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SUNDAY LITURGIES

Saturday Evening
5:00 pm

Sundays
8:00 am
11:00 am
5:00 pm

DAILY MASS

Monday through Friday
7:00 am
12:05 pm

Saturday
8:00 am

CONFESSION

Thursdays & Saturdays
3:00 pm

You are a chosen race, a royal
priesthood, a holy nation;
announce the praises of him
who called you out of darkness
into his wonderful light.



ALL MASSES ARE NOW OPEN TO THE PUBLIC
CALL THE RECTORY TO SECURE A WEEKEND SEATING LOCATION

- Sunday June 28 Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Times**
Readings: 2 Kings 4:8-11, 14-16a / Romans 6:3-4, 8-11 / Matthew 10:37-42
8:00 am People of the Parish
11:00 pm Joseph Hart III (*Daughter, Mary Alyce Newnam*)
5:00 pm Ron Chilcot (*Cha Cha & John Bair*)
- Monday June 29 SS Peter & Paul, Apostles**
Readings: Acts 12:1-11 / 2 Timothy 4:6-8, 17-18 / Matthew 16:13-19
7:00 am St Anne Society
12:05 pm Lydia Wincer (*Husband Matt & Family*)
- Tuesday June 30 Weekday The 1st Martyrs of the Holy Roman Church**
Readings: Amos 3:1-8, 4:11-12 / Matthew 8:23-27
7:00 am Ronald Vogel (*Irene Rok*)
12:05 pm Carlton Haselrig Health (*Dee Dee Osborne*)
- Wednesday July 1 St Junipero Serra, Priest**
Readings: Amos 5:14-15, 21-24 / Matthew 8:28-34
7:00 am Living/Deceased Members 1st Catholic Slovak Ladies
12:05 pm Lawrence Schellhammer Family (*Wehner Children*)
- Thursday July 2 Weekday**
Readings: Amos 7:10-17 / Matthew 9:1-8
7:00 am Rita Bailey Anniversary (*Joyce & Jerry Karafa*)
12:05 pm Lois Weimer Anniversary (*Gary & Barbara Weimer*)
- Friday July 3 St Thomas, Apostle**
Readings: Ephesians 2:19-22 / John 20:24-29
7:00 am Doris Jean McClain (*Son, Greg Karcher*)
12:05 pm Charles Sisko, Jr (*Cha Cha & John Bair*)
- Saturday July 4 Weekday Independence Day**
Readings: Amos 9:11-15 / Matthew 9:14-17
9:00 am Sophie Roman (*Martha Mastervich & M/M Peter Yanko*)
5:00 pm Amelia Britz (*Karlene Tantlinger*)
- Sunday July 5 Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Times**
Readings: Zechariah 9:9-10 / Romans 8:9, 11-13 / Matthew 11:25-30
8:00 am Leo W. Klug, Jr (*Denny & Pat Heptner*)
11:00 pm Charles Molnar (*Veronica (Molnar) Wilson*)
5:00 pm People of the Parish

The Thirteenth Sunday of Ordinary Time

"Whoever does not take up his cross and follow me is not worthy of me. Whoever receives a prophet because he is a prophet will receive a prophet's reward." Matthew 10: 37-42

The "Big Ask"

Wendy Suzuki is a professor of neural science and psychology at New York University and the author of **Healthy Brain, Happy Life**. In a story told at The Moth, the acclaimed theatre dedicated to the art and craft of storytelling, Dr. Suzuki talked about helping her father deal with the onset of dementia.

Wendy has always been close to both her parents — but it occurred to her that they never said *I love you* to each other as adults. Wendy decided to start saying those words to her parents.

Easier imagined than said. You just do not say *I love you* out of the blue. What if her parents did not respond? Could everyone handle the awkwardness of such a moment?

Nevertheless, Wendy was determined. So, on her weekly Sunday night phone call, she gathered up all her courage. Wendy recalls:

"My theme that night was Keep it light. I said, 'How are you doing? How was your week?' And sometime during the conversation, I said, 'Hey, Mom. You know we never say I love you. What do you think about the idea of starting to say that when we talk to each other?'

"There was a long silence on the phone, and my stomach went all the way up to my throat. Then she said, 'I think that is a great idea.' *Thank goodness she said yes!* I said to myself. However, keeping with my theme, I said, 'That is great!' and we continued our conversation.

"Then the tension started rising again. It is one thing to agree to say I love you, but it is another thing actually to say it.

"It had been my request, so I took the bull by the horns. I said, 'Okayyy' — in other words, *Get ready, Mom*. 'I love you!' And she said, 'I love you too!' And we had done it.

"Then, it was my dad's turn. I knew because I made it through with Mom, Dad would be easy. So, I asked my dad. He said yes. We said our awkward *I love you's*, and the night of the Big Ask was over.

"I was triumphant, but as soon as I got off the phone, I broke down in tears. Not only had I said I love you to my parents for the first time as an adult, I realized that night, but I had also changed the culture of our family. Forever."

The following week, Wendy and her mom's exchange of *I love yous* was much less awkward. Then it was time to talk to her dad.

"I realized that he might not remember we had made this agreement last week, so I was ready to remind him. However, that night he surprised

me. Because that night and every Sunday since, he has said *I love you* first. Now, you have to remember that sometimes my dad cannot quite remember whether I am visiting for Thanksgiving or Christmas. Nevertheless, somehow, he was able to make this memory stick.

"And I know why. As a neuroscientist, I know that emotional resonance helps us remember.

"So, the love or maybe even the pride he felt because his daughter asked whether she could say *I love you* to him — it beat dementia and allowed him to form a new long-term memory. Moreover, you can be sure that I will keep that memory for the rest of my life." [Originally told onstage at The Moth theatre and adapted for **Reader's Digest**, October 2015.]

We typically think of our "crosses" as burdens that weigh us down, obligations that sometimes overwhelm us — but more often than we think, the crosses we are asked to take up require us to put aside our fear and self-consciousness to offer a word of compassion or care — an offering that may well be rejected. Wendy Suzuki takes up that cross of "awkwardness," and the result is a beautiful new relationship with her mom and especially her dad. Christ calls us not to fear taking up whatever "cross" that confronts us, trusting that it can be the means of bringing the hope of resurrection into some dark Good Friday.

We Are Back! We have returned to public Mass with social distancing, masks, hand sanitizer, and calling ahead for one of the seating.

The outdoor Sunday afternoon distribution of Holy Communion also continues at the Activities Center distribution stations.

We have marked eighty seating locations that observe safe social distancing. Spouses and families can sit in one of the eighty seating locations. Ushers will help you find a seating location. All weekend Masses have ample seating locations available. So that we can add you to the ushers' list for who is attending a Mass, we ask that you call the rectory (536-0117) or contact Fr. Jim (934-9605 — his number accepts text and voice messages, email: frjded@stroselima.com).

From **12:30 to 1:00 PM** on Sunday afternoons, Fr. Jim and Eucharistic Ministers with help by greeters and ushers will welcome in-car and walk-up communicants at the activities center. All will receive a prayer page, move to a Holy Communion station, receive the Eucharist, offer a short prayer, and exit onto Railroad Street. Walk-up communicants will proceed to the gate at the walkway to the Center on Adams Street. Area Catholics are most welcome to this or other Holy Communion distributions stations.

COLLECTIONS: 6/21/2020

Cash	\$ 469.05
Envelopes	3,408.00
Father's Day	159.00
Maintenance	691.00
Ascension	10.00
Cemetery	60.00
Communications	10.00
Catholic Home Missions	10.00
Peter's Pence	65.00
Catholic Relief Seviles	5.00
Total	\$ 4.887.05

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Saturday July 4 9:00 am Independence Day

Readers: Mary Jane Verbiar
Eucharistic Minister: Carmen Grasso
Server: Volunteer Needed
Audio Operator: Volunteer Needed

Saturday July 4 5:00 pm

Readers: Elizabeth Rhoades
Pat Loughlin
Eucharistic Minister: Volunteer Needed
Server: Marge Bevans
Audio Operator: Michael Stoskey

Sunday July 5 8:00 am

Readers: Christine Brothers
Volunteer Needed
Eucharistic Minister: Anthony Kamnikar
Server: Nathan Gates
Audio Operator: Patrick McClain

Sunday July 5 11:00 am

Readers: Lonnie Rietscha
Mary Jane Verbiar
Eucharistic Minister: Esperanza Bair
Server: Damian Byer
Audio Operator: Brian Vuletich

Sunday July 5 5:00 pm

Readers: Charlotte Amenti
Lou Aust
Eucharistic Minister:
Server: Vi Najjar
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QUEEN OF ANGELS CHURCH

OUTDOOR MASS - An outdoor Mass will be celebrated at Holy Cross Cemetery in Jerome each Sunday night from June 28th until Labor Day beginning at 6:00 pm. Holy Cross Cemetery is located right off Rt. 219. When exiting Rt. 219, drive several hundred feet toward Jerome and make a right onto Maple Springs Road (*right across from the Dollar General*); go around the sharp corner to the right and the cemetery will be a few hundred feet on your left (*right past Maple springs Church of the Brethren*). In the event of inclement weather, the Mass will be celebrated in St. Anne Church in Davidsville. The Mass is being sponsored as a collaborative effort between the parishes in Central City, Boswell, and Davidsville. Any envelopes received will be sent to their respective parish of origin. **All are welcome.**

St Vincent College summer program

Registration is open for the Faith and Reason Summer Program at Saint Vincent College. The intensive, one-week exploration of the Catholic, liberal arts tradition will be conducted as a day camp from July 20-24 on Saint Vincent's Latrobe campus, while participants will also have the option to take part in the program virtually. The Faith and Reason Summer Program is designed for high school and first-year college students seeking an opportunity to come to a richer understanding of the Catholic faith and its integration in higher education. Admission is open to students aged 15 and older, with limited space available. For more information, visit <https://www.stvincent.edu/academics/summer-sessions/faith-and-reason>. For questions, contact Dr. Michael Krom, program director, at michael.krom@stvincent.edu

Pet Food Pantry

St. Clement Parish is starting to collect cat and dog food and treats in conjunction with their community Food Pantry. Please consider donating to this worthwhile cause. Dry goods or monetary donations (to purchase pet food) will be accepted at the rectory office to help better care for the furry members of families. Any questions, or for donation pick-up, please call Ruth Morello at 255-1399 or 242-4171.

A Thankful Goodbye...

Five principals from Catholic Schools in Altoona-Johnstown are retiring at the end of this 2019-2020 academic year.

Rose Batzel ends a 40-year tenure with various Catholic schools in Johnstown. She taught at St. Benedict School, was a teacher and principal at Central Catholic School, and most recently, associate principal at the DMCA West Campus.

Lorie Ratchford spent 29 years at Bishop Carroll High School in Ebensburg. She began teaching American Literature and World Literature in 1991. She became principal in 2011.

Renee Phister officially began as a teacher at St Michael School 20 years ago and was named principal five years ago.

Mary Jo Podrasky began teaching math and social studies at St. Benedict School in Johnstown more than 20 years ago. She later became principal and retires as associate principal of DMCA East Campus.

Samantha Weakland's retirement ends 18 years at Our Lady of Victory School in State College. She was a teacher and Dean of Students before becoming principal five years ago.

We wish all these outstanding women health and happiness as they begin new chapters in their lives.

