

**FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK**

At the Pastoral Council meeting last night, I brought up two different issues that I think are worthy of mention in my bulletin column. First, if you enter the church through the doors on the office and come through the baptistry, you will notice that plants have been moved around the pool to keep people from accidentally stepping into the pool. Why move the plants there? The obvious answer is to keep people dry. However, over the two and a half years that I have been here people have suggested we do something to keep people from falling into the pool. Nobody seemed to have a good suggestion for what that something should be. The plants offer a quick fix that is inexpensive and allows some flexibility. If we choose to do something more permanent and certainly more expensive, such as a railing or a wall around the pool, we will have to wait for the new budget year, maybe bring in an architect, get quotes and hire the job out. All that seems like a lot if moving the plants can accomplish the same thing—safeguarding those who are not paying attention when walking around the pool.

The second issue that I brought up is to move the picture of Divine Mercy and restore the statue of the Sacred Heart to its rightful place. We could put the picture of Divine Mercy on the wall of the niche or move it to Mother's Chapel.

In the first issue the Pastoral Council was fine with leaving the plants around the pool. In the second issue the Pastoral Council agreed that the statue of the Sacred Heart should be restored to its proper place.

There was a third suggestion brought up that has merit. That suggestion is to begin the process to combining bulletins with Holy Redeemer so that there would be only one bulletin for most of Warren County. Other places have successfully combined bulletins and the Catholic Community has benefitted from it. We will form an Ad Hoc committee to investigate the possibility.

*Father Rick*

**PARISH NEWS**



**A DAY OF PRAYER IN THE DIOCESE OF ERIE** will be held on **September 15th** on the memorial of Our Mother of Sorrows. Bishop Persico has asked that the church doors be open from 7am-7pm. He invites all to visit the church and spend time in prayer. Bishop Persico is asking all to pray for survivors/ victims of abuse, the healing and purification of the church, for the many good and holy priests who continue to serve faithfully and for our own faith to be strengthened.



**A HOLY HOUR** with Eucharistic Adoration will be held at **Holy Redeemer Church on September 19th from 7-8pm.** All are invited to come and pray for the victim/survivors of abuse, the healing of the church, and the sanctification of the clergy.

**SACRISTANS WANTED:** A wonderful opportunity awaits you to serve your parish community in a special way. Sacristans set up the church in preparation for the celebration of Mass. Sacristans are typically scheduled for one or two times a month. If this ministry is calling you, or you would like more information, please call the parish office.



**Saint Joseph Catholic School Golf Scramble**

Sunday, September 15th

**Jackson Valley Golf Course**

**1:30pm Shotgun—4-Person Scramble**

**\$75 per Golfer ( \$300.00 per Team)**

**Includes green fees and cart, lunch & beverages on the course, dinner to follow**

*Thank You! Stop in the Parish Office to Register!*

St. Joseph School will be raffling off a Pelican Ultimate kayak, life vest and paddle. Chances will be sold after Masses or can be purchased at the school or parish office. \$5 a chance or 3 for \$10. The drawing will be September 15. All proceeds will benefit St. Joe's school.



**72 and YOU MOVIE NIGHT is back!** We will kick off on Monday, September 30th with the movie "**Saint Francis of Assisi - Sign of Contradiction**". This is a powerful and

real look at the life of Saint Francis and his journey against the norms of society. Join us at 6:00 pm at Holy Redeemer in the TK Room - the movie runs 74 minutes. Popcorn and drinks will be served. Can't wait to see you there!



**Save the Date!** Chicken Barbeque at Saint Luke Church on Sunday, September 22nd from 11am to 4pm. The cost of the dinner is \$10.00 advanced sales and \$12.00 at the door the day of event. **Tickets are available in the Parish Office this week.**

**Join Us!** The Hospitality/Welcoming committee is always looking for new people to help plan, coordinate, and brainstorm new ways of bringing our church community together. If this sounds like something you'd love to do, give us a call at the parish office, or come to our first meeting Monday September 9<sup>th</sup> at 5:15pm.



**CHILDREN & YOUTH PRAISE AND WORSHIP**

**MUSIC MINISTRY**

Signups have begun for Children and Youth Music Ministry. The schedule and sign up form can be found at the church entrances. There are 3 different age groups: Cherub Choir (Preschool-1st Grade), Sonrise Choir (2nd-5th Grade), and Praise Team (6th-12th Grade). Praise Team will kick off the year in September, so anyone wishing to participate should get their forms in ASAP. Please contact Rachel Harvey at 814-706-2262 or [sing-play@yahoo.com](mailto:sing-play@yahoo.com) with any questions. Looking forward to another year of Praise and Worship!



**St Luke Fair Booth** profit was \$12,350. The 10% tithed this year will be donated to CCY Catholic Heart Workcamp Rome leaving a balance of \$11,115.

*Thank you all for another successful fundraiser!*

**CHILD PROTECTION AND CREATING SAFE ENVIRONMENTS— Diocesan Child Protection Policies:** the Diocese of Erie, along with all other dioceses in the United States, has policies and procedures in place to address the national problem of child abuse and to aid in maintaining safe environments. The diocese is committed to on-going screening and training of all personnel, paid or unpaid, who have regular contact with our children and youth under the age of 18. The diocese is also committed to the yearly safe environment training of our children, youth, and parents regarding touching-safety and safe environments. To read the policy and see what the diocese is doing to help maintain safe environments, visit <https://www.eriecd.org/childprotection/>

## LITURGY INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

**Sunday, 9/8** **Twenty Third Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
**8:00am** (St Luke) For the Living & Deceased Members of St Joseph Parish  
**\*\*\*10:45am** Joe Colosimo by Mary, Patti, & Bob

**Monday, 9/9** **Saint Peter Claver**  
**12:00pm** (St Luke) Lucy Notoro by Family

**Tuesday, 9/10** **Weekday**  
**12:05pm** Patrick Sheehan by Lannie, Mary Ann & Mary Kate

**Wednesday, 9/11** **Weekday School Mass**  
**9:05am** Anne Wolf by Norbert Heberlein

**Thursday, 9/12** **The Most Holy Name of Mary**  
**12:05pm** Lorraine Bengston by Family

**Friday, 9/13** **Saint John Chrysostom, Bishop and Doctor of Church**  
**8:00am** Francis M & Mary A Russo by Family

**Saturday, 9/14** **Weekday**  
**5:30pm** For the Living & Deceased Members of St Joseph Parish

**Sunday, 9/15** **Twenty Third Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
**8:00am** (St Luke) Patty Griffith by Richard Weaver  
**\*\*\*10:45am** Carolyn Jacobson by Ken & Charmell Feaster

## LITURGICAL MINISTRY SCHEDULES

	<u>Lector</u>	<u>Extraordinary Ministers</u>	<u>Altar Servers</u>
<b>9/14</b> <b>5:30pm</b>	L Suppa	P Rickert, J Sabat, *R Sharp, R & B Williams, *H Zaffino, P Lobdell	L Walker S Walker M Walker
<b>9/15</b> <b>8:00am</b>	S Kibbey	T & S Mineweaser	R Nuhfer
<b>10:45am</b>	P Nasman	G Grosch, B Walczak, B & B Crowley, K & V Amsdell, C Bevacqua	O Baldensperger E Grosch I Grosch

9/11 Rouse Home—Deacon Phil Skerda / Carol Knapp  
9/15 Mass Timber & Jodi Bower

*WEEKLY SANCTUARY CANDLES IN MEMORY OF  
Ruth & Patrick Gerardi by Patricia, Josephine & Charles*

**St. Joseph Parish Weekly Offering—August 31st & September 1st**

**Saint Joseph Church Weekly Offering \$6267.00**

**Saint Luke Church Weekly Offering \$1015.00**

*Thank you for your continued weekly support of our Parish!*

### Second Collection Next Weekend to Support Catholic Education.

Half of every dollar raised stays in our parish to support our educational and faith formation programs. An envelope is in your packet for your donation or you can give online at [www.ErieRCD.org/Catholic-Education-Collection.html](http://www.ErieRCD.org/Catholic-Education-Collection.html). Thank you for your generosity!

### SPONSOR OF THE WEEK

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## READINGS FOR THE WEEK

**Monday** Colossians 1:24-2:3; Gospel Luke 6:6-11

**Tuesday** Colossians 2:6-15; Gospel Luke 6:12-19

**Wednesday** Colossians 3:1-11; Gospel Luke 6:20-26

**Thursday** Colossians 3:12-17; Gospel Luke 6:27-38

**Friday** 1 Timothy 1:1-2,12-14; Gospel Luke 6:39-42

**Saturday** Numbers 21:4b-9; Phil 2:6-11; Gospel John 3:13-17

**Sunday** Exodus 32:7-11,13-14; 1 Timothy 1:12-17; Gospel Luke 15:1-32

## SPECIAL EVENTS THIS WEEK

**Sunday, September 8 Twenty Third Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**8:00am (St Luke) Mass**

**10:45am Mass \*\*Time Change\*\***

**6:00pm Praise Team Rehearsal**

**Monday, September 9**

**10:00am DVD Series - Faustina—Apostle of Divine Mercy**

**12:00pm (St Luke) Mass**

**Tuesday, September 10**

**12:05pm Mass**

**4:30pm Fair Booth Meeting (Boardroom)**

**4:30pm Soup Kitchen**

**Wednesday, September 11**

**9:05am School Mass**

**10:30am Faith Share (Meyer Hall)**

**Thursday, September 12**

**12:05pm Mass**

**12:30pm Adoration**

**5:00pm Repose of the Blessed Sacrament**

**6:30pm PTU Meeting (Church)**

**Friday, September 13**

**8:00am Mass**

**Saturday, September 14**

**4:30-5:15pm Sacrament of Reconciliation**

**5:30pm Mass**

**Sunday, Sept 15 24th Sunday in Ordinary Time/Our Mother of Sorrows**

Day of Prayer for the healing & purification of Church, for Priests who serve faithfully and to strengthen our faith.

**Church Doors open 7am-7pm**

**8:00am (St Luke) Mass**

**10:45am Youth Mass—Praise Team will sing**

**1:00pm Golf Scramble @ Jackson Valley Golf Course**

### VOCATION ICON

A special thank you to **Rose Troyan** for praying this week for vocations to the Priesthood, Diaconate, and Religious Life in our Parish and the Erie Diocese.

### Items Needed for the Helping Hands Ministry in September

*St Joseph Church*

**Tomato, Chicken Noodle, Beef Vegetable, Chunky Soups**

*St Luke Church*

**Peanut Butter, Jelly, Flour, Sugar, Coffee and Juice**

*THANK YOU*

Items are donated to Warren Salvation Army and Youngsville Food Pantry

### ST JOSEPH PARISH SOUP KITCHEN MINISTRY

**We serve dinner every Tuesday at 4:30pm for the**

**Warren Community. All are invited!**

**We are serving Hamburgers this Tuesday!**