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## *Sunday, July 14, 2019 - Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time*

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 Monday-Friday: 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.  
 Saturday: 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.  
 Sunday: Closed

**SUNDAY MASSES:**  
 Saturday Vigil: 4:30 p.m.  
 Sunday: 8:00 a.m., 10:00 a.m. (Folk Mass),  
 Noon (Choir), 4:30 p.m.

**HOLY DAY MASSES:** Please see bulletin

**WEEKDAY MASSES:** 7:30 a.m., 12:10 p.m. (Mon.-Sat.)  
 8:15 a.m. (Friday when school is in session)

**SACRAMENT OF PENANCE:**  
 Saturday: 3:00-4:00 p.m. and 7:00-7:30 p.m.  
 Eve of Holy Day: 3:00-4:00 p.m.  
 Eve of First Friday: 3:00-4:00 p.m.

**SCHOOL:**  
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**GIFT SHOP and MUSEUM HOURS:**  
 Daily 10:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m.

**ROSARY:** Tuesday at 7:00 p.m.

**Sacrament of Baptism:**

Our Parish offers a special Pre-Baptism preparation program for parents who desire to share their faith with their children. Parents-to-be must attend this class prior to the birth of their child. Baptisms are usually scheduled two times each month. Call the Rectory to register for classes. Godparents must be Confirmed and practicing Catholics. Non-parishioners are required to have a Letter of Recommendation to serve as a sponsor.

**Sacrament of Marriage:**

To be married in the Basilica, you must be an active parishioner for at least 9 months prior to setting a date. Engaged couples should contact the pastor before making other wedding arrangements. Couples are required to attend a Pre-Cana Conference, or equivalent pre-marriage preparation program.

**Letters of Recommendation:**

Recommendations to act as sponsors for Baptism or Confirmation can be issued only to registered members of Our Lady of Victory Parish who have received the Sacrament of Confirmation, attend Mass and receive Holy Communion regularly, have their children attending a Catholic school or Religious Education class. If married, the marriage must be in conformity with the regulations of the Catholic Church.

**Devotions:**

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament begins immediately after the 12:10 p.m. Mass in the Basilica on Fridays and concludes with Benediction at 5:00 p.m.

**First Friday:**

On the eve of the First Friday of each month there are confessions from 3:00 to 4:00 p.m. Mass is celebrated at 7:30 p.m. on First Friday.

**Care of the Sick:**

Please notify the rectory office for a visit to any family member who is sick, in the hospital or confined to home. Regular home Communion visits are usually on the First Friday of the month by a priest, deacon, or minister of the Eucharist.

**Tours:**

To schedule a tour of Our Lady of Victory Basilica, please contact Dianne Bosinski, Tours & Basilica Programs by email at [dbosinski@ourladyofvictory.org](mailto:dbosinski@ourladyofvictory.org) or by phone at (716) 828-9424.

**A Message from the Pastor****A Reflection on the Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
*(FAITH Catholic – Publishing and Communications)*

Today's Scriptures present us with a challenge: to live out our Christian lives wholeheartedly, to love God with everything that is in us, and to put aside our own comfort and ease in the service of our neighbor – especially at the moment we see our neighbor in need.

In the first reading, Moses presents us with this deep challenge as he tells his fellow Israelites to return to God *with all your heart and all your soul*, listening to God and obeying God's commands. In the Gospel, the scholar seems to understand this demand when he tells Jesus that the way to eternal life is to *love the Lord, your God, with all your heart, with all your being, with all your strength, and with all your mind, and your neighbor as yourself.*

This is a tall order, and it calls on us to examine our conscience. It asks us to think about all that we do each day, and ask ourselves whether or not we are indeed loving God and neighbor absolutely and completely. We might consider how we give this love in the midst of our busy lives, when we have children to take care of, jobs that call on much of our attention each day, and responsibilities to our friends and community.

One way to do this is through love and service to our neighbor – especially at difficult and inconvenient times. That was certainly the case in Jesus' parable in the Gospel. The Samaritan probably had his own plans for the day as he walked along the road. Yet the moment he saw the robbers' victim lying on the road, severely injured, he dropped his plans and responded. He showed incredible care for this stranger, his neighbor, even changing his plans to return the next day to ensure that this neighbor was looked after.

This great love for God and neighbor is a "simple" command that we all know can at times be difficult to follow. Moses reminds us that God's law is written within our hearts. All we need is to listen to God as he speaks within our hearts, and respond fully to what we are told to do at each individual moment. This could mean praise and adoration of God – or responding to the immediate situation: calling a friend whose mother died, listening to a child's tale of woe or helping the stranger at our door.

As we approach the altar, let us pray for open, loving hearts and minds, ready to respond immediately out of total love for God to whatever is demanded of us at each moment.

May Jesus, our Savior, bless you and Our Lady of Victory watch over you.

*Father David*



**Pray for the canonization of our founder,  
Venerable Nelson Baker**

*A Samaritan traveler who came upon him was moved with compassion*



### Summary of the Readings Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

The Old Testament reading from Deuteronomy praises God for inscribing the commandments in our very bodies. God's law is not distant or foreign, but a natural part of us. In his letter to the Colossians, Saint Paul echoes Moses, praising God for becoming one of us. The truly human, flesh-and-blood Jesus reminds us that God always wants to be recognizable and familiar to us. Jesus, who is also truly God, wants to be on intimate terms with each of us.

God's passionate desire to be known by us is almost too wonderful to take in. Luke's Gospel helps us understand how to respond. The Good Samaritan parable provides practical advice for those who believe in God's intimate love for them and want to share that love with others. Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co.

## MassSchedule

Week of July 14, 2019

### Saturday, July 13

4:30 Louis, Ann & Donna Manzo by The Manzo Family

### Sunday, July 14—Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 Deceased Members of the Holy Name Society  
10:00 Anelia Sasiadek by Grandson, David Sasiadek  
12:00 David (Deets) DeRousseau by Family  
4:30 Novena in Thanksgiving to Our Lady of Victory

### Monday, July 15—St. Bonaventure

7:30 Novena in Thanksgiving to Our Lady of Victory  
Marjorie Mescall by The Downey Family  
12:10 Walter Burdzy, Jr. by The Swiech Family  
David Radoani by The Radoani Family

### Tuesday, July 16—Our Lady of Mt. Carmel

7:30 Novena in Thanksgiving to Our Lady of Victory  
Margaret J. Rojek by Louise Ziobro  
12:10 Joseph DiPronio by Family  
Deborah Felschow by Husband & Family

### Wednesday, July 17

7:30 Our Lady of Victory Helping Hands Club  
William Lee Mytych (Living) by Barb Mytych  
12:10 Lucille B. Wisholek by Rosanne Modica  
George Weissenburger, Jr. by Gertrude Weissenburger

### Thursday, July 18—St. Camillus de Lellis

7:30 John O'Donnell by The Downey Family  
Lee & Barb Mytych (Living) by Barb Mytych  
12:10 Agnes O'Malley & Donato Verdi by Dan & Carol Verdi

### Friday, July 19

7:30 All Souls in Purgatory by Carmen Kozlowski  
12:10 Mr. & Mrs. Leo Rosolowski by Mary Anne Jackson  
Joseph & Sophie Piotrowski by Son, Stanley

### Saturday, July 20—St. Apollinaris

7:30 Mr. & Mrs. Ausberger (Living, Wed. Ann.) by Son,  
Peter Ausberger & Daughter, Carrie Roman  
12:10 Alice Lazarus by Son, Albet Lazarus  
1:30 Wedding: Christopher Robert Frankowski & Maria  
Grace Walter  
4:30 Janet & Robert Gawel by The Gawel Family

### Sunday, July 21—Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 James, Frances & Mary Kathryn Schaffer by Estate  
10:00 Sandi & Angelina DeGiuli by Angelo & Teresa DiGiuli  
12:00 Daniel Welsh by Sophie Welsh  
4:30 William & Winifred Dillon by The Dillon Family



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### Weekend of July 20-21

#### Lectors:

#### Saturday, July 20

4:30 p.m.—S. Saunders

#### Sunday, July 21

8:00 a.m.—M. Tobin  
10:00 a.m.—M. Kipler  
12:00 p.m.—S. Swiech  
4:30 p.m.—M. Arza

#### Eucharistic Ministers:

#### Saturday, July 20

4:30 p.m.—Deb Bush, Jackson, Schaefer, Welsch

#### Sunday, July 21

8:00 a.m.—M.&P. Allman, Check  
10:00 a.m.—Jarosz, Osborne, Powers, Swan, T. Wing  
12:00 p.m.—Bonafede, Koepfel, Smolen, Trabucco  
4:30 p.m.—Rick Grasso, Jackson, Stachowski

#### Servers:

#### Saturday, July 20

4:30 p.m.—M. Bush, P. Diamond, A. Pavlovich

#### Sunday, July 21

8:00 a.m.—V. Trojanovic, N. Lindstrom  
10:00 a.m.—M. Wietchy, R. Jackson  
(MC=K. Thompson)  
12:00 p.m.—L.J. Sokolik, A. Grinder  
(MC=C. Carroccia)  
4:30 p.m.—M. McNatty, D.N. Clark  
(MC= S. Saunders)

**Tours: July 21:** Catherine Bergen



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**Sunday, July 14—Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

*Mission Co-Op Collection*

*Fantasy Island Family Picnic*

**Monday, July 15—St. Bonaventure**

7:00 p.m. Folk Group Practice (Mus R)

**Tuesday, July 16—Our Lady of Mt. Carmel**

*Novena in Thanksgiving to Our Lady of Victory Ends*

7:00 p.m. Rosary for Peace (Bas)

7:30 p.m. Prayer Group Meeting (SC) (MR)

**Wednesday, July 17**

**Thursday, July 18—St. Camillus de Lellis**

1:00 p.m. Legion of Mary (MR)

6:00 p.m. HS Confirmation Class (School)

**Friday, July 19**

1:00-5:00 p.m. Eucharistic Adoration (Bas)

6:30 p.m. Pro-Life Meeting (MR)

**Saturday, July 20—St. Apollinaris**

3:00-4:00 & 7:00-7:30 p.m. Confessions

**Sunday, July 21—Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

1:00 p.m. Baptisms (Bas)



**Mission Appeal**

Join in the worldwide mission of Jesus. This weekend, **July 13-14**, we are invited to take part in our Church’s worldwide mission by special “prayer and sacrifice” through the Propagation of Faith Appeal.

This year, a missionary priest from the Philippines, **Rev. Mark Jon L. Cruz** of the Disciples of Mary, will be sharing his missionary experience among the young people in the Philippines. We would like to invite you to take part in his mission apostolate through your prayers and donations as he reaches out to so many youth who are confronted with the serious challenges of addiction, materialism, violence, and abuse.

*There is a special envelope in your packet for this collection. Please be as generous as possible in responding to our Lord’s call to each one of us to take part in His mission to all people.*



**Father Baker Day ~ 2019**

Please join us on **Sunday, July 28, at the 12:00 noon Mass** in the Basilica to celebrate Father Baker Day, commemorating the 83rd anniversary of Father Nelson Baker’s passing. A reception in Baker Hall School will follow. To reserve your space at the reception, please contact our Special Events Office at 716-828-9289. Thank you.

**From Mrs. Carolyn Kraus  
Our Lady of Victory School Principal**

*Thank you to all of our Parishioners* for another wonderful and productive school year. We wouldn’t be able to do what we do without the generous support from our parish.

*Thank you Parents!* I can’t thank everyone enough for your endless hours of volunteering, chaperoning, reading, organizing, donating and doing whatever was necessary to support students - both at home and at school. **Special thanks to our H.S.A.** who, as usual, went above and beyond the call of duty to provide whatever was necessary to add to our students’ school experience. Thank you for the wonderful lunches, and the monetary support you gave to our school programs. Everything you did helped to make our school environment rich with activities that promoted both learning and friendship.

*That experience could not occur without the endless energy, skills and devotion of the Our Lady of Victory faculty and staff.* Thanks and *well done* to an incredible group of professionals.

**Our Lady of Victory School is still going strong!** Please come take a look to see all of the wonderful things our Parish school has to offer. The school office will be open throughout the summer from 8:00 a.m. until 3:00 p.m.

**School will resume on September 5<sup>th</sup>.** Until then we wish everyone a very safe and happy summer!

**Adult Confirmation Classes**

There are many adult Catholics who have not been Confirmed. Besides the fact that they have not been received into full initiation of the Catholic faith, it becomes a problem when they want to serve as godparents/sponsors for Baptism/Confirmation. If you are a practicing adult Catholic (*that is, go to Communion, and if married, married according to the rite of the Catholic Church*) and have completed high school (*high school students should be in our teen Confirmation program*) consider attending the five catechism-review classes and receive the Sacrament of Confirmation this August/September. For more information, or to register for the classes, please call Father Romulus (828-9425).

**Chicken Dinner Tickets**

Chicken Dinner Tickets for August 4 are \$11 for Adults and \$6 for children **until July 21**. Get your tickets this week and save!

**Pro-Life**

We continue to follow the timeline of Mary’s pregnancy with Jesus. Week 17: Baby now has digestive enzymes that can break down nutrients being swallowed along with amniotic fluid and blood cells begin replicating inside the bone marrow - just like big kids! Baby’s head is bigger than a golf ball at this point, and fat cells emerge throughout the body. Baby is the size of a turnip.

Golden and Diamond Wedding Anniversaries

The Diocese of Buffalo will honor couples celebrating their 50th, 60th, or 70th wedding anniversary this year with a special Mass, celebrated by Bishop Malone, on Sunday, September 22, at 10:30 a.m. in St. Joseph's Cathedral, 50 Franklin Street, Buffalo. During the Mass couples will renew their marriage vows.

If you are celebrating your 50th, 60th or 70th wedding anniversary this year and would like to attend the Mass at St. Joseph Cathedral, please complete the following form and return it to the Rectory by August 21.

50th, 60th, 70th Wedding Anniversary Celebration
Sunday, September 22, 2019—10:30 a.m. Mass
At St. Joseph's Cathedral
Last Name:
Husband's First Name:
Wife's First Name:
Mailing Address:
City, State, Zip:
Date of Marriage:
Attending Cathedral Celebration: YES NO
Number Attending:
Please complete and return to the Rectory by August 21. Thank you.



Theme Basket Donations Needed

In order to make Pennies to Heaven a HUGE SUCCESS, we need your help. Please consider donating a Theme Basket valued up to \$50.00 ~ OR ~ Donate \$50.00 and we'll do the shopping for you and put together a Theme Basket for you.

Other items needed:

- Scratch off Lottery Tickets
Gift Cards - \$15.00 and up
Wine and/or liquor

Thank you for your continued support.

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Address:
City, State, Zip:
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Father Baker's PENNIES TO HEAVEN Chicken Barbecue & Family Carnival Sunday, August 4, 2019



We need you - Volunteer to help with this year's fun & invaluable event!

Check One

- Activities 10:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.
Activities 2:30 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.
Clean up 5:00 p.m. to 9:30 p.m.
Theme Baskets
Lottery Tickets
Food Area
Kids Games
BBQ
50/50 Split
Raffle Tickets
Bell Jar (Get on License)

Name:
Address:
City, Zip:
Phone Number: Email:

Please circle T-shirt size: S M L XL 2X 3X

We will try to accommodate your requests.

Someone will contact you the week of August 1st to confirm your commitment and assignment.



Sunday, June 30th

Weekly:	\$	11,189.76
Monthly:	\$	147.00
Total:	\$	11,336.76
Shrines	\$	808.00
Pennies	\$	65.00
Pennies to Heaven	\$	1.00

Sunday, July 7th

Weekly:	\$	12,695.13
Monthly:	\$	1,609.00
Total:	\$	14,304.13
Shrines	\$	860.00
Pennies	\$	138.00
Pennies to Heaven	\$	336.00
Assumption	\$	5.00
Mission Co-Op	\$	31.00
Peter's Pence	\$	50.00



Christopher Robert Frankowski & Maria Grace Walter  
Daniel Paul Chamberland & Heidi Amelia Schultz  
Matthew Tyler Streckewald & Marrin Noel Friedman



We welcome *Lucille Rachel Wynia* into our Parish Community. She was baptized on Sunday, June 30, 2019 in Our Lady of Victory Basilica. We also welcome *Carter Alexander Buck* and *Christopher Andrew Leszak* into our Parish Community. They were baptized on Sunday, July 7, 2019 in Our Lady of Victory Basilica.

Vocation Thought  
Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Since we are all created in Christ, it is only fitting that we live as Christ. How does Christ call YOU to live as He lives? If God is calling you to a Church vocation, call Father Andrew Lauricella at 716-847-5535. Check out the "Priest of the Month" stories at [www.buffalovocations.org](http://www.buffalovocations.org).

Congratulations

*Christopher Heitzhaus*, a Junior at Canisius High School, made the Honor Roll for the 4th Quarter of this academic year.

Nicaragua Missions Collection

*Ann Marie Zon*, missionary in Nicaragua, will visit *Our Lady of Victory* on Tuesday, July 23. She will speak at the 7:30 p.m. Prayer Group service in the Chapel on the lower level of the Basilica. Beginning at 6:30 p.m., trucks will be in the parking lot to accept your donations of light-weight clothing, footwear, household items, food, toys, school supplies, religious articles as well as medical, hygiene and sewing items. Due to the political crisis in Nicaragua, please **do not** bring large items or furniture. Monetary donations are used for a child's education, the dairy cow and sheep projects, well-digging and shipping costs. **Volunteers are needed to help load donated items on the truck.** If you have questions or need more information, please call Pat at 675-6680.



AREA HAPPENINGS

**Annual Triduum:** The annual *Solemn Public Triduum in honor of Our Blessed Lady of Mount Carmel*, beginning on Sunday, July 14, and closing on Tuesday, July 16, will be conducted by Rev. Ronan Murphy of the Diocese of Camden, New Jersey, **at the Carmelite Monastery, 75 Carmel Road, Buffalo.** Services each evening of the Triduum will begin with the Rosary at 7:00 p.m. followed by Holy Mass. We ask that all who attend be modestly and suitably dressed, as is proper in the House of God.

**Summer Festival at Immaculate Conception Church,** 8791 S. Main Street, Rt. 62, Eden, will be held on **July 14** with a Chicken BBQ at noon with music from 12:00 to 3:00 p.m. by Dave Gawronski. There will be theme baskets, 50/50 raffle, games for kids, brown bag booth, grand prize raffle (drawing in October). Our Polish-American Folk Mass will be celebrated on October 19, at 4:00 p.m. followed by our Pork Chop Dinner.

**You're Invited:** We invite you to the **8th Annual Picnic for families with special needs at Saint Bernadette Parish on Saturday, August 3, from 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.** Our theme is "Around the World." Hot dogs and beverages provided. Please bring a dish to share. Let us know how many people are coming and what you will bring by calling 649-1051 or by email [cozmo3631@gmail.com](mailto:cozmo3631@gmail.com).

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