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Sunday, July 21, 2019 - Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

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RECTORY OFFICE HOURS:

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.

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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 or by phone at (716) 828-9424.



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



The following important events for our parish and school are fast approaching. I sincerely hope you will be able to join us here at Our Lady of Victory Basilica:

- ◆ On Sunday, July 28, we will honor our beloved Founder, Father Baker, commemorating the 83rd Anniversary of his death with our Annual "Father Baker Day Mass" at 12:00 Noon followed by a Reception in Baker Hall School.
- ◆ "Pennies to Heaven" event on Sunday, August 4, beginning at 8:00 a.m. and concluding at 6:00 p.m. (more information can be found in this bulletin.)

Please invite family and friends to come and support our "Pennies to Heaven." All are most welcome!

**A Reflection on the Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time
The Gospel Story of Martha & Mary (Luke 10: 38-42)**

-Excerpts from a reflection by Dr. Marcellino D'Ambrosio-

One day, the fullness of life and truth came walking into the living room of a pair of sisters named Martha and Mary. They immediately recognized the privilege of having Jesus in their home and set to work fulfilling the sacred duty of hospitality. The problem was, they had conflicting ideas of what that duty entailed.

Martha's response is very recognizable, especially by those familiar with Mediterranean culture. "Bring out the coffee, the wine (what kind do you prefer?), make sure the china and silverware is laid out in proper order, get out a full assortment of hot and cold hors d'oeuvres (make sure the hot are really hot!)."

Mary thought that the supreme compliment that she could pay to her divine guest, even more than world-class refreshments, was to give him her full attention. The fullness of truth had come to her home to nourish, enlighten, and transform her. Not to receive and unwrap this wonderful gift would be an insult to the giver.

Martha's mistake was not that she attended to the guest's bodily needs. The story of Martha and Mary is not an endorsement of laziness and passivity. In Genesis 18:1-10 God visits Abraham in the form of three travelers, and Abraham and Sara pull out all the stops when it comes to food and drink, and this was good.

*Martha's problem was that she allowed the activity of hospitality to become a **distraction**. She couldn't see the forest for the trees. She lost her focus and actually got mad that her sister would not join her in her frenetic fussing. Mary kept her focus. She was not **passive**—attentiveness to the fullness of truth is supremely **active**. That's why the contemplative, monastic life has always been held in the highest esteem in the Catholic Church.*

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Summary of the Readings Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

There's a lot of traveling, delivering, and visiting going on in our readings today. In Genesis Abraham cares for the needs of three mysterious travelers. The psalm responds, celebrating the kind of righteousness that Abraham practices. Then, in his letter to the Colossians, Saint Paul describes his own ministry as almost like a delivery service: he, God's steward, brings the word of God to their community. Finally, Luke's Gospel shares the well-known story of Mary and Martha, and the different ways they welcome Jesus into their home. Amid all this coming and going, we are invited to pay attention to the ways we tend to the needs of others. Each of us can ask, *How am I present to God and others in my life?* Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co.



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Weekend of July 27-28

Lectors:

Saturday, July 27

4:30 p.m.—R. McDonough

Sunday, July 28

8:00 a.m.—E. Bednarz

10:00 a.m.—L. Smolen

12:00 p.m.—A. Boneberg

4:30 p.m.—B. DeMike

Eucharistic Ministers:

Saturday, July 27

4:30 p.m.—Deb Bush, Dulak, Jackson, R.&D.
McDonough

Sunday, July 28

8:00 a.m.—Check, M. McCann, Murray

10:00 a.m.—R.&A. Boneberg, T. McCann, Powers,
T. Wing

12:00 p.m.—Bonafede, Koeppel, Swan, Trabucco

4:30 p.m.—Britting, Rick Grasso, Jackson

Servers:

Saturday, July 27

4:30 p.m.—M. Bush, A. Pavlovich, MG. Wood

Sunday, July 28

8:00 a.m.—V. Trojanovic, R. Harrington

10:00 a.m.—A.J. Matyas, L.J. Sokolik
(MC=C. Heitzhaus)

12:00 p.m.—T. Sitarek, R. Litwin, E. James
(MC=A. Grinder)

4:30 p.m.—A. Mateer, D.N. Clark
(MC= J. Pearson)

Tours: July 28: Ron Bonafede

MassSchedule

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Week of July 21, 2019

Saturday, July 20

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

Monday, July 22—St. Mary Magdalene

7:30 Mary T. Klosko by Estate

Mario Caballero by Rick & Michelle Caballero

12:10 Tom Raiff by Family

Rita Nelson by Judy & Margaret

Tuesday, July 23—St. Bridget

7:30 Kathleen Wilkie by The Gallego Family

Living & Dec. Mem. of the Martin & Florence Croes
Family by Matthew Croes

12:10 Amy Glomb (living) (birthday) by Mom & Dad Glomb

Vien Pham & Family (living) by The Pham Family

Wednesday, July 24—St. Sharbel Makhluf

7:30 Our Lady of Victory Spiritual Association Members

Edwin Gimbert by The Gimbert Family

12:10 John Graham by Gary Masterson

Mark W. Clifford by Carole L. Clifford

Thursday, July 25—St. James

7:30 Nicholas Del Vecchio by The Del Vecchio Family

Florence Zacharyasz by Cindy & Dave Schaefer

12:10 Ronald Handzlik by Sister, Linda Klice

Friday, July 26—SS. Joachim & Anne

7:30 Rudolph & Katherine Rzepecki & Family by Estate

Janice Duffy (birth. rem.) by Rita, Dennis & Janet Lus

12:10 Dec. Mem. of the Zak & Urban Families by Diane Zak
Thomas Colern by Laura Deeds

2:00 Wedding: Daniel Paul Chamberland & Heidi Amelia
Schultz

Saturday, July 27

7:30 Catherine (Kay) DeRousseau by Michelle McGuire

12:10 Anthony DiFrancesco, Jr. by Norm & Paulette Mendrysa

1:30 Wedding: Matthew Tyler Streckewald & Marrin Noel
Friedman

4:30 James & Josephine McDonald by The Gullekson Family

Sunday, July 28—Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 John F. Haley by Sharon Comerford

10:00 Charlie, Kay, Mary and Meg Friedman by The Friedman
Family

12:00 For the People of the Parish—Father Baker Day

4:30 The Chmielowiec and May Families by Virginia
Chmielowiec

A Message from the Pastor

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*I was once told by a monk that the greatest sin in the modern world is not its lewdness but its busyness. We live in the most distracted, frenetic society of all time. It is tempting in such a society to think we are good Christians and deserve applause because we look to God from time to time out of the corner of our eye. But the fullness of truth, the fullness of life, the fullness of grace **deserves our full attention**. Jesus really cannot be merely **a part** of one's life, but must be **the center** of one's life. It does not mean that our life can't be full of activities. But unless we preserve some quiet time each day to sit at His feet as did Mary, our action will become a distraction and we'll be as snappy and unhappy as Martha.*

My dear sisters and brothers in Christ, my prayer for all of us this summer is that we will all take some time to slow down the frenetic pace of daily living and take some necessary time to be refreshed and renewed at the feet of Our Lord Jesus, who is always waiting for us with open arms.

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

Father David

Happening This Week**Sunday, July 21—Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

1:00 p.m. Baptisms (Bas)

Monday, July 22—St. Mary Magdalene

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

Tuesday, July 23—St. Bridget

6:30 p.m. Ann Marie Zon (Parking Lot) (SC) (MR)

7:00 p.m. St. Vincent de Paul Society Meeting (R)

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

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

Wednesday, July 24—St. Sharbel Makhlef**Thursday, July 25—St. James**

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

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

Friday, July 26—SS. Joachim & Anne

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

Saturday, July 27

Peter's Pence Collection

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

Sunday, July 28—Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Peter's Pence Collection

12:00 p.m. Father Baker Day Mass (Bas); Reception (Baker Hall School)

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).

Pro-Life

We continue to follow the timeline of Mary's pregnancy with Jesus. Week 18: Enamel has begun forming on developing teeth and all air passages within the lungs are well formed. Thigh bones are about an inch long. At this age, babies will release stress hormones if poked with a needle. Baby's heart has taken over 20.5 million beats and baby is the size of a bell pepper.

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.

Father Baker's 2019 Pennies to Heaven Chicken Barbecue & Family Carnival

The 2019 event will be held on **Sunday, August 4th**, and will include much of the old-school fun you may remember from years past. This includes children's carnival games, a bounce house and a food tent with carnival favorites. We will continue the fun for the adults also, with hundreds of theme baskets, 50/50 splits, pull tabs, adult duck pond and wine shelf.

Early Bird Start: We will also have tickets available for sale on **Saturday, August 3rd** as follows:

- ◆ 3:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. - The Theme Basket Tent will be open and tickets will be on sale.
- ◆ Chicken Dinner tickets will also be available for sale.
- ◆ Raffle tickets will be available for purchase.

Sunday, August 4 - 8:00 a.m. through 12:00 Noon Mass

- ◆ Line the front sidewalk to the Basilica with coins to assist in our Pennies to Heaven efforts.

Sunday, August 4 - 8:45 a.m. through 11:00 a.m.

- ◆ Complimentary coffee and donuts.

Sunday, August 4

- ◆ **Beginning at 8:00 a.m.** purchase tickets for the theme basket raffle, large raffle and the raffle for the large frame of lottery tickets.
- ◆ **1:00-5:30 p.m.** - Chiavetta's Chicken Barbecue will be served. Adults \$12 and children \$7
- ◆ **1:00-5:30 p.m.** - Carnival games, bounce houses, adult games, hot dogs, hamburgers, snow cones, popcorn, nachos and karaoke.



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.

THEME BASKETS

_____ I am donating a filled Theme Basket worth up to \$50.
(Please attach this form to your basket)

_____ I am donating \$50.00 for you to make a basket.
(Your name as donor will be attached)

Name: _____

Address: _____

City, State, Zip: _____

Donations can be brought to the Rectory
during regular business hours. Thank you.



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, July 14th

Weekly:	\$	11,318.95
Monthly:	\$	173.00
Total:	\$	11,491.95
Shrines	\$	2,169.00
Pennies	\$	139.00
Pennies to Heaven	\$	875.26
Assumption	\$	3.00
Mission Co-Op	\$	837.25
Peter's Pence	\$	10.00



Daniel Paul Chamberland & Heidi Amelia Schultz
Matthew Tyler Streckewald & Marrin Noel Friedman

Chicken Dinner Tickets

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

Father Baker Day ~ 2019 Next Sunday, July 28

Please join us next **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, contact our Special Events Office at 716-828-9289. Thank you.

Vocation Thought Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

We are like Martha. There's plenty to be anxious about but only one thing is required of us. For five minutes today be like Mary; rest with Jesus and ask Him what He asks of you. 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.

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.

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### AREA HAPPENINGS

**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).

**Annual Lackawanna Hometown Reunion:** All schools, classes and years. A fun event for ages 21-99. **Saturday, August 3, 6:00 p.m. at VFW 898 Weber Post, 2909 South Park Avenue.** Your \$10 donation includes pizza, snacks and music with net proceeds to benefit the Lackawanna Extracurricular Education Foundation. Four scholarships awarded at the LHS Grad ceremony in June. \$3 beer, wine and well drinks. 50/50 split club tickets available. Bring your Lackawanna memories and enjoy with friends.

**Blood Drive at Lake Erie Italian Club,** Small Hall, 3200 South Park Avenue, **on Tuesday, August 6, from Noon to 5:00 p.m.** For an appointment, please call 1-800-RED CROSS or visit [redcrossblood.org](http://redcrossblood.org). Walk-ins welcome.

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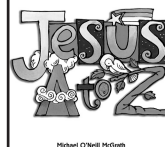
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