TWENTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME **14 AUGUST 2022**

Readings for Sunday, August 14: Jeremiah 38:4-6, 8-10; Hebrews 12:1-4; Luke 12:49-53.

The Lord came to the aid of Jeremiah whose preaching brought upon him rejection and ill treatment. For those who take the gospel seriously, misunderstanding and division must likewise be expected. Like Christ, we must never grow despondent or abandon the struggle to proclaim and live the truth.

Readings for Sunday, August 21: Isaiah 66:18-21; Hebrews 12:5-7, 11-13; Luke 13:22-30.



St. Gabriel of the Sorrowful Mother Parish Special Day of Prayer is Wednesday. Adoration of the Most Blessed Sacrament: Wednesday after 9:00 A.M. Mass to 5:00 Eucharistic Adoration PM in the Church. Benediction at 5:00 PM.



Date			Intention	Requested By
15 Aug.	MON.	9:00 AM	Monica Bauer	St. Gabriel Women's Society
16 Aug.	TUE.	9:00 AM	Katharina Nagel	Nagel Family
17 Aug.	WED.	9:00 AM	Gormley, Yeager, Campbell & McQue Families	
18 Aug.	THU.	9:00 AM	Gertrude Bolibruch	Tony & Theresa Vitacco
20 Aug.	SAT.	4:00 PM	Shirley Muscatello	Mary (Bukey) Kalil
21 Aug.	SUN.	9:00 AM	Parishioners of St. Gabriel of the Sorrowful Mother Parish	



ETERNAL REST grant unto them, O Lord. May the souls of the faithful departed rest in peace. **PRAY FOR THE SICK AND SUFFERING** of the parish especially those in homes and hospitals. **REMEMBER OUR TROOPS:** Pray that God will bless and protect our young men and women in the military.

THE ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY -Monday, August 15 - Mass at 9:00 AM. There is no Vigil Mass or evening Mass.



AMERICAN RED CROSS BLOOD DRIVE on August 15 and September 6 & 19 from 2:00 PM to 7:00 PM in the social hall. Prospective donors, please call 1-800-RED-CROSS to make an appointment.

MAGNIFICAT - Those who purchased the Magnificat can pick up their SEPTEMBER issue at the parish office.



THE ROSARY PRAYER GROUP leads the recitation of the Rosary before the 9:00 AM Mass every Sunday. They also pray the Rosary before the 9:00 AM weekday Masses. All are welcome to join in these special Marian Devotions!

FIELD TRIP on August 17 to local butterfly garden sponsored by the Women's Society. Will leave parking lot at 10:45 AM or meet at garden at 11:00 AM. Any and all welcome, men and women - but need to know who is interested. Additional info when you call Lori (610-326-6030). 085 St. Gabriel, page 1



I've never been to Africa. Have you? Maybe, one day I'll get there. I hear that it is very beautiful. I recall the stories of a former altar server. He faithfully served Mass all through grade school. Later, in his college years and beyond, Nick

had the opportunity to travel. Among the places visited was Africa. He remarked how beautiful it was. He was especially taken up with South Africa and its many breathtaking



vistas. As a young man, Africa, its peoples, and its cultures made quite the impact upon Nick. It would shape him and influence him. Following his studies in political science in Washington, D.C., he sought ways to aid the various peoples of that continent. He sought ways to help those people that he had encountered and gotten to know - if but a little. You and I may never have yet been to Africa, but how about if a little bit of Africa comes to us? Although



Father Joseph Bukenya Wetaase is Ugandan by birth, he is a priest of the Diocese of Byumba, Rwanda. We had the opportunity to meet at my prior parish assignment. It was a permanent deacon that I know from a former parish that precipitated our meeting. Father Joseph would be returning to Rwanda shortly, but he would be back in the United States again soon. He was planning to begin studies at a local university and was seeking the hospitality of a parish nearer to the school. We arraigned for a meeting. Yes, there was a spare room in the rectory



and he would be more than welcome to stay. Just out in front of the rectory, there was a bus stop too. From there he would be able to board a bus and with transfer, make it to Saint Joseph's University. It all sounded wonderful and I'm sure that it would have been – except for COVID. The pandemic and lockdown changed everything. There would be no studies for Father Joseph at Saint Joe's. He would remain in Rwanda not attending school, but teaching

it. We did stay in touch during the pandemic. Ahhh, the wonder of *WhatsApp*! Father would occasionally send pictures of his school and students. He

sent some pictures of a volcanic eruption that took place in Rwanda in May of last year. I especially like the family photo taken with his mother and older brother when he was finally able to return home to Uganda and visit. Father Joseph has now returned to the United States for a time. Currently staying with a brother Byumban priest serving in the Diocese of Louisville, he expects to be coming our way soon. He is currently doing some mission work for his home bishop and diocese there. Here he will simply be relaxing



and catching up with friends. If everything goes according to plan, you'll be seeing him around for several weeks. He's planning to stay for about a month, and then it's back to school. I ask that you please extend a warm welcome to him when you meet him. Maybe you can help him get to know our area as you get to know him. In getting to know him, than you and me – all of us will get to know a little bit more about Africa, Uganda, Rwanda and the Diocese of Byumba. Africa sounds very beautiful to me! I hope that now you will discover its beauty as well!

Peace! Fr. Wilson



DEPOSIT FOR AUGUST 7, 2022	\$4,923
2022-2023 Year to Date Collections	\$24,349
2021-2022 Year to Date Collections	\$23,537

SECOND COLLECTION NEXT WEEKEND, August 20 and 21, will be for donations to purchase items needed for baskets for our 15th Annual Golf Outing.

CONSIDER REMEMBERING YOUR PARISH IN YOUR WILL. Call the Parish Office for more details.

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All parishioners are welcome to use FORMED the free FORMED.org service provided by our parish. Go to our parish website and click on the

FORMED.org picture on the home page. Follow prompts to find many books, talks, movies and Bible studies for all age groups.

Prayer for Vocations

God our Father, in Your plan for our salvation You provide shepherds for Your People. Fill Your Church in the Archdiocese of Philadelphia, especially St. Gabriel of the Sorrowful Mother Parish, with the Spirit of courage and love. Raise up from our families future priests: worthy ministers for Your altars, generous and ardent servants of the Gospel. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

ZOOK'S FAMOUS HOMEMADE APPLE DUMPLINGS AND CHICKEN POT PIES



Pick up after Mass Saturday, September 24 Sunday, September 25



NAME

PHONE

Apple Dumplings - \$4.00

Quantity _____Cost _____

6" Chicken Pot Pie - \$6.00 Quantity _____Cost _____

9" Chicken Pot Pie - \$11.00 Quantity _____ Cost _____

All items will be delivered frozen.

Total Cost of order _____

Checks payable to: St. Gabriel Women's Society

Last day to order is September 10.

Although Zook's have raised their prices to us, we WILL NOT be passing the increase along to you. Prices remain the same as last year. Please support us with this popular sale.

MASS ATTENDANCE for August 6/7:

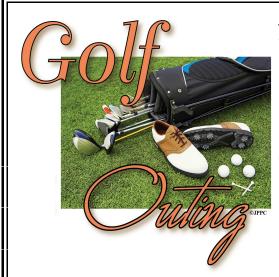
4:00 PM Mass - 99 9:00 AM Mass - 108 Total Attendance - 207

The Corner

As we celebrate the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary this week, let's reflect on this observation from Bishop Fulton J. Sheen....

"Mary is like the moon, for her light is always the reflection of a higher light."

What a beautiful thought!



OUR PARISH 15TH ANNUAL GOLF OUTING will be held on Friday, September 23 beginning at 11:00 AM at Blackwood Golf Course, Douglassville - held rain or shine!

Cost: \$95.00 per golfer (includes golf fees, hot dog/sauerkraut lunch, postplay banquet, refreshments throughout the day and prizes).

SPONSORSHIPS: Family Sponsor - \$25.00

Prize Sponsor - \$50.00 Course Refreshment Sponsor - \$75.00 Hole Sponsor - \$100.00 Food Sponsor - \$250.00 Event Sponsor - \$300.00

Come join us for a day of fun - ask your friends to join you! To register or to sign up for a Sponsorship, please contact Kathy at the Parish Office (610-326-5127 or <u>contact@sgsm62.org</u>).



PARISH LOTTERY RAFFLE TICKET based on the PA Pick 3 Evening Number.

Winning ticket number must be the exact number drawn for the PA Pick 3 Evening Number. Tickets

are \$5.00 each and are sold on a monthly basis. The prize for the winning ticket is \$50.00 on weekdays and \$100.00 on Sundays and one specially-designated weekday. This is our major fund raiser for the parish. We encourage each family to purchase at least one ticket each month. Your support is greatly appreciated.

LOTTERY RAFFLE TICKET WINNERS

August 1 - #122 - unsold August 2 - #326 - Rita Ferraro - \$50.00 August 3 - #374 - unsold August 4 - #764 - unsold August 5 - #016 - Jeff Fry - \$50.00 August 6 - #478 - Bob Steiniger - \$50.00 August 7 - #278 - Judie Perlstein - \$100.00

PRESERVING LIFE & HEALING FROM THE LOSS OF LIFE -

Friday, August 19 from 1:00-2:00 PM at St. Mary Magdalen Church, Media. Presenter: Dr. Alveda King, niece of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. & Pro-life speaker. Join us or watch live-stream online at www.st.marymagdalen.net. MINISTRY SCHEDULE - August 20/21 4:00 PM Mass Lector - Villano Ministers of Holy Communion - Front, Deacon; Break, Durante & Durante; Choir, George Altar Server -Vitacco Greeter - Scheidt 9:00 AM Mass Lector - LaRosa Ministers of Holy Communion - Front, Deacon; Break, C. Bucciaglia & Bernhard Altar Server - Gerasimowicz Greeter - Hildebrand

<u>RETROUVAILLE: Rediscover the Love in Your Marriage</u> -

Next program begins the weekend of August 19-21 at the Family Life Center, Malvern. Couples learn to build communication skills and to increase intimacy. For more details or to register visit <u>www.HelpOurMarriage.org</u> or call 215-766-3944 or 800-470-2230.

ARISE! Evening of Adoration for Youth on Saturday, August 20 at St. Matthew's Roman Catholic Church, Conshohocken. An evening of Adoration with live music, reflection, confessions, prayer teams and more. Doors open at 6:00 PM, Evening concludes with social at 8:30 PM. Event open to incoming 8th through 12th grade teens, must be accompanied by minister or guardian. Bring snacks to share for our end of evening social. Registrations are not required.