p.m.- 6:00 p.m.  
VBS~ 6:00 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.
- ~ **Saturday, July 15**  
VBS ~ 9:00 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.  
VBS Family Picnic @ 12:00 p.m.
- ~ **Sunday, July 16**  
K.O.C. Picnic @ Legarskis

**Offertory Collections**

The collection totals will be available in the bulletin July 16, 2023.

**Collection Counter Schedule**

- July 10 ~ Group 2** Glenda Farrington, Mary McNamara, Carol Everett
- July 17 ~ Group 3** Judy DeGregorio, Barb Gallagher, Jan Ransdorf

***Altar Flowers***

*The Altar flowers for the weekend of July 9 are placed in loving memory of Barbara Swartz by the Ebbert Family.*



***Faith in Action***

For the month of **July**, we will be collecting *deodorant*. Please be as generous as always for this special collection.



We continue to collect **16 oz. jars of peanut butter** to help support the Montoursville School District Backpack Program. Drop off donations inside the Church or the Church office.

**Sunday, July 9**

9:00 a.m. The People of our Parish  
10:30 a.m. Al Barnett (By The Family)

*Zec 9:9-10; Ps 145:1-14; Rom 8:9-13; Mt 11:25-30*

**Monday, July 10**

9:00 a.m. John Burfeindt (By His Family)

*Gen 28:10-22; Ps 91:1-15; Mt 9:18-26*

**Tuesday, July 11** ~ St. Benedict, Abbot

9:00 a.m. Tim Crotty (By The Catino Family)  
2:00 p.m. Tony Longo at Embassy (We Care)  
(By Carmela Longo, Aloiso and Joann Longo Schmary)

*Gen 32:23-33; Ps 17:1-15; Mt 9:32-38*

**Wednesday, July 12**

9:00 a.m. Helen Schamberg (By John & Ann Dorin)

*Gen 21:5-20; Ps 34:7-13; Mt 8:28-34*

**Thursday, July 13** ~ No Mass

*Gen 44:18-21; Ps 105:16-21; Mt 10:7-15*

**Friday, July 14** ~ St. Kateri Tekakwitha, Virgin

9:00 a.m. Mary Margaret Steinbacher (By K.O.C. #14329)

*Gen 46:1-30; Ps 37:3-40; Mt 10:16-23*

**Saturday, July 15** ~ St. Bonaventure, Bishop & Doctor of The Church

4:00 p.m. Joe Mazzante (By His Wife and Daughters)

*Gen 49:29-32; Ps 105:1-7; Mt 10:24-33*

**Sunday, July 16**

8:00 a.m. Charles Jean (By Dave & Linda Rolley)  
10:30 a.m. The People of our Parish

*Is 55:10-11; Ps 65:10-14; Rom 8:18-23; Mt 13:1-23*

**Prayer List for the Month of July**

*If you or a loved one would like to be added to our prayer list, please contact the parish office.*

Dave Bonus, Karen Boyle, Gerald Dincher, Ann Marie Dorin, Diane Folk, Margie Foulds, Carissa Foulds, Charles Gries, Geraldine Hamm, Michael Hook, Mina Hoover, Cliff Hales, Rosemary "Cate" Legarski, Chuck Ligosh, Kathleen Maiolo, Karen Marlett, Tyler Morton, Nancy Moyer, Mary Myers, Linda Phillips, Justin Reed (Father's nephew), Nicole Selleck, Isabel Shumbat, Johanna Steinbacher, Robert Steinbacher, Sofia Steinbacher, Stanley Steinbacher, Staci Stone, Carl Ulsamer, Debbie Winterer

Our Lady of Lourdes is currently seeking **Extraordinary Ministers** and **Lectors** for our weekend masses. Please consider offering your *time* and *talent* to these beautiful ministries. If you have any questions please reach out to us at the parish office @ 570-368-8598.

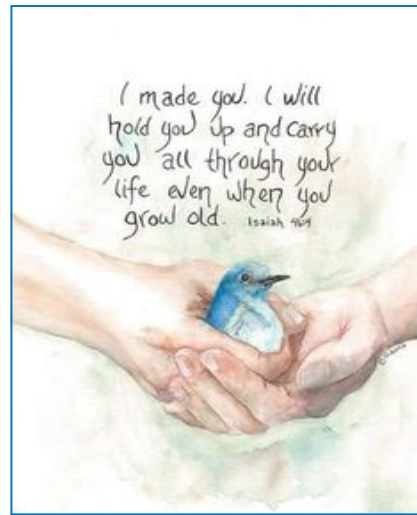
**Notice Regarding Reporting  
Sexual Abuse of a Minor**

It is the policy of the Diocese of Scranton to report any allegation of sexual abuse of a minor to law enforcement. If you are a victim of sexual abuse committed by a priest, deacon, religious or lay employee or volunteer of the Diocese of Scranton, you are encouraged to immediately report the matter to law enforcement. If any priest, deacon, religious, lay employee or volunteer of the Diocese of Scranton has cause or reason to suspect that a minor has been subjected to any form of abuse, including child sexual abuse, the matter will be reported to law enforcement.

It is also the policy of the Diocese to adhere to all civil and state regulations. In accordance with the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania's Child Protective Services Laws, reports of suspected child abuse should also be made immediately by phone to the 24-Hour Child Abuse hotline (ChildLine) at 1-800-932-0313 or electronically at [www.compass.state.pa.us/cwis](http://www.compass.state.pa.us/cwis). To this end, the Diocese is equally committed to adhering to the norms of the Code of Canon Law and to upholding the tenets of the USCCB Charter for the Protection of Children and Young People, which includes supporting victims of sexual abuse in their pursuit of emotional and spiritual well-being. As such, information regarding an allegation of sexual abuse of a minor should also be reported to the Victim Assistance Coordinator Mary Beth Pacuska at 570-862-7551.

**Save The Date!**

**50th CLASS Reunion for BNHS Class of '73!! The date is July 29th @ 2 p.m. TEXT ASAP to Marilyn Engle Smith at #570-971-9546 or Patti Eck Morone at #570-971-4294.**



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