

# SIXTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

## 19 JULY 2020

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

In his patience, the Lord allows both weeds and wheat to grow together, both saints and sinners to respond to salvation in the Kingdom. This Lord is good and forgiving, lenient to all, desiring repentance for our sins. May the Spirit assist us in our weakness.

**Readings for Sunday, July 26:** 1 Kings 3:5, 7-12; Romans 8:28-30; Matthew 13:44-52.

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**St. Gabriel of the Sorrowful Mother Parish Special Day of Prayer is Monday.**  
**Adoration of the Most Blessed Sacrament: Monday after 9:00 A.M. Mass to 4:00 PM in the Church.**

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### MASSES FOR THE WEEK

<u>Date</u>		<u>Intention</u>	<u>Requested By</u>
20 July	MON. 9:00 AM	Brian Axsmith	John Dori
22 July	WED. 9:00 AM	Adam Cavalier, Jr.	Chris, Gene, Domenic & Aunt Lucy
23 July	THU. 9:00 AM	Simon Nagel III	Maria, Steve & Tyler Boyer
24 July	FRI. 9:00 AM	Barbara & Jim Snyder	Jeanette & Bill Gatta
25 July	SAT. 4:00 PM	People of St. Gabriel of the Sorrowful Mother Parish	
26 July	SUN. 9:00 AM	Victor D'Emilio	Wife, Lucy & family

**Mass on weekdays will be in the Church. Remember to practice the social distancing guidelines and wear a face mask or covering for the safety of all.**



**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 PARISH OFFICE IS OPEN!** However, due to the Coronavirus (COVID-19) Pandemic, for the safety of our parishioners and staff, all parish business will be conducted by phone (610-326-5127), regular mail or email ([contact@sgsm62.org](mailto:contact@sgsm62.org)).

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

Dear parish family,

It was nice to meet so many of you after Masses last week. For a priest, arriving at a new parish assignment can be overwhelming. There are lots of people to get to know and so many things to figure out quickly, but so many of you have said positive and welcoming things right away, and that has helped make the transition easier. Thank you all for the warm welcome.

Of course, it would be easier to introduce ourselves if we didn't have to stay six feet apart and could see each other's faces instead of wearing masks, but these are the circumstances in which we find ourselves and so we make the best of it. Let's all continue to pray for an end to this pandemic.

Speaking of which, in light of the guidelines of the CDC and the Archdiocese for celebrating Mass and the sacraments during this time, there are a few tweaks we'll be making to the routine here at the parish. All Masses will be celebrated in the church going forward, and Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament will likewise be in the church. This gives us much more space to remain socially distant than we have in the rectory chapel. Confessions will be heard in the cry room, for the time being instead of the sacristy. This will allow for more distance and air circulation than the confessional affords, but also give those going to confession a greater sense of privacy than they might have felt walking through the church into the sacristy full of liturgical ministers preparing for Mass. So far reaction to these tweaks have been positive, and I appreciate your understanding as we try to keep things safe for all of us.

Once again, thank you all for the kind welcome you've shown. This looks like a great parish, and I'm happy to be here as your priest. Have a great week!

—Fr. Kiernan

**2020 MASS BOOK** - Requests for Mass Intentions from July through December are now being accepted. There is a limit of 2 weekend Masses due to the limited number of Masses available. Both weekday and weekend Masses are available from August through December. The stipend of \$15.00 for weekend Masses and \$10.00 for weekday Masses must be paid at the time you request the Mass intention. Please contact the parish office to request Mass intentions.

**ST. GABRIEL OF THE SORROWFUL MOTHER PARISH MEMORIAL FUND DONATIONS received in memory of:**

GEORGE QUINTER from Jack & Margie Bucciaglia;

SIMON NAGEL III from Jack & Margie Bucciaglia;

ROBERT MORGAN, SR. from Jack & Margie Bucciaglia.

**HAND-MADE BABY BLANKETS** - The Women's Society is selling hand-made baby blankets. The cost is \$10.00. The blankets make a very nice gift for a new baby or as an additional something when giving a gift card. You can purchase the blankets at the parish office.

**REDNER'S REGISTER TAPE PROGRAM** - Thank you to everyone for collecting the Redner's register tapes for our parish. Money we receive from this program goes toward our Parish Religious Education Program (PREP). Just a reminder, you must use a Save-A-Tape card for us to be able to use your register tapes. You can obtain a Save-A-Tape card at any Redner's. Containers for the register tapes are in the vestibule of church. You can also drop off your tapes at the parish office.

*Parish Support*

WEEKLY BUDGET.....	\$5,000
DEPOSIT FOR JULY 12, 2020.....	\$3,660
Regular Sunday Collection -	\$3,490
Parish Giving -	\$170
WEEKLY DEFICIT. ....	(\$1,340)
Year to Date Budget.....	\$10,000
Year to Date Collections.....	\$7,975
Average per week Collection	\$3,988
Year to Date Deficit. ....	(\$2,205)
Average per week Deficit	(\$1,012)

JULY 13, 2019

Deposit. ....	\$3,589
2019-2020 Deficit to Date.....	(\$2,810)
Difference from previous year.....	\$785

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

**CATHOLIC CHARITIES APPEAL** - The Catholic Charities Appeal's overall goal of \$12.5 million is vital to the efforts of the human service programs in the five-county Philadelphia area. Contributing to our parish's individual goal allows you to be an active part of the success of this year's appeal. Thank you to those who have given. For those who have not yet given, prayerfully consider how you can help by supporting the 2020 Catholic Charities Appeal.

**"ADVERTISER OF THE WEEK"**

**MALLORY'S ARMY FOUNDATION**

973-440-8657

**MASS ATTENDANCE for July 11/12:**

4:00 PM Mass - 80  
9:00 AM Mass - 79  
Total Attendance - 159



**Raffle Drawing**

**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. Tickets are available after the Masses on weekends and at the parish office on weekdays. **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.**

**AUGUST LOTTERY TICKETS ARE ON SALE THROUGH THE PARISH OFFICE. PLEASE CALL THE OFFICE TO MAKE ARRANGEMENTS TO PURCHASE TICKETS. WE ARE NOT SELLING TICKETS AFTER MASSES AT THIS TIME.** THANK YOU to all who have been supporting this fund raiser.

**LOTTERY CALENDAR RAFFLE TICKET WINNERS**

- July 6 - #564 - unsold
- July 7 - #907 - unsold
- July 8 - #966 - unsold
- July 9 - #268 - unsold
- July 10 - #194 - unsold
- July 11 - #938 - unsold
- July 12 - #521 - Cliff & Barb Keller - \$100.00

**RADA CUTLERY** - The Women's Society is selling RADA Cutlery. Items available include: 6-1/2" paring knife, vegetable peeler, server spoon, 8-1/2" utility steak knife, 11" large slicer and 8-1/2" serrated knife. For more information or to purchase any of the cutlery, please call Denise Buccigaglia (610-468-4032).

**SAVE OUR CITY'S CHILDREN** - Saturday, July 25. 8:00 AM Mass at Cathedral Chapel, Philadelphia followed by procession. 9:15-10:30 AM - Ecumenical Prayer Vigil at Planned Parenthood. Let us unite in prayer with our Archbishop to uphold the sanctity of life! Call Pro Life Union (215-885-8150) for more details.

**EUCCHARISTIC CONGRESS** - “Jesus in the Eucharist Increase Our Faith” on October 9-10 at the Cathedral Basilica of Saints Peter and Paul and the Shrine of Saint Katharine Drexel, Philadelphia. Our national fast from the celebration of Mass and the reception of Holy Communion during the COVID-19 pandemic awakens in all of us our need for the Eucharist and our gratefulness for so wondrous a Gift from Jesus to his Church. Every member of the Church is welcome to participate in this Eucharist Congress - a time to profess our faith more profoundly in the true and real presence of Christ in the Holy Eucharist. The Eucharistic Congress opens with the celebration of the Eucharist on Friday, October 9 at 6:00 PM, followed by Exposition of the Most Blessed Sacrament until the close of the Congress. The Congress closes with the Solemn Celebration of the Eucharist on Saturday, October 10 at 5:15 PM followed by an outdoor Eucharistic Procession. Mark your calendars and save the dates! You can register at [www.archphila.org/eucharistic-congress](http://www.archphila.org/eucharistic-congress). Sponsored by Council of Major Superiors of Women Religious.

**METANOIA** is an active community of Catholic young adults in western Montgomery County. The group supports Catholics in their 20s and 30s who are looking to deepen their faith and meet fellow Catholics in the area. We are excited to announce that Archbishop Perez will be our honored guest on Tuesday, July 21 at 7:30 PM at Mother of Divine Providence Church, King of Prussia. Doors to the church will open at 7:00 PM. The Archbishop will address the young adults, with question and answer session to follow. We also hope to have an outdoor time of fellowship (social distancing style). We want to create the best event possible while also abiding by necessary Archdiocesan, parish, and community guidelines in order to keep everyone safe and comfortable. In order to do this, it is important that we have an idea of how many people to expect. Please complete this Google form in order to register for this event: <https://forms.gle/8D6efwqu1bj61tgS7> For more information, contact [metanoiayoungadults@gmail.com](mailto:metanoiayoungadults@gmail.com) or visit our website [www.metanoiayoungadults.org](http://www.metanoiayoungadults.org).

**RETROUVAILLE:** Rediscover the Love in Your Marriage. Couples learn to build communication skills and to increase intimacy. It provides help for marriage problems, difficulties or crises. Next program begins the weekend of August 14-16 at the Family Life Center, Malvern. For more information or to register visit [www.HelpOurMarriage.org](http://www.HelpOurMarriage.org) or call 215-766-3944 or 800-470-2230. All inquiries are strictly confidential.

**HOPE RESTORED** - Join The Miraculous Medal Shrine for a Novena of Hope every Monday through July 27 and learn about the apparitions of Mary which are reflected in the lower-level shrines. Come to the Miraculous Medal Shrine in Philadelphia or watch via [livestream at 12:05 PM at www.miraculousmedal.org/livestream](https://www.miraculousmedal.org/livestream). For more information visit [www.miraculousmedal.org](http://www.miraculousmedal.org) or [www.facebook.com/miraculousmedalshrinepa](https://www.facebook.com/miraculousmedalshrinepa).

**VICTORIOUS, A VIRTUAL RETREAT FOR WOMEN** - July 28 through September 1. You Are Made New Ministry is hosting a 6-session virtual retreat focused on claiming Christ’s victory over our identity and our worthiness, claiming His authority over lies and fears, and crowning Him as the Victorious King of our hearts! Retreat leaders include: Father Stephen DeLacy, De Yarrison of You Are Made New Ministry and Laura Ercolino of Hope’s Garden. Register: [www.YouAreMadeNew.com/victorious-virtual-retreat](http://www.YouAreMadeNew.com/victorious-virtual-retreat) or contact De Yarrison at 610-287-2989.

**GUIDELINES DURING GREEN PHASE OF COVID-19:**  
The obligation to attend Mass on Sundays and Holy Days of Obligation continues to be lifted during the Green Phase.  
Please stay home if your are sick. Please stay home if you are at higher risk of severe illness with COVID-19.  
Mass will continue to be available via live-stream or on TV. Live-stream from the Cathedral Basilica of SS. Peter and Paul at 11:00 AM Sunday via [www.archphila.org](http://www.archphila.org). Also on TV: 6ABC Sundays at 5:00 AM; ME TV Sundays at 7:00 AM; EWTN Sundays at 8:00 AM.  
Please continue to practice social distancing and the guidelines in place when attending Mass for the safety of everyone.