

NINETEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

7 AUGUST 2022

Readings for Sunday, August 7: Wisdom 18:6-9; Hebrews 11:1-2, 8-19; Luke 12:32-48.

The author of Wisdom speaks of "that night" of exodus from bondage in Egypt when the Lord delivered his chosen people from death. Let us be prepared for the Lord who will come again, perhaps in the midst of night. As we walk in darkness, our journey to our heavenly homeland is illuminated by faith.

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



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 PM in the Church. Benediction at 5:00 PM.



<u>Date</u>		<u>Intention</u>	<u>Requested By</u>
8 Aug.	MON.	9:00 AM	Dorothy Carr
9 Aug.	TUE.	9:00 AM	Steve, Maria & Tyler Boyer
10 Aug.	WED.	9:00 AM	Son & Daughter
11 Aug.	THU.	9:00 AM	Tony & Theresa Vitacco
13 Aug.	SAT.	4:00 PM	Wife, Jeannine
14 Aug.	SUN.	9:00 AM	The Family
			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.



PARISH 15TH ANNUAL GOLF OUTING 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, post-play banquet, refreshments through out the day and prizes). Sponsorships: Family - \$25.00; Prize - \$50.00; Course Refreshment - \$75.00; Hole - \$100.00; Food - \$250.00; Event - \$300.00. Come join us for a day of fun - bring your friends. To register, please contact Kathy 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).



Aside from the getting lost part and experiencing the beginning of heat stroke, it was quite the beautiful day and makes for quite the story. Really, any day is a great day for hiking in the Bavarian National Forest - despite a touch of delirium and a bit of disorientation. My friend, Franz, invited me. We've known each other for many years. He was off work that day. It would be a bit of a break for him from his responsibilities as husband and father as well. His wife, Sandra, gave her consent knowing, of course, that she was getting a little break too! Our goal would be the Great Falkenstein, a mountain with scenic overlook at 4,314 feet. It isn't all that far from the Czech border. Franz made sure to tell me to wear hiking shoes and comfortable clothing. A hat would be needed along with sun block, sunglasses, water, and some snacks for along the way. We left early the morning of our hike. After a bit of a drive, we arrived in the Lindberg area. We parked across from Hotel Scharnagl secured our hiking wares and began our trek up into the wilderness. One always starts a hike enthusiastically; it doesn't always end that way. We were expecting about a three hour or so hike, not a six hour one. The climb to the top went well. I was taking in all the sights and enjoying the thick



forest. There was a stunning waterfall and a few deer scampering about. It was quite the warm day. Finally arriving at the peak, Franz and I took the requisite selfie. Then, we sat a bit to rest, eat, and enjoy the scenic overlook before heading back down the mountainside. Unfortunately, the water that I brought with me was sitting in the car. I figured that it was **only** a three hour hike and I didn't feel like carrying the bottle. Big mistake! Franz shared some of his water with me. Although the trails have markers and we had no problem going up, somehow on the way down we wound up off trail. No beautiful waterfall here! It seems that we were on a small logging path of sorts. Heck, there weren't even any deer. Then, it seemed that we were on no trail at all. Uh oh! Franz remained confident. *Don't worry, I have my phone.* After playing with its GPS mapping for a few minutes, he pointed in a direction and we were off. After some time, there was still no path or trail marker.



There was more googling and the discovery of some road. Eureka! That must be it! We found the road alright, except now we were below where we needed to be. It was time to climb back uphill. Ugggh! Eventually, we came across a trail marker and followed it closely without any deviation like some kind of Pharisee or Scholar of the Law. What we really needed was an Emmaus experience with the Risen Lord. Eventually, we did get back to the Jerusalem parking lot where our car was. I was really feeling sick. After offering some to Franz, I quickly drank the entire bottle of now hot water that had been in the car all that time. We walked across the street to the hotel to eat at the outdoor cafe. I had to drink more water first – much more. After ordering food, I couldn't eat it right away - just looking at it made me nauseous. Franz, himself, was okay. He said to sit, hydrate, and take your time. We weren't in any hurry. Eventually, I was able to eat a bit. Trust me! Heatstroke is nothing to mess with. Well, I sure did learn a lesson about hiking and heat! It's a life lesson: hydrate and stay on the trail! Of course, the same is true of our Faith. In our crazy world today where so many seem to be "lost in the woods" and many are suffering a "heatstroke" of sorts, we need to be guides as we render aid. We need to provide the Emmaus experience for those lost offering hydration and nourishment in the form of Word and Eucharist. It is only then that the journey undertaken is most fully understood and enjoyed despite difficulties, because beautiful days, friendship, and scenic mountain overlooks, in the end, make for quite the story!

Peace!

Fr. Wilson

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DEPOSIT FOR JULY 31, 2022. \$3,273
 2022-2023 Year to Date Collections. \$19,426
 2021-2022 Year to Date Collections. \$20,126

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Call the Parish Office for more details.

"ADVERTISER OF THE WEEK"

MISHOCK PHYSICAL THERAPY & ASSOCIATES
 610-327-2600

MASS ATTENDANCE for July 30/31:

4:00 PM Mass - 99
 9:00 AM Mass - 105
 Total Attendance - 204



All parishioners are welcome to use 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.

The Corner

"....Jesus took Peter, James, and his brother John, and led them up a high mountain by themselves. And He was transfigured before them; His face shone like the sun and His clothes became white as light."—Matthew 17:1-2

WOW, just imagine that for a moment! We won't see the transfigured Christ until the day we meet Him face-to-face. But in the meantime, we can see His glory through His holy sacraments. So let us pray, "Dear Jesus, open my eyes and help me to see Your glory today!"



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

August 2022

Dear Sisters and Brothers in Christ,

Please consider making a generous gift to the upcoming second collection in support of The Catholic University of America. It was founded by a pontifical charter in 1887 as the research university of the Church in the United States and has a long tradition of dedicated service to Catholicism in our country.

Through its 12 schools, 32 research facilities, and more than 250 academic programs, the University community works tirelessly on behalf of its 5,700 undergraduate and graduate students. Under the guidance of its new President, Peter K. Kilpatrick, Ph.D., it will educate them to serve the Church and nation as the Catholic leaders of tomorrow.

Your gift to this special collection, the only national collection taken for Catholic higher education in our country, will not only go to support students in this critical time but also helps the University better serve dioceses and parishes through innovative research and training programs. One such initiative is The Catholic Project, which brings together clergy and laity to address the myriad of challenges facing the Church in the United States. Overall, the University contributes superior education, formation, research, a Master's program in Ecclesial Administration and Management, and a credentialing program that prepares recent graduates to serve as campus ministers.

The University's benefactors are critical to both a successful academic year and to all the important work it does on behalf of the Church and the faithful in our country. If you are able, please make a contribution to the mission of the Catholic University of America, either directly at your parish or online through their dedicated site on the #givecatholictogether platform. Please be generous in supporting this important collection. Please pray for me and be assured of a remembrance in my prayers.

Sincerely in Christ,

+Most Reverend Nelson J. Pérez, D.D.
 Archbishop of Philadelphia



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

July 25 - #762 - unsold
 July 26 - #145 - unsold
 July 27 - #395 - unsold
 July 28 - #816 - unsold
 July 29 - #913 - unsold
 July 30 - #576 - Buccigaglia Grands - \$50.00
 July 31 - #083 - unsold

JULY FIGURES: 249 tickets sold - \$1,245.00. Payout to
 winners - \$400.00. Cost of tickets - \$100.00. Profit for
 July - \$745.00. THANK YOU to everyone for supporting
 the July Lottery Raffle.

MINISTRY SCHEDULE - August 13/14

4:00 PM Mass

Lector - Mich

Ministers of Holy Communion - Front, Deacon; Break,
 Durante & Nester; Choir - Durante

Altar Server - Vitacco

Greeter - Bell

9:00 AM Mass

Lector - Boyer

Ministers of Holy Communion - Front, Deacon; Break,
 Donnelly & Templin

Altar Server - Donnelly

Greeter - Carr

DAY AT THE BAY BOARDWALK EDITION for Roman and
 Hallahan Alumni on August 13 from 2:00 PM to 7:00 PM
 at the Seaport Pier, North Wildwood, NJ. Cost is \$30 per
 person in advance; \$40 at the door. Includes beer
 specials, food and music. Must be 21 to attend.

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.