

OUR LADY HELP OF CHRISTIANS

R.C. CHURCH & HISTORIC SHRINE OF MARIA HILF

July 4, 2021

Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

PARISH/CEMETERY/FAITH FORMATION OFFICE

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Office Hours: Mon., Tues., Thurs., & Fri. 9:00 a.m.—3:00 p.m. (Closed 12-12:30 for lunch);
Wed. CLOSED; MASK REQUIRED



*Our Lady Help of Christians,
pray for us.*

PASTORAL TEAM

PASTOR

Rev. Jozef Dudzik

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WEEKEND MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday (Vigil):

4:00 p.m. - Church

Sunday:

7:00 a.m. - Chapel

9:00 a.m. - Church

11:00 a.m. - Church

12:30 p.m. - Chapel (Tridentine Mass)

THE CHAPEL OF OUR LADY HELP OF CHRISTIANS IS OPEN
MONDAY THROUGH FRIDAY 8 A.M.—2 P.M
FOR PRIVATE ADORATION

CALL PARISH OFFICE REGARDING THE FOLLOWING:

BAPTISMS: Please contact the Parish Office and request the Holy Baptism.

RECONCILIATION: Confessions are available 20 minutes before *every* daily and weekend Masses.

WEDDINGS: Couples must make an appointment with the parish office at least six months before the wedding date.

CARE/ANOINTING OF THE SICK: During this time of COVID, Father will only go to those who are near death. Please call the parish office to request a home/hospital visit or email Father Dudzik at ksdudzik@gmail.com. In case of emergency, contact Father's cell phone at (716) 579-1745.

PRIESTHOOD/RELIGIOUS LIFE: If you hear Gods calling to serve the Church as a Priest, Deacon, or Religious woman or man, please contact the Vocation Office of the Diocese of Buffalo at 716-847-5335.

PARISH REGISTRATION: New members are always welcome. Registration is arranged by a personal visit to the parish office or by telephoning the parish office.
PLEASE NOTE: If you are moving out of the parish, please notify the parish office.

Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

MASS INTENTIONS**SATURDAY, July 3 Vigil of The Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time; Saint Thomas, Apostle**

4:00 p.m. +Donald F. Bauman—req. by Peter & Lisa Dudek

SUNDAY, July 4 Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:00 a.m. For the Parishioners—req. by Fr. Jozef

9:00 a.m. +Larry & Marie Bisone—req. by Goddaughter, Melissa

11:00 a.m. +Patrick Quinn—req. by Dale & Ann Loucks (**Grotto**)

12:30 p.m. +NYS Trooper Joseph Gallagher—req. by Our Lady Help of Christians

MONDAY, July 5 Saint Anthony Zaccaria, Priest

8:30 a.m. +Derek Kaczorowski—req. by Mom, Jeff, & Family

9:00 a.m.—6:00 p.m. Eucharistic Adoration in the Chapel

TUESDAY, July 6 Saint Maria Goretti, Virgin and Martyr

8:30 a.m. Russ & MaryAnn Notaro - 65th Wedding Anniversary

WEDNESDAY, July 7

8:30 a.m. +Paul D. Gilbert—req. by Sister

THURSDAY, July 8

8:30 a.m. +Mary Ann Plewinski—req. by Krajewski Family

FRIDAY, July 9 Saint Augustine Zhao Rong, Priest, and Companions, Martyrs

8:30 a.m. +Paul & Rose Marie Seitz—req. by Family

SATURDAY, July 10 Vigil of The Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

4:00 p.m. +Raymond Gray—req. by George & Dawn

SUNDAY, July 11 Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:00 a.m. +Ana Forsberg—req. by Fr. Jozef & OLHC

9:00 a.m. +Darwin Hoffman—req. by Maureen

11:00 a.m. +Donald F. Bauman—req. by Jane Buchholz

12:30 p.m. +Oliver Musilli—req. by Lelonek, Hickel & Majchrzak Families

SPIRITUAL LIFE IN OUR SHRINE

- ◇ Daily Eucharist, 8:30 a.m.
- ◇ Sacrament of Confession—20 minutes before every Mass.
- ◇ Rosary—after daily Mass and 20 minutes before weekend Masses.
- ◇ Chaplet to the Devine Mercy—every Friday 10 minutes before Mass.
- ◇ First Fridays—Eucharist about the Sacred Heart of Jesus followed by First Friday devotion at 8:30 a.m. in the Chapel.
- ◇ First Saturdays—Eucharist about the Immaculate Heart of the Blessed Virgin followed by First Saturday devotion at 8:30 a.m. in the Chapel
- ◇ Eucharistic Adoration—Every Monday from 9:00 a.m.—6:00 p.m. in the Chapel.

**Eucharistic Adoration Volunteers**

**Every Monday 9:00 am—6 pm
in the Chapel**

9-10 am—Rosary Group and Sandy Smith

10-11 am—Marion Dascomb, Carl Parisi and Susan & Timothy Cummings

11-12 pm—Connie DiPasquale and MaryAnn Blachowiak

12-1 pm—Elizabeth Glodzik and Jan Thomsen

1-2 pm—Patricia & Robert Kurdziel

2-3 pm—Walter & Joanne Wieand

3-4 pm—Mary Gorski

4-5 pm—Michele Reger and Penny Moore

5-6 pm—Elizabeth Gazy, Pauline Kinecki, and Michele Reger

New volunteers are welcome for every hour.

If you are unable to attend and cannot find a replacement, please contact the Parish Office.

Otherwise, please come and pray anytime between 9 am and 6 pm.

PARISH EVENTS AND NEWS**Chapel Seniors**

Thursday, July 8th at 1:00 pm in the Parish Hall

Rosary Apostolate

Sunday, July 11th at 1:00 pm in the Parish Hall

All Parishioners are welcome to attend these events!



In Observance of the **4th of July** Holiday, the Parish Office will be closed on Monday, July 5th.

Teachings of the Catholic Church

Sunday Eucharist

The moral obligation to participate in the eucharistic sacrifice on Sundays dates from the very beginning of Christianity, although it did not become a definite law of the Church until the fourth century.

The obligation to attend Sunday Mass exists. It is a commandment of the Church which binds under the penalty of grave sin. It exists for a specific reason and should be known and loved, so that the soul feels a need to fulfill it. The fact that it is a law helps to create a religious consciousness of this need, which, in turn, makes it easier to fulfill the obligation.

The Day Of The Lord

The Second Vatican Council reminds us that "apostolic tradition of the Church is, from the very day of the resurrection of Christ, to celebrate the Pasch every eight days, on the day which is called the day of the Lord" ("Sacrosanctum Concilium", 106). Modern scientific investigation also proves that this custom is from the time of the apostles.

The first mention of this is to be found in Sacred Scripture is in St. Paul's first Epistle to the Corinthians, written in the year 57. The Apostle refers "to the first day of the week" (16, 1-2) as the most appropriate for the collection for the poorer communities. About two years later the Acts of the Apostles tell of the celebration of the eucharist in Troas: "on the first day of the week" (20, 7-8). Here we are given to understand that the celebration takes place in the evening or the night of the day before. This custom was observed in the Church until the last century and has been restored since the Council. From the foregoing it is clear that in Greece, Galatia, Bithynia, and consequently in Palestine and Syria, during the first half of the first century, the celebration of the eucharist on the first day of the week was a common establishment among Christian communities.

We first hear of this day being referred to as the Lord's day in the Apocalypse of St. John, 1, 9-10: "I was in the spirit on the Lord's Day". In Latin it is called "Dominica" or "Dies Dominicus", a name which is retained in the Latin languages: "domingo, domenica, dimanche, domineca", etc.; while in the Germanic languages the pagan name is retained "dies solis" (sonntag, Sunday), in Russia it is called "voskresenie," after the resurrection of the Lord; the Armenians call it "haruthjan" and "deruni," which means "the Lord's Day."

In Didache, 14, I the Sunday celebration seems obligatory: "On Sundays, get together and break the bread and give thanks, confessing your sins in order that your sacrifice may be pure." This testimony pertains to the second half of the first century. In the second century, St. Justin, writing to a pagan, gives us a striking description of Holy Mass being celebrated every Sunday, referred to by him as "dies solis"; and he goes on to explain that those who live in towns and villages attend this sacred assembly ("Apologia" I, 67). During the same period we have Dionisius of Corinth speaking of the first day of the week as a "holy day" ("PG", 20, 388). From here on we can find numerous descriptions of the Sunday eucharistic celebration and also of the Christians' obligation of participating in the same.

The instruction "Eucharisticum Mysterium" of May 25, 1967, having put forward the theological meaning and apostolic origin of Sunday, goes on to say: "In order that the faithful may willingly fulfill the precept to sanctify this day and should understand why the Church should call them together to celebrate the eucharist every Sunday, from the very outset of their Christian formation Sunday should be presented to them as the primordial feast day, on which, assembled together, they are to hear the Word of God and take part in the Paschal Mystery. Moreover, any endeavor that seeks to make Sunday a genuine day of joy and rest from work should be encouraged."

This is the way to be followed. "Sunday is a day of light and of life. On that day, Christ, the life of the faithful, rose from the dead. Let us celebrate it with solemnity in order to deserve a blissful peace."

Thank you

I would like to thank everyone for their prayers for my parents, safe travels, and well wishes that I received from our Parishioners. God Bless You!

~Fr. Jozef

Garden Club

A heartfelt *thank you* to all the members of our Garden Club. The grounds look beautiful. Thank you for all your hard work in planting, watering and all your love and care you have given to our Church and surrounding area.



WEEKLY STEWARDSHIP REPORT
WEEK END OF June 19/20 2021

Sunday Collection—\$5,795.00 Utilities—\$56.00
Candles—\$249.74 Other—\$320.00
Total—\$6,420.74

Online Donations—\$50.00
St. Vincent DePaul—\$193.16

Parish Outstanding Debt
(as of July 2021) - \$61,420.24

THANK YOU FOR YOUR CONTINUED &
GENEROUS FINANCIAL SUPPORT.

Father's Day Donations

Thank you for your Father's Day donations. We will celebrate Masses throughout the year for all father's living and deceased.

Pro-Life

Pro-Life Prayer Team: If you would like to be on our Pro-Life Prayer Team and receive regular email updates of expectant moms we are praying for, please email Grace Suchyna at gesuchyna@gmail.com!

Project Rachel: Project Rachel is a program offering forgiveness, healing, and hope to anyone suffering from the effects of an abortion. This experience is sensitive, private and confidential. The Project Rachel journey helps you cope with the past through the eyes of faith, opens you to receive forgiveness and the healing grace of God, and allows you to be at peace with yourself, your unborn child, your family, your Church, and God. We care. Let us help you. Call our confidential hotline today at 716-847-2211 or visit hopeafterabortion.com.

Donations to St. Gianna Molla Center: To set up a donation call 716-842-BABY (2229).

RUSSELL'S GRAND ESCAPE PACKAGE

The Finance Committee of OLHC will be holding a raffle for a Russell's Grand Escape Package.

This will include one night in one of their famous whirlpool suites with dinner for two from their *dining for two menu* and a continental breakfast. **Plus, \$100** spending money (from OLHC Finance Committee) to use as you wish. **The Grand Escape Package is transferable and would make a great gift for someone.**

Tickets are \$5.00 each or 5 for \$20.00. They can be purchased from the ushers in the back of the church after mass as well as at the Parish Office.

When returning your tickets **with your donation**, please make sure you fill out the back of the ticket that has lines for your name/address/phone number and keep the other half. You can return your tickets either in the collection basket, mail them into the office (Attention: Grand Escape Pkg.), or drop them off at the Parish Office during business hours. **All tickets must be returned no later than Thursday, July 8th.**

Drawing will take place on **Sunday, July 11, 2021**, and the winner will be notified by phone.

Proceeds of this raffle will go towards updating the boiler system in the parish school building.

Thank you and good luck!

The Bright Light of Gietrzwałd

Our Parishioners wrote the book "**The Bright Light of Gietrzwałd**" narrating the Apparitions of our Lady, Mother of God, in Gietrzwałd, Poland. This book is available in the Parish office. A film is being produced based on this book in Poland. Please, take a book for free, and consider to generously contributing to the production of the film. You will find information how to contribute in the book. The sponsors will be listed in the film.

PRAYERS FOR OUR SICK & HOMEBOUND PARISHIONERS

Linda Rebadow, Cheryl Rossi, John & Patti Coyle, Barbara Fox, Doug Fox, David & Marian Dascomb, Maureen Hoffman, Lori Reid, Lucas Michael Nowak, Mickey Pijanowski, Julie Korst, Grace Tomasello, Marie LaMonte, James Hardin, Joan Rindfuss, John Rupp, Dorothy Henry, Rose Marie Rogers, Rebecca Beres, Rose Andrews, Connie F. Valentine, Ben & Carol Collura and anyone else in need of healing.

LET US PRAY FOR THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED

Harold Schwartz, Dorothy Biggie, Lina Leberfinger, Joseph Kaplan, Thomas Jankowiak, Norbert Donhauser, and Robert Garcia

FAITH FORMATION

We will be in the office to serve you on Monday evening from 5:00 to 8:00 p.m.
Our office phone number is 716-458-3130.



Dear Families of Faith Formation. I invite you with your children for family Eucharist every week. Our teaching of faith makes sense only when we practice our faith. You will root your children in the faith of Jesus Christ when you come with them for Sunday Holy Mass. Please do it! In the name of our Lord I want to meet you, teach you, and pray with you and for you. You are the future of our church.

God Bless You,
Fr. Jozef

CEMETERY NEWS & SPRING CLEAN UP

Help keep our Cemetery looking beautiful. Now that the weather is getting better, Spring cleaning of your graves can begin.

Please following the Cemetery Guidelines that detail what is allowed in our Cemetery. If you need a copy of the regulations, please stop by the Parish office.

Also, please do not use glass holders or containers for candles in the Grotto. Your cooperation is greatly appreciated!

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Our beautiful cemetery at Our Lady Help of Christians has space available in Section G which is in the corner of the cemetery by Genesee and Smith Streets and in some of the older sections of the cemetery. There are also niches available in the 3 newly built Columbarium's.

Although it may be a tough discussion, having pre-made plans does provide ease to your loved ones. Prices are as follows:

CEMETERY PLOTS: (plots are available in the newer and older sections of the cemetery.)

Grave Site (\$1,100) + Foundation (\$400) \$1,500
(parishioner rate)

Grave Site (\$1,200) + Foundation (\$400) \$1,600
(non-parishioner rate)

COLUMBARIUM: (St. Francis, St. Joseph, St. Barbara)

- Level A (top)..... \$1,975
Level B.....\$1,875
Level C.....\$1,775
Level D (bottom)..... \$1,675
Note: Price includes engraving with no additional opening/closing fees

If you would like to discuss purchasing a grave or columbarium, please call Joanna at the Parish Office 716-276-9288.

Latin Mass Parishioners

- Today is The External Solemnity of SS. Peter and Paul.
We are in need of altar servers. Any teen-age boy, or man is welcome. You will be trained to serve the Latin Mass.
If anyone would care to assist us in setting up the Mass each Sunday, please meet us in the sacristy after Mass.
Father will be hearing confessions 20 minutes before Mass unless he has a baptism or previous engagement.
The Rosary will be prayed together before Mass.
If you wish to request a Mass intention to be said at the Latin Mass, please call or visit the rectory during office hours. Also, do so if you are planning a Baptism, wedding or have other needs.
Please register your children in our Faith Formation Program.
Thank you for your financial support. If you need envelopes, please call the office to register with our parish.
Father Dudzik invites you from time to time, to participate in the Masses in the main church, and to pray with him, and listen to his preaching.

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