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Sunday, June 2, 2019 - Seventh Sunday of Easter

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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. (Monday, Friday during School Year)

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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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

A Message from Father Paul

This weekend, we welcome our new pastor, Msgr. David LiPuma. Father David will be here for each of the weekend Masses (except the 4:30 p.m. Mass on Sunday afternoon), to introduce himself to the congregation. Many of you already know him or have met him over the years, since he served as the Bishop's Secretary for our past three bishops. He comes to us from St. Peter's Church in Lewiston and St. Bernard's Church in Youngstown. On the afternoon of Sunday June 2, he will leave for a pilgrimage to Italy, which was scheduled before his appointment to Our Lady of Victory. He will return on June 12. I am excited about his appointment to our parish and to the Our Lady of Victory Institutions. He is exactly the person needed to assume the leadership of Father Baker's legacy. And I am pleased to be able to assist him as he assumes his ministry here. We will sponsor a formal reception for Father David on Sunday, June 16, after the Noon Mass.

At the Noon Mass this Sunday, June 2, Father Mario Racho will celebrate his First Mass here. Since he arrived in the U.S. several years ago, our rectory has been Father Mario's "home-away-from-home." He was ordained this past Saturday, June 1, by Bishop Malone and will be assigned to St. Mary's Church, Lancaster, beginning in mid-June. We congratulate Father Mario, and wish all of God's blessings on his ministry as a priest.

Our new Parochial Vicar, Father Justin Steeg, was also ordained by Bishop Malone on Saturday, June 1. He will join our staff here at the Basilica in mid-June. We look forward to his ministry here with us.

This is my last bulletin message as your pastor. I am officially retired as of June 1. So many things go through my mind as I wrap up my 12 years here with you. These have been very happy and satisfying years for me as a priest. All of you have helped to make this so. To work together with all of you over these years has been a great joy. Thank you for all of your cooperation and support. To have been the leader of Our Lady of Victory Institutions for these years has also been a joy. I know I leave Baker Victory Services and the Homes of Charity in good hands through David Kersten at the Homes and Cindy Lee at BVS. To have been able to, in some small way, continue the legacy of Father Baker has been a great honor. And to advance the Cause for Father Baker's canonization will continue to be a pleasure and a grace. Please continue to pray for me as I move into my retirement years. You will continue to see me around the Basilica, since I will be living here for the time being. Know that you are in my prayer every day in gratitude for all that we were able to accomplish together over these past 12 years. Finally, I am grateful for the many Anniversary and Retirement cards and gifts which I received in the past few weeks. I am getting ready to acknowledge them individually, but let this sincere "thank you" suffice for the time being. (It will take me some time to acknowledge so many of them). God bless you all!

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

Father Paul

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Summary of the Readings
Seventh Sunday of Easter

In between: we all find ourselves there from time to time - sometimes uncomfortably. Like in between money coming in and money going out, earning income and paying bills. In between customer and manager, diner and chef: any honest server trying to serve both. In between theory and practice, ideal and reality: everyone from parents to pastors. Ask the kids - or parishioners! This Sunday, in between Ascension and Pentecost, reminds us we're in between Jesus' departure and glorious return - sometimes uncomfortably. Though Jesus promises in Revelation, "I am coming soon," Acts shows Stephen tragically called home first. But Pope Francis urges us not to become "sourpusses," as if living Gospel love is impossible in between. Today's Gospel shows Jesus praying for those about to betray, deny, and desert him, but also praying "for those who will believe in me through their word." Us! "So that they" - we - "may all be one." Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co.

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Weekend of June 8-9

Lectors:

Saturday, June 8
4:30 p.m.—S. Saunders
Sunday, June 9
8:00 a.m.—M. Kipler
10:00 a.m.—No Lector—Children's Liturgy
12:00 p.m.—R. Koeppel
4:30 p.m.—M. Arza

Eucharistic Ministers:

Saturday, June 8
4:30 p.m.—Dulak, Jackson, Schaefer
Sunday, June 9
8:00 a.m.—Fitzgerald, M. McCann
10:00 a.m.—Dehlinger, T. McCann, Powers, T. Wing
12:00 p.m.—Bonafede, Koeppel, Smolen, Trabucco
4:30 p.m.—Rick Grasso, Jackson, Stachowski

Servers:

Saturday, June 8
4:30 p.m.—D.M. Bush, A. Pavlovich, A. Mateer
Sunday, June 9
8:00 a.m.—M.Wietchy, V.Trojanovic, R.Harrington
10:00 a.m.—K.Pietrkiewicz, N.M. Powers
(MC=C. Heitzhaus)
12:00 p.m.—T. Sitarek, R. Litwin, A. Grinder
(MC=C. Carroccia)
4:30 p.m.—M. McNatty, D.N. Clark
(MC= S. Saunders)

Tours: June 9: Mickey Kipler

Mass Schedule ~ Week of June 2, 2019

Saturday, June 1
4:30 Pat & Marilyn Gallagher (Mem. Wed. Ann.) by Loving Wife, Marilyn

Sunday, June 2—Seventh Sunday of Easter
8:00 James, Frances & Mary Kathryn Schaffer by Estate
10:00 Louis & Neil DiSarno by The DiSarno Family
12:00 Living & Dec. Members of the Altar & Rosary Society
4:30 Phyllis C. Partacz by Chester Partacz

Monday, June 3—St. Charles Lwanga & Companions
7:30 Dec. Mem. of the Leising & Shyne Families by Estate
Robert Whalen by Deborah Russell
8:15 Our Lady of Victory Spiritual Society
Our Lady of Victory Golden Treasury
12:10 Anthony Saniewski, Jr. (Ann.) & Anthony, Sr. & Stella Saniewski by Family
Dina Palante by The Palante Family

Tuesday, June 4
7:30 Lloyd & Adeline Kaczmarek by The Rybicki Family
Living & Dec. Mem. of the Martin & Florence Croes Family by Matthew Croes
12:10 Judy Gabryszak by Mary & Ron Hageman
Mary C. Meaney by Sharon Kurek
7:30 Intercession of Fr. Baker for Gregory Mytych (living) by Lee & Barb Mytych (In Chapel)

Wednesday, June 5—St. Boniface
7:30 Bernice Nayda by Son, Michael Nayda
Aloysius Haggerty by Michael & Marjorie Haggerty
12:10 Stanley Szyszkowski by Joyce Bartus
Special Intention & Good Health for Jessica, Heather & James T. Caputi by Family

Thursday, June 6—St. Norbert
7:30 Samuel J. Chiodo, II by The Chiodo Family
Dorothy & Clara Radoani (living) by Mrs. Rodo
12:10 Alberta & Stanley Grupka by Mary & Ron Hageman
Russell Mantione by Rosemary Scahill

Friday, June 7
7:30 Victoria Usiak by Joan Usiak
8:15 For the People of the Parish
Casimir M. Slaski & Family by Estate
12:10 Leo Eckman by Mary Jarosz
Edward & Catherine Connors by The Connors Family
7:30 Our Lady of Victory Intercession for Lee & Barb Mytych (living) by Barb Mytych

Saturday, June 8
7:30 Rose Schaefer by Cindy & Dave Schaefer
12:10 Richard Charles Tobin by Monica, Rachael, Spencer & Mike (in spirit) Tobin
1:30 Wedding: Brian Andrew Christman & Rheanna Elizabeth Gallego
4:30 Anita & Louise Morrocco by Estate

Sunday, June 9—Pentecost Sunday
8:00 Deceased Members of the Holy Name Society
10:00 James Kern by Wife, Maria Kern
12:00 Michael R. Schiavi by Mary Alice Schiavi
4:30 Rose Marie Minnuto by Family

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Sunday, June 2—Seventh Sunday of Easter
Coffee & Donuts after morning Masses (MR)
10:00 a.m. Lackawanna Fire Fighters Annual Mass (Bas)
11:00 a.m. Altar & Rosary Society Meeting (Mus R)
12:00 p.m. Rev. Mario Racho's First Mass (Bas); Reception (Caf)
2:00 p.m. Baptisms (Bas)

Monday, June 3—St. Charles Lwanga & Companions
7:00 p.m. Folk Group Practice (Mus R)

Tuesday, June 4
7;00 p.m. Rosary for Peace (Bas)
7:30 p.m. Mass, Prayer Group Meeting (SC) (MR)

Wednesday, June 5—St. Boniface

Thursday, June 6—St. Norbert
1:00 p.m. Legion of Mary (MR)
3:00-4:00 p.m. Confessions (Bas)
7:00 p.m. Choir Rehearsal (Mus R)

Friday, June 7
8:15 a.m. OLV Baccalaureate Mass (Bas)
1:00-5:00 p.m. Eucharistic Adoration (Bas)
2:00-3:00 p.m. Pro-Life Holy Hour (IH)
6:15 p.m. Pre-Baptism Class (MR)
7:30 p.m. First Friday Mass (Bas)

Saturday, June 8
Catholic Communication Campaign Collection
9:00 a.m. Children's Liturgy Practice (MR)
3:00-4:00 & 7:00-7:30 p.m. Confessions

Sunday, June 9—Pentecost Sunday
Catholic Communications Campaign Collection
10:00 a.m. Children's Liturgy (Bas); Reception (MR)

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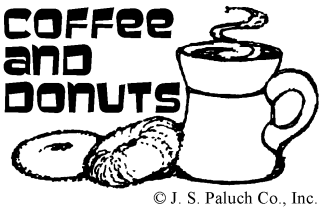

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Come to the ***Marian Room this Sunday, June 2, after any of the morning Masses***.
Begin your day with a cup of coffee,
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All are welcome.

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We continue to follow the timeline of Mary's pregnancy with Jesus. Week 11: Baby's face, palms and soles of the feet can now sense and respond to light touch. The mouth opens and closes, and the tongue moves. Baby can sigh, stretch and move its head. Thumb sucking and yawning begin and vocal cords are developing. Baby is the size of a small tomato.

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This year's annual Father Baker's Pennies to Heaven Chicken Barbecue and Family Carnival will be held on Sunday, August 4, from 8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. BBQ and raffle tickets will be sold after all Masses. For your convenience, tickets are also available in the Gift Shop, Rectory and School. If you have any questions, please call the rectory at 828-9444. Thank you!

~ Chiavetta's Chicken Dinners ~
1:00 p.m. to 5:30 p.m. (Dine-in or Take-out)
Pre-sale Tickets $11 Adult, $6 Child
After July 21: $12 Adult, $7 Child

Children's Liturgy
Sunday, June 9
10:00 a.m.

Close out the school year with prayers for a great summer! Our ***final Children's Liturgy*** for the school year will be held on ***Sunday, June 9, at 10:00 a.m***. The practice will take place on Saturday, June 8, from 9:00 to 9:45 a.m. for singers and 9:45 to 10:30 a.m. for readers, gift bearers, collectors and greeters. ***Practice meets in the Marian Room***. ***All Ministers must attend the practice unless previously excused by Tina.***

The Ministers for the Mass are:
Readers: Nathan & Madelyn Powers, Annabelle Czekanski
Collectors: Kathryn Powers
Gift Bearers: Nicholas Czekanski, Thomas Sweeney
Greeters: Jonathan Ramirez
Singers: Hannah Sweeney

We still need greeters, 3 collectors and singers! Please call Tina Hatem (826-5075) to volunteer or with any questions or problems. ***Don't forget the Fantasy Island Picnic on July 14!*** The price is $24 per person, children 2 years and under and altar servers are free. ***All members of the parish are welcome to join us!*** Tickets will be available in the Marian Room after the Children's Liturgy or by calling Tina.

Fantasy Island Family Picnic

Please join us for this year's Children's Liturgy ***Annual Family Picnic at Fantasy Island.*** The picnic will take place on ***Sunday, July 14, from 11:00 a.m. till 8:00 p.m.***

The cost this year is **$24** per person. Children 2 years and under and our parish Altar Servers are free. Altar server family members are welcome at the fees stated above. ***All are welcome to attend the picnic, not just those who participate in our Children's Liturgies.*** The cost is all inclusive-food, games, prizes, rides and water park. Transportation is on your own.

Tickets are available until June 30. Please contact ***Tina Hatem at 826-5075 for more information and to buy your tickets.***

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 available for purchase for a chance to win one of our beautiful baskets, value, at least $50 each.
- Chicken Dinner tickets will also be available for sale on Saturday at one of our tents.
- There will also be tickets available for purchase to win one of our large raffle prizes or a chance to win a frame filled with lottery tickets (value at least $200 worth of lottery tickets).

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

- We ask everyone to help 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.

- Come and join us under the shelter for a complimentary coffee and donut. Meet some of your fellow parishioners.

Sunday, August 4

- **Beginning at 8:00 a.m.** you will be able to 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. Presale tickets available at the OLV Rectory, OLV Gift Shop and after Masses on the weekends.
  *** Presale adults, till July 21 - $11.00**
  *** Presale children's tickets till July 21 - $6.00**
  *** After July 21 adult tickets are $12 and children's tickets will be $7**
- **1:00-5:30 p.m.** - Carnival games, bounce houses, adult games, hot dogs, hamburgers, snow cones, popcorn, nachos and karaoke.

All drawings for all raffles and theme baskets will take place on Sunday after 5:30 p.m.

Our Weekly Offering

Sunday, May 26th

Weekly:	$	10,328.35
Monthly:	$	258.00
Total:	$	10,586.35
Shrines	$	877.28
Pennies	$	98.00
Ascension	$	45.00
Latin Am. & Africa	$	64.00

Wedding Banns

Brian Andrew Christman & Rheanna Elizabeth Gallego
Brent James Llanes & Katie Ann Bogold

Baptism

We welcome *Bryelle Jungong* and *Ethan Aneng Chendi* into our Parish Community. They were baptized on Sunday, May 26, 2019 in Our Lady of Victory Basilica.

Pray for the Dead

Please remember in your prayers those who have died: *Alice M. Kelley, Robert S. Kroll, Ann Pepe, Mary L. Kashino, Jean C. Bauman* and *William Nagy, Jr.*

Vocation Thought
Seventh Sunday of Easter

In Christ we all find our unity. In that unity, we each have a unique role. If God is calling you to a Church vocation, call Father Andrew Lauricella at 716-847-5535. Visit the Vocation Office website at www.buffalovocations.org and check out the "Priest of the Month" stories.

AREA HAPPENINGS

Father Baker Council Bingo is Moving: Beginning ***Wednesday, June 5,*** and each Wednesday thereafter, Father Baker Council of the Knights of Columbus will be hosting their ***Bingo at the Matthew Glab Post of the American Legion*** located at ***1965 Abbott Road.*** Start time will again be at 12:45 p.m. There will be bigger prizes and a new game format. Kitchen service will also be available. Please join us there!

Blood Drive ***at Lake Erie Italian Club Small Hall***, 3200 South Park Avenue, on ***Tuesday, June 4, from 12:00 to 5:00 p.m.*** For an appointment, please call 1-800-RED CROSS or visit redcrossblood.org. Walk-ins welcome!

St. Francis High School Summer Enrichment Program: St. Francis High School will have a Sumer enrichment Program for students entering 5th, 6th or 7th grade in the fall. ***Week 1: July 8-12; Week 2: July 15-19; Week 3: July 22-26 from 8:15 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. with field trip Fridays ending at 12:00 noon.*** St. Francis High School, a college preparatory school for young men is administered by the Conventual Franciscan Friars and staffed by both religious and lay faculty. The school is located at 4129 Lake Shore Road, Hamburg. For more information, please contact the Admissions Office at 716-627-1200 extension 582 or visit the school website at www.stfrancishigh.org.

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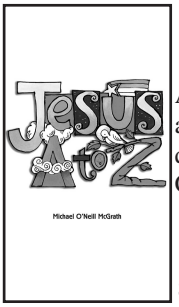

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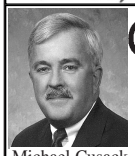
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