

FIFTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

16 JULY 2023

Readings for Sunday, July 16: Isaiah 55:10-11; Romans 8:18-23; Matthew 13:1-23.

“The seed that falls on good ground will yield a fruitful harvest.” May the soil of our hearts be receptive to the Word and carry it out through the presence of the Spirit.

Readings for Sunday, July 23: Wisdom 12:13, 16-19; Romans 8:26-27; Matthew 13:24-43.



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>
17 July	MON. 9:00 AM	Joseph Vitelli	Anna Flippo
18 July	TUE. 9:00 AM	PRAYER SERVICE	
19 July	WED. 9:00 AM	PRAYER SERVICE	
20 July	THU. 9:00 AM	PRAYER SERVICE	
22 July	SAT. 4:00 PM	Parishioners of St. Gabriel of the Sorrowful Mother Parish	
23 July	SUN. 9:00 AM	Victor D'Emilio	Wife, Lucy & family



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.



NOVENA IN HONOR OF OUR LADY OF THE MIRACULOUS MEDAL on Mondays after the 9:00 AM Mass. All are welcome to join in this special Marian Devotion.

ST. GABRIEL OF THE SORROWFUL MOTHER PARISH MEMORIAL FUND DONATION received in memory of:
ROBERT FITCH from Jack & Marge Bucciaglia.

The Corner

“Ask Him to remind you when you are far away, He is near; and when you are near, He is content.”

— Jane Trufant Harvey “Ask Him”



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.

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

Collections ©IPPC *thank you*

DEPOSIT FOR JULY 2, 2023. \$3,784
2023-2024 Year to Date Collections. \$3,784
2022-2023 Year to Date Collections. \$3,254

DEPOSIT FOR JULY 9, 2023. \$3,925
2023-2024 Year to Date Collections. \$7,709
2022-2023 Year to Date Collections. \$7,427



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

June 26 - #554 - unsold
June 27 - #780 - unsold
June 28 - #585 - unsold
June 29 - #730 - unsold
June 30 - #536 - unsold

JUNE FIGURES: 235 Tickets sold - \$1,175.00. Payout to winners - \$700.00. Cost of tickets - \$100.00. Profit for June - \$375.00.

July 1 - #279 - Paula Spollen - \$50.00
July 2 - #934 - unsold
July 3 - #262 - Sandy & Pete Richards - \$50.00
July 4 - #002 - unsold
July 5 - #818 - unsold
July 6 - #509 - Bonita Stankunas - \$50.00
July 7 - #588 - unsold
July 8 - #217 - Cliff & Barb Keller - \$50.00
July 9 - #255 - unsold

MASS ATTENDANCE for July 1-2:

4:00 PM Mass - 98
9:00 AM Mass - 113
Total Attendance - 211

MASS ATTENDANCE for July 8/9:

4:00 PM Mass - 79
9:00 AM Mass - 110
Total Attendance - 189



APPAREL ALERT! We are launching our apparel this month:

T-shirt (full front logo) - \$10
T-shirt (small logo on upper left) - \$10
Hoodies - (full front logo) - \$25
1/4 Zip (small logo on upper left) - \$35

Polo Shirts (small logo on upper left) - \$25

Current colors offered are: Kelly Green or Sunburst Yellow (logo is black and gray just like the photo). Sizes: S to XL - larger sizes are available just add \$2 and we have youth sizes too! **PROMOTE YOUR PARISH!!!** Contact Maria Boyer (mboyer@sgsm62.org).



CHURCH MAGNETS are available at the Parish Office. They can be placed on your car or refrigerator. Cost is \$5.00 each.

MINISTRY SCHEDULE - July 22/23

4:00 PM Mass

Lector - Warzeski

Ministers of Holy Communion - Front, Deacon; Break, Tammaro & Tammaro; Choir, George

Altar Server - Holmes

Greeter - Gambino

9:00 AM Mass

Lector - Iannozzi

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

Altar Server - Donnelly & Miller

Greeter - Carr



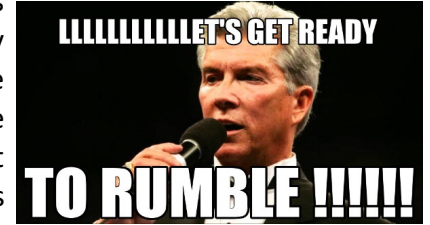
AMERICAN RED CROSS BLOOD DRIVES on and July 17 and August 7 & 21 from 2:00 PM to 7:00 PM in the social hall. Please call 1-800-RED-CROSS to make an appointment.



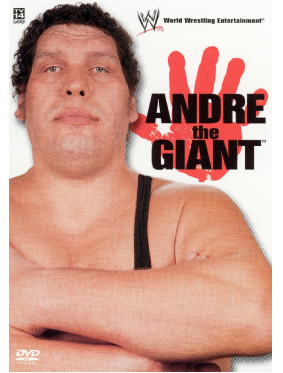
Let's get ready to rumble! This phrase belongs to us. It's homegrown. It was Philadelphia born Michael Buffer that made this phrase popular as an announcer before boxing as well as wrestling matches. I was never a member of a wrestling team in all my schooling; nevertheless I've done plenty of wrestling - especially as a little guy. Oh, you know the wrestling that I mean. It tends to be the boys more



so than the girls. It is often brothers that wrestle. My wrestling as a youngster was occasionally with my father and more often with my cousin. My father actually let me win on occasion while saying, *phew, I've had enough! I'm worn out! You win "old man!"* Not my cousin! He was several years older than me and so naturally, that gave him the advantage - of which he always took advantage. *I surrender! I surrender!* Sometimes the matches got heated - very heated. I got tired of being battered and *always* having to surrender. Ah,



the love of cousins! It was my grandfather that loved the WWWF (later just WWF) wrestling that used to be on TV Saturday afternoons. Among the legends are Bruno, the strongest man in the world, Sammartino, Rowdy Roddy Piper, Stone Cold Steve Austin, Hulk Hogan, and who could forget Andre the Giant. Gramp, himself, was never on a wrestling team, but having fought and been wounded in a World War, he certainly proved his mettle and wrestling ability. I have a priest classmate that was a wrestler at one of our archdiocesan high schools. The future Father would have his "special move" to wrest free from a pending pin - as long as the ref didn't see to call a foul! And no, I have no intention of giving away his secret and somewhat funny, albeit rule-bending move! I sure could have used it against my cousin! Although, I was never *formally* a



wrestler in school, I am now very much one. I always have been. In fact, now I'm a wrestling coach one might say. Everyone today should be a wrestler, especially our young people. We hear of wrestling in Sacred Scripture. It was Jacob that wrestled with a man that turned out to be an angel in the Book of Genesis. And Jacob won! Although a tad bruised in the hip, he won the day and was blessed forevermore. As was true for Jacob, so too for us!

There has to be; there needs to be; there quite naturally should be a wrestling with our Faith! Although we have our feet firmly planted upon the Earth, our calling is to the heights of Heaven. Such a calling involves a tension that will have us wrestling and rolling around on the mat quite a bit. At first, we usually approach the match like children, but later, with growth and effort, we grow strong! Jesus, Himself, was a wrestler. He put on the singlet when He entered this world and upon the Cross prevented a pin by using a very "special move" indeed winning the Championship Belt for all time. You and I are now invited to share in His victory. Climb into the ring - and *let's get ready to rumble!*



Peace!

Fr. Wilson

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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.

ANNUAL GOLF TOURNAMENT & BANQUET sponsored by the Knights of Columbus, Fr. Bally Council & Valley Forge Chapter on Friday, August 11 - rain or shine at Twin Ponds Golf Course, Gilbertsville. Shotgun start for an 18 hole scramble format at 9:00 AM. Banquet at approximately 2:00 PM. Tournament includes: Door Prizes, 18 holes of golf, breakfast (Clubhouse) 7:15 AM-8:45 AM, Barbecue and Hot Dog Lunch with Prime Rib Banquet Dinner, beer and water throughout the day, Team prizes and Skill prizes. Donation: Golfers - \$125.00; Banquet only - \$40.00. Payment and Registration due by August 5. 100% PREPAID event. To register contact Gary Huster (thebighue@aol.com or 610-972-0356).



DEEPEN YOUR DISCIPLESHIP - GROW IN MISSION

Join Archbishop Pérez in his mission to create a culture of missionary disciples in the Archdiocese of Philadelphia! Subscribe to receive a weekly text from the Archbishop with one action step you can take that week to deepen your friendship with Jesus or grow in your mission to bring Jesus to others. It will be a year of journeying with the Archbishop into deeper missionary discipleship from February 2023 to February 2024. To subscribe visit www.phillydisciples.org/goforth.



EUCCHARISTIC REVIVAL - JOIN US!

Scandal, division, disease, doubt. The Church has withstood each of these throughout our very human history. But today we confront all of them, all at once. Our response in this moment is pivotal. In the midst of these roaring waves, Jesus is present, reminding us that he is more powerful than the storm. He desires to heal, renew, and unify the Church and the world. How will he do it? By uniting us once again around the source and summit of our faith—the Holy Eucharist. The National Eucharistic Revival is the joyful, expectant, grassroots response of the entire Catholic Church in the U.S. to this divine invitation. Visit www.phillyeucharisticrevival.org to stay up to date on our local celebration.

CATHOLIC WOMEN'S CONFERENCE 2023 - Join Catholic women from the greater Philadelphia area for a day of fun, friendship, faith formation and prayer at the Catholic Women's Conference. The 2023 theme is *"Created for Love: Daughter • Sister • Friend • Bride • Mother."* Throughout the day, we will learn how we as women can enter more deeply into these five primary ways of relating to God and others and so experience deeper fulfillment and bring greater joy to others. Saturday, October 28 from 9:00 AM to 4:00 PM at the National Shrine of Our Lady of Czestochowa, Doylestown. Register at www.catholicwomensconference.org.



ARCHDIOCESE OF PHILADELPHIA EUCCHARISTIC CONGRESS

- *"The Gift of Finest Wheat: This is My Body Given Up for You."* Held on Saturday, September 30 from 9:00 AM to 4:00 PM at the National Shrine of Our Lady of Czestochowa, Doylestown. All are welcome! Holy Mass at 9:00 AM celebrated by Archbishop Pérez begins the day. Benediction of the Most Blessed Sacrament at 4:00 PM concludes the day. Talks on the Mystery of the Eucharist by compelling speakers. Opportunities for Adoration, Confession and other Devotions. Special track of events in Spanish and for the Youth. Please bring your own lunch. Plenty of parking is available. For additional information about the 2023 Eucharistic Congress and to register visit www.phillyeucharisticrevival.org/congress.