

15th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

JULY 13, 2025



*Lord, open my heart to see
those who need my care. Teach me to love
without hesitation or judgment.*

*Help me to live your word
through simple acts of kindness
and mercy. May I become a neighbor
to everyone I meet.*

Amen.

In the Gospel story of the Good Samaritan for the 15th Sunday in Ordinary Time Year C, Jesus uses the example of a Samaritan to show what it means to follow God's will. Samaritans were seen as outsiders who did not keep the law as did the Jewish people. Yet, in the parable, the Samaritan does what others do not do: He stops to care for someone who is suffering.

The priest and Levite, who should have known the law best, ignore the man in need. They may have been concerned about purity rules or their own safety. However, the Samaritan, though rejected by others, does not ask who the injured man is nor does he question whether he deserves help. He simply chooses to care for him, thereby living out God's call to love.

It is interesting that Jesus chooses a Samaritan as the parable's hero because Jesus himself had been turned away by a Samaritan village. But Jesus does not hold a grudge. Instead, he uses one of them as an example of love and mercy.

MASS INTENTIONS

5 p.m.: Elizabeth Cardinal, Eleanor Hajas,
Joseph Cinquemani and Jean Harrison

10 a.m.: Rosalina & Domingo Rodriguez,
William Galanin, Louise & Fred Palumbo
and Jessica Martin



THIS SUNDAY: NATIONAL SHRINE'S FEAST FESTIVAL

This special Festival, part of the celebration of the Feast of Our Lady of Mount Carmel, kicks off after the noon Mass this Sunday at the

National Shrine of Our Lady of Mount Carmel in Middletown.

There's sure to be fun for the whole family. The free (except for food!) rain-or-shine event includes pony rides, carriage rides, a petting zoo, DJ and smiles!

*Feast of Our Lady
of Mount Carmel*
Wednesday, July 16th
(Vigil Mass in Italian @ 4:30 pm
Tuesday, July 15th)

9:30 am - Morning Prayer
10:00 - 11:00 am - Confession
11:00 am - Rosary
**11:30 am - Mass offered by
Bishop Gerardo Colacicco**
1:00 pm - OLMC Procession
**Banquet - Following Procession
in Pilgrim Hall ***
3:00 pm - Eucharistic Holy Hour
4:00 pm - Benediction
4:30 pm - Evening Prayer
**7:00 pm - Feast of Our Lady
of Mount Carmel Mass in
Spanish (Enrollment in
the Brown Scapular)**

***Tkt - \$30 pp in advance
\$35 pp at the door**

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Bishop Gerardo Colacicco

TREASURER'S REPORT

Regular Sunday Collection

June 30-July 6 – \$ 6,715.34

Envelopes: \$ 2,546.00 – Online: \$ 4,169.34

THANK YOU!

FOURTH FIRST ...

... THEN PARADE INTO SUMMER!



as a casino dealer, wowed those along the parade route – folks of myriad faiths and nationalities – with his dice skills.

"I was struck with an overwhelming feeling that we were celebrating who we are – both as Christians and Americans," says Deb, noting that their float was followed by Circleville Presbyterian Church's float.

"Regardless of differences, everyone came together as one."

Deb was also pleased that they didn't run out of candy to toss to the onlookers – along with USA bracelets and little poppers – because they had honed their disbursement strategy this year.

"Although I'm thinking one year, we should bring up the rear of the parade and toss out toothbrushes."



Our youth ministers, Chris Worthington and Deb Harrison, agreed that the energy at this year's Fourth of July parade, hosted once again by the Circleville Volunteer Fire Company, was contagious.

Two brothers were overheard effusing about how much fun they were having as dad beamed nearby. Enthusiastic parishioners were spotted along the parade route, some expressing regret at not walking with SPYM's game-themed float that included game-themed Scripture passages. And Chris, dressed

RAFFLE TICKET UPDATE

As of July 8, 678 tickets have been sold, generating a total of \$16,950 – **or \$8,475.00 for St. Paul's**. Thank you for your participation.

Tickets have been mailed to the raffle organizer. However, you can purchase tickets online up to the morning of July 19, the day of the raffle.

To do so, use the QR code at right or on our website. It is specific to St. Paul's.

As an additional incentive, every ticket purchased by the conclusion of this multi-parish fundraiser will be duplicated and entered into a St. Paul's drawing! We redeemed reward points from our business credit card and will be giving \$150 in gift cards to four winners.

The livestreamed drawing can be viewed at parishraffle.com.



MARK YOUR CALENDARS



At 7 p.m. **Monday, July 21**, the 45-plus member **Pine Bush Community Band** will again engage and entertain with an eclectic and energetic free concert inside the main church. Bring a neighbor and enjoy someone else's air-conditioning!



You know the deal – roll into Deacon John Hall around 7 p.m. on **Friday, July 25** for the next **Game Night**. Move ahead six spaces to your place at a table. Enjoy your snacks, the friendly competition of a favorite game and laughter!

LAST WEEK'S MASS ATTENDANCE

5 p.m. – 99

10 a.m. – 177 (estimate)

