



SEVENTEENTH  
SUNDAY IN  
ORDINARY TIME  
July 28, 2024

**Monday, July 29 – Sts. Martha, Mary & Lazarus**  
5:00pm (SJ) - Deceased Members of the Carver Family  
by John & Sue Carver

**Tuesday, July 30**  
8:30am (SE) - Special Intention of Yvonne Lesperance  
by Robert & Carol Corbo  
*Followed by Holy Hour*

**Wednesday, July 31 – St. Ignatius of Loyola**  
8:30am (SE) - Intention of the Celebrant  
*Followed by Holy Hour*

**Thursday, August 1 – St. Alphonsus Liguori  
Bishop & Doctor of the Church**  
5:00pm (SPJ) - Special Intentions for Pat Lindsay  
by Margaret Smith

**Friday, August 2 – First Friday**  
8:30am (SPN) - Cid Coker by Mary Lou Fitzgerald  
*Followed by Holy Hour*

**Saturday, August 3**  
4:30pm (SE) - Pro Populo  
6:30pm (SJ) - Deceased Relatives of Carolyn, Jane & Nick  
**Sunday, August 4**

8:30am (SPN) - Amady & Gertrude Montville  
by Ann Ryan  
10:30am (SPJ) - Jack & Betty Maloney  
by Pat & Peggy Maloney

(SE) = St. Elizabeth, Elizabethtown  
(SPJ) = St. Philip of Jesus, Willsboro  
(SJ) = St. Joseph, Essex  
(SPN) = St. Philip Neri, Westport

**Readings for the Week of July 29**

Monday: Jer 13:1-11/Dt 32:18-21/Jn 11:19-27 **or** Lk 10:38-42  
Tuesday: Jer 14:17-22/Ps 79:8-9, 11, 13/Mt 13:36-43  
Wednesday: Jer 15:10, 16-21/Ps 59:2-4, 10-11, 17-18/Mt 13:44-46  
Thursday: Jer 18:1-6/Ps 146:1-6/Mt 13:47-53  
Friday: Jer 26:1-9/Ps 69:5, 8-10, 14/Mt 13:54-58  
Saturday: Jer 26:11-16, 24/Ps 69:15-16, 30-31, 33-34/Mt 14:1-12  
Next Sunday: Ex 16:2-4, 12-15/Ps 78:3-4, 23-25, 54  
Eph 4:17, 2024/Jn 6:24-35

**THOUGHTS ON EVANGELIZATION**

**Readings: 2 Kgs 4:42-44/Eph 4:1-6/Jn 6:1-15**

Do you ever feel like you do not have much to offer? So many people seem much more gifted. Perhaps you are like the young boy in today's Gospel. He was poor and of no standing in the crowd. He had with him a poor person's meal: barley loaves and some dried fish. But Jesus can work great miracles with small offerings. That poor meal was multiplied so it fed a crowd of thousands with twelve baskets left over. You, too, have a great deal to offer. With our smallest of offerings given in love, God can work miracles.

**Last Weekend's Collection**

**Saint Elizabeth – Attendance: 32**  
Envelopes: \$342.25; Plate: \$99.00  
Fuel: \$155.00  
Total: \$596.25

Missionary Projects of the Diocese: \$20.00

**Saint Philip Neri – Attendance: 54**  
Envelopes: \$1,930.00; Plate: \$215.75  
Fuel: \$50.00  
Total: \$2,195.75

**St Philip of Jesus/St Joseph – Attendance: SPJ 84 / SJ 31**  
Envelopes: \$910.00; Plate: \$368.15  
Fuel: \$85.00  
Total: \$1,363.15  
Pie Raffle: SPJ \$84.00 / SJ \$37.00

**"WHAT WOULD JESUS DO?"**

I heard about a little boy who got into a heated argument with his sister about who was going to get the last brownie, and his mother overheard this discussion and came in to try to resolve the fuss. Her two children, both extremely upset, each wanted that last brownie. So, sensing the opportunity to teach a deeper spiritual truth, the mother looked at her children and asked that very relevant question..."What would Jesus do?" Well, that little boy immediately answered, "That's easy. Jesus would just break that brownie and make 5,000 more!"

**WHAT IS A MARIAN APPARITION?**

Marian apparitions are known as appearances of the **Blessed Virgin Mary**, coming down from heaven to earth. These appearances are often paired with some type of message Our Lady wants to communicate, and depending on the nature of her visit can be anywhere from one short appearance to several over years. There is always at least one witness to an apparition, and it is not uncommon for the witness to later become a saint or holy figure within the Church. As one of our authors points out, "These are moments when the Blessed Virgin Mary appears to us here on earth, letting us know that her prayers for us are being offered to God." For an apparition to be worthy of belief and devotion within the Catholic Church, it must be approved by the bishop of the area where the apparition took place which gets further approval from the Vatican. This approval assures the presence of God and the forces of heaven within the appearance and protects the community of the faithful from influences that may be contrary to the Faith.

**DOWNTOWN ESSEX DAY**

**Rummage & Bake Sale on the lawn at St Joseph's  
Saturday August 3, 2024  
10:00am—2:00pm**

Baked goods can be dropped off Saturday Morning  
at St Joseph's or arrange a drop off time

Rummage sale items can be dropped at St. Joseph's  
anytime during the week Monday-Friday

**FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK**



**Íñigo López de Oñaz y Loyola** (Ignatius in Latin) **July 31<sup>st</sup>** was born at the Castle of Loyola in the municipality of Azpeitia, in modern-day Gipuzkoa, Spain. He was the youngest of thirteen children. Shortly

after his birth, his mother died, and he was cared for by a local woman named Maria. When he was seven, his father died, and he was sent to live with a local noble family where he fulfilled the duties of a page, introducing him to the idea of knighthood and military service. As a result, Ignatius became an enthusiastic man who dreamed of being a great military officer. Captivated by thoughts of worldly honor and glory, he became a soldier around seventeen. For twelve years he fought in many battles and advanced in rank. In 1521, at thirty years old, Ignatius was wounded in battle and bedridden for months as his wounded leg healed. In his boredom, he asked for books to read. He had hoped to receive some books on chivalry and romance for entertainment, but no such books were in the house where he was recovering. Instead, he was given *The Life of Christ* by Ludolph of Saxony, a Carthusian monk, and *Flowers of the Saints*. As he read and re-read these two books, he began to be inspired and started to imagine himself living a saintly life. He is one of the most inspirational figures in the history of the Church. He left behind a spiritual classic in *The Spiritual Exercises*, helped found the Jesuits who became one of the most consequential religious orders in the Church, and left behind other writings, including an estimated 7,000 letters filled with his wisdom. On his feast day may we ponder his initial conversion that led to so much good fruit. He noticed that God's will would have produced joy and peace that remained, versus worldly excitement that quickly passed and resulted in dryness. That insight has led countless people to discern God's will for their lives through the use of Ignatius' method. Let us ponder God's will for our lives and as we do, learn from Saint Ignatius and seek that path, which will lead us to great joy and ongoing spiritual peace and consolation. **St. Ignatius of Loyola, pray for us.**

With Love and Prayers....  **Fr. J.T.**

**REMINDERS:**

...A word of **Gratitude** to our dear **Bishop Terry R. LaValley** for celebrating the Holy Eucharist for the 150<sup>th</sup> Jubilee of St. Joseph's Church in Essex. On behalf of our parish Family, we wish him the very best and God's Blessings for his continuous ministry.

...Adding to every Tuesday in E-Town parish, starting this First Friday we will be having the full **HOLY HOUR** after every Friday Mass in Westport.



**Pray Your Rosary**

...because Mary asked us to...

**DIVINE RENOVATION UNLOCKED  
IN LAKE PLACID**

**Friday, August 23, from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.**  
at St. Agnes School and Church

**We all want to see our parishes come alive.** The problem is that changing the way we "do church" can be intimidating. Prioritizing mission over maintenance can feel scary.

This is why you're invited to DR Unlocked where you will:

- Learn about the 3 Keys to Unlocking Your Parish
- Be equipped for mission through practical workshops and resource
- Connect with a growing community of learning in the space of parish renewal. So, register today!

To Register, go to <https://divinerenovation.org/events/> and register for **DR Unlocked: Northern New York**. Tickets are \$30 per person, or \$25 per person for a group of 4 or more.

Please pray for the outpouring of the Holy Spirit on the participants, those planning to register and the speakers.

This is a joint project of St. Agnes Church in Lake Placid, St. Peter's Parish in Massena, and the diocesan Office of the New Evangelization.

For more information, contact Marika Donders at the Office of Evangelization at [mdonders@rcdony.org](mailto:mdonders@rcdony.org) or Gin Shaw at St. Agnes Church at [renewal@stagneslp.org](mailto:renewal@stagneslp.org)

**UKRAINIAN BENEFIT CONCERT**

On Saturday, **August 10, at 7:30 p.m.**, there will be a Ukrainian benefit concert by Dr. Alexander Tentser at St. Agnes Catholic Church in Lake Placid. Dr. Tentser is a gifted and versatile musician. In his capacity as a concert pianist, chamber music collaborator and a conductor, he always delivers the highest quality performances. The music of Chopin will be featured. Please join us for this benefit. Proceeds from Free Will Offerings will be divided two ways: 1. Anna Hoyt will oversee the purchase of supplies for refugees. 2. The Dominican Father's Orphanage in Kyiv. Checks may be made out to St. Agnes; please write "Ukraine" on the subject line.

**CATHOLICS A'GATHERIN**

Many thanks for the great turn-out last Sunday. The next gathering at St. Philip of Jesus Church will be on August

18th immediately following the 10:30am Mass. **Interested in being the Co-Host for August?** Contact Susan 518-837-2023



**ALL ARE WELCOME!**

**YOUNG ADULT RETREAT  
GUGGENHEIM LODGE  
Save the Date and Help Plan**

We have reserved the Guggenheim Lodge from **September 20-22** for the Diocesan Young Adult Retreat. Save the dates so you can join us for this weekend retreat to pray and gather in community with other young adults while enjoying the peace and beauty of Saranac Lake and the Adirondacks.

**We need your help!** If you would like to help plan the details for the retreat and are a **young adult in your 20s or 30s**, contact Marika Donders at [mdonders@rcdony.org](mailto:mdonders@rcdony.org).