16th Sunday in Ordinary Time

JULY 17, 2022



THIS WEEKEND'S READINGS

First: Genesis 18:1-10a Second: Colossians 1:24-28 Gospel: Luke 10:38-42 FOCUS: The Lord wants us to live unburdened, free to be close to his healing presence.

Much of modern-day life involves the busyness of everyday tasks. The Lord asks that we simply come to him and allow ourselves to be healed and made whole, to allow him to pour his grace into our hearts and lives. This requires us to pause and to go to him in silence and stillness.

LITURGY OF THE WORD:

Abraham and Sarah provide hospitality to three men. One tells Abraham that when he comes again in a year, Sarah will have a son. Paul writes to the Colossians that he rejoices



in his sufferings and joins them with the sufferings of Christ on behalf of the Church. In the Gospel, Jesus enters a village where two sisters attend to him. Martha is burdened, anxious and worried as she tries to complete tasks; Mary sits at the Lord's feet and listens to him. Jesus says Mary has chosen the better part.

MASS INTENTIONS

5 p.m.: Kathy Puntar, Despina Delli Kalogridis and Clare Costello

10 a.m.: Frances Hernandez, Amanda Tunney and James Well

TREASURER'S REPORT

July 3-July 10: Totaled \$ 7,076.16 Envelopes: \$ 3,029.00 – Online: \$ 4,047.16 THANK YOU



SUMMER CONCERT RETURNS

After a hiatus forced by COVID-19, the word "community" has been returned to the **Pine Bush Community Band**, which will be performing at 7 p.m. Monday, July 25, at St. Paul's Church. *We will livestream the concert as well*. As in the past, the 47member group will set up on the altar.

Plan to spend a little more than an hour as "Dragons Fly on the Winds of Time" with "The Magnificent Seven." You'll also be transported to the United Kingdom with "IrishTune from the County Darby," to Italy with "Funiculi, Funicula" and back home with "The Star-Spangled Banner."

Come one, come all – and bring your friends. Enjoy the sound of music at no cost.

Clearly, "You Can't Stop the Beat."

23 Lucky Winners!



Tickets Available for Purchase in the Parish Office

RAFFLE TICKET TALK

As of July 12, 531 raffle tickets have been purchased. That translates into an almost effortless **\$6,637.50 for St. Paul's** – another \$2,000 since last week! Thank you to all who have "taken a chance."

Participating churches get half of all their ticket sales; the other half goes toward administrative costs associated with the raffle, such as printing, postage and most importantly, the \$68,000 in prize money!

Need tickets? Call the office at 845-361-3107. Remember, tickets need to be returned by **July 31** for mailing to the raffle administrator the next day.

IN THE LOOP



The **Hooked & Happy** group will meet at 6:30 p.m. this Friday, July 22, in Deacon John Hall. Everyone is invited to an evening of crafting and camaraderie. Bring a project to

work on.



SAVE THE DATE: Our Parish Picnic has been scheduled for Sunday, September 18, at the Town of Crawford Park on Lybolt

Road in Bullville. All the details will be provided as the date nears.



Thanks to Rick and Julie Dzurilla and their team for orchestrating another successful

Coffee Social weekend. Along with coffee and tasty baked treats, the lemonade also garnered applause.



If you would like to remember deceased loved ones with a Mass next year, the 2023 **Daily Mass Record** has arrived. The

suggested donation is \$15 per name. If stopping into the office isn't convenient, other arrangements can be made.

If you are able, please remember our **Food Pantry**, the use of which has almost quadrupled since pre-COVID times. We are able to keep up and provide healthier options because of our partnership with the Food Bank – and your generosity! While cash as well all donations of *unexpired* nonperishable items are always welcome, we are now particularly low on: Tea, tomato soup, crackers, canned fruit or fruit bowls, granola bars, pancake mix and syrup. Thank you!

SHOULD TEAM TEEN INTERVENE?

Are you worried about a young person who might be starting to drink or experiment with drugs? **Team Teen**, formerly known as Teen Intervene, continues to work with families to help foster healthy decisions.

Through a state grant, the Archdiocese of New York's Drug Abuse Prevention Program offers no-cost early-intervention services via Zoom for 12- to 19-year-olds. Along with education, a counselor provides specific tools during the two to four free sessions, which often includes practicing how to be assertive in the face of peer pressure.

For more information, call (845) 561-3633 Ext. 47, email teenintervent@adapp.org or visit www.adapp.org.



What Jesus never said: "Feed the hungry only if they have papers." "Clothe the naked only if they're from your country." "Welcome the stranger only if there's zero risk." "Help the poor only if it's convenient." "Love your neighbor only if they look like you."

– James Martin, S.J.

"Service is what prayer looks like when it gets up off its knees and walks around in the world."

- Míchael J. Graham, S.J.

ROOTS OF PARISH SOCIAL MISSION

"Our parish communities are measured by how they serve 'the least of these' in our parish and beyond its boundaries – the hungry, the homeless, the sick, those in prison, the stranger (cf. Mt 25:31). Our local families of faith are called to 'hunger and thirst for justice' and to be 'peacemakers' in our own communities (c Mt 5:6,9).

"A parish cannot really proclaim the Gospel if its message is not reflected in its own community life. The biblical call to charity, justice and peace claims not only each believer, but also each community where believers gather for worship, formation and pastoral care."

- US Bishops, "Communities of Salt and Light"

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