THIRTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME **26 JUNE 2022**

Readings for Sunday, June 26: 1 Kings 19:16b, 19-21; Galatians 5:1, 13-18; Luke 9:51-62.

Elisha is summoned to follow the prophet Elijah and to succeed him. Jesus insists that those who follow him must abandon all material or psychological securities, walking ever forward without looking back. It is the Lord alone who is to hold fast our lot. Paul distinguishes between true freedom and license.

Readings for Sunday, July 3: Isaiah 66:10-14c; Galatians 6:14-18; Luke 10:1-12, 17-20.



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.



| <u>Date</u> | | | <u>Intention</u> | Requested By |
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| 27 June | MON. | 9:00 AM | Pauline Harbach | Husband, Joe |
| 28 June | TUE. | 9:00 AM | Thomas Liott | Tony & Theresa Vitacco |
| 29 June | WED. | 9:00 AM | Shirley Muscatello | Mary (Bukey) Kalil |
| 30 June | THU. | 9:00 AM | Edwin G. Pennypacker | Nick & Linda Paolucci |
| 2 July | SAT. | 4:00 PM | Parishioners of St. Gabriel of the Sorrowful Mother Parish | |
| 3 July | SUN. | 9:00 AM | Those Enrolled in St. Gabriel of the Sorrowful Mother Parish Memorial Fund | |



ETERNAL REST grant unto them, O Lord. May the souls of the faithful departed rest in peace, especially CATHY REILLY.

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.



SAVE THE DATE! Thursday, August 4 at 7:00 PM - Reading Phillies celebrate Your Faith Night with Fireworks following the game. Contact Maria

Boyer, DRE, to purchase tickets (610-506-2455 or mboyer@sgsm62.org).

MAGNIFICAT - Those who purchased the Magnificat can pick up their JULY issue at the Parish Office.

MAGNIFICAT SUBSCRIPTIONS - Cost for one year is \$36.00. Subscription begins with November 2022 issue. Anyone interested in subscribing, please call the parish office. Deadline is July 31.



We welcome DENNIS & JENNIFER ARMS and ROBERT & JULIE SCHNEEWEIS who recently joined our Parish!

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.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS! Our Parish 15th Annual Golf Outing will be held on Friday, September 23 at Blackwood Golf Course. More details in future bulletins.

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Last Sunday was not only Father's Day. As a Church, we celebrated the Solemnity of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ traditionally known as *Corpus Christi*. We celebrated here locally at Saint Gabriel's with a little Eucharistic Procession after the 9am Mass. Our Church has a rich history of Eucharistic Procession on *Corpus Christi*. Some of the larger processions might have gone through a whole town or village. A crowd would follow along with choirs, banners, flags, representatives from various parish organizations, along with altar servers, deacons, priests, and bishops as well.

The Blessed Sacrament would be carried in a monstrance under a processional canopy (baldacchino) and there would be stops along the way with various prayers and adoration. The procession would conclude with a Solemn Benediction followed, of course, with a wonderful meal to feed a famished people and their clergy. I've had the

experience of participating in such a procession a number of years ago now on a beautiful day in a little European town. Our procession last Sunday, although small in scale, was large in beauty! A number of parishioners remained after Mass and processed out to our Marian Grotto where our Solemn Benediction took place. It was a beautiful day and a



beautiful event expressing our sincere love for Our Lord in the Eucharist. Yes, it was rather breezy, but that put me in mind of the Holy Spirit and how the Spirit blows where It will. Yet, the sky was clear and blue. There were but a few wisps of white clouds – the angels perhaps, joining us in celebration. The monstrance, itself, was placed in the grotto which

will soon house our new Blessed Mother statue. Its appearance was stunning against the blue background. I believe that the Lord Himself, in this way, preliminarily blessed our grotto in preparation for His Mother's arrival. I shared a few brief thoughts that day and I share them again here.

I am the Bread of Life; whoever comes to me will never hunger, and whoever believes in me will never thirst (John 6:35). What is True Adoration? If we give honor to Our Lord in the Blessed Sacrament with incense, processions, prayers, and song, but ignore His Real Presence in others and within ourselves, then we fail in True Adoration. If we truly love and care for the Christ in others and strive to give honor to His Presence in us, but ignore His Real Presence in the Sacrament of the Holy Eucharist, then we also fail in True Adoration. True Adoration is both recognizing the Real Presence of Christ in all of our brothers and sisters and giving Him the honor that is His due as well as recognizing His Real Presence sacramentally in the Most Holy Eucharist – the Bread of Life. It is then that the Broken Body of Christ so evident in the Good Fridays of our world is truly healed and made whole.

As we enter into the three year period of Eucharistic Revival now initiated by the Bishops of the United States, may all of us grow in our devotion to Our Eucharistic Lord and His Mother, Mary!

Peace! Fr. Wilson









| DEPOSIT FOR JUNE 19, 2022 | . \$3,408 |
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| 2021-2022 Year to Date Collections\$ | 216,997 |
| 2020-2021 Year to Date Collections\$ | 220,977 |

SECOND COLLECTION NEXT WEEKEND, July 2 and 3, will be the Catholic Campaign for Human Development (CCHD) Collection. More than 37 million people in the United States live in poverty. CCHD supports those living in poverty by funding programs that empower local communities to address the challenges they face. It identifies and addresses the unique obstacles people face as they work to lift themselves and their communities out of poverty. In addition, 25% of the funds we collect remain in our archdiocese to fund local anti-poverty projects. By supporting this collection, you are giving those on the margins a hand up, not a handout. Please be generous.



AMERICAN RED CROSS BLOOD DRIVE

on Friday, July 1 and Monday, July 18 from 2:00 PM to 7:00 PM in the social hall. Prospective donors, please call 1-800-RED-CROSS to make an appointment.

MASS ATTENDANCE for June 18/19:

4:00 PM Mass - 96 9:00 AM Mass - 107 Total Attendance - 203

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.



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 13 - #724 - Jack Bucciaglia - \$50.00

June 14 - #221 - unsold

June 15 - #820 - unsold

June 16 - #690 - Rose Grenewald - \$100.00

June 17 - #887 - unsold

June 18 - #690 - Rose Grenewald - \$50.00

June 19 - #024 - unsold

MINISTRY SCHEDULE - July 2/3

4:00 PM Mass

Lector - Villano

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

Altar Server - Holmes

Greeter - Scheidt

9:00 AM Mass

Lector - LaRosa

Ministers of Holy Communion - Front, Deacon; Break,

Gerasimowicz & Carr

Altar Server - Gerasimowicz

Greeter - Neiman

The Corner

In these weeks following Pentecost, let's always remember this. We are a missionary church. We are sent by the Lord to spread His word and do His work. The Gospel is not just something that we are meant to cling to for our own benefit; it is seed that we are meant to give away.

And Prayer is not incidental to this ministry. It is not decorative. It is the lifeblood of the Church's efforts. Without it, nothing will succeed; without it, no ministers will come forward. At all times pray, pray, pray.