



Our Lady OF Hope

ROMAN CATHOLIC PARISH

September 13, 2015

Twenty-Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

BAPTISM: Parent preparation program required. Please call the rectory at least three months prior to the birth of the child. Arrangements for the Baptism may be made upon completion of instructions. **TIME:** First Sunday of the month, 12:30 p.m. (or during one of the Masses).

CONFESSIONS: Saturday, 3:30 p.m. or anytime by appointment.

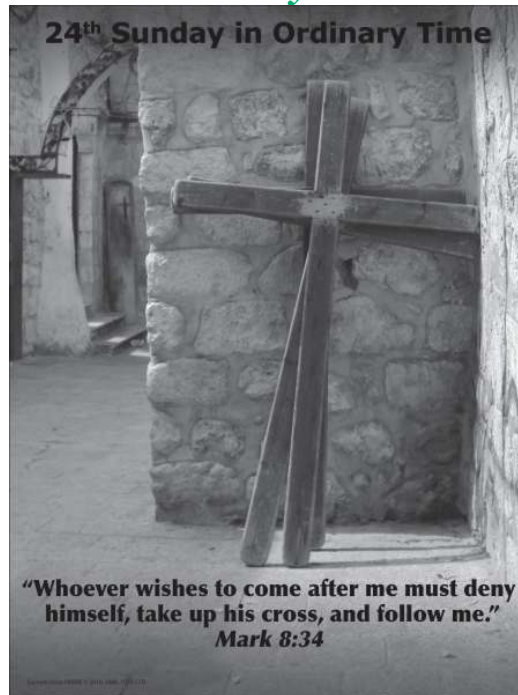
MARRIAGES: Limited to registered parishioners only. Arrangements for date and time must be made six months in advance. Final preparations should be made five weeks before the wedding date.

SACRAMENT OF HOLY ORDERS (PRIESTHOOD/DIACONATE):

For information please contact Fr. Begin. For information on Religious Life, please contact S. Irene.

PARISH SCHOOL OF RELIGION: Please call Rectory office.

REGISTRATION: If you are new in the parish, please register at the rectory. If you moved out of the parish, please notify the rectory.



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RECTORY OFFICE HOURS

Monday through Friday, 8:30 a.m.-12:00 noon & 1:00-4:30 p.m. Anytime for emergencies.

"Whoever wishes to come after me must deny himself, take up his cross, and follow me." In this famous passage about Christian discipleship, we usually tend to focus on Jesus' call to take up our cross. This can feel frightening or unattractive to us. It can seem as though the choice to be Christian is a choice for pain and suffering. But we must not forget the last part of this verse: Jesus tells us to follow him. He is walking this journey ahead of us. He is the one who first takes up the cross. We are simply called to follow in his footsteps.

Think of how much easier it is to follow a path that someone else has already trod. Think about hiking, for example, and consider what's involved in "blazing your own trail." You have to advance face-first into the brambles and bushes; you have to navigate the right direction to your destination; you have to scale the hills and cross the waters without the aid of stair or bridge. On the other hand, when we hike on a path that someone else has created, we are spared all of these extra trials. Yes, the journey may still be intense, but we make it with great comfort and confidence, knowing that we are going in the right direction and that we have every advantage along the way thanks to someone else's efforts.

This is what it is to follow the path of Christ. Every human person will have their "crosses," whether they are Christian or not. Physical pain, disappointment, rejection, grief, and the like are not unique to the followers of Jesus. What's unique is that our Lord and Savior has walked this path before us. Through his passion and joy, Jesus has taken all of this into his own hands, blazing a trail that safely leads each of us to the joy of resurrection.

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

OUR LADY OF HOPE CHURCH:

Sunday, September 13

Twenty-Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:15 a.m. Carlo DiGiovanna

11:00 a.m. Living & Deceased Parishioners

Monday, September 14

8:00 a.m. Caterina Buccellato

Tuesday, September 15

7:30 a.m. Rosary

8:00 a.m. Robert Ford

Novena of the Miraculous Medal after Tuesday Mass.

ST. MARY CHURCH:

Wednesday, September 16

8:00 a.m. Margaret Allen

Thursday, September 17

8:00 a.m. Mr. & Mrs. Victor J. O'Block

OUR LADY OF HOPE CHURCH:

Friday, September 18

8:00 a.m. Walter C. Radomski

Saturday, September 19

3:30 p.m. Confession

4:30 p.m. Andrew Wagner

Sunday, September 20

Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:15 a.m. Bernice Aspery

11:00 a.m. Living & Deceased Parishioners

THIS WEEK'S EVENTS:

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 13

Hospitality Sunday after Masses in Social Hall

sponsored by our Ladies Auxiliary

PSR Family Mtg., 5:30pm in Social Hall

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 14

SVDP Diocesan Board Mtg., 12 noon in Banquet Hall

Boy Scout Mtg., 7:30pm in Scout Room

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 17

Cub Scout Mtg., 7pm in East Wing Up

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 18

Bedford Unity A.A. Group Mtg., 8pm in Club Room.



HOSPITALITY SUNDAY

Please join us this Sunday, September 13th, for **Hospitality Sunday** after the 9 a.m. and 11 a.m. Masses for coffee, donuts, and fellowship in the Social Hall sponsored by the Our Lady of Hope Ladies Auxiliary!

OFFERTORY CONTRIBUTIONS

Because of the timeliness of getting this week's bulletin in, the collection for the weekend of September 6/7 will be published in next week's bulletin, along with this weekend's collection.

YOUR PRAYERS ARE NEEDED . . .

Please remember in your prayers all of the sick in our parish and families, especially: Ethel Cataldo, Eva Gajda, Andrea Lubinski, Don Wondolowski, Ayn Wood, Joplin Wood, Joseph Palumbo, Matthew Reeves, Elayne Stefanek, Maria Sbiar, William Palumbo, Kathleen Tesmer, Trudy Zimo, Sharon Brauer, Brian Tench, Jenie Royer, Bryndl Healy, Avianna Wichert, Rosemary Holycross, Mary Jean Mitchell, Bob Salko, Jeanne Stier, Jessie Tyszka, Daisy Darus, Paul Recko, Dennis King, Maximo Tulio, Joyce Dubsy, Joe Offutt, Mary Babler, Zach Hale, Lois St. John, Ken Hudak, Mary Bova, Walter Johnson, Lil Kalal, Daniel Saunders, Marie Walker, Ella Mae Gongos, James Wichert, Norman Kostyo, Tobias McDaniel, Lisa Snyder, Mary Jane Olwell, Therese Holland. Paula Balogh, Marguerite Waple, Charles Sprowls, Ann Murg, Edith DiGiovanna, Helen Barto, Stephon Smedley, Helen Harrison, Lenore Nipper, Julia Eppich, Betty Rogers, Daniel Rogers, Martha Harkai, Michaela Fortlage, Dan O'Reilly Family, Carmella Genova, Jackie Desch, William Imtihare, Virginia Duda, John McElhone...

HOSPITAL VISITATION

Because of the Privacy Act, parish visitation to the hospitalized can occur only at the request of the patient or a family member. Let us know if you or a family member is in the hospital and wants a visit from the rectory.

If a family member or relative has passed away and the Mass is for their intention, you are invited to present the gifts at the offertory. Please let the ushers know so you can take up the gifts.

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTER TRAINING WORKSHOPS

The Fall Diocesan Eucharistic Minister workshops will be offered in late September and early October. If you are interested in becoming a Eucharistic Minister, please contact Louise at 440-232-8166.

Anyone whose commission has already expired will not have to be re-commissioned, they may continue to serve.

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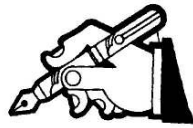
September 12th thru 18th

In Memory of

Walter C. Radomski

(Also displayed by the tabernacle.)

Dear Parishioners,



Every so often I think it is good to take a moment to undo some of the things that have gotten confused over the years in our faith. One of them is the concept of “last rites”. The sacrament of the “anointing of the sick” when many of us were growing up was called “extreme unction” and was administered as close to the moment of death as possible. Vatican II in looking over our history recognized that in the Middle Ages only the Bishops were allowed to anoint and they expected a sizeable donation for coming, so people waited till the last minute to ask for the sacrament. Truly this sacrament is one of healing. It cannot be administered after someone dies. Sacraments are for the living. The earlier on in the illness the anointing takes place the more effective it is. Simply the letter of James says “is there anyone sick among us? They should call the elders of the church who will lay hands on them and anoint them with oil. This prayer made in faith will bring them healing and forgiveness of all sin. “What a wonderful gift!

Love & Peace,

Fr. Dan



THE RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS — Who should inquire about RCIA?

- Anyone age 7 and older who is not yet baptized.
- Any baptized Christian who wishes to become Catholic.
- Anyone who wishes to learn more about the Catholic faith.

Please contact **Louise at 440-232-8166** if you are interested in an educational journey that will lead into a special time of reflection, spiritual renewal and growth.

ADULT CONFIRMATION

If you or someone that you know have been Baptized and received First Communion but have never been confirmed please call Louise at 440-232-8166.

If you are 14 years of age or older and are interested in learning more about this third Sacrament of Initiation into the Catholic Church, we can meet in group or individual sessions.

THE MYSTERY OF GOD

“WHO GOD IS & WHY HE MATTERS”

Coming soon to Our Lady of Hope Parish will be the newest study program of Bishop Robert Barron’s (originator of the ‘Catholicism’ series). Please watch future bulletins for more details.

PARISH LOTTERY NEWS!!

Congratulations to our **AUGUST** winners:

8/4/15 #624 Tom Emling	8/14/15 #455 Marcia Samp
8/6/15 #941 Emerald Moore	8/15/15 #739 F. Zelenak
8/6/15 #370 Jim Waple	8/17/15 #127 A. Crockett
8/8/15 #182 Natalie Richuisa	8/21/15 #751 A. Chintala
8/10/15 #148 Mike Braidich	8/22/15 #488 Scott Yoders
8/11/15 #234 Gerda Hawley	8/24/15 #815 G. Tellings
8/11/15 #059 C. Barchanowicz	8/26/15 #829 R. Camma
8/12/15 #845 B. Sylvester	8/27/15 #513 J. Murray
8/14/15 #726 Mick Gongs	8/28/15 #513 M. Wiggins

You can’t win if you don’t play!! All proceeds benefit our parish!!



LADIES AUXILIARY NEWS!!

Our annual Autumn Card Party is Sunday, September 27th, from 2 to 6 p.m. in the Social Hall. Admission is \$6.00 which includes a light lunch with dessert and beverage. Tickets for the cash raffle are \$1 each or 6 for \$5 and can be purchased from members or after Masses in the Narthex. (Winner need not be present.) ALL ARE WELCOME!!

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY NEWS!!

Are you looking for ways to experience God? Members of the Society of St. Vincent de Paul invite you to share in their ministry of experiencing Christ in the poor. A Catholic lay organization, the Society provides opportunities for women and men to grow spiritually by offering person-to-person service to those who are needy and suffering in our local community. Consider learning more about the Society of St. Vincent de Paul by looking for our *Invitation to Serve* membership drive in October. For more information call 216-696-6525, ext. 3150 or via e-mail at info@svdpcle.org.

ST. MARY’S HOMECOMING

Help get the word out!! If you or someone you know is a former parishioner, student or friend of St. Mary Parish of Bedford they are invited to a special Homecoming Celebration on Sunday, September 20th, beginning with the 11:00 a.m. Mass and a luncheon to follow. Please RSVP to St. Mary rectory at 440-359-8205 by September 15th.

AMAZING GRACE

Amazing Grace: Bridging the Racial Divide conference will take place at St. John of the Cross Parish, 140 Richmond Road, Euclid, on the weekend of October 9th thru 10th. For more information please contact Vanessa Griffin Campbell at 216-696-6525, ext. 3020.

DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY

All are welcome to Divine Mercy on September 13th, at 2:30 p.m. at St. Monica Church in Garfield Hts.

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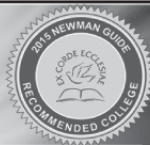
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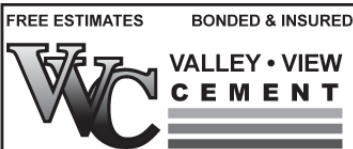
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