



July 7, 2024



Today's readings

**14th Sunday
in Ordinary
Time**

MASS SCHEDULE

Weekday Mass

Monday & Thursday:
8:00 a.m.

Tuesday, Wednesday,
and Friday:
No Mass

Weekend Mass

Saturday: 4:00 p.m.

Sunday:
8:30 a.m.
10:30 a.m.

Confession:

Saturday: 11:30 a.m.
Or by appointment

All Sacraments:

Please call the office



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OUR LOCATION

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Regardless of your past, family, or beliefs, you are embraced by our Catholic community. Whether lifelong follower or seeker, you are cherished here. God's love knows no bounds. Let's journey in faith, supporting one another. Welcome home.

LITURGIES FOR THE WEEK

Saturday, July 6

4:00 PM † Marie Lipari by Family

Sunday, July 7

8:30 AM † Reda & Naccarato Families by Mr & Mrs Fred Naccarato

10:30 AM † Patti Bigi by Herman Bigi

Monday, July 8

8:00 AM † Ramona Sapone by Jackie Zelinsky

Tuesday, July 9

8:00 AM Mass at St. Sebastian

Wednesday, July 10

No Mass

Thursday, July 11

8:00 AM † Anne Maisano by Tom & Marinell Gigliotti

Friday, July 12

8:00 AM Mass at St. Sebastian

Saturday, July 13

4:00 PM † Ray & Rose Cocciolone by Patty Alcorn & Family

Sunday, July 14

8:30 AM † Edward G and Emily Q Zboyovsky by Ed & Christine Zboyovsky & grandsons

10:30 AM † Herman Alvarez by Wife, Children & Grandchildren

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OFFICE HOURS

Monday –Thursday: 8:30 a.m. –12; 1 p.m.– 3 p.m.

Friday: 8:30 a.m.—12:00 p.m.

Ministry Schedule — July 13 & 14

	Lector	Eucharistic Minister	Altar Server
4:00 p.m.	D. Harkins	L. Henry S. Beneccio J. Elias	L. Assenat
8:30 a.m.	F. Petrosky	J. Todd L. DeFelices A. Pastella	T. Todd
10:30 a.m.	G. Pesì	K. Byron E. Yatchyshyn K. Imbrescia	S. Yatchyshyn G. Yatchyshyn

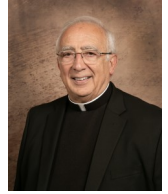
Money Counters

Monday, July 8—Team #4 – J. Petritis

This week's collection will be listed next week, due to the bulletin deadline.

From Monsignor Gaston

Dear Parishioners



Thank you for the warm welcome to Epiphany Parish last weekend, my first weekend with you. In each and every encounter with parishioners, I have experienced your kindness, warmth, and a sincere sense of welcome - and I am grateful. It is apparent that people like to feed the priest here! I hope not to gain too much weight sampling all your wonderful homemade cooking and baking.

We just completed the 3 day Epiphany - St. Sebastian Vacation Bible School on Friday. I enjoyed meeting the 36 or so youngsters (children say the “darndest” things!!). We had a wonderful complement of catechists, leaders, and youth who assisted and helped to make this truly a fun-filled and spiritual couple of days. I trust these little ones now have a little better appreciation of how their friend, Jesus, loves them and cares deeply about them. May they never forget their “best friend” who will always be at their side as they grow older! Thanks as well to the parents and families who entrusted their children to us during these days.

I hope to meet more of our parishioners at the parish picnic this weekend. I am at St. Sebastian this weekend for Masses, but will be here to celebrate the Opening Mass for the picnic at 1:00 PM. Blessings this week.

Msgr Gaston

Daily Readings

Readings for the week of July 7, 2024



Sunday: Ez 2:2-5/Ps 123:1-2, 2, 3-4 (2cd)/2 Cor 12:7-10/Mk 6:1-6a

Monday: Hos 2:16, 17c-18, 21-22/Ps 145:2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9/Mt 9:18-26

Tuesday: Hos 8:4-7, 11-13/Ps 115:3-4, 5-6, 7ab-8, 9-10/Mt 9:32-38

Wednesday: Hos 10:1-3, 7-8, 12/Ps 105:2-3, 4-5, 6-7/Mt 10:1-7

Thursday: Hos 11:1-4, 8e-9/Ps 80:2ac and 3b, 15-16/Mt 10:7-15

Friday: Hos 14:2-10/Ps 51:3-4, 8-9, 12-13, 14 and 17/Mt 10:16-23

Saturday: Is 6:1-8/Ps 93:1ab, 1cd-2, 5/Mt 10:24-33

Next Sunday: Am 7:12-15/Ps 85:9-10, 11-12, 13-14 (8)/Eph 1:3-14 or 1:3-10/Mk 6:7-13

HOMEMADE SAUSAGE SALE

The **Epiphany of Our Lord Church** will hold a sausage sale on July 16 & 17 All orders must be in by **Saturday, June 29**. Put in your order now to make sure you get it! The **sausage will be sold at \$6 /lb. Minimum order is 2 lb. per item. All orders MUST be made on the order form.**

LINK

____ lbs.

____ lbs.

____ lbs.

LOOSE

____ lbs.

____ lbs.

____ lbs.

Sweet Sausage

Hot Sausage

Hot Hot Sausage

Name: _____

Phone: _____

Orders may be placed by filling out the order form above, placing it in an envelope marked “Sausage Order” and depositing it in the collection basket. To call in your order, or for info, contact Kenny at 724-929-3464. Please make checks payable to the **Epiphany of Our Lord Church.**

Stewardship

Peter's Pence Collection

This weekend we will take up a second collection for Peter's Pence and the support of the Holy See. Please prayerfully consider supporting the collection this year. Contributing to this collection means you are helping provide essential support for the Holy See's activities and help Pope Francis assist the victims of wars, oppression, and natural disasters around the world.

Groups

Holy Name Sunday is next Sunday, July 14. Corporate Communion will be at the 8:30 a.m. Mass. There will be no meeting in July.

Outdoor Rosary

Catholic Daughters of the Americas, court Monessen #776 will host our 36th Annual Outdoor Rosary at Mary's Garden, Epiphany of Our Lord Church, 44 Pennsylvania Blvd., Monessen, on **Tuesday, July 9th, at 7:30 P.M.** A social will follow in the Church Hall. Please bring your lawn chair. If inclement weather, the Rosary will be held in the Church Hall. This event is open to the public and all are welcome to attend.

VBS Wrap Up

We —kids and adults— had a blast at VBS this year learning that God is a Friend Forever! Here are a few highlights of the days. There will be more photos on the website, along with some videos in the next few days. We had 34 kids registered and about 10 teen volunteers. It was truly a community effort! Kudos especially to the leaders: **Patty Alcorn, Joannie Brown, Toni Bucci, Mary Dzurik, Darleen Koury, Flo Petrosky and Alexis Punturiero.**

Faith

Rejection

In Mark's Gospel this weekend, Jesus visits his home town of Nazareth and teaches in the synagogue. His neighbors, however, reject him and wonder who he thinks he is? Coming from such humble roots in their town, they cannot understand that he could be more than the carpenter's son they knew. Could this be envy or jealousy? Jesus is amazed at their prejudice and is unable to heal only a few sick people because of their closed-mindedness. This shows us how lack of faith can limit what God can do in our lives. Think about how often Jesus is rejected by his own through the gospels.



Rejection is the emotional pain or hurt we feel when we are harassed, unjustly criticized, bullied, betrayed, etc. It is the hurt we experience when we feel disrespected for the person we are, for our opinions, our thoughts and our values. Since we all have the need to belong, we will often do just about anything to avoid upsetting or disagreeing with others, just so we can belong to the group. This is how "peer pressure" also works: "If you don't agree with us, we will avoid and punish you -- you may as well be dead to us." It is a form of "group think." If you think differently, you'll be punished! Rejection can really be a horrible thing.

Jesus models for his disciples the sense of perseverance in following the Father's will, even when it upsets people around him. Jesus embodies the virtue of courage. Courage is ability to do hard things when it is time to do so. It is one of the Gifts of the Holy Spirit. This is what we should pray for we are rejected by others. How many saints were martyred for what they believed? Jesus didn't come to please others, but to challenge us to integrity in the way we live and act. He sent us the Holy Spirit, so that through our influence: good may triumph over evil, truth over lies, and peace over violence and division. This is no path for the faint-hearted.



**VBS
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