

PASTOR'S LETTER

Dear Parishioners,

The Work of the People

The Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

We, as the Assembly have now gathered; we have listened to God's Word and now we are together called to respond to that Divine Word and Divine Presence. We move into the second major part of our celebration, the Liturgy of the Eucharist. The Liturgy of the Eucharist is composed of two parts, the Eucharistic Prayer and the Rite of Communion. As we enter into the Liturgy of the Eucharist, the Assembly, deliberately and actively (notice those two words again) gives thanks, praises and blesses, remembers, and shares the Lord's Supper.

The first part of the Liturgy of the Eucharist is the Eucharistic Prayer and the Eucharistic Prayer begins with the Preface. Before looking at the Preface, however, it is important to look at the Eucharistic Prayer in general. There are thirteen Eucharistic Prayers for use in the United States. Other countries do have choices for Eucharistic Prayers but at times they are different from the ones used in our country.

Eucharistic Prayer I is called the Roman Canon and is basically an English translation of the Eucharistic Prayer we used before the liturgical reforms growing out of the Second Vatican Council. Eucharistic Prayer II is the shortest of these thirteen and is often used for weekdays for which there is no particular saint or occasion to commemorate. It has its own Preface that may or may not be used. Eucharistic Prayer III is sometimes called the prayer of the Spirit and is often used on Sundays. Eucharistic Prayer IV also has its own Preface that must be used when using this prayer. This Eucharistic Prayer speaks a great deal of God's love for us.

There are two Eucharistic Prayers for Reconciliation that are often used during the Advent and Lenten Seasons and three Eucharistic Prayers for use in Masses with Children. These three have some beautiful responses through the prayer. We also have four Eucharistic Prayers that can be used for various occasions. They are named *The Church on the Way to Unity*, *God Guides the Church on the Way to Salvation*, *Jesus, Way to the Father*, and *Jesus, the Compassion of God*. Each of these nine prayers has its own Preface.

The Church has given us a really valuable gift to enhance our liturgical prayer in these thirteen Eucharistic Prayers. When used well, they can enhance our understanding of and response to the Word of God for any particular celebration.

"Thank you, Jesus,
for calling me to your side.
Here I am, Lord!
Come and fill me up."

READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF FEBRUARY 3

Monday: Heb. 11:32-40/Ps. 31:20, 21, 22, 23, 24/Mk. 5:1-20

Tuesday: Heb. 12:1-4/Ps. 22:26b-27, 28 & 30, 31-32/
Mk. 5:21-43

Wednesday: Heb. 12:4-7, 11-15/Ps. 103:1-2, 13-14, 17-18a/
Mk. 6: 1-6

Thursday: Heb. 12:18-19, 21-24/Ps. 48:2-3ab, 3cd-4, 9, 10-11/
Mk. 6:7-13

Friday: Heb. 13:1-8/Ps. 27:1, 3, 5, 8b-9abc/Mk. 6:14-29

Saturday: Heb. 13:15-17, 20-21/Ps. 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6/
Mk. 6:30-34

Sunday: Is. 6:1-2a, 3-8/Ps. 138:1-2, 2-3, 4-5, 7-8/1 Cor. 15:1-11/
Lk. 5:1-11

THEOLOGY ON TAP

St. George Church welcomes you to Theology on Tap (TOT) at BREWERIE (Union Station) from 5:30 - 7:00 pm. The next event will be Monday, February 11 by Fr. Chris Singer, Chancellor, Diocese of Erie—God and the Cosmos.

NATIONAL MARRIAGE WEEK USA

The week of February 7—14 is National Marriage Week USA a national campaign to help marriage which benefits children and reduces poverty. Find a marriage class or event near you on the NMW National Calendar.

A FAMILY PERSPECTIVE

Mary and Joseph must have been proud when their village "all spoke well of Jesus and were amazed at his words." But they probably felt shame when the same people drove him out of town. Like Mary and Joseph, the highs and lows of parenting are our path to being a Holy Family.

2232 MEN 2019 CONFERENCE

Takes place on Saturday, March 2 with registration at 8:00 am at Our Lady of Peace Parish, 2401 West 38th St., Erie, PA Price is \$40 for adults, \$25 for college student, \$10 for high school student. Registration includes lunch and free parking. For more information go to www.2232Men.com.

SAINT PHILOMENA HEALING MASS

Join the Catholic Community of Meadville for a special Mass of Healing through the intercession of Saint Philomena. Come and pray with our parish family for healing upon our community, our church, our parishioners, our world through the intercession of Saint Philomena at Saint Mary of Grace Church on Monday, February 18, 2019 at 6:00 PM.

THANK YOU - THANK YOU

Kathleen, Sue and Events Committee members would like to thank all parishioners who made Cash Giveaway and Game Night successful. To those who donated baked items, theme baskets, worked in the kitchen, and operated the games of chance - we are very appreciative of everyone's efforts!

WORSHIP

Monday, February 4
 8:00 am + Mary Bostaph (Barb Milligan)
 Tuesday, February 5 - S. Agatha, Virgin & Martyr
 8:00 am + Anthony Rembielak (Joan Rembielak & Bob /Phyllis Wronko)
 Wednesday, February 6 - St. Paul Miki & Companions, Martyrs
 8:00 am + NO MASS
 Thursday, February 7
 8:00 am + Paul Cirillo
 Friday, February 8
 8:00 am + John Auer
 Saturday, February 9
 4:30 pm + A Special Intention
 Sunday, February 10
 8:00 am + AT ST. BERNADETTE
 Elsie Weagraff (John & Kay Weagraff)
 9:30 am + AT ST. ANTHONY
 Living & Deceased Parishioners

PARISH EVENTS CALENDAR

Monday - Wednesday - Friday
 7:00 am - Communion Service
 Tuesday, February 5
 After Mass - St. Anthony's Novena
 Thursday, February 7
 9:00 am - Ministerium Mtg. at St. Anthony
 Saturday, February 9
 3:45 - 4:15 pm - Confessions
 Sunday, February 10
 Before Mass - Confessions AT ST. BERNADETTE'S
 After Mass - Confessions AT ST. ANTHONY'S
 After Mass - Religious Education Classes

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS

ST. ANTHONY'S
SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 9 - 4:30 PM

Eucharistic Ministers: Judy Hermann/Tom Hobson/Judy Kingston
 Lector: Kathleen Lipkovich
 Altar Servers: Peyton Leandro/Sydney Zilhaver

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 10 - 9:30 AM

Eucharistic Ministers: Ginger Beck/Larry Douglas/
 Theresa Douglas/Don Marteeny
 Lector: Veronica Walker
 Altar Servers: Max Marteeny/Andrea Walker

ST. BERNADETTE'S
SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 10 - 8:00 AM

Eucharistic Ministers: S. Sada/J. Weagraff/K. Weagraff
 Lector: J. Drda
 Ushers: S. Sada, Sr.
 Altar Servers: I. Levis

STEWARDSHIP

<u>1/27/19</u>	
Offertory	\$379.00
Votives	<u>25.00</u>
TOTAL	\$404.00

2018 CSA: Pledged—\$7,940
 Paid—\$7,830
 The 2018 CSA pledges are due NOW

CHILD PROTECTION AND CREATING SAFE ENVIRONMENTS

Teen dating violence is a serious problem in the United States. A national survey found that 10% of teens had been victims of physical dating violence within the past year and approximately 29% reported being verbally or psychologically abused in the previous year. Teen dating violence can be physical, emotional or sexual. Teen dating violence can be prevented through empowering teens to lead healthy lives and establish healthy relationships. Healthy relationships consist of trust, honesty, respect, equality and compromise. To see what the Diocese of Erie is doing to help maintain safe environments, visit <https://www.eriescd.org/childprotection/>

SOUPER BOWL

A Souper Bowl luncheon will be on Sunday, February 3rd at the Cambridge Springs 1st United Methodist Church, beginning at 12:30 pm. The meal includes a variety of home-made soups, breads, desserts and beverages. Cost is \$6 for adults, \$3 for ages 6-12 and free for those under 3. All proceeds benefits the Meadville Soup Kitchen.

ST. ANTHONY'S is looking for a person who can take a few hours of their week to clean the rectory. If you are that person, please contact the office at 398-4234.

CAREER OPPORTUNITY

The Knights of Columbus is seeking a Field Agent for a career opportunity representing their insurance program. We offer a complete benefits package with this full-time position. In order to qualify, one must be eligible for membership in the Knights of Columbus. For more information, please contact David McIntosh, FIC, General Agent, at 517 214-7040 or by email:david.mcintosh@kofc.org

BINGO - The next scheduled BINGO at St. Anthony's will be Monday, February 4. Early Bird BINGO starts at 6:00 pm and the regular BINGO starts at 6:30 pm. Doors and kitchen open at 5:00 pm. Dinner will be available at a cost of \$5.00.

UPCOMING EVENTS AT ST. BERNADETTE'S

No Religious Education classes through the month of February

STEWARDSHIP

Offertory	\$952.00
Maintenance	338.00
Special Collection	233.00
Cash Giveaway	97.25
CSA	100.00
Rent	725.00
Rummage Sale	5.00
Latin Mass	<u>209.00</u>
TOTAL	\$2,659.25

2018 Catholic Services Appeal
 Pledged: \$34,201 Paid: \$31,971
 The 2018 CSA pledges are due NOW.

CHURCH NAME: ST. ANTONY OF PADUA

CHURCH NO.:

SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS:
