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CHECK: New Registration Change of Address Moving out of Parish Want envelopes

Please drop this information into the Offertory basket or mail to the Rectory.

SOME OF OUR PRINCE OF PEACE VOLUNTEERS
PREPARING AND SERVING MEALS.
"BON APPETIT!"

17TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

MASS INTENTIONS

MONDAY, JULY 25th

8:30 AM – Victor Sabulsky
c/o Robert & Rose
Marie Rodgers

TUESDAY, JULY 26th

8:30 AM – Jim Bridge
c/o Charles & Mary
Jo Sanitate

WEDNESDAY, JULY 27th

7:00 PM – Mary Robich
c/o Irene & Geraldine Bick

THURSDAY, JULY 28th

8:30 AM – Karl Dobler
c/o Susan J. Stratos

FRIDAY, JULY 29th

8:30 AM – Eleanor Kaye
c/o Ken & Eileen Zagger, Jr.

SATURDAY, JULY 30th

6:00 PM – Genevieve Bridge
c/o Mona & Bob Macchia & Family

SUNDAY, JULY 31st

9:00 AM – For Our Parishioners

11:30 AM – Willis Gwin
c/o Mary Ellen & Dale Doult



ALTAR SERVERS

7/30 6:00 pm Maryn Hosick

7/31 9:00 am Vincent Miller

11:30 am Volunteer

E. MINISTERS

Monica Hanrahan

Mike Drda

Diane O'Rourke

Rudy Koraus

Beth Garrett

Erin Borowicz

LECTOR #1

7/30 6:00 pm Michael & Lyndon Cain

7/31 9:00 am Mary Svrbly

11:30 am Zoe Belcik

HOSPITALITY MINISTERS

7/30 6:00 pm Paul Bauer/Kathy Bauer
Jody Drda/Neil Hosick/Volunteer

7/31 9:00 am Volunteer/Patrick Miller
Megan Durda/Paula Miller

7/31 11:30 am Jim Burgoon/Patrick Chovan
Volunteer/Volunteer

DE-STRESS TUESDAY

When: Every Tuesday Beginning June 21st and ending August 16, 2022

Time: 5:30 to 5:45 pm

Location: In the church



Feeling overwhelmed by work, school, or everyday obligations? Do you wish you could stop for a moment and simply breathe? If so, join us for a prayer, quiet meditation, and short reflection to take 15 minutes to breathe and be with God.

JULY 24, 2022

CALENDAR OF EVENTS Week/July 24, 2022

Sunday, July 24th

10:15 am – Coffee & Consciousness (AWARE Presentation)



Monday July 25th

7:00 pm – Book Club / Social Hall

Tuesday, July 26th

10:00 am – Go Bravely Discussion Group
5:30 pm – De-Stress Tuesday (Church)

Wednesday, July 27th

3:30 pm – Go Bravely Discussion Group

Thursday, July 28th

5:00 pm – Don't Eat Alone / Social Hall

Friday, July 29th

9:30 am – Book Club / Social Hall

COLLECTION – 7/17/22

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| Number of Registered Families..... | 570 |
| Adult Offertory Collection..... | \$ 3749.75 |
| Children's Offertory..... | \$ 0.00 |
| Loose Offertory..... | \$ 309.00 |
| # of Envelopes Used..... | 144 |
| Attendance at Mass..... | 298 |
| National Needs/Black & Indian Missions Coll...\$ | 922.25 |

REMEMBER TO PRAY FOR OUR HOMEBOUND THOSE ON OUR PRAYER CHAIN & HOSPITALIZED

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS

The program we will be using in the fall is called **EDGE** for grades six through eight. EDGE is part of LIFETEEN, a high school youth ministry program. The LIFETEEN ministry began in 1985, with the goal of bringing teens closer to Christ. There is a \$600 cost to each parish for access to all the EDGE materials annually.

THANK YOU for your generous support of last week's Catholic Home Missions Appeal. As a parish, we raised \$922.25 to help strengthen the Church at home and ensure that the Gospel is spread across the United States. If you missed the appeal, it's not too late to give!

ST. ROSE AND ST. MARY CEMETERIES: We are all facing the struggles of rising prices as well as shipping delays. We are experiencing the effects of those price increases at our cemeteries as well. **Beginning January 1, 2023, there will be increases to the cost of a grave, opening and closing costs, and the price of niches.** We are making you aware of these increases now, so that you may purchase those items at the current costs for the next several months. In order to make those purchases, please call the cemetery at 724-346-3711

St. Rose - St. Mary Cemeteries

'BEAT THE PRICE INCREASE PROGRAM'

I am interested in:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Lots | <input type="checkbox"/> Not sure |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Mausoleum | <input type="checkbox"/> Pre-paid opening/closing costs |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Cremation | |

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CHURCH OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD

FROM OUR PASTOR

For everyone who asks, receives; whoever seeks, finds...

When I was almost 40, my dentist retired, and he sold his practice to a newly-minted fresh-scrubbed dental school grad and we've been happily growing old and grey together ever since. CDC guidelines necessitated his removing all magazines from the waiting room, which made sense, but the last time I was there waiting for some ghastly tasting stuff to harden in my mouth, I commented how much I missed the eclectic collection of mags he had.

One of the dental assistants shortly walked up to my side with a box and told me, "it's either give these to you, or throw them away." I was happy to oblige and found several stories that I thought would come in helpful later. Here's one of them.

A mom looks back on the joys and challenges of parenting...

"I remember giving birth as one of the most empowering and vulnerable experiences of my life, but looking back after all these years of parenting, I can see that vulnerability has been the name of the game all along. My cocky sense of certainty ended seconds after my daughter was born. I couldn't get her to nurse, or sleep through the night. I didn't know what to do when she cried. As she got older, she asked questions I couldn't answer. She had opinions I found bewildering. She faced challenges I couldn't fix. Every moment of pain, fear, loneliness or defeat she or her little brother had resounded deep within me. To give myself over to mothering was to know powerlessness like I've never known it before. Oh, yeah, I had authority and strength. But they never cancelled out my vulnerability.

"Is God's experience similar? I was taught that God was unchanging, transcendent, all-knowing, all-powerful. But the truth is, it's not possible to parent without experiencing risk, weakness, pain and transformation. It is not possible to offer up your own body as nourishment, or to nudge your frightened child out of the nest, or to carry your reckless young on your outstretched wings, or to watch your children refuse your protection, or to offer first-rate hospitality in the full knowledge that it might be rejected – and not embrace vulnerability as a way of life. If God is indeed our parent, then God daily puts God's heart at risk for the sake of love." (Debbie Thomas, Palo Alto, CA)

Central to Christ's teaching is that God is our Creator and loves us as a father or mother loves their children., As all the moms and dads among us will attest, such love is demanding, complete and exhausting. As eternal Parent, God knows what it costs to hold and what it costs to let go, to birth, to nurse, to love, to guide and to launch us on our own paths. God's heart is on the line until we learn to fly, choose our course, and make our way home. "Our Father, who art in heaven," models for us the love of parenthood, and serves as a constant reminder that we are all mother and father and sister and brother to each other... "on earth as it is in heaven."

Enjoy the summer! Fr. Glenn

WEST MIDDLESEX, PA

MONDAY NIGHT "PILGRIMAGE" book group is reminded that we start 30 minutes later this Monday only. With the latest round of clergy assignments, Mercer County got two "new" pastors: Fr. Brandon Kleckner (St. Mike's in Greenville) and Fr. Andrew Boyd (IHM in Mercer). We're having dinner Monday night to welcome them to the deanery and I hope to be finished with dessert and back by 7:00 pm. *Don't forget your homework!*

COFFEE AND CONSCIOUSNESS SERIES

Begins this Sunday, July 24th, following the 9:00 am mass. Join us in the social hall for homemade cinnamon rolls. AWARE is presenting the program on domestic violence and what to do if someone experiencing domestic violence confides in you. If you are bringing your children, we will have face painting and a craft available for everyone under the age of 18. The craft is being made to present as gifts to our shut-ins. Our next series will be held following the 9:00 am mass on July 31st which will be "Talk Saves Lives". This presentation will focus on suicide prevention and knowing the signs. We will have Texas Sheet Cake available, with face painting and a craft for the kids they can take with them. Please join us for these informative events.



DON'T EAT ALONE

Come join in an evening of food and fellowship on **Thursday, July 28th at 5:00 pm** for a potluck in the **social hall**. Good Shepherd will be providing the hot dogs and our theme for this meal is picnic foods. Sign up in the gathering space, e-mail Myrissa.donaldson@stvincent.edu or call ext. 18 to let us know you're coming and whether you'll be bringing a side dish or dessert!



COMMUNITY EVENTS

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August 4-7, 2022

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August 4 (6-11pm) August 5 (6-11pm) August 6 (5-11:30pm) August 7 (1-11pm)

LIVE ENTERTAINMENT NIGHTLY

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| THURSDAY, AUG. 4 | 7-11 PM | RDNA BAND | SATURDAY, AUG. 6 | 8-11 PM | CHRIS HIGBEE BAND |
| FRIDAY, AUG. 5 | 7-11 PM | HERN BROTHERS BAND | SUNDAY, AUG. 7 | 2-5 PM | COUNTY MAYO BAND |
| | | | | 7-11 PM | OLD SKOOL BAND |

In appreciation for all the community support of our parish, all food prices will remain the same as last year.